CITY OF AUSTIN

ORDINANCE NO. 3, 2002

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR INCREASING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS COMPRISING THE AUSTIN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. Whereas the Austin Planning Commission following a Public Hearing conducted on February 21, 2002 has made a recommendation to the City Council that the Planning Commission would function more efficiently if the number of members of the Planning Commission were increased from five (5) to seven (7).

Section 2. Whereas, the Council hereby amends the Ordinance entitled "Amendment of Section 1 of Ordinance 04-94" passed by the City Council on August 19, 1996 and increases the number of members comprising the Planning Commission from five (5) to seven (7) members and also provides that the terms therefore shall be for five (5) years commencing January 31, 2002, thereby coinciding with the terms of the current Planning Commission.

<u>Section 3</u>. No other provisions of the Zoning or Planning Ordinances are amended or altered by the passage of this Ordinance.

Section 4. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 5. Emergency. Whereas the proper operation of the Planning Commission is of great importance to the City of Austin; and, this Ordinance being necessary for the immediate protection of the public health, and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED: February 25, 2002.

APPROVED:

Dernie Chambeelair

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK