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IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR DETACHMENT OF  
CERTAIN LAND FROM THE CITY OF TAYLORS FALLS, MINNESOTA  
PURSUANT TO MINN. STAT. § 414.06

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TO: Office of Administrative Hearings  
Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit  
PO Box 64620  
St. Paul, MN 55164-0620

*Pursuant to the 2012 amendment to Minn. Stat. § 414.06, the petitioner(s) shall also provide a copy of this petition to:*

- 1) the city from which the land may be detached;*
- 2) all property owners who have not signed this petition;*
- 3) the clerk of the town to which the property may be attached if granted;*
- 4) the clerk of any other abutting town or city; and*
- 5) the county recorder in the county in which the land is located.*

PETITIONERS STATE: The number of petitioners required by Minn. Stat. § 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:

  X   all of the property owners, the area is less than 40 acres; or  
       75% or more of the property owners, the area is more than 40 acres;  
to detach certain properties described herein from the City of Taylors Falls and make a part of the Township of Shafer.

1. There are 2 (two) property owners in the area proposed for detachment.
2. All property owners have signed this petition.
3. The property is situated within the City of Taylors Falls, abuts the municipal boundary, and is located in the County of Chisago. The petitioned area abuts on the city's W boundary.
4. The property proposed for detachment is rural in character and not developed for urban residential, commercial, or industrial purposes.
5. The reason detachment is requested is:  
We looked into the restrictions of what our property can be used for, and we are limited to its uses due to being within city limits. We are unable to park our semi-trailer truck, for our self-owned business on our property for more than a couple days due to the ordinances set by the city. We are unable to have roosters/farm animals. We have 21 acers

*Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit Contact*  
[mbauadministrator.oah@state.mn.us](mailto:mbauadministrator.oah@state.mn.us)

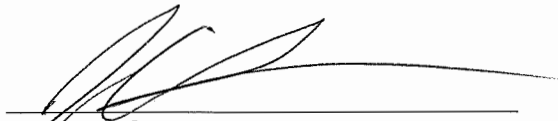
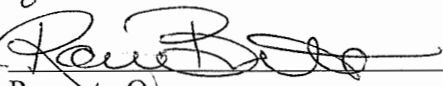
but can't utilize them due to being within city limits. We are unable to hunt on our property due to it being within city limits. We are also one of the highest taxed properties in the entire city, however we do not have any benefits from the city. The state plows the road our driveway is on, we have our own sewer and water, and we had to pay to run power down hwy. 95 to get electric to our property. We pay taxes for services/benefits we do not receive from the city.

6. Summarize what efforts were taken prior to filing this petition to resolve the issues:  
We approached the City of Taylors Falls asking if there was a way to lower our taxes as we do not utilize any city services provided from the city. They told us no. We reached out to Taylors Falls to ask the process of being detached and they informed us before they wouldn't look into the matter, we had to go to Shafer Township to see if they would annex us. We scheduled to be heard at the townhall meeting for Shafer Township on March 13, 2025. Shafer Township agreed to annex our property and stated they would send documentation to Taylors Falls. We continued to call the city of Taylors Falls over the next few months. We were unsuccessful with having them return our phone calls. Eventually they informed us they never received the information from Shafer Township, and stated they would reach out to Shafer Township to obtain the document(s). We continued to call Taylors Falls asking for any information they needed from us and if they received the paperwork. Voicemails went unanswered. July 2025, Taylors Falls called back and stated they did not have time to do the paperwork until the winter, so if we wanted to have the property detached, we would have to initiate it.
7. The number of acres in the property proposed for detachment is 21 acres and is described as follows:

*See attached Exhibits*

8. The number and character of buildings on said property is:  
1 (one) single family home with a three (3) car attached garage built in 2020.
9. The number of residents in the area proposed for detachment is 5 (five).
10. Public improvements on said property are: N/A

Date: 7/8/25

  
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Property Owner  
  
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Property Owner

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY  
443 LAFAYETTE ROAD N  
ST. PAUL, MN 55155

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL**

In the Matter the petition for detachment of certain land from the city of Taylors Falls,  
Minnesota Pursuant to Minn. Stat.

Rachael Bertram verifies by oath or affirmation that on the 11 day of July 2025, at the City of Taylors Falls, in the county of Chisago, in the state of Minnesota, she served the attached Petition for Detachment by depositing a true and correct copy in the United States mail, properly enveloped, with first class postage prepaid and addressed to the following named individuals or entities at the addresses indicated below.

Name:

City of Taylors Falls  
637 First Street  
Taylors Falls, MN 55084

Shafer Township  
Attn: Faith Lichtscheidl  
18259 St. Croix Trail  
Shafer, MN 55074

Chisago County Recorder's Office  
313 N. Main Street  
Room 277  
Center City, MN 55012



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Rachael Bertram

## **EXHIBIT "A"**

### **LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

The following described real property located in the County of Chisago, and State of Minnesota:

That part of the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 34, Range 19, Chisago County, Minnesota, lying southerly of the following described line:

Commencing at the southeast corner of the East Half of said Northwest Quarter; thence North 00 degrees 30 minutes 45 seconds West, assumed bearing along the east line of said East Half of the Northwest Quarter, a distance of 518.65 feet; thence South 88 degrees 58 minutes 54 seconds West, to the west line of said East Half of the Northwest Quarter and the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence northwesterly to a point on the west line of said West Half of the Northwest Quarter distant 1501 feet south of the northwest corner of said West Half of the Northwest Quarter and there terminating.

Except therefrom the following described parcel:

Beginning at the southeast corner of said West Half of the Northwest Quarter; thence westerly along the south line of said West Half of the Northwest Quarter a distance of 300 feet; thence northerly parallel with the east line of said West Half of the Northwest Quarter a distance of 400 feet; thence easterly parallel with the south line of said West Half of the Northwest Quarter 300 feet to the east line of said West Half of the Northwest Quarter; thence southerly along said east line to the point of beginning.



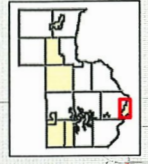
# Taylors Falls Address Map

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1 inch = 600 feet

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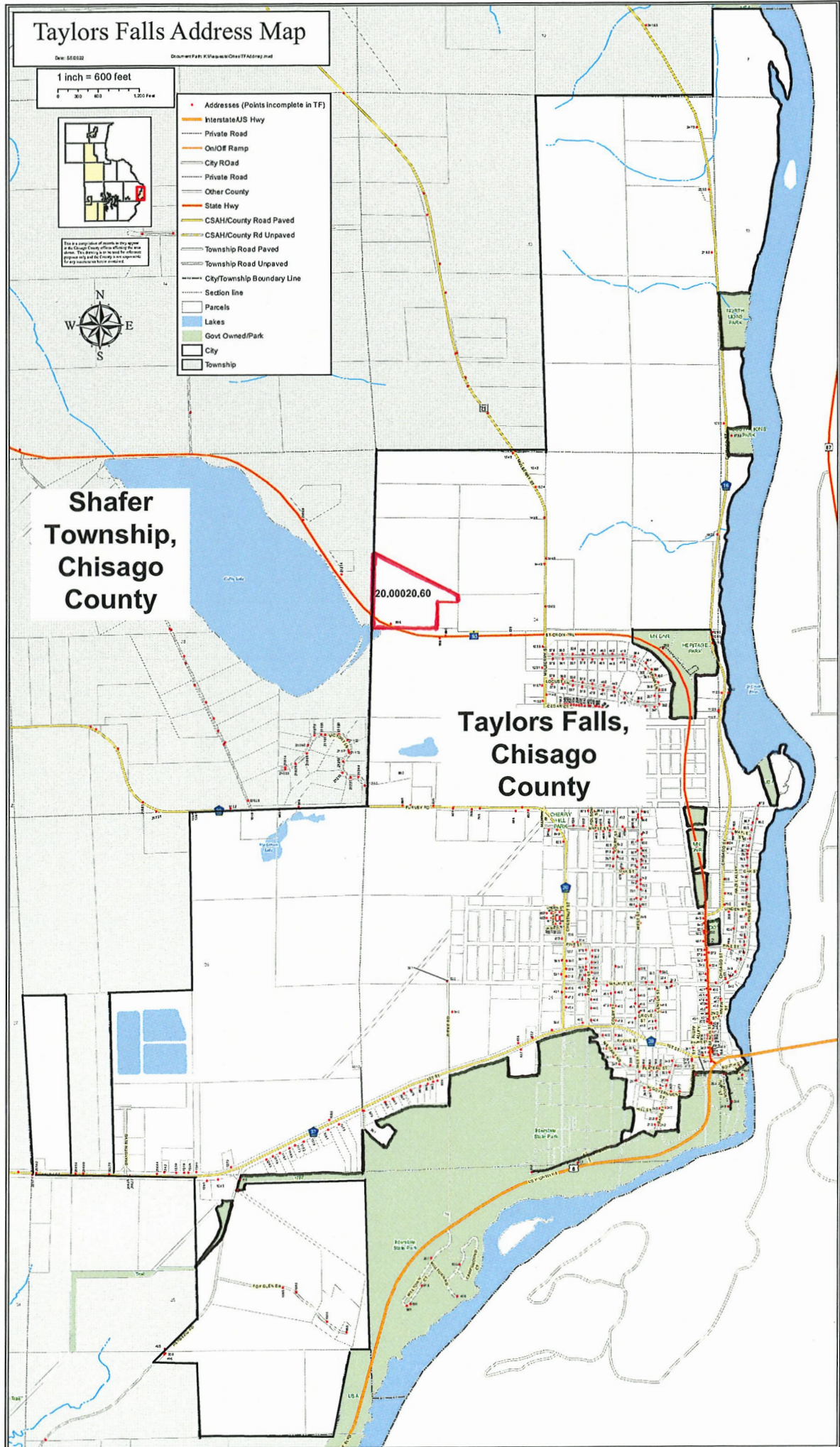


- Addresses (Points incomplete in TF)
- Interstate/US Hwy
- Private Road
- On/Off Ramp
- City Road
- Private Road
- Other County
- State Hwy
- CSAH/County Road Paved
- CSAH/County Rd Unpaved
- Township Road Paved
- Township Road Unpaved
- City/Township Boundary Line
- Section line
- Parcels
- Lakes
- Govt Owned/Park
- City
- Township

**Shafer  
Township,  
Chisago  
County**

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