

CITY OF WEST ORANGE, TEXAS  
**MUNICIPAL SERVICE PLAN**

**SECTION 1**

**POLICE**

*Existing services:* The area is in the current service area and under the jurisdiction of the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

*Services to be provided:* Police services to the area to be annexed will be provided by the West Orange Police Department effective on the date of annexation.

**FIRE**

*Existing services:* The area is currently not officially being serviced.

*Services to be provided:* Fire service to the area to be annexed will be provided by the West Orange Volunteer Fire Department effective on the date of annexation.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

*Existing services:* The area is currently serviced under a contract for rural services through Acadian Ambulance Service.

*Services to be provided:* Ambulance service to the area to be annexed will be provided through a City contract with Acadian Ambulance Service effective on the date of annexation.

**SOLID WASTE SERVICES**

*Existing services:* The area is currently provided under a private commercial contract.

*Services to be provided:* The area will be provided residential and light commercial services under city contract, currently with Piney Woods Sanitation, effective on the date of annexation.

**STREET**

*Existing services:* The area is currently not officially being serviced.

*Services to be provided:* Public street maintenance will be provided through the City of West Orange Public Works Department.

## **BUILDING INSPECTION**

*Existing services:* The area is currently not officially being serviced.

*Services to be provided:* The City of West Orange will provide Code Enforcement and Building Inspection Services upon annexation. This includes issuing building, electrical, plumbing and mechanical permits for any new construction and remodeling, and enforcing all other applicable codes which regulate building construction and flood plain management within the City of West Orange.

## **PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES**

*Existing services:* None.

*Services to be provided:* Upon the effective date of annexation, residents within the annexed area may utilize all park and recreation facilities of the City of West Orange.

## **PUBLIC OWNED FACILITIES**

*Existing services:* None.

*Services to be provided:* Upon the effective date of annexation, any public owned property, facility, building or service located within the annexed area, and not otherwise owned or maintained by another governmental entity, may be maintained by the City of West Orange.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

All other applicable municipal services will be provided to the area in accordance with the City of West Orange's established policies governing extension of municipal services to newly annexed areas.

### **SECTION 2**

Nothing in this plan shall require the City of West Orange to provide a uniform level of full municipal services to each area of the City, including annexed area, if different characteristics of topography, land use, and population density are considered a sufficient basis for providing different levels of service.

### **SECTION 3**

This service plan shall be valid for a term of ten (10) years. Renewal of the service plan shall be at the discretion of the City Council.

### **SECTION 4**

This service plan may be amended if the City Council determines at a public hearing that changed conditions or subsequent occurrences make this service plan unworkable or obsolete.

The City Council may amend the service plan to conform to the changed conditions or subsequent occurrences pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 43.056.

#### **SECTION 5**

If any annexed tract(s) of land are subdivided and/or further developed, then the developer(s) of such tracts shall be required to comply with the City's ordinances in effect. The City will require that the developer(s) construct, at its (their) sole expense, all required valves, fire hydrants, lines and capital improvements, etc., necessary to provide adequate water service, including adequate water pressure for fire service, within the new area.

#### **SECTION 6**

Any improvements which may be placed, constructed or installed on any portion of a development shall conform to the minimum specifications as called for in the building code, fire code, applicable engineering standards, and other City regulation, as to size, quality of materials, height, and strength of improvements. For the purpose of the foregoing, the following shall be considered improvements (including, but not limited to): water lines, fire hydrants, and sanitary sewer systems, lift stations, or any similar improvement designated to ensure the health and safety of the public, residents, employees, or customers. In the event private drives or streets are constructed for the development of the property, they shall conform to all codes adopted by the City, and applicable engineering standards for their construction, to assure that Fire apparatus may safely use them. Developers and/or land owners shall not permit occupancy and the City shall not issue occupancy permits for any buildings or portions thereof until such private improvements are fully completed to serve the developed area, including compliance with City regulations.

#### **SECTION 7**

Extension and provision of City services to the annexed area, and the construction, inspection and maintenance of all improvements necessary to provide such services shall be in accordance with standards contained in the City's adopted ordinances and codes, as may be amended, except as expressly provided herein to the contrary.

#### **SECTION 8**

In accordance with state law and the City's land development and subdivision ordinances and regulations, any developed division of the annexed area into two or more tracts or parcels for the purposes of sale will require the filing of a subdivision plat. Developers and landowners shall complete those portions of the public improvements which the City may require in order to ensure continuity and proper service for the public improvements to the portion of the annexed property for which plat approval may be sought.