

**RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO EXTEND THE
BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF RAPID CITY BY ANNEXING THE
WITHIN DESCRIBED TERRITORY**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Rapid City has conducted a study pursuant to SDCL 9-4-4.1 to determine the need for annexing the within described territory contiguous to the City of Rapid City and to determine and identify the territory, which study includes a document entitled "Annexation Study of Phase 3 Robbinsdale to South Truck Route Annexation Area," filed in the office of the City Finance Officer; and,

WHEREAS said study recommends that certain territory described therein, and legally described in this resolution, be annexed to and included within the boundaries of the City of Rapid City,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Rapid City that the City of Rapid City hereby declares its intent to annex the following described territory:

Tract AR2, Needles Subdivision, Section 26, Township One (1) North, Range Seven (7) East, Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota;

Lot A, Tucker Subdivision, Section 26, Township One (1) North, Range Seven (7) East, Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota;

Tract A, Meadow View Subdivision, Section 26, Township One (1) North, Range Seven (7) East, Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota;

Forty (40) Foot Wide Tucker Street Right-of-way located in the SE1/4 NW1/4 NW1/4, Section 26, Township One (1) North, Range Seven (7) East, Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota;

That portion of SE1/4 NW1/4 NW1/4 lying East of U.S. Highway 16, Section 26, Township One (1) North, Range Seven (7) East, Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Rapid City finds as follows:

1. That the territory to be annexed generally consists of 32 acres and includes platted and unplatted lands in Section 26 of Township One (1) North, Range Seven (7) East, of the Black Hills Meridian, all located in Pennington County, South Dakota.
2. That ample and suitable resources exist to accommodate the orderly growth and development of said territory and that municipal utilities and a major street network are, and have been, considered in terms of the proposed boundary extension.
3. That the following is the timetable upon which municipal service will be extended into said territory:

TIMETABLE

- A. GENERAL SERVICES. All services provided by the City, except as set forth below, will be provided to the annexed area on the same basis such services are provided to the rest of the City upon annexation.
- B. POLICE. All services provided by the Rapid City Police Department will be extended to the annexed area upon annexation on the same basis such services are provided to the rest of the City.
- C. FIRE. All services provided by the Rapid City Fire Department will be extended to the annexed area upon annexation on the same basis such services are provided to the rest of the City.
- D. WATER SERVICE. Water service, substantially equivalent in standard and scope to such service provided to the rest of the City, will be made available to the annexed area upon annexation, on the following basis:

- (1) Acceptance of additions. The City will accept into its system for operation and maintenance additional water service facilities constructed in accordance with City standards. Additions may be constructed by developers as future development takes place, by private parties constructing such additions after notice to the City and in compliance with City standards, or by the City under a resolution of necessity therefor.

- (2) Construction of additions by the City. The City shall, within thirty (30) days after receipt by the Finance Officer of a written request therefor signed by one or more owners of land located in the annexed area, undertake all such proceedings authorized by SDCL 9-48 as may be necessary and appropriate to permit:

- (a) the construction of such water lines as may be necessary and appropriate to serve such land; and

- (b) the assessment of the costs thereof as provided by law.

Such actions shall be undertaken in good faith and with all due dispatch; the City shall conduct all proceedings necessary for the adoption of a resolution of necessity within six (6) months from the date of receipt of written request; such improvements shall be constructed within two (2) years after the effective date of the resolution of necessity unless delayed by legal challenge. The written request need be in no particular form but need merely convey in good faith the nature of the request, the description of the land to be served, and the name of the person making the request.

Nothing in the foregoing shall be construed as obligating the City to construct any water service facilities at City expense; however, the

City in its sole discretion may choose to participate in the cost of constructing all or any part of such facilities.

Nothing in the foregoing shall be construed as obligating the City to accept for operation or maintenance any water line extending from individual properties to the City system. Such individual service lines shall, as elsewhere in the City, be the responsibility of the owner of such individual property.

E. SEWER SERVICE. Sewer service, substantially equivalent in standard and scope to such service provided to the rest of the City, will be made available to the annexed area upon annexation on the following basis:

(1) Acceptance of Additions. The City will accept into its system for operation and maintenance such additional sewer lines constructed in accordance with City standards. Such additions may be constructed by developers as further development takes place, by private parties constructing such additions after notice to the City and in compliance with City standards, or by the City under a resolution of necessity therefor.

(2) Construction of additions by the City. The City shall, within thirty (30) days after receipt by the Finance Officer of a written request therefor signed by one or more owners of land located in the annexed area, undertake all such proceedings authorized by SDCL 9-48 as may be necessary and appropriate to permit:

(a) the construction of such sewer lines as may be necessary and appropriate to serve such land; and

(b) the assessment of the costs therefor as provided by law.

Such actions shall be undertaken in good faith and with all due dispatch; the City shall conduct all proceedings necessary for the adoption of a resolution of necessity within six (6) months from the date of receipt of written request; such improvements shall be constructed within two (2) years after the effective date of the resolution of necessity unless delayed by legal challenge. The written request need be in no particular form but need merely convey in good faith the nature of the request, the description of the land to be served, and the name of the person making the request.

Nothing in the foregoing shall be construed as obligating the City to construct any sewer service facilities at City expense; however, the City in its sole discretion may choose to participate in the cost of constructing all or any part of such facilities.

Nothing in the foregoing shall be construed as obligating the City to accept for operation or maintenance any sewer line extending from individual properties to the City system. Such individual service lines

shall, as elsewhere in the City, be the responsibility of the owner of such individual property.

- F. STREETS. Street maintenance, sweeping, snow removal and roadside mowing shall be provided for future public streets within the annexed area on the same basis as such services are provided to the rest of the City upon annexation.
- G. SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL. Within sixty (60) days after annexation the City will determine by ordinance whether the annexation area or any portion thereof is to be included within the Garbage Service District. In any area included within the Garbage Service District solid waste collection and disposal will be provided on the same basis and at the rates provided by ordinance. (Solid waste collection services provided by the City are limited to residential structures.)

In any event, within sixty (60) days after receipt by the City Finance Officer of a written request for such service signed by more than 50% of the residents of the annexation area, solid waste collection and disposal service will be provided to the annexation area on the same basis as such services are provided to the Garbage Service District. Such written request need be in no particular form but need only convey in good faith the request being made and the name of the persons making the request. Nothing shall preclude the City from accepting petitions from less than the entire area or serving only a portion of the annexation area.

Use of the City Landfill will be available to residents of the annexed area upon annexation on the same basis such use is made available to the rest of the City.

- H. PARKS AND RECREATION. All services provided by the Parks and Recreation Department shall be made available to the residents of the annexed territory on the same basis such services are provided to the rest of the City upon annexation.
 - I. LIBRARY. All services provided by the Rapid City Public Library shall be made available to the residents of the annexed territory on the same basis such services are provided to the rest of the City upon annexation.
4. That the appropriate costs of the extended service to the residents of the said territory and to the City are as follows:

APPROXIMATE COSTS

- A. GENERAL SERVICES. All services as set forth in Paragraph A of the Timetable may be provided to the annexed area without discernible additional cost to the residents of the annexed area or to the City of Rapid City; provided, however, that the use of services requiring the payment of fees shall be provided in return for payment of such fees in accordance with the applicable ordinances and regulations.
- B. POLICE. All services provided by the Rapid City Police Department will be extended to the annexed area. The costs to the City are negligible.

- C. FIRE. All fire suppression services are now provided by the Whispering Pines rural Fire Protection District through the Whispering Pines Volunteer Fire Department. Upon annexation the Rapid City Fire Department will provide emergency services (including fire suppression, medical/rescue services, and hazardous material handling) and non-emergency services (including fire inspection/investigation and public education). The cost to the City will be negligible. The Rapid City Department of Fire and Emergency Services South Station equipment and personnel can meet the initial needs of the territory. A new station on U.S. Highway 16 is scheduled to be constructed in the year 2002.
- D. WATER. The City's water system is operated on an enterprise fund basis, i.e., the revenue produced from water service charges are used to provide water supply and to maintain the system. The cost, not including costs to be assessed as set forth below, to the residents of the annexed area and other water users for water supply and system maintenance would be the monthly water service charges prescribed by ordinance for users of the system. The cost to the City for any given period is necessarily speculative but in the long run would be roughly equivalent to the revenue generated from water service charges. Revenues and expenditures associated with the annexed area would not be separated from the enterprise fund for the entire system.

Costs for constructing additions to the City's water system will be assessed according to law, if constructed by the City, or will be paid by the developer or other persons constructing such additions.

Connection charges to the existing water and sewer system will be pursuant to the adopted "Resolution of Necessity."

The rate charged will be reduced to one time the City rate effective at first billing that occurs at least fifteen (15) days after annexation becomes effective.

- E. SEWER. The City's sewer system is operated on an enterprise fund basis, i.e., the revenue produced from sewer service charges are used to collect and treat wastewater and sewage and to maintain the system. The cost, not including costs to be assessed as set forth below, to residents of the annexed area and other users for collection, transportation, treatment and system maintenance would be the monthly sewer service charges prescribed by ordinance for users of the system. The cost to the City for any given period is necessarily speculative but in the long run would be roughly equivalent to the revenue generated from sewer service charges. Revenues and expenditures associated with the annexed area would not be separated from the enterprise fund for the entire system.

All costs for constructing additions to the City's sewer system will be assessed according to law, if constructed by the City, or will be paid by the developer or other persons constructing such additions. Costs to the City do not include any estimated costs for acquisition of easements. Typically such easements are obtained for nominal consideration, particularly when the costs are to be assessed. To the extent the typical does not apply and the use of eminent domain is necessary, the resulting costs are highly speculative.

City costs also do not include the cost of constructing the private service lines from the City's system to individual properties. Construction of such lines and the subsequent maintenance thereof are the responsibility of the individual property owners. Tap fees and permit fees are prescribed by ordinance. Such charges are roughly equivalent to the City's cost and are paid by the user.

The rate charged will be the City rate effective at first billing that occurs at least fifteen (15) days after annexation becomes effective.

- F. **STREETS.** Paved streets are repaired as necessary. Asphalt streets are repaired only as required when pot holes, alligating or like problems make repairs necessary.

Streets developed as public streets within the subject territory will receive repair, sweeping, snow removal, traffic controls, street lighting and road side mowing on the same basis as the rest of the City. Costs will be dependent on the future street system.

- G. **SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.** The City's sanitation system is operated on an enterprise fund basis. The sanitation system serves only residential occupancies. Some areas of the City presently are not included in the Garbage Service District at the request of the residents of those areas. If the annexed area is included within the Garbage Service District the cost to the residents would be the garbage service charges prescribed by ordinance, currently at the rate of \$11.57 per month per household.

The rates for garbage collection and disposal service are designed to be roughly equivalent to the long-run cost to the City of providing such service. No short-run capital expense as a result of service to the annexed area is anticipated.

The cost of providing use of the City's landfill to users outside the Garbage Service District is roughly equivalent to the fees charged therefor. Residential users employing the services of a collector licensed by the City are entitled to use of the Landfill without additional charge.

- H. **PARKS AND RECREATION.** All services provided by the Parks and Recreation Department will be provided to the residents of the annexed area with no discernible additional cost to the City or the residents of the annexed area.

- I. **LIBRARY.** All services provided by the Rapid City Public Library will be provided to the residents of the annexed area with no discernible additional cost to the City or the residents of the annexed area.

- J. The foregoing notwithstanding, the residents of the annexed area will be subject to all of the various fees and charges provided by ordinance, regulations, or administrative action for numerous services provided by the City. The incidence of such charges is highly speculative and largely within the choice of the person to be charged. Examples of such charges range from building permit fees to library book fines, from xerox copy charges to charges for swimming pool passes.

- K. All of the cost estimates set forth herein are based on 2001 costs.
5. That the estimated difference in the 2001 tax assessment rate applied to an owner occupied property within the subject territory upon annexation would be the addition of the City of Rapid City levy of 3.4252 mills and elimination of the combined Fire Administration, Library and unorganized road levy of 1.7234 mills and the Whispering Pines Fire levy of 0.4374 mills. The total levy would therefore increase by 1.2644 mills, an estimated 7.15%.

That the estimated difference in the 2001 tax assessment rate applied to a non agricultural property within the subject territory upon annexation would be the addition of the City of Rapid City levy of 3.4252 mills and elimination of the combined Fire Administration, Library, and unorganized road levy of 1.7234 mills and the Whispering Pines Fire levy of 0.4374 mills. The total levy would therefore increase by 1.2644 mills, an estimated 4.81%.

6. That exclusions or irregularities in boundary lines are not the result of arbitrariness but are based upon existing city limit lines, existing features, existing property boundaries, and existing occupancies and uses.
7. That there is reasonable present and demonstrable future need for annexing said territory.
8. That population and census data indicate that the City has and may experience growth or development beyond its present boundaries.
9. That there exists a commonality between the within described territory and the existing City of Rapid City.
10. That there are no significant physical barriers between the within described territory and the existing City of Rapid City.
11. That annexation of the within described territory to the City of Rapid City will result in a more compact, integrated City.

DATED this _____ day of July, 2001.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF RAPID CITY

Mayor

Attest:

Finance Officer

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