

Purpose of Annexations

- Better coordination of services and improvements.
- Greater awareness of timing and expectations for improvements.
- More equitable distribution of infrastructure and service costs.
- Future annexation areas are planned and coordinated for public and private improvements in an economical manner based on the future extension of urban services identified in the urban growth area.

Implications of Having Unannexed Land Within City Limits

- Unannexed property may need to be circumvented for street and utility improvements resulting in delays or extra costs.
- Development projects may be stalled due to areas of unannexed property.
- Municipal ordinances, zoning codes, and building codes only apply to land annexed into the city.
- Development next to agriculture and rural residential properties can create conflicts (including but not limited to increased noise, traffic, flooding, erosion, road maintenance, odors, and pollution.)