

Annexation - Hearing Findings Requirements

A public hearing was held on May 21st, 2024, for the annexation petition for Zyland and the following items were discussed in the public hearing for the following annexation petition:

W.S. 15-1-402(a): Before any territory is eligible for annexation, the governing body of any city or town at a hearing as provided in W.S. 15-1-405 shall find that:

_____ An annexation of the area is for the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the persons residing in the area and in the city or town;

_____ The urban development of the area sought to be annexed would constitute a natural, geographical, economical, and social part of the annexing city or town;

_____ The area sought to be annexed is a logical and feasible addition to the annexing city or town and the extension of basic and other services customarily available to residents of the city or town shall, within reason, be available to the area proposed to be annexed;

_____ The area sought to be annexed is contiguous¹ with or adjacent to the annexing city or town, or the area is owned by the city;

_____ If the town does not own or operate its own electric utility, its governing body is prepared to issue one (1) or more franchises as necessary to serve the annexed area pursuant to W.S. 15-1-410; and

_____ The annexing town, not less than twenty (20) business days² prior to the public hearing required by W.S. 15-1-405(a), has sent by certified mail to all landowners and affected public utilities within the territory and by first class mail to any persons owning property that is within three hundred (300) feet of the territory proposed to be annexed, regardless of whether the property is inside or outside the corporate limits of the annexing town and regardless whether the city or town is exercising authority under W.S. 15-3-202 (b)(ii), a summary of the proposed

¹ W.S. §15-1-402 (b) "Contiguity will not be adversely affected by the existence of a platted street or alley, a public or private right-of-way, a public or private transportation right-of-way, a lake, stream, reservoir or other natural or artificial waterway located between the annexing city or town and the land sought to be annexed."

² W.S. §15-1-401 (a)(i) "Business day' means any day other than Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday as established by the annexing municipality".

Signed: _____ Title: _____