

July 18, 2007

Michael Schmit, City Administrator
City Office Building
333 SW 6th Street
Box 755
Willmar, MN 56201

Docket Number: A-7535

City of Willmar
M.S. 414.033, Subd. 5
Ordinance No. 1259

Dear Mr. Schmit:

On July 18, 2007, the Office of Administrative Hearings approved the above ordinance in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 414, and the Rules of Procedure. The annexation is final upon the date the ordinance is approved.

Reimbursement of the property taxes to the Town shall be based on the property taxes collected by the Town in the last year it collected taxes on the annexed area, in a total amount equivalent to that payable under the former law, but adjusted to be paid in substantially equal payments over five years in accordance with the 2006 amendments to Minn. Stat. 414.036.

The law requires that a copy of the annexation ordinance must be delivered immediately by the governing body of the municipality to the appropriate county auditor or auditors, and filed with the township. We recommend that you also file the annexation ordinance with the County Recorder. **This office will file a copy of the ordinance with the Secretary of State.** However, you must now complete the election precinct boundary change process in coordination with the Office of the Secretary of State.

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If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Christine M. Scotillo
Executive Director
Municipal Boundary Adjustments

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c: County Auditor
Township Clerk
Megan Sauer, City Planner
State Demographer's Office
Secretary of State