

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 12/12/23

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 23-1032

LOG NAME: 06AX-23-004 WILLOW SPRINGS RIGHT-OF-WAY (CITY-INITIATED)

SUBJECT

(Future CD 10) Consider Institution and Adoption of Ordinance Annexing Approximately 4.825 Acres of Willow Springs Right-of-Way, Located East of Highway 287, and Extending North from Bonds Ranch Road for Approximately 2,967-Feet, in the Far Northwest Planning Sector, AX-23-004

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council institute the annexation and adoption of the attached ordinance annexing approximately 4.825 acres of Willow Springs right-of-way in Tarrant County, located East of Highway 287, and extending north from Bonds Ranch Road for approximately 2,967-feet, in the Far Northwest Planning Sector, AX-23-004.

DISCUSSION:

On September 15, 2023, representatives for Tarrant County submitted a letter supporting the full-purpose annexation of the above referenced right-of-way into the City of Fort Worth. This letter allows the City to annex for full purposes that stretch of Willow Springs right-of-way as identified in the attached Exhibit A. The Transportation and Public Works Department supports the annexation of Willow Springs right-of-way for full-purposes into the City. The adoption of the attached ordinance completes the annexation process.

The subject right-of-way is situated within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City, on Willow Springs Road and will continue to be used as right-of-way. The annexation policy states that the City will annex any right-of-way that is adjacent to and provides access to property within the City. In addition, Willow Springs Road is classified as a major arterial and is designated as a neighborhood connector on the Master Thoroughfare Plan. As such, it is critical the right-of-way be annexed and the existing roadway be maintained to City standards.

Although a fiscal impact analysis was not conducted, the annexation policy does not require thoroughfares to produce a positive fiscal impact due to the efficiencies gained in service delivery. This section of Willow Springs right-of-way meets this criterion. Furthermore, many of the adjacent properties are already within Fort Worth City Limits and the surrounding area is currently experiencing urban development. Staff has determined that the City is able to provide municipal services upon annexation in accordance with State law, without negatively impacting service provision within the City. Annexation of this site is thus consistent with the City's annexation policy.

If annexed, this property will become part of COUNCIL DISTRICT 10.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that the impact of this annexation will be built into the City's long-term financial forecast of the General Fund.

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