## CITY OF SANDSTONE ORDINANCE 2007- 13



# AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN LAND IN SANDSTONE TOWNSHIP

#### THE CITY OF SANDSTONE DOES ORDAIN:

- Section 1. The Sandstone Economic Development Authority is the owner of two properties located in Sandstone Township, Pine County, Minnesota, described in Exhibit A attached hereto (hereinafter "Parcels A and B").
- Section 2. Parcels A and B are deemed to be urban or suburban in character or about to become so.
- Section 3. Minnesota Statutes Section 414.033 authorizes a city by ordinance to declare land owned by the city as annexed to the city.
- Section 4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 414.033, the City hereby annexes Parcel A and B into the City. The City hereby directs that the zoning map referenced in the Sandstone City Code be amended to include such property.
- Section 5. The City Administrator is directed to promptly file a copy of this Ordinance with the Office of Administrative Hearings Municipal Boundary Adjustments ("OAH"), the Sandstone Township clerk, the Pine County Auditor, and the Minnesota Secretary of State.
- Section 6. In accordance with Minnesota Statutes Section 414.036, the City recommends to the OAH that, if applicable, the property tax reimbursement to the Township be in the amount of 100% of all property tax generated by the property within the first two (2) full years following annexation.

Section 7. This Ordinance is effective immediately and the annexation is final on the date of approval by the OAH.

Randy Atterbury, Mayor

Adopted this 7th day of 1,2007.

Sam Griffith, City Administrator

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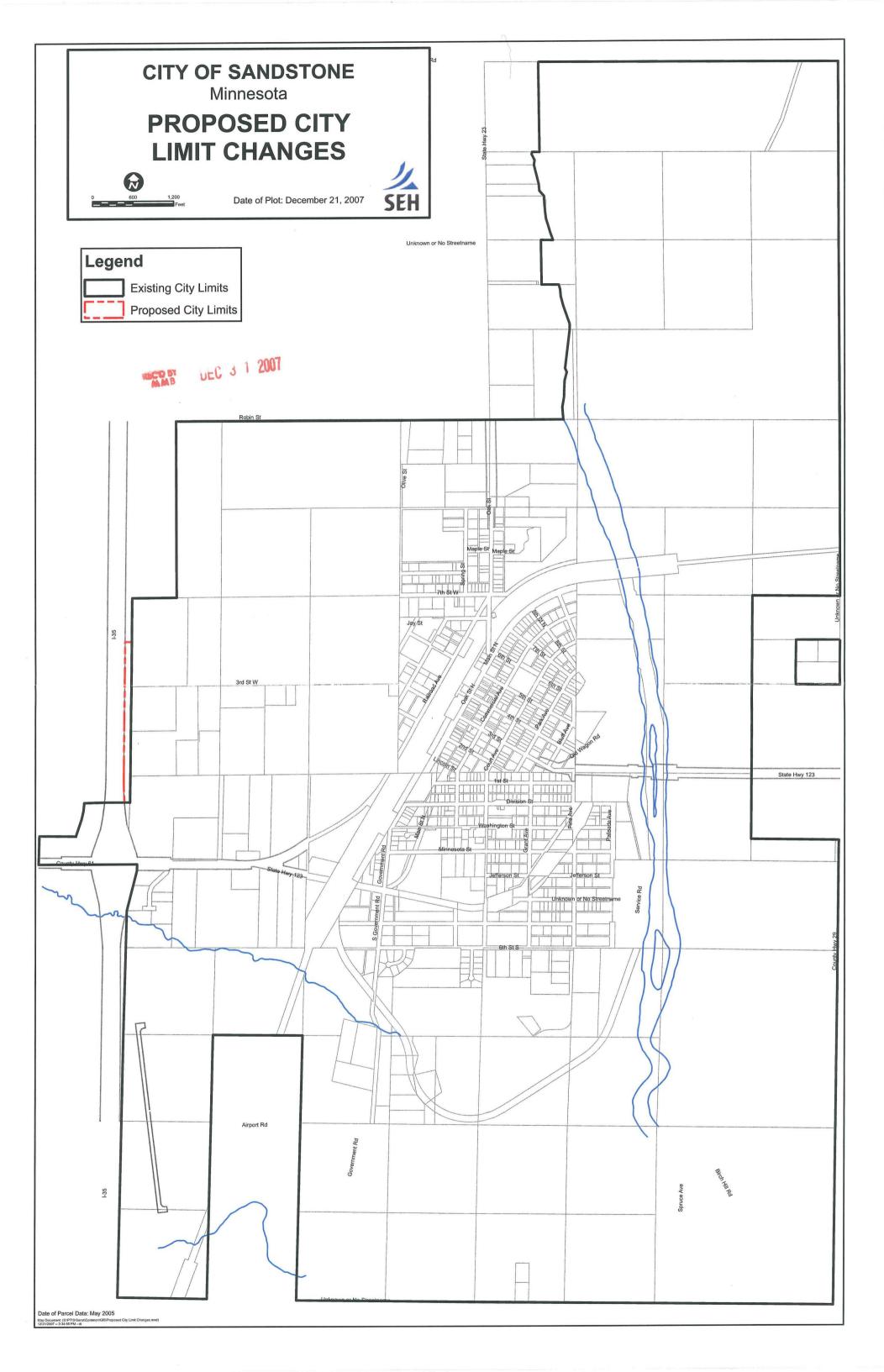
### **EXHIBIT A**

### Parcel A

The Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter East of the right-of-way of Interstate Highway No. 35 of Section 17, Township 42, Range 20, Pine County, Minnesota.

### Parcel B

That part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter and the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter East of right-of-way of Interstate Highway No. 35, of Section 8, Township 42, Range 20, Pine County, Minnesota.



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January 11, 2008

Ms. Christine Scotillo, Executive Director Municipal Boundary Adjustments Office of Administrative Hearings P.O. Box 64620 St Paul, MN 55164-0620

RE: A-7601 Sandstone/Sandstone Township (Ordinance No. 2007-13)
City of Sandstone Economic Development Authority Property; 6.05 acres

Dear Ms. Scotillo:

This letter is in response to your letter dated January 2, 2008, in which you requested the amount of tax reimbursement to be paid to the Township and how much of that amount is to be paid in each year of the first two full years following annexation.

In May of 2007, the properties were purchased by the City of Sandstone Economic Development Authority ("EDA"). Because the properties are owned by the EDA and are vacant, they are now exempt from property taxes for the year 2008 and, assuming no sale of change in status of the properties, they will be exempt in subsequent years. Pine County has confirmed the properties' exempt status for 2008. Therefore, because the properties are exempt from taxation, there are no taxes to be reimbursed to the Township.

Despite the properties' exempt status, the City will reimburse the Township for the taxes for the first two years following annexation (2008 and 2009). The amount of tax reimbursement to be paid to the Township for 2008 for the two properties is \$8.01 (\$1.38 + \$6.63). Assuming a 5% increase, the amount of tax reimbursement would be approximately \$8.41 for 2009. The City will pay the full amount of both years' taxes to the Town on the date that the annexation ordinance is approved by your office.

As the City Clerk I can further state that there are no outstanding nor pending special assessments against either property.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 320.245.5241 or at samg@sandstonemn.com.

Sincerely,

Sam Griffith

City Administrator