STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT UNIT

In the Matter of OA-1551-1 Austin/Austin Township Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 414

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

The joint resolution for orderly annexation submitted by the City of Austin and Austin Township was reviewed for conformity with applicable law. By delegation, the Chief Administrative Law Judge hereby makes and files the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On August 13, 2013, the Chief Administrative Law Judge or authorized designee reviewed and accepted the joint resolution which was adopted by the City and Township on July 15, 2013, and duly filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings, Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit on August 9, 2013.
- 2. The joint resolution requests the designation and immediate annexation of certain property to the City of Austin described as follows:

Lot 14 and Lot 15, Except the south 55.6 feet, Norman Park 1st Addition, Austin, MN.

- 3. Minnesota Statutes § 414.0325, subd. 1(h) states that in certain circumstances the Chief Administrative Law Judge may review and comment, but shall within 30 days order the annexation pursuant to the terms of a joint resolution for orderly annexation.
- 4. The joint resolution contains all the information required by Minnesota Statutes § 414.0325, subd. 1(h), including a provision that the Chief Administrative Law

Judge may review and comment but shall order the annexation within 30 days in accordance with the terms of the joint resolution.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- The Office of Administrative Hearings has duly acquired and now has jurisdiction of the within proceeding.
- 2. An order should be issued by the Chief Administrative Law Judge or authorized designee annexing the area described herein.

ORDER

- 1. The property described in Findings of Fact 2 is annexed to the City of Austin, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof.
- 2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 414.036, Austin Township will be reimbursed by the City of Austin in accordance with the terms of Joint Resolution No. 14554 signed by the City and the Township on July 15, 2013.

Dated: August 13, 2013

Timothy J. O'Malley

Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit