CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO_ 14

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

TO:

Mayor and City Council

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SUBJECT:

Request by the City of Garden Ridge to release two lots from the City of San Antonio's

Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ)

DATE:

March 11, 2004

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This is a request from the City of Garden Ridge to release two (2) lots (49 and 59) out of the City of San Antonio's ETJ, totaling 0.159 acres located in the Park Lane Subdivision situated in Comal County.

The Urban Affairs Committee has considered the proposed release and recommended that the item be forwarded for consideration. The Planning Commission has recommended approval.

Staff recommends approval.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In March of 1987, the City of Garden Ridge annexed 22 residential properties (Park Lane Subdivision) which erroneously included property located within the City of San Antonio's ETJ without receiving prior City of San Antonio approval. As a result, on December 31, 2001, City Council authorized the release of these said properties at the request of the City of Garden Ridge in order to fully legitimize their annexation of Park Lane Subdivision.

During a review of their city limits line, and following the release of the said properties in December 2001, the City of Garden Ridge discovered that Lots 49 & 59 were left out of the original request to the City of San Antonio due to a Scribner's error in the material previously provided to the City of San Antonio. The owners of the two lots were included in the original petition and were mistakenly left out of the exhibit and field notes. Approval of this ordinance will correct this omission and release these properties to the City of Garden Ridge.

POLICY ANALYSIS

San Antonio considers boundary adjustments or the release of property for the purpose of promoting planning principles by other municipalities to provide services, enforce health and safety regulations, and improve the quality of life.

Consideration is given to other municipalities due to their proximity to certain areas that enables them to set standards for construction through zoning, subdivision, and building codes, thereby assuring adequate health and safety standards and the prevention of nuisances to residents of certain areas, and averting costly future problems for the City of San Antonio.

The release of ETJ by the City of San Antonio will resolve the City of Garden Ridge boundary issue to incorporate the two lots.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact to the City of San Antonio since the area is located in Comal County and not in the City limits of San Antonio.

COORDINATION

The item was coordinated with the following departments: City Clerk's Office, Information Technology Services, Community Initiatives, External Relations, Metropolitan Health District, Planning, and the City Attorney's Office. In addition, Public Works, Police, Fire, Finance, Economic Development, the Office of Management & Budget, Development Services, Code Compliance, Library, Parks, Environmental Services, SAWS, and CPS, reviewed the item with favorable recommendations.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

If the City Council approves this action, the ordinance becomes effective on March 21, 2004. The exchange and release of ETJ is authorized under the Texas Local Government Code.

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