CHAPTER 265-H. F. No. 1017

An act authorizing the annexation of territory to cities of the fourth class.

Be it enacted by the Législature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. City council may annex lands.—Whenever platted or unplatted tracts, or a group of tracts or parcels of land, not used for agricultural purposes, and not within the corporate limits of any city or village and so conditioned as properly to be subjected to city government, and being contiguous to and surrounded on all sides by the corporate limits of a city of the fourth class, the city council may, by ordinance, annex such tract, or tracts, to the city upon notice to the owners thereof as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Owners of land to receive notice.—Whenever the city council desires to annex any such tract, or tracts, it shall adopt a resolution stating its intention to so annex said tract or tracts and fixing a time and place for a hearing upon said proposed annexation, a copy of which resolution shall be served upon all owners of such tract, or tracts, at least ten days before the date of hearing. Service of such resolution shall be made in the same manner as provided for the service of a summons in a civil action. If, after such hearing, the council shall determine that the annexation of such tract, or tracts, to said city will be to its interests and will cause no manifest injury to the persons owning such tract, or tracts, the city council may, by ordinance, declare said tract, or tracts, to be annexed to such city, and thereupon such tract, or tracts, shall become a part of such city as effectually as if it had been originally a part thereof.

Sec. 3. Ordinance to be filed in register of deeds office. —It shall be the duty of the council of any city adding territory under this act to cause a certified copy of the ordinance aforesaid to be recorded and filed in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which such city is located in the same manner as city charters are filed and recorded under the general laws of this state. Provided, that this act shall be construed to be supplementary to any other law providing for the annexation of territory to cities of less than 10,000 population, and not as repealing such law.

Approved April 16, 1941.