

RESOLUTION NO. 3020

WHEREAS, the adoption of Ballot Measure 5 has placed severe limitations on plans by the City of Albany and the North Albany County Service District for construction of sewers in the North Albany health hazard area; and

WHEREAS, various new alternatives, including major legislative reform, have been explored by the affected agencies and citizen representatives to provide sewer service; and

WHEREAS, voluntary annexation to the city of Albany now appears to be the most viable and cost-effective method to enable the sewer project to proceed; and

WHEREAS, voluntary annexation will bring an end to the health hazard annexation process which would be a divisive and lengthy affair resulting in the highest costs per lot of all available alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the property tax features of Ballot Measure 5 will substantially reduce the property tax differential between the annexed and unincorporated territories of North Albany; and

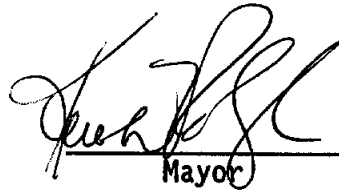
WHEREAS, many North Albany residents have expressed recent interest in voluntary annexation with certain commitments from the City of Albany.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Albany City Council that the City of Albany will extend the following benefits to North Albany properties annexed to the city during calendar year 1991 (future extensions of these provisions to properties which annex after 1991 are subject to further City Council review):

- 1) The City will authorize use of its sewer system revenues as additional security for purposes of issuing a sewer revenue bond to back property assessments in North Albany for construction of the North Albany sewer system.
- 2) The City will convert all annexed water customers to the City's water rate schedule (resulting in a substantial savings to most North Albany customers).
- 3) The City will provide annexed North Albany residents with all of the services and privileges of City residents. These include the opportunity to be represented on various boards and commissions, reduced parks and recreation program fees, free City library service, police protection, and other General Fund services. In addition, the City will amend its ward boundaries to include all of the annexed territory into one of the City's three City Council wards.
- 4) The City will apply its current policy of not requiring urban standard public improvements unless there is consent of the majority of affected property owners or a state or federal mandate. Such improvements include sidewalks, curb and gutter streets, and sewers.

- 5) The City and Benton County have already taken steps to amend the Comprehensive Plan and zoning provisions to ensure the protection of special characteristics of North Albany. The City will continue to take all prudent steps necessary to recognize and preserve the livability of the North Albany area.
- 6) The City will attempt to extend all financial benefits of the sewer construction project to annexation areas outside of the health hazard project boundary provided a majority of property owners request sewer service and provided they can be efficiently included within the improvement project.

Adopted this 9th day of January 1991.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Recorder