ORDINANCE NO. 384

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORA, MINNESOTA, EXTENDING THE CORPORATE LIMITS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN LAND OWNED BY THE MORA CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH WITNESS AND LOCATED AT 1897 COMMERCIAL PLACE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mora has initiated the annexation of certain property located within Arthur Township, Kanabec County, State of Minnesota, to the City of Mora; and

WHEREAS, the 3.25 acre property is located at 1897 Commercial Place and is legally described as:

Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 2, Little Ranches 1st Addition Section 23 Township 39 Range 24 Kanabec County, Minnesota

WHEREAS, the property is completely surrounded by land within the municipal limits; and

WHEREAS, the city desires to proceed with the annexation of the above described property by ordinance pursuant to Minnesota State Statute 414.033, Subd 2 (2); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mora finds that: (i) the property proposed for annexation is, or is about to become, urban or suburban in character, (ii) annexation of said property is required to provide the services necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare, (iii) annexation is in the best interest of the property proposed for annexation, and (iv) the City of Mora will most efficiently provide municipal services to the property.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL THE CITY OF MORA, MINNESOTA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

Section 1. Property to be Annexed. The corporate limits of the city are hereby extended to include the property legally described as: Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 2, Little Ranches 1st Addition, Section 23 Township 39 Range 24, Kanabec County, Minnesota, consisting of approximately 3.25 acres, and said property is hereby annexed to and included within the corporate limits of the city pursuant to Minnesota State Statute 414.033 as if such properties had originally been part of the city.

Section 2. The city's Zoning Code is hereby amended accordingly.

<u>Section 3. Population of Annexed Properties.</u> The property does not contain any households and has a population of zero.

<u>Section 4. Zoning.</u> The property will have an interim zoning classification of R-4 (Low Density Residential District), per Zoning Code Section 150.008, until such time that a public hearing is conducted by the Planning Commission and a permanent zoning classification is determined by the City Council.

<u>Section 5. Appropriation of Filing Fee – Authorization to File Ordinance.</u> The amount necessary to pay the filing fee required by the Office of Administrative Hearings –

Municipal Boundary Adjustments for this annexation ordinance is hereby appropriated for such purpose and the City Administrator is directed to make the necessary filings as required by the Office of Administrative Hearings - Municipal Boundary Adjustments.

Section 6. Municipal Reimbursement to the Township for Annexed Taxable Property. The above described property has been classified as tax exempt by the Kanabec County Assessor prior to the adoption of this ordinance. Based on the existing tax exempt status, the city will not be responsible for continued tax payments to the Town of Arthur.

<u>Section 8. Effective Date.</u> This ordinance takes effect upon its passage and publication and filing of the certified copies as directed in Section 5 and approval of the ordinance by the Office of Administrative Hearings – Municipal Boundary Adjustments.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced and moved adoption by Council Member <u>Gravich</u> and seconded by Council Member <u>Johnson</u>.

Voting for the ordinance:Q!!
Voting against the ordinance: กดกร
Abstained from voting:
Absent: none

Motion carried and ordinance adopted this 3rd day of November, 2009.

Greg Ardner

ATTEST:

Mason Hjelle City Clerk

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