

Village of Wellington

Legislation Text

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ITEM: ORDINANCE NO. 2022-31 (PANTHER RUN ELEMENTARY ANNEXATION)

AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL; ANNEXING, PURSUANT TO A PETITION FOR VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION, REAL PROPERTY COMPRISING 20 ACRES LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF LAKE WORTH ROAD, APPROXIMATELY 0.66 MILE WEST OF STATE ROAD 7 IN PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, KNOWN AS PANTHER RUN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; AS MORE PARTICULARELY DESCRIBED HEREIN; DECLARING THAT THE VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION PETITION BEARS THE SIGNATURE OF THE PROPERTY OWNER; AMENDING SECTION 11 OF THE VILLAGE CHARTER BY REDEFINING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF WELLINGTON; DIRECTING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO AFFECTUATE THIS ANNEXATION; DIRECTING THE WELLINGTON CLERK TO FILE A COPY OF THIS ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN PALM BEACH COUNTY, THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE WITHIN SEVEN DAYS AFTER ADOPTION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 171.044, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

REQUEST: Approval of Ordinance No. 2022-31 to a voluntary Annexation (ANX) to amend Wellington's municipal boundary to include the subject 20-acre school property.

EXPLANATION: The applicant is seeking this annexation to bring the property occupied by the existing Panther Run Elementary School into the incorporated boundaries of Wellington. The request complies with all of the relevant requirements of Wellington and requirements set forth in Chapter 171.011- 171.094 of Florida Statutes. Both Wellington and the School Board have traditionally considered Panther Run to be a Wellington school. The majority of the school's attendance boundary is already within the municipal boundary and approximately 80% of the students attending the school are Wellington residents. The Wellington Council has annual grant programs to provide funding to our local schools and Panther Run has always received part of that funding because it is considered a local school. The subject property is included within the Reserve Annexation Area identified in the Land Use and Community Design Element of the Comprehensive Plan. The PZAB (sitting as the Local Planning Agency) held a public hearing on this application on November 16, 2022, and recommended approval by a unanimous vote. Village Council held first reading on this Ordinance on January 10, 2023, and voted unanimously in favor of approving it.

The applicant is also seeking a supportive Future Land Use Map Amendment and a Rezoning.

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED: NO

PUBLIC HEARING: YES QUASI-JUDICIAL: NO

FIRST READING: SECOND READING: YES

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY: YES

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FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

WELLINGTON FUNDAMENTAL: Protecting Our Investment

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of Ordinance No. 2022-31 to a voluntary Annexation (ANX) to amend Wellington's municipal boundary to include the subject 20-acre school property.