OA-992-10 Rogers City Resolution No. 2005-20

## STATE OF MINNESOTA

## OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION ) AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROGERS ) AND THE TOWN OF HASSAN PURSUANT TO ) <u>ORDER</u> MINNESOTA STATUTES 414 )

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

WHEREAS, a resolution was received from the City of Rogers indicating their desire that

certain property be annexed to the City of Rogers 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 of land 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; and

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2005, the Chief Administrative Law Judge has 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 Rogers, Minnesota, the same as

if it had originally been made a part thereof:

That part of the Southwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of Section 22, Township 120, North Range 23, West of the 5<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian, described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 22; thence East 31 rods; thence North to the center of the so-called Territorial Road; thence Northwesterly along said Road to the West line of Section 22; thence South to beginning. Also that part of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 27, Township 120, North Range 23, West of the 5<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian, described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 22; thence South 15 rods; thence East 31 rods; thence North 15 rods; thence West 31 rods to beginning, all in Henn. Co., Minnesota, according to the recorded plat thereof.

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Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2005.

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

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Christine M. Scotillo Executive Director Municipal Boundary Adjustments

## MEMORANDUM

In ordering the annexation contained in Docket No. OA-992-10, 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.

Section 13.01 states the agreement will terminate on August 15, 2030 in all respects .... End dates or ending mechanisms are problematic in that they appear contrary to the act of conferring jurisdiction to the Chief Administrative Law Judge. Once jurisdiction is conferred, it cannot be taken away by written consent of the parties. Jurisdiction ends when all the designated area is annexed. The issue whether jurisdiction could be "given back" by the Chief Administrative Law Judge upon written request of the parties to the agreement to mutually end their agreement has not been addressed.

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. M