



MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda
Item No. IX. AB
6/4/2024

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Ordinance to be introduced and set for final hearing June 18, 2024, extending the corporate limits of The City of Oklahoma City, and designating the East-Half of Section Thirty-Three (33), Township Twelve (12) North, Range Six (6) West of the Indian Meridian, Canadian County, Oklahoma, for such extension; determining that the area for such extension is considered to be within the corporate limits of The City of Oklahoma City; acknowledging that the Canadian County Water Authority claims the area for such extension is located within its water service area and, as a water association under 7 U.S.C. § 1926(b), has the exclusive right to provide water service; acknowledging that neither The City nor the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust can provide or participate in providing water service to an area to which the exclusive right to provide water service has been granted by federal law without authorization and/or a release from the water association, Canadian County Water Authority, and the United States Department of Agriculture; acknowledging that water associations such as the Canadian County Water Authority are not required by federal law to provide water for fire protection; affirming that The City does not have a program for providing water or water systems for fire protection where The City does not provide water for consumption; specifying that the area for such extension is deemed to be in the AA Agricultural Zoning District; repealing all ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith; providing that if any part or portions hereof are invalid or ineffective, remaining portions shall not be affected; and providing for an effective date. Ward 3.

Location:

320-acre parcel located west of Gregory Road and south of NW 10th Street.

Purpose:

To annex land as petitioned into the corporate limits of The City of Oklahoma City for the purpose of accommodating an economic development campus.

Background:

On April 1, 2024, The City of Oklahoma City received a Petition to annex approximately 320 unincorporated acres in Canadian County west of Gregory Road and south of NW 10th street to be incorporated into The City of Oklahoma City.

On April 9, 2024, the Council Ad Hoc Annexation-Deannexation Committee (Committee) met, reviewed the Staff Report and petition, and recommended staff forward the annexation proposal to Planning Commission and City Council. The Committee was chaired by Councilwoman Barbara Peck (Ward 3) with members Councilman Todd Stone (Ward 4), Councilman Mark

Stonecipher (Ward 8) and Councilman Bradley Carter (Ward 1).

On May 9, 2024, the Planning Commission received the Staff Report and draft ordinance and recommended the Annexation petition and ordinance for approval by City Council.

Considerations and Findings:

Planning staff completed a Staff Evaluation regarding the petition to annex the subject 320 acres of unincorporated land within Canadian County. Key findings and considerations resulting from the evaluation include:

- Oklahoma City residents' quality of life and levels of service will be maintained.
- The Canadian County Water Authority claims the annexed area is within its water service area and, as a water association under 7 U.S.C. §1926(b), has the exclusive right to provide water service. Neither the City nor Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust can provide or participate in providing water service to an area to which the exclusive right to provide water service has been granted by federal law without authorization and/or a release from the water association, Canadian County Water Authority, and the United States Department of Agriculture. In addition, water associations are not required by federal law to provide water for fire protection. The City does not have a program for providing water or water systems for fire protection where the City does not provide water for consumption.
- The change in municipal boundaries will not create adverse impacts.
- Proposed boundaries do not create irregular geographies with confusing service areas, rather they follow significant features such as rights of way and/or topographic ridgelines (watersheds).
- Jurisdictional responsibility for maintaining streets and rights-of-ways is clearly defined.
- The Public Works Department supports annexation to the center line of the road, which is included in the legal description for the annexation parcel.

Review:

Planning Department

Recommendation: Ordinance be introduced and set for final hearing June 18, 2024.