

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION )  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OWATONNA ) FINDINGS OF FACT  
AND OWATONNA TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO ) CONCLUSIONS OF LAW  
MINNESOTA STATUTES 414 ) AND ORDER  
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The joint resolution for orderly annexation submitted by the City of Owatonna and Owatonna 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 November 12, 2009, the Chief Administrative Law Judge reviewed and accepted the joint resolution which was adopted by the City on October 20, 2009, and by the Township on October 28, 2009, and duly filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings-Municipal Boundary Adjustments on November 4, 2009.

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

The south 33 feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 107 North, Range 20 West; and  
The north 33 feet of the Northwest Quarter of Section 20, Township 107 North, Range 20 West; and  
The south 33 feet of the Southeast Quarter of Section 18, Township 107 North, Range 20 West; and  
The north 33 feet of the Northeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 107 North, Range 20 West.

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 Owatonna, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof.

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §414.036, Owatonna Township will be reimbursed by the City of Owatonna in accordance with the terms of the Joint Resolution signed by the City on October 20, 2009 and the Township on October 28, 2009.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

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