

*City of Bel Aire, Kansas*

## **STAFF REPORT**

DATE: March 9, 2023

TO: Governing Body

FROM: City Attorney

RE: Consent Annexation near 53<sup>rd</sup> and Woodlawn (Kilgore)

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### **Background:**

The owners of these 5 adjoining tracts of land have signed an agreement to have their property annexed into the corporate boundaries of the City of Bel Aire. The agreement includes a temporary tiered tax rebate, zoning plan, and agreement to allow the property to attach to city water and sewer at a later time. This agreement makes the annexation process easier than if the City were to initiate a unilateral annexation.

### **Discussion:**

Statutory consent annexation allows the city to clean up “islands” that are not a part of the city even though those properties are wholly surrounded by the City. Annexing this property into Bel Aire would make the boundary lines of the City harmonious and contiguous as contemplated in KSA 12-520. The City is able to provide sewer water and police service to this property. Property owners have requested this annexation take effect on June 30<sup>th</sup> 2023 for personal reasons. City staff is also prepared to approach the property owners about replatting the 5 parcels into one single property.

**Recommendation from Staff:** Approve the agreement for consent annexation and the accompanying ordinance. Once approved, ordinance shall be filed with the Register of Deeds and on June 30<sup>th</sup> 2023, this property will be incorporated into Bel Aire.