



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

To: Mayor Graham and City Council
From: Ted Shekell, Planning Director
Walter Denton, City Administrator
Date: December 18, 2006
Subject: **Resolution** Creating a Policy Statement Regarding a Joint Land Use Study

List of committees that have reviewed: The Community Development Committee reviewed and unanimously recommended approval of JLUS Resolution at its December 14, 2006 meeting.

Background: The purpose of a Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) is to encourage cooperative land use planning, to seek ways to reduce operational impacts on land adjacent to the military installation, to develop guidelines and recommendations for the implementation of land development controls, and to ensure that future public and private development will be compatible with both the military mission and the development needs of the community.

The Office of Economic Adjustment selected Scott Air Force Base to conduct a Joint Land Use Study (JLUS). This selection was based on nominations by the Military Departments and the threat of encroachment on SAFB by surrounding jurisdictions.

St. Clair County has agreed to sponsor the JLUS, and in so doing, will administer the JLUS grant. The County will also be providing financial and in-kind support. No financial support is required of the other organizations participating in the JLUS. Only in-kind support will be requested in the form of time spent attending meetings, researching issues and gathering necessary data. The attached resolution was based on a similar one passed by the St. Clair County Board at their November 27, 2006 meeting. All jurisdictions participating in the JLUS have been asked to pass similar resolutions (Lebanon, Shiloh, Mascoutah).

Action to Date: A Policy Committee has been formed, and is comprised of elected officials from participating jurisdictions, the military installation leadership, and senior representatives from other interested and affected agencies. The Policy Committee is responsible for the overall direction of the JLUS, approval of the budget, preparation and approval of the study design, approval of reports, approval of policy recommendations, and monitoring implementation of adopted ordinances. Mayor Graham is a voting member of the Policy Committee.

A Working Group has also been formed, and is comprised of area planners, city and county managers and their professional staff, military base planners, FAA officials, and representatives from the business and development communities. The Working Group is responsible for identifying and studying technical issues, and developing the project workplan which will include

a project narrative, scope, study area, timeline and budget. Ted Shekell is a voting member of the Working Group.

The Policy Committee met on December 7, 2006 to discuss the organization of the Policy Committee and Working Group, the development of a definition of the study area, the importance of communities passing resolutions of support, and the coordination of the JLUS with other planning projects. The Working Group will meet in mid-January to discuss the RFPs, project narrative, and study area.

(As presented at the December 7, 2006 Policy Committee meeting)

Legal Considerations, if any: None

Budget Impact: None.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the Resolution as written.