

**CITY OF BELLE SLE, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

Meeting Date: July 7, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: Rick Rudometkin – City Manager

Subject: Discussion and Direction Regarding a Citywide Annexation Strategy, Feasibility, and Fiscal Impact Study

Background:

The City of Belle Isle has limited opportunities for growth within its existing municipal boundaries. As part of the City's long-term planning efforts, staff has identified the potential value of evaluating unincorporated areas contiguous to the City's current boundaries to determine whether future annexation opportunities may exist.

At this time, the city has not conducted a comprehensive annexation strategy or feasibility study evaluating potential annexation opportunities, service delivery impacts, fiscal considerations, public safety implications, and long-term planning objectives.

A professional annexation study would provide objective data regarding areas that may be suitable for future annexation and assist current and future City Councils in making informed policy decisions regarding municipal growth, service delivery, and long-range planning.

Staff Recommendation:

If annexation is a desire, preparation and advertisement of an RFP for a Citywide Annexation Strategy, Feasibility, and Fiscal Impact Study, will be needed.

Suggested Motion:

I move to direct staff to prepare an RFP for a Citywide Annexation Strategy, Feasibility, and Fiscal Impact Study evaluating contiguous unincorporated areas adjacent to the City of Belle Isle and return to City Council with the proposed solicitation package and estimated project costs for future consideration.

Alternatives: N/A

Fiscal Impact: Unknown estimated project costs.

Attachments: N/A