

STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION) | |
| AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PARK RAPIDS) | <u>FINDINGS OF FACT</u> |
| AND HENRIETTA TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO) | <u>CONCLUSIONS OF LAW</u> |
| MINNESOTA STATUTES 414) | <u>AND ORDER</u> |

The city resolution for orderly annexation submitted by the City of Park Rapids 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. A joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Park Rapids and Henrietta Township pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 414.0325 and duly filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings-Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit.
2. A resolution adopted and submitted by the City of Park Rapids, requests annexation of part of the designated area described as follows:

The North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (N ½ NE ¼ SE ¼) of Section Nineteen (19), Township One Hundred Forty (140), Range Thirty-four (34).

AND

The North Half of the Northwest Quarter (N ½ NW ¼) of Section Thirty, Township One Hundred Forty (140), Range Thirty-four (34) (including the Plat of Green Acres, but not excepting those parcels previously annexed),

AND

The North Half of the Northeast Quarter (N ½ NE ¼) of Section Thirty, Township One Hundred Forty (140), Range Thirty-four (34).
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

1. 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.

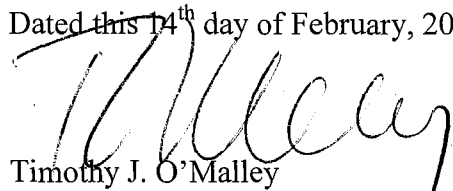
ORDER

1. The property described in the Findings of Fact 2 is annexed to the City of Park Rapids, the same as if it had been originally been made a part thereof.

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §414.036, Henrietta Township will be reimbursed by the City of Park Rapids in accordance with the terms of the Joint Resolution signed by the City of Park Rapids on July 25, 2006 and Henrietta Township on July 27, 2006; and City Resolution No. 2012-21.

3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §414.035, the tax rate of the City of Park Rapids on the property herein ordered annexed shall be increased in substantially equal proportions over a period of 5 years to equality with the tax rate of the property already within the city.

Dated this 14th day of February, 2012.



Timothy J. O'Malley
Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge
Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit