

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COURT OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

In the Matter of the Orderly Annexation of
Certain Real Property to the City of
Albany from Albany Township
(MBAU Docket OA-1917 & OA-1917-1)

**ORDER APPROVING
ANNEXATION**

Resolution 2025-12 (Joint Resolution) adopted by the City of Albany (City) and the Albany Town Board (Township) on June 23, 2025, requests the designation and immediate annexation of certain real property for orderly annexation pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 414.0325.

The City of Albany filed the Joint Resolution with the Court of Administrative Hearings on July 11, 2025, and completed the filing on July 21, 2025, with payment of the filing fee. The record closed on October 24, 2025, following confirmation of the legal description of the Property.

The Property is legally described as follows:

(Per Doc. No. 395999)

All that part of the North One-half of the Northeast Quarter (N1/2 of NE1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), Township One Hundred Twenty-five (125), Range Thirty-one (31), which lies and is situated westerly and southerly of the right of way of Trunk Highway numbered 3 (now Minnesota-United States Highway Numbered 52) and northerly of a line drawn parallel with the centerline of the railway of said Great Northern Railway Company as the same is now located and established and distant 75 feet northerly therefrom; excepting that portion of the above described land conveyed to the Great Northern Railway Company described as follows, to-wit: A strip or piece of land 75 feet wide in the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW1/4 of NE1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), Township One Hundred Twenty-five (125), Range Thirty-one (31), lying parallel with and immediately adjoining the Northeasterly boundary of the present right of way of the railway of said Railway Company, and extending from the north line of said Section Twenty-two (22), Southeasterly to a line drawn at right angles to the centerline of the main track of the railway of said Railway Company as the same is now located and constructed at a point therein 918.4 feet distant Southeasterly as measured along said center line from its intersection with the west line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW1/4 of NE1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), the Northeasterly boundary of said strip or piece of land being a line parallel with and 150 feet distant Northerly from the said centerline of the railway, Stearns County, Minnesota, according to the plat and survey thereof on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds

in and for Stearns County, Minnesota.

LESS AND EXCEPT

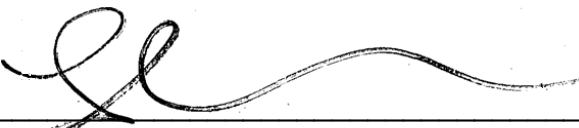
The West 10 feet of the North One-half of the Northeast Quarter (N1/2 of NE1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), Township One Hundred Twenty-five (125), Range Thirty-one (31), which lies and is situated westerly and southerly of the right of way of Trunk Highway numbered 3 (now Minnesota-United States Highway Numbered 52) and northerly of a line drawn parallel with the centerline of the railway of said Great Northern Railway Company as the same is now located and established and distant 75 feet northerly therefrom; excepting that portion of the above described land conveyed to the Great Northern Railway Company described as follows, to-wit: A strip or piece of land 75 feet wide in the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW1/4 of NE1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), Township One Hundred Twenty-five (125), Range Thirty-one (31), lying parallel with and immediately adjoining the Northeasterly boundary of the present right of way of the railway of said Railway Company, and extending from the north line of said Section Twenty-two (22), Southeasterly to a line drawn at right angles to the centerline of the main track of the railway of said Railway Company as the same is now located and constructed at a point therein 918.4 feet distant Southeasterly as measured along said center line from its intersection with the west line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW1/4 of NE1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), the Northeasterly boundary of said strip or piece of land being a line parallel with and 150 feet distant Northerly from the said centerline of the railway, Stearns County, Minnesota, according to the plat and survey thereof on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for Stearns County, Minnesota.

Based upon a review of the Joint Resolution, the Administrative Law Judge makes the following:

ORDER

1. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 414.0325, the Joint Resolution is deemed adequate in all legal respects and properly supports this Order.
2. Pursuant to the terms of the Joint Resolution and this Order, the Property is **ANNEXED** to the City.
3. Pursuant to the agreement of the parties and as allowed by Minn. Stat. § 414.036 (2024), the City will reimburse the Township as stated in the Joint Resolution.

Dated: November 20, 2025



Jim Mortenson
Administrative Law Judge

NOTICE

This Order is the final administrative order in this case under Minn. Stat. §§ 414.0325, .07, .09, .12 (2024). Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 414.07, subd. 2, any person aggrieved by this Order may appeal to Stearns County District Court by filing an Application for Review with the Court Administrator within 30 days of this Order. An appeal does not stay the effect of this Order.

Any party may submit a written request for an amendment of this Order within seven days from the date of the mailing of the Order pursuant to Minn. R. 6000.3100 (2023). However, no request for amendment shall extend the time of appeal from this Order.