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TO: Plan Commission DATE: August 26th, 2024

SUBJECT: Review of public hearing comments and recommendation to Council - County Road A

Annexation

A request by Gremar LLC, agent for RJAB LLC, to annex land into the City of Watertown. Parcel PIN(s): 032-0815-0741-002

SITE DETAILS:

Acres: 20.0

Current Jurisdiction: Town of Watertown Existing Land Use: Agriculture – Single-Family

Future Land Use Designation: Planned Neighborhood

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION DESCRIPTION:

The applicant is proposing to annex approximately 20 acres from the Town of Watertown into the City of Watertown for a conceptual 48 lot residential subdivision. The annexation area includes one existing home with outbuildings owned by the applicant.

STAFF EVALUATION:

Chapter 550 Zoning

The Plan Commission, together with its other statutory duties, shall make reports and recommendations relating to the planning and development of the City to the Common Council. [Per §550-155A]

Wisconsin Statutes

Per Wisconsin Statues a petition for direct annexation may be filed with the City Clerk for consideration by the Common Council.

Per Wisconsin State Statute § 66.0217(2)

(2) DIRECT ANNEXATION BY UNANIMOUS APPROVAL. Except as provided in this subsection and sub. (14), and subject to ss. 66.0301 (6) (d) and 66.0307 (7), if a petition for direct annexation signed by all of the electors residing in the territory and the owners of all of the real property in the territory is filed with the city or village clerk, and with the town clerk of the town or towns in which the territory is located, together with a scale map and a legal description of the property to be annexed, an annexation ordinance for the annexation of the territory may be enacted by a two-thirds vote of the elected members of the governing body of the city or village without compliance with the notice requirements of sub. (4). In an annexation under this subsection, subject to sub. (6), the person filing the petition with the city or village clerk and the town clerk shall, within 5 days of the filing, mail a copy of the scale map and a legal description of the territory to be annexed to the department and the governing body shall review the advice of the department, if any, before enacting the annexation ordinance. No territory may be annexed by a city or village under this subsection unless the territory to be annexed is contiguous to the annexing city or village.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT:

Public comments from the August 6th, 2024 Public Hearing before the Common Council are attached.

PLAN COMMISSION OPTIONS:

The following possible options for the Plan Commission:

- 1. Negative recommendation of the Annexation to Common Council.
- 2. Positive recommendation of the Annexation to Common Council.
- 3. Positive recommendation of the Annexation to Common Council, with conditions identified by the Plan Commission:

ATTACHMENTS:

Application materials.