BOUNDARY COMMISSION ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING-BC0304 March 23, 2004

COMMISSION ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners	Present (P)/Absent (A)
MATT ARMSTRONG	Р
TED ARMSTRONG	Α
JANE ARNOLD	Α
BOB FORD	Р
MARVIN GELBER	Р
TOM HAYEK	Р
GREG KLOEPPEL	Р
MARY SCHUMAN	Р
JOHNNIE SPEARS	Р
CAROL STROKER	Р
DON WOJTKOWSKI	A

OTHERS PRESENT:

David Hamilton – Legal Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hayek called to order the meeting of the Boundary Commission at 7:00 p.m. on March 23, 2004. The meeting took place at St. Louis Christian College, 1360 Grandview Drive, Florissant, Missouri. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct a public hearing on the Simplified Boundary Change proposal submitted by the City of Florissant to annex Area 13 (BC0304).

PUBLIC HEARING-BC0304-FLORISSANT AREA 13

A. Introductory remarks by Chairman

Mr. Hayek said a Simplified Boundary Change Proposal was submitted by the City of Florissant for the area known as Florissant Area 13. He said this means both Florissant and St. Louis County passed ordinances agreeing on the transfer of jurisdiction of a certain piece of property currently in unincorporated St. Louis County to the City of Florissant. He said the City submitted a proposal to the Boundary Commission detailing the transfer and the purpose of this meeting is to allow for a public hearing of that information. He said Florissant and the County would both give presentations and members of the Commission may ask questions at the conclusion of each. He said there would be a public comment section following the presentation from St. Louis County and instructed members of the public who wished to address the Commission to fill out speaker cards which would be accepted until the conclusion of the County's presentation. Mr. Hayek asked the members of the Boundary Commission to introduce themselves.

B. Presentation by Proposing Agent - City of Florissant

Mr. John Hessel, City Attorney for Florissant, said Area 13 is bounded by Florissant on three sides with the City/residential properties to the west and to the east, the City and Christian College properties to the north, and Dunn Road and I-270 to the south. He said the area is approximately 25.5 acres with an estimated population of five people. He said the City estimates generating annual revenues of nine hundred and seventy dollars with losses estimated by the County of approximately seven hundred dollars.

Mr. Hessel said the area was previously approached as a simplified boundary change with the consent of the property owners but the boundaries did not quite touch the area at that time, therefore the boundary change did not proceed. He said Florissant approached the County about a transfer of jurisdiction and a boundary change by the passing of various ordinances. Mr. Hessel said ordinances approving the transfer were passed by Florissant in July, 2003 and by the County in December of 2003.

Mr. Hessel said Florissant and the County have both agreed to this boundary change. He said Florissant can provide the services identified in the statute and the boundary change makes sense because it squares off the City and alleviates a pocket for the County. He said it would eliminate confusion over the maintenance of Grandview Drive and it is logical for the area to come into Florissant.

Questions from the Boundary Commission

There were no questions from the Commission.

C. Comments from St. Louis County

Mr. Glenn Powers, Director of Planning for St. Louis County, said the County Council passed an ordinance authorizing him to assist Florissant in pursuing the transfer of jurisdiction. He said by passing the ordinance the County for all practical purposes becomes a co-petitioner. He said the County is comfortable in that role because this is a small area and it is a pocket.

Questions from the Boundary Commission

Mr. Hayek asked Mr. Powers if he had heard any comments from the residents in the area. Mr. Powers said early on in the process there was contact with one resident who did not seem to understand what was going on but as the process continued things got clearer and as far as he is aware, there is no resident opposition at this point.

D. Public Comment

- Dr. Kenneth Beck of St. Louis Christian College
- Dr. Beck said the College is in favor of the transfer of jurisdiction.

E. Adjournment

Mr. M. Armstrong made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Kloeppel seconded the motion. Voice vote: Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned*.

Respectfully submitted, Kim Miller Executive Director

Approved: 5/25/04