

## STATE OF MINNESOTA

## OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION )  
 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MONTEVIDEO )  
 AND THE TOWN OF SPARTA PURSUANT TO ) ORDER  
 MINNESOTA STATUTES 414 )

WHEREAS, a joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Montevideo and the Town of Sparta; and

WHEREAS, a joint resolution was received from the City of Montevideo and the Town of Sparta indicating their desire that certain property be annexed to the City of Montevideo pursuant to M.S. 414.0325; and

WHEREAS, M.S. 414.0325 states that in certain circumstances the Director of Strategic and Long Range Planning may review and comment, but shall within 30 days order the annexation pursuant to said subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, Reorganization Order No. 192, effective March 8, 2005, has transferred the duties of the Director to the Chief Administrative Law Judge.

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2005, the Chief Administrative Law Judge reviewed and accepted the resolution for orderly annexation;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That the following described property is hereby annexed in accordance with the terms of the joint resolution to the City of Montevideo, Minnesota, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof:


The West Five Hundred (500') feet of the North One-Half of the Southwest Quarter

(N ½ SW ¼), the West Five Hundred (500') feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼ SW ¼), and the South Five Hundred (500') feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼ SW ¼), all in Section Nine (9), Township One Hundred Seventeen (117), Range Forty (40), Chippewa County, Minnesota.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That the tax rate of the City of Montevideo on the property herein ordered annexed shall be increased in substantially equal proportions over a period of six years to equality with the tax rate of the property already within the city.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2005.

For the Chief Administrative Law Judge  
658 Cedar Street - Room 300  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christine M. Scotillo". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "C".

Christine M. Scotillo  
Executive Director  
Municipal Boundary Adjustments

MEMORANDUM

In ordering the annexation contained in Docket No. OA-436-6, the Chief Administrative Law Judge finds and makes the following comment:

Planning in the area designated for orderly annexation must be provided for by one of three provisions set forth in Minnesota Statutes Section 414.0325, Subd. 5. The joint resolution does not make reference to which of the three statutory provisions the parties have agreed on to govern planning in the designated area.

The parties are encouraged to consider this comment in light of any further amendments that may be otherwise necessary to this agreement for orderly annexation.

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