

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF FORT WORTH 2023 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; ANALYZING POPULATION, ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL TRENDS; DESCRIBING IMPLEMENTATION TOOLS; DIVIDING THE CITY INTO 16 PLANNING SECTORS; PROVIDING MAPS DESCRIBING PROPOSED FUTURE LAND USES AND RECOMMENDED LAND USE POLICIES FOR EACH SECTOR; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 25379-03-2022 adopting the Fort Worth 2022 Comprehensive Plan on March 8, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2022 Comprehensive Plan is the City of Fort Worth’s general guide for making decisions about growth and development; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2022 Comprehensive Plan includes, without limitation, provisions on land use, housing, parks and community services, libraries, human services, neighborhood capacity building, economic development, transportation, education, historic preservation, urban design, arts and culture, police services, fire and emergency services, environmental quality, public health, and municipal facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the City Council’s intent to update elements of the Comprehensive Plan annually; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 25, 2023, the City Plan Commission conducted a public hearing on the 2023 Comprehensive Plan and recommended that the City Council adopt the plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council conducted a public hearing on the 2023 Comprehensive Plan on March 21, 2023, at which the public was given the opportunity to give testimony and present written evidence; and

**WHEREAS**, a copy of the of the 2023 Comprehensive Plan is on file in the City Secretary’s Office and is available from the Planning and Data Analytics Department and includes the following revisions to the 2022 Comprehensive Plan:

1. The *Population Trends, Economic Trends, and Financial Trends* chapters have been updated to reflect the latest statistical information available for these chapters.
2. *Chapter 4: Land Use* has been updated to include relevant new information and data, and to streamline the Future Land Use – Zoning table.
3. Minor updates have been made to the *Introduction, Chapter 12: Education, Chapter 16: Police Services, and Chapter 19: Public Health*.
4. Maps have been updated throughout the plan to reflect approved annexations and boundary adjustments.
5. *Appendix A: Existing Plans and Studies* has been updated to reflect the City Council’s adoption of the following plans:
  - a. *Botanic Garden Master Plan, 2023 update*
  - b. *Economic Development Strategic Plan, 2022 update*
  - c. *Las Vegas Trail Neighborhood Transformation Plan, 2023* (proposed March 2023)
  - d. *Meacham Airport Master Plan, 2023*
  - e. *Public Art Plan for 2022 Bond Program*
6. *Appendix C: Future Land Use by Sector* has been updated to reflect 100-year floodplain locations on vacant land, approved zoning changes, new development plans and opportunities, and existing development patterns unlikely to change.
7. *Appendix D: Proposed Capital Improvements* has been updated to include the adopted FY2023-2027 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan, along with a graphic summary of major expenditures described in the plan.
8. *Appendix E: Planned Service Areas* has been updated to reflect 20-year planned service area adjustments and recent annexations.
9. *Appendix F: Annexation Plan, Policy, and Program* has been updated to reflect changes to the annexation program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1.**

The 2023 Comprehensive Plan of the City of Fort Worth is adopted as set out in Exhibit A attached and incorporated as if contained herein, specifically including existing plans and studies described in Appendix A to the Plan, which are incorporated by reference. A copy of the 2023 Comprehensive Plan of the City of Fort Worth is on file in the City Secretary's Office and in the Planning and Data Analytics Department.

**SECTION 2.**

The City of Fort Worth 2023 Comprehensive Plan supersedes and replaces the 2022 Comprehensive Plan.

**SECTION 3.**

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances and of the Code of the City of Fort Worth, Texas (2015), as amended, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances and such Code, in which event conflicting provisions of such ordinances and such Code are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4.**

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this ordinance are severable, and, if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the same

would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

**SECTION 5.**

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:**

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Melinda Ramos, Sr. Assistant City Attorney

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Jannette S. Goodall, City Secretary

**ADOPTED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EFFECTIVE:** \_\_\_\_\_

## EXHIBIT A

- USB flash drives or similar electronic storage devices containing the 2023 Comprehensive Plan to be attached and on file in the City Secretary's Office.
- 2023 Comprehensive Plan URL:  
<https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/departments/planning-data-analytics/planning/comprehensiveplan/adopted>