

BEFORE THE MUNICIPAL COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

Robert W. Johnson	Chairman
Robert J. Ford	Vice-Chairman
Arthur R. Swan	Member
Charles W. Bell	Ex-Officio Member
Reuben Wanous	Ex-Officio Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION)	FINDINGS OF FACT,
FOR THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN)	CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
LAND TO THE CITY OF GLENCOE)	AND ORDER

That on or about the 26th day of March, 1968 the City of Glencoe served notice on the Town of Glencoe of its intention to annex certain land located in the Town of Glencoe to the City of Glencoe. That the land to be annexed is located in the Town of Glencoe, McLeod County, Minnesota, and is more particularly described herein.

That the Town Board of the Town of Glencoe objected to the annexation of said land, that hearings on said annexation came before the Municipal Commission at the Community Building in the City of Glencoe, Minnesota, on the 16th day of May, 1968 at 10:30 A.M., on the 27th day of May, 1968, at 10:30 A.M. and again on the 18th day of September, 1968 at 10:30 A.M. Messrs. Robert J. Ford, Arthur R. Swan, Charles W. Bell, and Reuben Wanous attended the hearing on the 16th day of May, 1968. Messrs. Robert J. Ford, Robert Johnson, Charles W. Bell, and Reuben Wanous attended the hearing held on May 27, 1968. Messrs. Robert J. Ford, Arthur R. Swan, Robert W. Johnson, Charles W. Bell and Reuben Wanous attended the hearing held on September 18, 1968.

The City of Glencoe was represented by Edward J. Gavin, its City Attorney, and Donald Alsop, and the Town of Glencoe was represented by Mr. Richard D. Genty. Mr. Arnold W. Beneke appeared pro se and represented others.

The Commission, having duly considered the testimony of the witnesses, the exhibits received in evidence and upon all the files and records including the inspection of the area to be annexed and being fully advised in the premises, makes and enters the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

I.

That due, timely and adequate notice of the hearing herein, including adjourned session thereof, was properly posted, published, served and mailed.

II.

That the land to be annexed is seventy-five percent or more bordered on three sides by land within the City of Glencoe.

III.

That the area to be annexed is platted and contains approximately fifty-three single family dwellings.

IV.

The population of the City of Glencoe in 1967, as determined by the census taken in said city at said time is approximately 3697, and in the area to be annexed 189.

V.

The area to be annexed contains no industry or commercial property and is primarily residential dwellings, together with a golf course, and is urban in character.

VI.

That the City of Glencoe has water lines abutting the area to be annexed and has water and sanitary sewer pipe lines in said city abutting the area to be annexed which could feasibly be extended to provide services necessary.

VII.

That there are public and parochial schools in the City of Glencoe which serve all of the students in the area to be annexed, and that there are roads directly from the City of Glencoe to the area to be annexed upon which school buses travel to transport students to schools in the City of Glencoe.

VIII.

That the assessed valuation of the City of Glencoe in 1967, was \$1,920,289 and of the area to be annexed was \$97,324.

IX.

That the real estate taxes in the area to be annexed can reasonably be expected to increase but the increase will be proportional to the expected benefit inuring to the annexed territory as the result of the annexation.

X.

That the City of Glencoe has a modern, well-equipped police department of approximately four police officers that will be able to provide good police services to the area to be annexed. That the Town of Glencoe does not have a police department and the area to be annexed now receives its police protection from the McLeod County Sheriff's Office.

XI.

That the City of Glencoe has a modern well equipped volunteer fire department which will be able to provide good fire protection to the area to be annexed. That said area is presently protected by the Fire Department of the City of Glencoe on the basis of a contract between the City of Glencoe and the Town of Glencoe.

XII.

That the City of Glencoe has adopted a zoning ordinance and has adopted a comprehensive plan for the development of the area surrounding the City of Glencoe, which includes the area to be annexed herein.

XIII.

That there is no need for continuance of any Township Government within the area to be annexed after annexation since the close proximity of the area to the City of Glencoe provides an ease of city governmental control and management.

XIV.

That the Town of Glencoe presently offers no governmental service for sanitary sewer or water in the area to be annexed. That said Township offered no evidence to indicate that it is planning said services in the future for said area.

XV.

That the area of the City of Glencoe is much larger than the area of the territory to be annexed.

XVI.

That the City of Glencoe has expanded with respect to population and construction, and will continue to do so, and that space is needed to accommodate that expansion.

XVII.

That the township form of government is inadequate to cope with the problems of urban or suburban growth in the area to be annexed.

XVIII.

That the annexation herein ordered will not materially affect

the ability of the Township of Glencoe to function as a governmental unit.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

I.

The Minnesota Municipal Commission duly acquired, and now has jurisdiction of the within proceedings.

II.

The area to be annexed is now or is about to become urban or suburban in character.

III.

The area to be annexed is so conditioned and so located as to be properly subjected to municipal government by the City of Glencoe.

IV.

Annexation by the City of Glencoe would be in the best interests of the area affected and the City of Glencoe.

V.

Municipal Government of the area to be annexed herein is necessary and is required to protect public health, safety and welfare and to provide necessary governmental services.

VI.

That the area to be annexed is seventy-five percent or more bordered on three sides by land within the City of Glencoe.

An Order should be issued by the Minnesota Municipal Commission annexing to the City of Glencoe, Minnesota, the real estate located in the Town of Glencoe, McLeod County, Minnesota, described herein.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED: That the following described real estate in the Town of Glencoe, McLeod County, Minnesota, be and the same hereby is, annexed to the City of Glencoe, Minnesota, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof:

The SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 13, Township 115 North of Range 28 West excepting therefrom those portions contained in the City limits of Glencoe.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1969

MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL COMMISSION
610 Capitol Square Building
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101


Bruce Rasmussen
Secretary