

STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION)
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF COKATO) FINDINGS OF FACT
AND COKATO TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO) CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
MINNESOTA STATUTES 414) AND ORDER

The joint resolution for orderly annexation submitted by the City of Cokato and Cokato Township was reviewed for conformity with applicable law. The undersigned Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge, acting under a delegation from the Chief Administrative Law Judge, hereby makes and files the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On June 18, 2009, the Chief Administrative Law Judge reviewed and accepted the joint resolution which was adopted by the City on June 8, 2009, and by the Township on June 8, 2009, and duly filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings-Municipal Boundary Adjustments on June 15, 2009.

2. The joint resolution requests the designation and immediate annexation of certain property to the City of Cokato described as follows:

205-000-341100

That portion of Outlot Four (4) of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4 of NE1/4) of Section Thirty four (34), Township, One Hundred Nineteen (119), Range Twenty Eight (28), lying west of Highway Number 12 except there from that part of Outlot 4 of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter shown as parcel 74 on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Plat numbered 86-31 as the same is on file and of record in the office of the county recorder in and for Wright

County, Minnesota.

205-012-000030

Outlot 3 of Frank Griffiths Outlot in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 34 in Township 119, Range 28, except there from that part thereof shown as parcel 74 on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way numbered 86-31 as the same is on file and if record in the office of the county recorder.

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 annexing the area described herein.

ORDER

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

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §414.036, no reimbursement shall be made to the Township of Cokato by the City of Cokato in accordance with the terms of the Joint

Resolution signed by the City on and Township on June 8, 2009.

Dated this 18th day of June, 2009.

For the Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge
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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christine M. Scotillo". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'C'.

Christine M. Scotillo
Executive Director
Municipal Boundary Adjustments