# EUGENE CITY COUNCIL Agenda Item Summary



## Approval of a Resolution Annexing Land to the City of Eugene (Spring Knoll, LLC; A 14-9)

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#### **ISSUE STATEMENT**

This item is a request to annex approximately 3.6 acres of vacant land located at the end of Wendell Lane on the north side of East 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. The property is located east of North Shasta Loop and approximately 0.4 mile east of East Amazon Drive. It is located within the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) and is surrounded on all sides by the city limits. The property is zoned R-1/WR/UL (Low-Density Residential with Water Resources and Urbanizable Lands Overlays). The Metro Plan and the South Hills Study designate the subject property for low density residential use. Plans for future development of the site are not included as part of this annexation application, but the applicant intends on filing a subsequent Planned Unit Development (PUD) application for low-density residential development following annexation.

#### BACKGROUND

In December 2007, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 20400 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 as of this date. 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.

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 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

### **RELATED CITY POLICIES**

The Metro Plan contains the policies that are related to this annexation request. The South Hills Study 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**

- 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 be approved.

#### SUGGESTED MOTION

Move to adopt Resolution 5131, which approves the proposed annexation request consistent with the applicable approval criteria.

#### ATTACHMENTS

- A. Vicinity Map
- B. Draft Annexation Resolution with Exhibits A through C Exhibit A: Map of Annexation Request
  Exhibit B: Legal Description
  Exhibit C: Planning Director Findings and Recommendation
- C. Application Materials for Annexation Request

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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