ORDINANCE 2019-14 as amended

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, PLACING THE SAME WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES THEREOF AND MAKING THE SAME A PART OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN

TRAILSIDE SUPER-VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION

WHEREAS, the Town Council ("Council") of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana ("Town" or "Whitestown") received a petition ("Petition") requesting that certain territory generally located north of Pierce Street and west of Main Street, as hereinafter described ("Annexation Territory"), be annexed by Whitestown; and

WHEREAS, the Petition has been signed by the sole owner (i.e, 100%) of the property within the Annexation Territory; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it desirable and in the best interest of the Town to annex the Annexation Territory; and

WHEREAS, a legal description and drawing of the Annexation Territory are attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> and <u>Exhibit B</u>; and

WHEREAS, where the legal description attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> describes land that is contiguous to a public highway right-of-way that has not previously been annexed, the Annexation Territory shall include the contiguous public highway right-of-way even if it is not described in <u>Exhibit A</u>, except to the extent prohibited by I.C. § 36-4-3-1.5(c); and

WHEREAS, where the parcel of property within the Annexation Territory is adjacent to a parcel of property within the existing Town limits, the Annexation Territory boundary shall conform to and match the boundary of the existing Town limits so long as it does not result in adding or removing parcels of property from the Annexation Territory depicted in Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, the Annexation Territory consists of approximately 23.2 acres, and is contiguous to the existing Town limits; and

WHEREAS, prior to adoption of this Ordinance, the Council, by resolution, will have adopted a written fiscal plan and definite policy for the provision of services of both a non-capital and capital nature to the Annexation Territory that meets the requirements of I.C. § 36-4-3; and

WHEREAS, the terms and conditions of this annexation, including the written fiscal plan, are fairly calculated to make the annexation fair and equitable to property owners and residents of the Annexation Territory and of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town has further determined that the Annexation Territory is needed and can be used by Whitestown for its development in the reasonably near future; and

WHEREAS, prior to the final adoption of this Ordinance, the Town will have conducted a public hearing pursuant to proper notice issued as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the Annexation pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance is fair and equitable and should be accomplished.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, as follows:

- 1. The above recitals including <u>Exhibit A</u> are incorporated herein by this reference as though fully set forth herein below.
- 2. In accordance with I.C. § 36-4-3-5.1 and other applicable laws, the Annexation Territory is hereby annexed to the Town and thereby included within its corporate boundaries pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance.
- 3. In accordance with I.C. § 36-4-3-7(b), the effective date of this annexation is such that the Annexation Territory shall be a part of the Town as of January 1, 2020, or as soon thereafter as legally possible.
- 4. The Annexation Territory is assigned to Council District No. 1.
- 5. Pursuant to Whitestown Ordinance No. 2019-02, which is incorporated herein by reference, the Annexation Territory is zoned PUD (Trailside PUD), as otherwise set forth and under the terms and conditions of Ordinance No. 2019-02. The Annexation Territory shall maintain its PUD (Trailside

PUD) zoning classification(s) and designation(s) under Ordinance 2019-02 until such time the Town updates its respective comprehensive plan, zoning ordinance, or zoning map.

- 6. Some or all of the property within the Annexation Territory is currently classified as agricultural for tax purposes. As may be contemplated by I.C. § 36-4-3-4.1, Whitestown anticipates that the real property will be treated as exempt from property tax liability under I.C. § 6-1.1 for "municipal purposes" unless/until the land is reclassified under assessment rules and guidelines of the DLGF. As fire protection services are not uniquely a municipal service, and Whitestown already provides fire protection service to unincorporated Worth Township, including the Annexation Territory, and as agreed by the property owner, the fire tax levy for the Annexation Territory is not to be considered "property tax liability under I.C. § 6-1.1 for municipal purposes." The Annexation Territory will therefore not be exempt from property tax liability for fire protection purposes (e.g., the fire tax levy) even while the Annexation Territory remains classified as agricultural.
- 7. All prior Ordinances or parts thereof that may be inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby superseded. The paragraphs, sentences, words, and Annexation Territory of this Ordinance are separable, and if a court of competent jurisdiction hereof declares any portion of this Ordinance or the Annexation Territory unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable for any reason, such declaration shall not affect the remaining portions of the Annexation Territory or this Ordinance.
- 8. The effective date of this annexation shall be as soon as allowed by law following its adoption, execution, and publication as required by law, except as otherwise set forth above.

	Introduced on June 12, 2019, and adopted	ed by the Tow	vn Council of	the Town o	f Whitestown,	Indiana,
on	, 2019.					

[Signature Page Follows]

	THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA	YAY/NAY	
	Clinton Bohm, President		
	Susan Austin, Vice-President		
	Eric Miller		
	Kevin Russell		
	Jeffrey Wishek		
ATTEST:			
Matt Sumner, Clerk-Treasurer Town of Whitestown, Indiana			
I affirm, under the penalties for number in this document, unless r	perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to equired by law. Stephen C. Unger	o redact each Social Security	

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EXHIBIT A

WHITETOWN 2019 ANNEX - TRAILSIDE LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 18 North, Range 2 East, Boone County, Indiana (approximate intersection of CR 200 South and CR 650 East); thence West along said North line a distance of 975.81 feet; thence South a distance of 1322.64 feet; thence West a distance of 342.87 feet, thence South a distance of 144.92 feet: thence South 87 degrees 49 minutes 32 seconds West a distance of 1493.33 feet; thence South 00 degrees 48 minutes 28 seconds East a distance of 497.37 feet to the Northwest corner of the Parcel No. 012-05590-00 (Instrument No. 2017010405) as recorded in the office of the Recorder of Boone County, Indiana, such point being the Point of Beginning; thence North 87 degrees 47 minutes 38 seconds East a distance of 1495.52 feet; thence South 01 degrees 03 minutes 28 seconds East a distance of 676.66 feet; thence South 87 degrees 57 minutes 17 seconds West a distance of 1498.38 feet to the Northwest Corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 18 North, Range 2 East; thence North 00 degrees 48 minutes 27 seconds West along said west line of Section 18 a distance of 672.52 feet to the Point of Beginning containing approximately 23.2 acres.

EXHIBIT B

