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TO: **Alberta Municipal Government Board**
c/o 15th Floor, Commerce Place
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4L4

TO: **Brazeau County**
P.O. Box 77
Drayton Valley,
Alberta T7A 1R1

TAKE NOTICE that the Town of Drayton Valley, pursuant to the provision of Section 116 of the *Municipal Government Act*, hereby gives notice of its request for the annexation of the lands hereinafter described. This notice includes:

- (a) A description of the land proposed to be annexed to the town of Drayton Valley.
- (b) Reasons for the proposed annexation.
- (c) Proposals for consultation with the public and meeting with owners of the land to be annexed.

This notice has been filed by:

THE TOWN OF DRAYTON VALLEY

Per: 

5120 - 52 Street
Drayton Valley, Alberta T7A 1A1

1. **Description of Land Proposed to be Annexed to the Town of Drayton Valley**
 - A. Section 24, Tp. 49, Rg. 8, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - B. Section 13, Tp. 49, Rg. 8, West of the 5th Meridian
 - C. Section 12, Tp. 49, Rg. 8, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - D. Section 1, Tp. 49, Rg. 8, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - E. Section 36, Tp. 48, Rg. 8, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - F. All the Government Road Allowances bordering the above lands to the west, including Road widening under Plans 228PX and 792 3117.
 - G. Section 19, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - H. Section 18, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - I. Section 7, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - J. Section 6, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - K. Section 31, Tp. 48, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - L. Section 20, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - M. NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 17, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - N. All that portion of the South $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 5, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian located outside the boundary of the Town of Drayton Valley.
 - O. Section 32, Tp. 48, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian, and all that portion of the North $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 29, Tp. 48, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian shown as Road Plan 4179YJ, located south of Section 32.
 - P. All that portlon of Section 21, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian located West of the Unnamed Creek as shown on Map 1.
 - Q. All that portion of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 9, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian located outside the existing boundary of the Town of Drayton Valley.
 - R. East $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 4, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian.
 - S. Section 33, Tp. 48, Rg. 7. West of the 5th Meridian.
 - T. All that portion of Section 15, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian located south of the Unnamed Creek as shown on Map 1.

- U. All that portion of Section 10, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian located West of the North Saskatchewan River.
- V. All that portion of Section 3, Tp. 49, Rg. 7. West of the 5th Meridian located West of the North Saskatchewan River.
- W. All that portion of Section 34, Tp. 48, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian located West of the North Saskatchewan River.
- X. All that portion of the West ½ of Section 14, Tp. 49, Rg. 7, West of the 5th Meridian located South of the Unnamed Creek and West of the North Saskatchewan River as shown on Map 1.
- Y. All the Government Road Allowances extending from the SE corner of Sec. 26, Tp. 49, Rg. 8, West of the 5th Meridian to the Unnamed Creek as shown on Map 1, including Road widening under Plans 1025LZ, 2875PX, 1007LZ, 832 2156, 952 0139 and 772 1918.
- Z. All the Government Road Allowances within the Proposed Town Boundary.

2. Reasons for the Proposed Annexation

The Town of Drayton Valley ("the Town") and Brazeau County ("the County") have undertaken discussions regarding various matters of mutual concern with respect to the provision of public services to the area surrounding the current Town boundary, which area is referred to as "the Fringe Area". Arising from that dialogue, the County has suggested more specific discussion regarding future annexation by the Town of land within the County. Subsequent to these discussions, the County served the Town with a notice of its intention to repeal the Intermunicipal Development Plan ("IDP") Bylaw and Intermunicipal Planning Commission ("IMPC") Bylaw.

In response to the County's invitation and in response to the County's notice regarding the IDP Bylaw and IMPC Bylaw, the Town proposes to formally begin the process of resolving outstanding issues regarding the provision of municipal services to the Fringe Area by initiating a proposal to expand its current boundary and assume direct responsibility for delivery of necessary municipal services to that area. The Town proposes to annex the land identified on Map 1, to merge the Town and the Fringe Area under a single municipal government and manage municipal services, development,

and future land use to the mutual benefit of the Town, the County, and the residents of the area.

The purpose of expanding the Town boundary is to address many concerns and frustrations experienced by residents and businesses in the Drayton Valley urban area. Some owners of land within the Fringe Area have already requested the Town to annex their land to the Town. The current situation also creates a substantial amount of misunderstanding among members of the community regarding which local government is responsible for particular public management functions. It is the goal of the Town to be able to reduce confusion in these matters, and to provide one window for service to make it easier for businesses and residents to continue to live and work in the Drayton Valley urban area.

Expansion of the boundary of the Town of Drayton Valley is therefore required to:

- (a) Allow for the extension and provision of municipal utility services and infrastructure to the entire Drayton Valley urban area and its' logical growth areas, which is comprised of the Town and the Fringe Area, on an efficient and equitable basis, to eliminate existing confusion and the dual rate system of payment.
- (b) Provide a framework for the most effective delivery of municipal government services to the residents and businesses of the Drayton Valley urban area, to alleviate frustration which presently arises from two separate administrations providing different or overlapping services to the same area. The objective is to create one window for the delivery of public services to avoid delays, inefficiencies and confusion, which presently occur.
- (c) Create a stronger and unified economic unit to attract new businesses, jobs and services to the Drayton Valley urban area.
- (d) Reduce the incidence of scattered and unplanned development within the Fringe Area, and incorporate the Town's natural growth and expansion into a logical and properly planned context.
- (e) Prevent incompatible land uses abutting one another along the boundary between the Fringe Area and the Town.
- (f) Increase choice and supply of residential property options in the Drayton Valley urban area.
- (g) Improve safety and environmental standards in the Fringe Area.

- (h) Enable existing Fringe Area residents to vote on Town issues, which affect them regardless of where the Town boundary is located.
- (i) Provide a consistency of service delivery with respect to provision of services such as fire protection, weed control, sand and salt.
- (j) Guarantee an adequate supply of land for future residential and business growth to overcome the problem that the Town is severely limited in its growth options.
- (k) Ensure that future urban and economic growth in the Drayton Valley urban area will be coordinated to maximize the potential of the community as a whole.
- (l) Increase efficiency and reduce costs by combining duplicated administrative functions, thereby achieving efficiencies in service delivery.

3. Proposals for Public Consultation

The Town of Drayton Valley intends to conduct the following specific initiatives to inform and consult with the public, and with the owners of the land that is proposed to be annexed to the Town.

A. Consultation with the Public

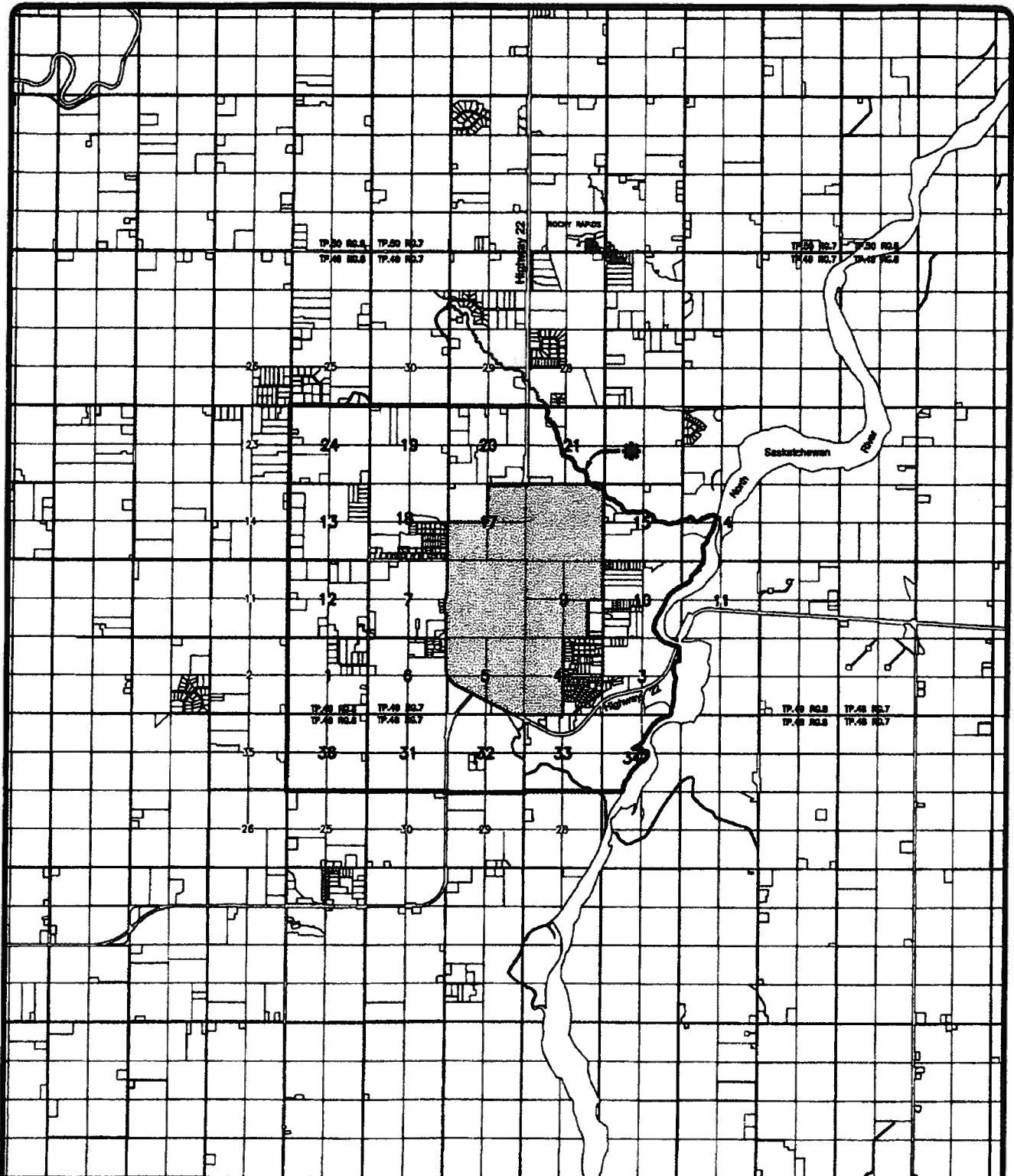
The Town proposes to conduct an open house style of meeting to inform the public of the annexation process which is required to expand the Town boundary to allow members of the public to obtain information and provide their input to that process.

The Town intends to convene the open house meeting following delivery of written notice of the proposed annexation, and will convene the meeting over a period of several days, at convenient times, to provide an opportunity for all those who wish to participate. The Town will advertise in the local newspaper the location, dates and times that the open house meeting will be held, and invite members of the public to attend and participate.

B. Meeting with Owners of the Land Proposed to be Annexed to the Town

The Town proposes to convene a separate open house style series of meetings with the owners of land that is proposed to be annexed to the Town. The purpose of those meetings will be to allow land owners to obtain information regarding the proposed annexation and the review process, and to raise any questions they may have.

The Town proposes to notify owners of land to inform them of the annexation process and invite them to the owners' open-house meeting. The meeting will be scheduled for specified days at convenient hours, during which representatives of the Town will be available to provide information and respond to any questions which the owners may have. Owners of land within the area proposed for annexation will be identified on the basis of assessment information that will be requested from Brazeau County to ensure that current landowners are included in the process.



October 2007



— Proposed Town Boundary

■ Area of Existing Town



Unnamed Creek
Right side of bank boundary
to be defined by survey
or as may be required by
relevant statutory authority.

Map 1

**Proposed
Town Boundary
Town of Drayton Valley**