

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-02-02**

**A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW BASED THEREON AND DETERMINING THE STATUS OF THE TERRITORY SOMETIMES KNOWN AS RIVERSIDE PARK NORTH ANNEXATION PROPERTY HEREINAFTER MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED BELOW**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MORGAN:**

This matter comes on for hearing before the City Council of the City of Fort Morgan on February 16, 2010 pursuant to Sections 31-12-108 and 31-12-109, C.R.S., known as the Municipal Annexation Act of 1965 as amended (hereinafter referred to as Annexation Act), to consider the annexation of that certain territory sometimes known as the Riverside Park North Annexation, more specifically described in herein as:

### **PARCEL A**

PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 31 AND PART OF THE NORTH HALF OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., MORGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 31, MONUMENTED WITH A 3 ¼", BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT BRASS CAP;

THENCE SOUTH 01°22'28" WEST FOR 647.83 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 31 TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE ABANDONED UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD;

THENCE SOUTH 81°27'19" EAST FOR 72.06 FEET ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE TO A 5/8" REBAR WITH 1 ¾" RED PLASTIC CAP STAMPED PLS 7735 AND THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 81°27'19" EAST FOR 1438.80 FEET ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE TO A ½" REBAR WITH 1" YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED LS 11399;

THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT (HAVING A RADIUS OF 11574.16 FEET AND A LONG CHORD BEARING SOUTH 84°15'43" EAST FOR 1120.57 FEET) FOR AN ARC LENGTH OF 1121.01 FEET CONTINUING ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 31;

THENCE NORTH 01°05'10" EAST FOR 150.06 FEET ALONG THE SAID EAST LINE OF SECTION 31 TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE ABANDONED UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD MONUMENTED WITH A ½" REBAR;

THENCE SOUTH 87°34'37" EAST FOR 5318.30 FEET ALONG THE SAID NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 32;

THENCE SOUTH 00°13'11" WEST FOR 1578.95 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 32 TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER THEREOF MOMUMENTED WITH A 3 ¼", BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT BRASS CAP;

THENCE SOUTH 89°59'27" WEST FOR 7914.84 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTH HALF OF SAID SECTION 32 AND THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 31 TO THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY OF COLORADO STATE HIGHWAY 52;

THENCE NORTH 01°55'45 EAST FOR 1981.95 FEET ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT OF WAY TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINS 305.969 ACRES.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM PARCEL B AND PARCEL C DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

**PARCEL B**

PART OF THE NORTH HALF OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., MORGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 32; THENCE SOUTH 01°05'10" WEST FOR 821.07 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 32 TO A ½" REBAR ON THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE ABANDONED UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD;

THENCE SOUTH 87°34'37" EAST FOR 692.12 FEET ALONG SAID NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE;

THENCE SOUTH 02°59'13" WEST FOR 78.55 FEET TO A ½" REBAR WITH 1" YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED THOMAS 11399 IN THE POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE SOUTH 87°54'10" EAST FOR 2963.03 FEET TO A ½" REBAR WITH 1" YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED THOMAS 11399;

THENCE 07°48'59" WEST FOR 101.47 FEET TO A ½" REBAR WITH 1" YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED THOMAS 11399;

THENCE NORTH 87°34'01" WEST FOR 2954.27 FEET TO A ½" REBAR WITH 1" YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED THOMAS 11399;

THENCE NORTH 02°59'13" EAST FOR 83.67 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINS 6.271 ACRES.

**PARCEL C**

PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 57 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., MORGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 31, MONUMENTED WITH A 3 ¼", BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT BRASS CAP;

THENCE SOUTH 01°22'28" WEST FOR 647.83 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 31 TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE ABANDONED UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD;

THENCE SOUTH 81°27'19" EAST FOR 1510.86 FEET ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE TO A ½" REBAR WITH 1" YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED THOMAS 11399;

THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT (HAVING A RADIUS OF 11574.16 FEET AND A LONG CHORD BEARING SOUTH 84°15'43" EAST FOR 1120.57 FEET) FOR AN ARC LENGTH OF 1121.01 FEET ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE TO THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER SAID SECTION 31;

THENCE SOUTH 01°05'10" WEST FOR 298.90 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 31 TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 01°05'10" WEST FOR 75.49 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 31 TO A ½" REBAR WITH 1" YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED THOMAS 11399;

THENCE NORTH 80°10' 30" WEST FOR 237.49 FEET TO A ½" REBAR WITH 1" YELLOW PLASTIC CAP STAMPED PLS 11399;

THENCE NORTH 01°05'10" EAST FOR 75.49 FEET PARALLEL WITH AND 234.73 FEET WEST OF THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 31;

THENCE SOUTH 80°10'30" EAST FOR 237.49 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINS 0.407 ACRES

BASIS OF BEARINGS:

THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST HALF OF SECTION 31 IS ASSUMED TO BEAR SOUTH 01°22'28" WEST.

TOGETHER with all water and water rights appurtenant thereto;

and the Council having examined all of the evidence presented at said hearing and being fully advised of the premises, now sets forth findings of fact and conclusions of law based thereon as provided for in Section 31-12-110 of the Annexation Act, other findings of fact and conclusions as are appropriate, and makes determinations as follows:

1. The City Clerk of the City of Fort Morgan has received a petition for annexation of the area described in herein entitled "Petition for Annexation," signed by persons comprising one hundred percent (100%) of the landowners in the area to be annexed and owning one hundred percent (100%) of the area, excluding public streets and alleys, in compliance with the provisions of Article II, Section 30 of the Colorado Constitution, and Section 31-12-107(1) of the Annexation Act.

2. On January 5, 2010, the City Council approved a resolution Finding a Petition for annexation of the area described herein to be in Substantial Compliance with Section 31-12-107(1) C.R.S. and Setting a Hearing Date for the Fort Morgan City Council to Consider the Annexation of the Area." This resolution set a hearing to consider the annexation of this area to the City of Fort Morgan on February 16, 2010, at Council Chambers, City Hall, 100 Main Street, Fort Morgan, Colorado, and directed the City Clerk to give notice of said hearing in the manner prescribed in Section 31-12-108 of the Annexation Act. In addition, said resolution found that the petition for annexation is in substantial compliance with Section 31-12-107(1) C.R.S of the Annexation Act, and further determined that said petition is in substantial compliance with Section 30 of Article II of the Colorado Constitution, which findings are adopted herein.

3. The City Clerk, pursuant to said resolution, has caused to have published in the Fort Morgan Times a Public Notice of Public Hearing of an Annexation Petition of area herein described, along with a copy of said resolution and petition with an attached legal description of the area to be annexed, with four (4) publications as follows: January 15, 2010; January 22, 2010; January 29, 2010; and February 5, 2010. The Fort Morgan Times is a daily newspaper in general circulation throughout the City of Fort Morgan, throughout the area to be annexed.

4. Said resolution and notice pertaining thereto as set forth in Paragraph 3 of this resolution comply with the requirements of Section 31-12-107(1)(g) and Section 31-12-108 of the Annexation Act.

5. Copies of the published notice and resolution have been mailed to the Board of County Commissioners Morgan County and to the Morgan County Attorney, and to the School District located within the territory described herein as required by Section 31-12-108 of the Annexation Act.

6. The annexation impact report is required and has been completed.

7. The area described herein is unincorporated.

8. The area described herein is the same as the area described in the annexation plat.

9. No annexation of all or any part of said area has been commenced by any other municipality.

10. This annexation will not result in the detachment of an area from any school district and attachment of the same area to another school district.

11. This annexation will not result in the change of any county boundaries.

12. At least one-sixth (1/6th) of the boundary of the perimeter of the area proposed to be annexed is contiguous with the boundary of the City of Fort Morgan.

13. No land held in identical ownership within the area proposed to be annexed, whether consisting of one tract or parcel of real estate or two or more contiguous tracts or parcels of real estate, has been divided into separate parts or parcels by the boundaries of such annexation without the written consent of the landowner except as such tracts or parcels are separated by a dedicated street, road or other public way.

14. No land held in identical ownership within the area proposed to be annexed, whether consisting of one tract or parcel of real estate or two or more contiguous tracts or parcels of real estate, comprising twenty (20) acres or more (which, together with the buildings and improvements situated thereon, has a valuation for assessment in excess of \$200,000 for ad valorem tax purposes for the next year preceding the annexation), has been included within the boundary of the area proposed to be annexed without the written consent of the landowners.

15. This annexation will not extend boundaries of the city limits of the City of Fort Morgan more than three miles in any direction from the municipal boundary.

16. In establishing the boundaries of the area proposed to be annexed, if a portion of a platted street or alley is annexed, the entire width of said street or alley is included within the area proposed to be annexed.

17. The applicable parts of Section 31-12-105 of the Annexation Act have been met.

18. The provisions of Section 31-12-104(b) requiring a finding that "[t]hat a community of interest exists between the area proposed to be annexed and the annexing municipality; that said area is urban or will be urbanized in the near future; and that said area is integrated with or is capable of being integrated with the annexing municipality..." are met by virtue of a finding of at least one-sixth (1/6th) boundary contiguity with the City of Fort Morgan as provided for in said section.

19. No petition for election has been received nor is an election otherwise required under the provisions of Section 31-12-107(2) of the Annexation Act.

20. The annexation of Riverside North Park Annexation as legally described herein meet the requirements of and fully complies with Part 1 of Article 12 of Title 31 C.R.S., the Municipal Annexation Act of 1965 as amended, and Section 30 of Article II of the Colorado Constitution.

21. The City Council finds and concludes that said territory is eligible for annexation to the City of Fort Morgan.

Dated at Fort Morgan, Colorado, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010.

  
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Mayor Terry McAlister

ATTEST:

  
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Andrea Strand, City Clerk