

**RESOLUTION #2023-19**  
**AMENDING THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION STUDY (NARTS)**  
**FFY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

**WHEREAS**, Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC) is the officially designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Designated Recipient for the Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, metropolitan area; and

**WHEREAS**, the MPO is charged with the responsibility of developing and administering the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Northwest Arkansas Regional Transportation Study (NARTS); and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution #2023-04 authorized NWARPC to file application for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Areas of Persistent Poverty (AoPP) Grant for the Enhancing Equitable Transit Connections in NWA project and administer the grant should it be awarded; and

**WHEREAS**, the NWARPC was awarded \$180,000 AoPP Grant by the FTA (90% federal) with the \$20,000 local match (10%) being split by Ozark Regional Transit (ORT) and Razorback Transit; and

**WHEREAS**, the NWARPC, in conjunction with Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FTA), has determined an amendment to the NARTS Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023-2026 TIP is necessary to include the \$180,000 FTA AoPP Grant; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the adopted NWARPC Public Participation Plan, this TIP amendment was subject to public comment from October 10, 2023 to October 24, 2023.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:**

That the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission hereby amends the NARTS FFY 2023-2026 TIP by adding the following job item:

JOB	COUNTY	ROUTE	TERMINI	LENGTH	TYPE WORK	ESTIMATED COST	AGENCY CARRYING	FFY	MPO
						Funding Breakdown (in thousands)	OUT THE PROJECT		
<b>ADD:</b>									
NARTS17			FTA Areas of Persistent Poverty Project - Enhancing Equitable Transit Connections in NWA	-	Transit	200 - TOTAL 180 - FTA AoPP 20 - Local	Local-MPO	2023	NARTS

**PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 25<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023**

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 Judge Barry Moehring, Chair

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_