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MEMORANDUM

To: Gallup City Council

From: Clyde (C.B.) Strain, Planning & Development Director 

Ref: Case # ANX2019-00100001, Balok Annexation No.2.

BACKGROUND

Clinton and Mary Balok, property owners, have initiated a request before the Gallup City Council, for annexation of certain real property described as A Tract of Land Lying Within Section 8, T15N, R18W, N.M.P.M, McKinley County, New Mexico, and the adjacent portion of the Hamilton Road right-of-way into the City of Gallup corporate boundaries by way of annexation plat titled Balok Annexation No.2, containing a total of 1.3093 acres. Said property is located immediately adjacent to and to the south of Hamilton Road and includes that portion of the adjacent Hamilton Road right-of-way.

DISCUSSION

The property owners wish to annex the tract of land identified as A Tract of Land Lying Within Section 8, T15N, R18W, N.M.P.M, McKinley County, New Mexico, containing 0.9880 acres into the City of Gallup corporate boundaries. Also included in the annexation is a portion of the Hamilton Road right-of-way, lying immediately adjacent to and to the north of said tract of land, and containing 0.3213 acres for a total of 1.3093 acres.

The proposed annexation lies within the Annexation Priority 1 Area as identified in the Gallup Annexation Priorities within the City of Gallup Growth Management Master Plan. Furthermore the request for annexation meets the General Criteria for Consideration of Annexation Requests per Section 13-1-C or the City of Gallup Annexation Procedures and as such is favorable for annexation.

The City is annexing the subject property under the petition method as identified in Article 7, Section 3-7-17, NMSA 1978. Section 3-7-17A(2) states that as long as the petition (application) is signed by the owners of a majority of the number of acres in the contiguous territory the remaining acreage may be included in the annexation. In this case said tract of land proposed for annexation is under sole ownership.

Said tract of land within the Balok Annexation No. 2, described as Lot 1, Balok Annexation No. 2 and the adjacent portion of the Hamilton Road right-of-way are being placed in the Rural Residential (RR) Zone District.

The Gallup Task Force reviewed this request and as a result of their review sends a positive recommendation for approval with no additional requirements at this time. A copy of the Gallup Task Force comments are included in your agenda packet for review.

FINDINGS

The City of Gallup Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed the request for annexation at their regular meeting on August 14, 2019 and sends a positive recommendation for approval to the Gallup City Council with Resolution of Recommendation No. RP2019-06.

In staff's consideration of the annexation it is apparent that the request is in conformance with the City's Annexation Procedures and Article 7 "Annexation of Territory" of the New Mexico Statutes 1978 Annotated, thus providing an orderly, economical and environmentally sound pattern of growth. Therefore, staff supports approval for said annexation.