

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR DETACHMENT OF  
CERTAIN LAND FROM THE CITY OF TAUNTON, MINNESOTA  
PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES § 414.06

TO: Office of Administrative Hearings  
Municipal Boundary Adjustments  
P. O. Box 64620  
St. Paul, MN 55164-0620  
651-361-7900

PETITIONERS STATE: The number of petitioners required by Minnesota Statutes § 414.06, Subd. 1, to commence this proceeding is: all of the property owners if the area is less than 40 acres; or 75% or more of the property owners in number if the area is more than 40 acres.

It is hereby requested by:

       all of the property owners, the area is less than 40 acres; or  
  X   75% or more of the property owners, the area is more than 40 acres;

to detach certain properties described herein from the City of Taunton and make a part of the Township of Eidsvold, Lyon County, Minnesota.

1. There is one (1) property owner in the area proposed for detachment: Michael J. Fier and LuAnn M. Fier, Trustees of the Michael J. Fier and LuAnn M. Fier Living Trust dated August 20, 2013.
2. All property owners have signed this petition.
3. The property is situated within the City of Taunton, abuts the municipal boundary and the boundary of the Township of Eidsvold, in the County of Lyon. The petitioned area abuts on the city's north and west boundaries.
4. The property proposed for detachment is rural in character and not developed for urban residential, commercial, or industrial purposes.
5. The number of acres in the property proposed for detachment is approximately seventy-seven and 90/100ths (77.90) acres and is described as follows:

**SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO FOR LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

6. The real estate is used solely for agricultural purposes and is tilled cropland. There are no city services provided to the property.
7. The number of residents in the area proposed for detachment is zero (0). (The number of residents is not necessarily the same as number of owners.)
8. The number and character of buildings on said property is: None.

9. Public improvements on said property are: None.
10. Reasons for seeking detachment: Exorbitant real estate taxes with no corresponding benefit.
11. Petitioners discussed the real estate taxes and possible detachment with the City Council at a City Council meeting. The City refused to take any action.

Date: April 27, 2017.

Petitioner:

MICHAEL J. FIER AND LUANN M. FIER  
LIVING TRUST DATED AUGUST 20, 2013

By: Michael J. Fier Trustee  
Michael J. Fier, Trustee

By: LuAnn M. Fier Trustee  
LuAnn M. Fier, Trustee

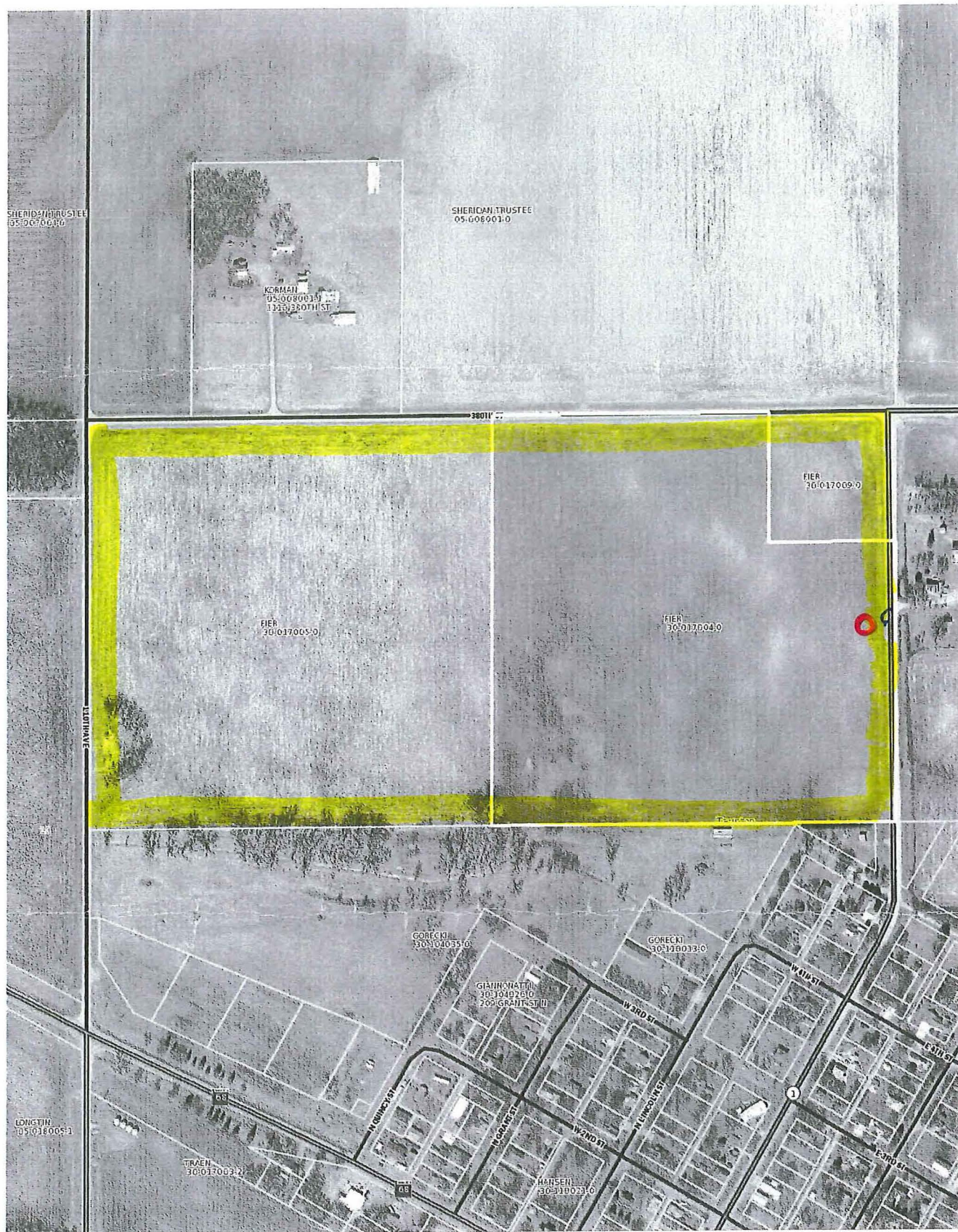
**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**LEGAL DESCRPTION**

The Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW¼NW¼) of Section Seventeen (17), Township One Hundred Thirteen (113) North, Range Forty-three (43) West of the 5th P.M., Lyon County, Minnesota  
AND

The Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE¼NW¼) of Section Seventeen (17), Township One Hundred Thirteen (113) North, Range Forty-three (43), West of the 5th P.M., Lyon County, Minnesota

EXCEPTING, a circular piece of land in the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE¼NW¼) of Section Seventeen (17), Township One Hundred Thirteen (113) North, Range Forty-three (43) West, which has a radius of 25 feet and which center point is located as follows: Starting at the northeast corner of Outlot "C" in the City of Taunton, Minnesota; thence Northerly on and along the Northerly extended East line of Outlot "C" for a distance of 634 feet; thence Easterly at right angles 5 feet to said center point of Outlot "C" in the City of Taunton, Minnesota where the City has its pump house.







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