RESOLUTION NO. 21-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAWTON, OKLAHOMA, RATIFYING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) AS THE CONTINUING STANDARD FOR INCIDENT MANAGEMENT IN THE CITY OF LAWTON, OKLAHOMA, AND DESIGNATING THE COMANCHE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, MR. CLINT LANGFORD, AS THE NEW LOCAL POINT OF CONTACT (LPOC) FOR NIMS COMPLIANCE.

WHEREAS, On Feb. 28, 2003, pursuant to the Homeland Security Act of 2002, the President of the United States issued Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, for the purpose of enhancing the ability of the United States to manage domestic incidents by establishing a single, comprehensive national incident management system; and

WHEREAS, The Secretary of Homeland Security is directed and empowered to coordinate with State and local governments to ensure adequate planning, equipment, training, and exercise activities, and to provide assistance to State and local governments to develop all-hazards plans and capabilities, including those of greatest importance to the security of the United States, and will ensure that State, local, and Federal plans are compatible; and

WHEREAS, In an effort to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management protocol it is necessary for Federal, State, local, and tribal entities to participate, implement and employ standardized terminology, organizational structures, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

WHEREAS, the standardized NIMS procedures that have been adopted for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the City's eligibility to apply for and expend federal grant funding to enhance local and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety resources, and streamline current incident management processes; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS has been adopted and is currently incorporated within the City's operational activities and emergency response protocols, and recognizes the requirement to designate a specific individual need who will serve as the Local Point of Contact (LPOC) for the purpose of coordinating NIMS activities and to ensure NIMS compliance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma, that the National Incident Management System (NIMS) continues to be recognized as the current standard for incident management in the City of Lawton, Oklahoma.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Comanche County Emergency Management Director, Mr. Clint Langford, is hereby designated as the Local Point of Contact (LPOC) for continuing NIMS compliance.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of September, 2021, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma.

Stanley Booker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Traci Hushbeck, City Clerk

APPROVED as to form and legality this _____ day of _____, 2021.

John Ratliff, City Attorney