

MEMO Legal Department

To: Mayor Campbell and Members of the City Council
From: Mark O. Lambert, Assistant City Attorney
Date: August 21, 2015
Subject: Agenda item #12

Agenda item #12 is a Resolution assigning residences to a ward and precinct.

On June 24, 2014, the City of Ames annexed an area on the southern edge of Ames by Council Resolution 14-369 (ISU Research Park and some residences).

Earlier this year, the Story County Auditor's office asked the City Attorney's office to determine whether a change in the descriptions of wards and precincts in Ames Municipal Code Chapter 6 ("Elections") was necessary to place the newly-annexed area into a ward and precinct for election purposes. Working together with Planning staff, we determined that the current ordinance did not need to be changed, as the definitions/descriptions of Ward 1, Precinct 1, in Chapter 6 referred, at key places, to following the City's corporate boundary, which automatically included the new area into Ward 1, Precinct 1, as the corporate boundary had changed with the annexation.

The Story County Auditor's office has now asked the City for a Resolution by the Council formally assigning the recently-annexed area into Ward 1, Precinct 1, as such was not done in the annexation resolution, 14-369.

Agenda item #12 is that resolution, which formally assigns the area into Ward 1, Precinct 1.

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RESOLUTION NO. 15-____

RESOLUTION ASSIGNING RESIDENCES TO WARD 1, PRECINCT 1. FOR THE CITY OF AMES, IOWA

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2014, the City Council of the City of Ames, Iowa approved the voluntary annexation of an area of land by Resolution 14-369, which resulted in several residences being brought into the corporate limits of the City of Ames; and,

WHEREAS, the residences in the area described in Resolution 14-369 fall within Ward 1, Precinct 1 under the current delineations of ward and precinct boundaries in Ames Municipal Code sections 6.4 and 6.8; and

WHEREAS, the residences currently within the area annexed by Resolution 14-369 are known by the following addresses in Ames, Iowa: 3800 University Blvd., and 2725, 2809, 2919, 3315, 3520 and 3801 S. Riverside Drive; the area also includes Iowa State University Research Park properties with the following addresses in Ames, Iowa: 3120, 3130, 3140 and 3400 University Boulevard, and 3401 S. Riverside Drive.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Ames, Iowa, that all residences currently existing, or which may in the future exist, within the annexed territory described in Resolution 14-369 are assigned to Ward 1, Precinct 1, pursuant to Ames Municipal Code sections 6.4 and 6.8, until such time that the wards/precincts of the City of Ames are changed by ordinance.

Passed this ____ day of August, 2015.

Attest:

Ann H. Campbell, Mayor

Diane R. Voss, City Clerk