### STATE OF MINNESOTA

### OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND ALEXANDRIA TOWNSHIP PU MINNESOTA STATUTES 414	Y OF ALEXANDRIA	FINDINGS OF FACT CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

The city resolution for orderly annexation submitted by the City of Alexandria 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. A joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Alexandria and Alexandria Township pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 414.0325 and duly filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings-Municipal Boundary Adjustments.
- 2. A resolution adopted and submitted by the City of Alexandria, requests annexation of part of the designated area described as follows:
  - All of Section 7, Township 128N, Range 37W and that part of Section 6, Township 128N, Range 37W lying east of the east line of 'Amendment to Raiter's Rearrangement of Townsite of Three Havens, Douglas County, Minnesota', not including lands therein already within the City Limits of the City of Alexandria.
- 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 Assistant 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 Alexandria, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof.
- 2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §414.036, Alexandria Township will be reimbursed by the City of Alexandria in accordance with the terms of Joint Resolution No 02-16/02-104 signed by the City on November 12, 2002 and the Township on November 4, 2002.
- 3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §414.035, the tax rate of the City of Alexandria on the property herein ordered annexed shall be increased in substantially equal proportions over a period of four years to equality with the tax rate of the property already within the city.

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2009.

For the Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge P. O. Box 64620 St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620

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