

Staff Report

Subject: City of Springfield Annexation - Map# 446 Parcel# 41 & 47
Author: Stephanie Johnson, County Clerk
Department: Administration
Meeting Date: May 19, 2026
Item Description: Consideration to acknowledge a Petition for Annexation as submitted by the City of Springfield for properties owned by Douglas Edwards consisting of approximately 9.44 total acres located off of Ebenezer Road in the Fourth District

According to an aerial photography provided by Effingham County GIS data, this parcel is within the vicinity of other properties within the city limits of Springfield.

Executive Summary:

As required under state law O.C.G.A § 36-36-7 and § 36-36-9 upon accepting an application for annexation or a petition for annexation, the governing authority of the annexing municipality shall provide written notice to the governing authority of the county where the proposed annexation is located.

A public hearing of the Planning & Zoning Board and Mayor and City Council to consider this petition will be held May 26, 2026 at 6:00 pm. Said properties are currently zoned AR-1 (Agricultural Residential), proposed zoning upon annexation will be B-1.

Background:

Annexation documentation was received via certified mail from the City of Springfield April 21, 2026. The parcels identified in this petition consist of approximately 9.44 total acres, *owned by Douglas Edwards*. The properties being considered for annexation are as follows:

Parcel ID:	Current Address*	Current Zoning*	Proposed Zoning	Intended Use in next 12 months	Acreage
446-41	667 Ebenezer Rd	AR-1	B-1	Future Development	7.0
446-47	120 Entrepreneur Way	AR-1	B-1	Future Development	2.44

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

1. Acknowledge the Petition Requesting Annexation as presented by the City of Springfield
2. Dispute the Petition Requesting Annexation.

Other Alternatives: N/A **Department Review:** Administration

Funding Source: No funding is required related to this request.

Attachments:

1. Petition for Annexation
2. Aerial Map (*related parcels and depicting city boundaries*)