

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Approval of Resolution Annexing Land to the City of Eugene (Westside Baptist Church - A 13-5)

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Department: Planning and Development
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ISSUE STATEMENT

This item is a request to annex a 16.98-acre property and the abutting segment of right-of-way, Golf Club Road, which is approximately 80 feet in width and 920 feet in length. The property is the former location of the Eagles Lodge, but is currently owned and operated by the Westside Baptist Church. Golf Club Road is an unimproved Lane County right-of-way that abuts the southern property boundary and connects to Irving Road to the south.

Annexation of the property and Golf Club Road would enable further division and development of the area of request. The inclusion of right-of-way is a logical extension of City limits and does not create an island of unannexed territory, consistent with City Council's Resolution No. 4903 concerning right-of-way annexations (see Attachment D). Lane County staff confirms that they support the inclusion of the right-of-way into the annexation request because it is within the City's UGB. City Public Works staff also concur to the right-of-way being annexed.

BACKGROUND

In December 2007, the City Council adopted an ordinance establishing the procedures for annexation requests and amending Chapter 9 of the Eugene Code (EC) to include these procedures. These annexation procedures provide for the council to adopt a resolution approving, modifying and approving, or denying an application for annexation; or provide for the council to hold a public hearing before consideration of the annexation request.

Approval of annexation requests are based on the criteria at EC 9.7825 which require that (1) the land proposed to be annexed is within the city's Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) and is contiguous to the city limits or separated from city limits only by a right-of-way or water body; (2) the proposed annexation is consistent with the applicable policies in the Metro Plan and in any applicable refinement plans and (3) the proposed annexation will result in a boundary in which the minimal level of key urban facilities and services can be provided in an orderly, efficient, and timely manner. Draft findings demonstrating that the annexation request is consistent with these approval criteria are included as Exhibit C to the draft resolution (Attachment B).

Public notice for this annexation request was provided in accordance with Eugene Code requirements, and no written testimony has been received. Referral comments were provided by affected agencies including City of Eugene Public Works and Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB). These referral comments confirm that the property can be provided with the minimum level of key urban services consistent with the approval criteria. Given the findings of compliance and lack of testimony received, a public hearing is not recommended in this instance.

Additionally, this property was included in a package of Envision Eugene Residential Re-designations that the City Council approved on July 9, 2014. Following a public hearing on June 3, 2014, where no testimony was submitted in opposition to the proposal, the City Council voted unanimously to re-designate this property from Parks and Open Space to Low Density Residential. This annexation request is consistent with this recent action.

Additional background information regarding this request, including relevant application materials, is included for reference as Attachment C. A full copy of all materials in the record is also available at the Permit and Information Center located at 99 West 10th Avenue.

RELATED CITY POLICIES

The Metro Plan contains the policies that are related to this annexation request. The River Road Santa Clara Urban Facilities Plan is the refinement plan applicable to the subject properties. The policies applicable to this request are addressed in the Planning Director's findings and recommendation (Exhibit C to Attachment B).

COUNCIL OPTIONS

The City Council may consider the following options:

1. Adopt the draft resolution
2. Adopt the draft resolution with specific modifications as determined by the City Council
3. Deny the draft resolution
4. Defer action until after the council holds a public hearing on the proposed annexation

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

The City Manager recommends that the City Council adopt the draft resolution by finding that the request complies with all applicable approval criteria, and that the annexation is approved.

SUGGESTED MOTION

Move to adopt Resolution 5111, which approves the proposed annexation request consistent with the applicable approval criteria.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Map of Annexation Request
- B. Draft Annexation Resolution with Exhibits A through C
 - Exhibit A: Legal Description
 - Exhibit B: Map of Annexation Request
 - Exhibit C: Planning Director Findings and Recommendation
- C. Application Materials for Annexation Request
- D. Resolution No. 4903

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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