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MEMORANDUM

TO: Rapid City Council

Legal and Finance Committee

FROM: Karen Bulman, Planner I

DATE: September 21, 2004

RE: Update on Annexation Goals

At the September 20, 2004 City Council meeting, a request was made to review the Annexation Goals for Rapid City. The following information is provided as an update on the status of the completion of the City's annexation goals adopted on April 2, 2001.

In 2001, the Council identified a ranked short term priority list and a long term priority list with no ranking order. To date, seven properties identified on the short term priority list have been annexed. These properties are:

- 1. West 44th Street/Guard Camp
- 2. East Mall Drive
- 3. Chapel Valley
- 4. Braeburn
- 5. Phase III Robbinsdale to South Truck Route
- 7. Cambell East
- 9. South Cambell Street

The South East Connector priority (#8) on the short term list has been broken into three specific areas, and one of the areas, the Southeast Connector, has been annexed. Staff sent an initial request for voluntary annexation to the property owners in the second area of the South East Connector priority.

Phase IV Robbinsdale to South Truck Bypass priority (#6) has also been partially annexed. A request for voluntary annexation for the balance of the area has been sent to the property owner.



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To date, the landowners in these two areas have not voluntarily agreed to annexation. The City Council has not requested an involuntary annexation of these properties at this time. There are three remaining areas identified in the short term priority list (# 10, 11, & 12).

Two annexations have been completed for areas listed on the long term priority list. These areas are:

- A. A portion of the Airport area
- B. North area

This leaves the remaining Airport area (A) and nine remaining areas on the long term priority list. You will notice that a portion of the Airport area is now within the Box Elder City limits. In order to comply with State law requiring annexations to be contiguous to City limit boundaries, Rapid City had proposed to include the annexation of property from the City limits of Rapid City to the Airport property. Several landowners located adjacent to the Box Elder City limits requested to be annexed into Box Elder at that time. Subsequently, legislation was approved by the legislators of the State of South Dakota to allow annexation of airports of large municipalities that are not contiguous to the City limit boundaries.

A revised map of Annexation Priorities and Progress, listing the short term and long term priorities, is provided. Those items with two asterisks indicate property annexed to date. The items with one asterisk indicate partially completed annexed areas.