STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT UNIT

In the Matter of OA-1573-1
Garfield/LaGrand Township
Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 414

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

The joint resolution for orderly annexation submitted by the City of Garfield and LaGrand Township 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. The Chief Administrative Law Judge or authorized designee reviewed and accepted the joint resolution which was adopted by the City and Township on May 5, 2014, and duly filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings, Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit on May 9, 2014.
- 2. The joint resolution requests the designation and immediate annexation of certain property to the City of Garfield described as follows:

THAT PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER, SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 128 NORTH, RANGE 28 WEST, DOUGLAS COUNTY, MINNESOTA, LYING WESTERLY OF THE WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY STATE AID HIGHWAY NO. 40.

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).

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 Findings of Fact 2 is annexed to the City of Garfield, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof.
- 2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 414.036, LaGrand Township will be reimbursed by the City of Garfield in accordance with the terms of the Joint Resolution signed by the City and the Township on May 5, 2014.

Dated: May 13, 2014

Timothy/J. O'Malley

Deputy Chief Administrative Law Judge Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit