#### TOWN OF LE RAY AND CITY OF MADISON LAKE

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#### JOINT RESOLUTION FOR ORDERLY ANNEXATION

City Resolution No. 2014- 94

Town Resolution No. 2014-02A\_\_\_\_

# THE CITY OF MADISON LAKE AND LE RAY TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES § 414.0325

WHEREAS, the City of Madison Lake ("City") and the Town of Le Ray ("Township") desire to enter into an agreement for the orderly annexation of certain property, legally described herein, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 414.0325; and

WHEREAS, the City and Township agree that the properties legally described herein meet the definition for annexation as contained in applicable Minnesota Statutes; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City, the Township and their respective residents to agree to orderly annexation in furtherance of orderly growth and the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Township are in agreement as to the procedures and process for orderly annexation of said property described herein for the purpose of orderly, planned growth; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to set forth the terms and conditions of such orderly annexation by means of this Joint Resolution for Orderly Annexation ("Joint Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison Lake and Le Ray Township have agreed to all the terms and conditions for the annexation of the above-described lands within this document and the signatories hereto agree that no alteration of the designated area is appropriate and no consideration by the Chief Administrative Law Judge is necessary. The Chief Administrative Law Judge may review and comment, but shall within thirty (30) days, order the annexation in accordance with the terms of the resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Madison Lake, Blue Earth County, Minnesota, and the Town of Le Ray, Blue Earth County, Minnesota, as follows:

1. Filing of Joint Resolution - Upon execution by the respective governing bodies of the City and Township, the City shall file this Joint Resolution with Minnesota Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit (MBAU) of the Office of Administrative Hearings (or successor agency).

- Designation of Annexation Areas The City and Township hereby designate the area within the Township for orderly annexation pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 414.0325. The area is described in the attached Exhibit A and is shown on the map attached hereto as Exhibit B. The properties listed in Exhibit A shall only be annexed in accordance with the procedures set out in this Joint Resolution.).
  - A. Owner Petition A minimum of 67% of the owners of any of the properties within the area may petition the City and Township to request the annexation of their property into the City. Or, if 80% of a series of contingent properties to the City have petitioned for annexation. The City shall review the petition and determine whether it is willing to accept the property into the City. The City shall communicate its decision to the Township with 60 days from receiving the petition.
  - B. Joint Resolution The City shall, at its own cost, develop any maps or legal descriptions of the property being annexed as may be needed, file the joint resolution with the MBAU, pay any required filing fees, and request the issuance of an order annexing the identified property within this area. No such annexation shall be ordered unless it is consistent with the terms and conditions of this Joint Resolution.
- 3. Annexation Order The City and Township agree that no alteration of the stated boundaries as described in the Joint Resolution is appropriate, that no consideration by the MBAU is necessary and that all terms and conditions for annexation are provided for in this Joint Resolution. The administrative law judge may review and comment, but shall within 30 days order the annexation of the identified property provided the annexation complies with the terms and conditions of this Joint Resolution. Nothing in this Joint Resolution shall be interpreted as limiting the authority of the administrative law judge to deny the requested annexation of any of the property designated herein if the requested annexation does not comply with the terms and conditions of this Joint Resolution.
- 4. Zoning Property within the designated annexation areas identified in this Joint Resolution shall continue to be subject to County and Township zoning, subdivision, shoreland, and related regulations until it is annexed into the City. Upon the effective date of the annexation, the property annexed shall become subject the City's regulations.
- 5. Property Tax Reimbursement The City shall make property tax reimbursement payments to the Township for the property annexed pursuant to this Joint Resolution in accordance with this Section.
  - A. Properties included in annexation The Township shall retain 100% of the property taxes payable to the Township (levied by the Township the previous year) which would have been distributed to the Township but for annexation ("Town Levy Amount"). Starting in the following year, the City shall make cash payments to the Township equal to the percentage set out below of the Town Levy Amount:

Year after City Becomes Levying Authority	Percentage of Town Levy Amount
1st	80%
2nd	70%
3rd	60%
4th	50%
5th	40%
Thereafter	0%

- B. Payments shall be made twice a year within 30 days of the County's property tax reconciliation distribution to the City.
- 6. Levying Authority The City may levy property taxes on the property in the year of annexation for collection in the following year. The last amount levied by the Township on the property shall be considered the "Town Levy Amount" for the purposes of this Joint Resolution.
- Assessments, Capital Improvements, and Debt Any assessments for public improvements benefiting the annexed property, whether imposed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, chapters 429, 365A, or other authority, which are still due to the Township will be collected by the City under its assessment collection procedure and such payments will be reimbursed to the Township until said assessments are paid in full. The Township will provide the City such information as is necessary to ensure the recovery of the assessments. The City will reimburse the Township said assessment payments within thirty (30) days of City's receipt of the County's property tax reconciliation distributions. In the event that payment is received prior to the County property tax reconciliation distribution date to the City, the City will reimburse within thirty (30) days.
- 8. Municipal Services Nothing in this Joint Resolution shall relieve Township of its governmental responsibilities for the Phase II property, including, but not limited to, the regular and normal maintenance of the existing infrastructure of roads, drainage facilities, and street signs. Township's continuing governmental responsibilities for an annexed area shall continue until the date of the MBAU's order approving the annexation.

Upon annexation, the City shall provide the annexed properties the same services entitled to similarly situated properties within the jurisdiction of the City. Available city services include, but are not limited to the following:

- A. Law enforcement and Fire protection services Law enforcement and fire protection services shall be available to all property owners within the annexed areas under the same terms conditions and policies as are available to all city property owners.
  - If a property is annexed into the City limits, the City will amend its Fire Contract with the Township the subsequent year to remove the annexed properties' values from the Township's valuation in the fire service formula. The property values as set by the Blue Earth County Assessor's Office shall be used for purposes of determining

the amount to be removed from the Township's valuation. The required Fire Service payment from the Township to the City will be adjusted accordingly and reflected in the formula used in the Fire Service Agreement.

- B. Sewer & Water Upon annexation all properties in the designated area shall have sewer and water services extended or available.
- C. Streets & Roads Unless otherwise agreed to in the annexation resolution, the City will be responsible for the road maintenance upon annexation approval by the Minnesota Municipal Boundary Adjustment. Road maintenance shall include sign maintenance, road repairs as well as snow and ice removal.
- 9. Term of Joint Resolution/Amendment This Joint Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon the document being fully executed by all parties hereto. The Joint Resolution is agreed upon and effective until January 1, 2030. The Joint Resolution may be terminated or amended before January 1, 2030 by mutual written joint resolution of the City and Township.
- 10. Governing Law This Joint Resolution is made pursuant to, and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Minnesota. 16. Severability In the event that any portion of this Joint Resolution is declared null and void or unenforceable by a court of law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions shall not be affected and the Joint Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if the Joint Resolution did not contain the particular term or provision held to be invalid. The City and Township agree to work cooperatively to correct any such provision that was stricken.
- 11. Entire Agreement The terms, covenants, conditions and provisions of this Joint Resolution, including the present and all future attachments or exhibits, shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties hereto, superseding all prior agreements and negotiations regarding the properties described within. This Joint Resolution shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns of the City and Township.
- 12. Heading & Captions Headings and Captions are for convenience only and are not intended to alter any of the provisions of this joint resolution for orderly annexation.

Any notices required under this Joint Resolution shall be in writing and sufficiently given if delivered in person or sent by certified or registered mail to the following persons or their successors.

Le Ray Township:

Mrs. Karyn Block

61093 200th Street

Eagle Lake, MN

City of Madison Lake:

Ms. Ari Klugman

525 Main Street, PO Box 295

Madison Lake, MN 56063

Adopted by the Le Ray Township Board this 9th day of December, 2014.

LE RAY TOWNSHIP

By:

Curt Kloss, Chair

Rv.

Karyn Block, Township Clerk

Approved by the Madison Lake City Council this 15 day of December 2014

CITY OF MADISON LAKE

Ву:

Kenneth Reichel, Mayor

Bv:

Ari Klugman, City Administrator

#### **EXHIBIT A**

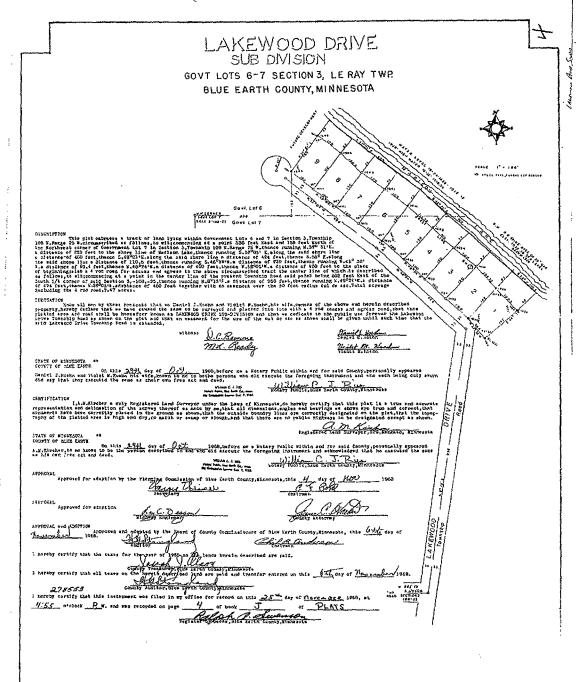
### **Legal Description of Properties**

- Lakewood Drive Sub Division Govt Lots 6-7 Section 3, Le Ray Twp. Blue Earth County, Minnesota
- Lakewood Drive Sub Division Addition No. One, part of Government Lot No. 6 Sec 3, T108N,
   R25W, Blue Earth County, Minnesota
- Lakewood Drive Sub Division Addition No. Two, part of Government Lots No. 3 & 6, Sec 3 T108N R25W, Blue Earth County, Minnesota Except for Outlot A which is currently used for storm drainage purposes.
- Lots 1 & 2 of Lakewood Drive Point Sub Division part of Govt. Lots 6 & 7Sec 3 T108N R25W and part of Lots 1 & 2 of Lakewood Drive Sub Division

#### **EXHIBIT B**

Map of Designated Properties

[attached hereto]

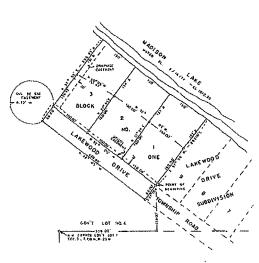


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