# BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Complaint Against City of	)	
Garden City, Kansas, Respondent, for an Order	)	
Declaring that Garden City is Illegally Servicing	)	
Conestoga Energy Partners, LLC, in Wheatland	)	Docket No. 17-GDCE-370-COM
Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s Certified Service	)	
Territory, and an Order to Cease, by Wheatland	)	
Electric Cooperative, Inc., Complainant.	)	

## ANSWERS OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY TO COMMISSION QUESTIONS

On September 12, 2017, the Kansas Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued its Order Directing Wheatland and Garden City to Supplement the Record with Answers to Commission Questions. The City of Garden City ("Garden City") provides its answers as follows:

# Question (a): Do you have plans to annex the territory occupied by the Conestoga ethanol plant?

Yes, effective September 21, 2017, Garden City annexed the property owned by Bonanza BioEnergy, LLC ("Bonanza")—a subsidiary of Conestoga Energy Partners, LLC and the owner of the ethanol plant located at 3002 East Highway 50, Garden City, Kansas.

# Question (b): If yes, what is the status of those plans, including an estimated date for completion of the annexation?

As stated above, the annexation was effective September 21, 2017. The property owned by Bonanza was annexed pursuant to K.S.A. 12-520(a)(7), which provides that a city may annex land if "the land adjoins the city and a written petition for or consent to annexation is filed with the city by the owner." The subject property is adjacent to Garden City due to the City's earlier annexation of land owned by Windriver Grain, LLC. See **Attachment A**. The annexation of the property owned by Bonanza was accomplished through the following steps:

- 1. On August 30, 2017, Bonanza sent a letter to Garden City requesting annexation. See **Attachment B**.
- 2. On September 5, 2017, Bonanza and Garden City entered into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") regarding water and electric power service rates for Bonanza. See **Attachment C**.
- 3. On September 15, 2017, Garden City provided courtesy notice to Wheatland Electric Cooperative, Inc. that an annexation request from Bonanza was on the agenda for the September 19, 2017 meeting of the City Commission of Garden City.
- 4. On September 19, 2017, the City Commission of Garden City held a public hearing to consider annexation of the property owned by Bonanza. The City Manager and the Public Utilities Director of Garden City submitted a memorandum to the City Commission, recommending that the City Commission authorize the annexation request of Bonanza pursuant to K.S.A. 12-520(a)(7) and approve the MOU outlining rates. See **Attachment D**. As a result, the City Commission approved and passed Ordinance No. 2771-2017 unanimously and without objection. The ordinance annexes the property owned by Bonanza to the City of Garden City. See **Attachment E**.
- 5. On September 21, 2017, Ordinance No. 2771-2017 was published in the Garden City Telegram. See **Attachment F**. Pursuant to K.S.A. 12-523, the annexation took effect on the date of publication.

Garden City respectfully submits these answers for Commission consideration and is available to answer any additional questions from the Commission or its Staff.

Respectfully Submitted

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ATTORNEYS FOR GARDEN CITY

(PUBLISHED IN THE GARDEN CITY TELEGRAM ON THIS 194 DAY OF AUGUST, 2017.)

## ORDINANCE NO. 2768 -2017

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2765-2017 AND ANNEXING LAND TO THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, FINNEY COUNTY, KANSAS, PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-520(a)(7).

WHEREAS, the following described land adjoins the City of Garden City, Kansas, and is generally located in Section 21, Township 24 South, Range 32 West of the 6th P.M., Finney County, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, WINDRIVER GRAIN, LLC, (Owner) is the owner of the following described land; and

WHEREAS, the Owner has requested and consented in writing to annexation of the following described land; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Garden City, Kansas, finds it advisable to annex the following described land.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, KANSAS:

**SECTION 1.** That Tract C and the tract designated Windriver Drive, Plat of Windriver II is hereby annexed and made a part of the City of Garden City, Finney County, Kansas. Said tract being annexed contains 4.1 acres, more or less.

**SECTION 2.** This annexation is made pursuant to K.S.A. 12-520(a)(7). No resolution, notice or public hearing is required pursuant to K.S.A. 12-520a(f).

SECTION 3. Ordinance No. 2765-2017 is hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its publication, in the <u>Garden City Telegram</u>, the official city newspaper.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Garden City, Kansas, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017.

Melvin L Dale, Mayor

Celyn N. Hurtado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

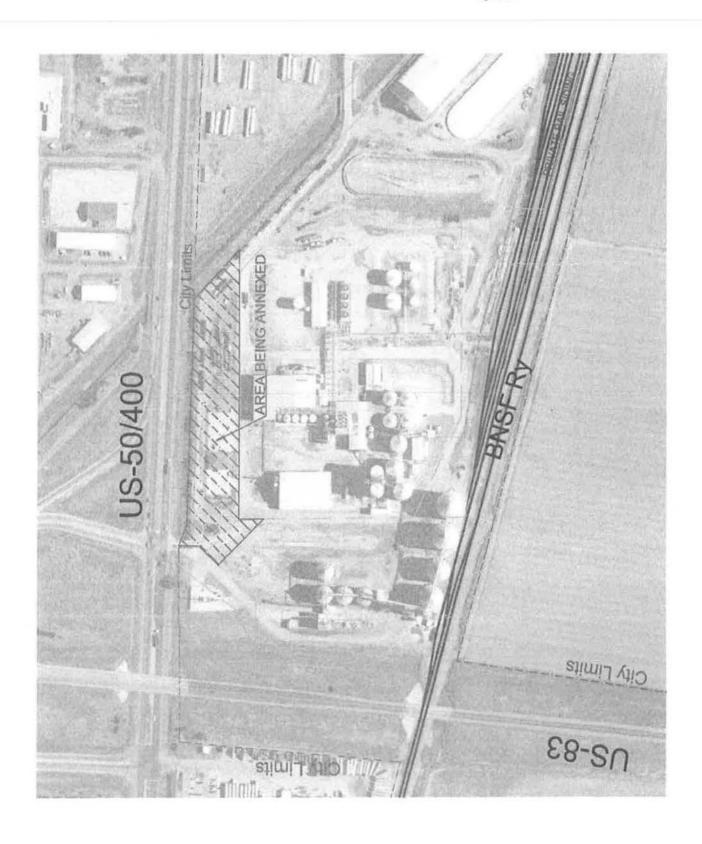
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FINNEY COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS
CONNICT HOPFMAN, Deputy



I hereby certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 2768-2017 passed by the Governing Body of the City of Garden City, Kansas on the 15th day of August, 2017, and signed for certification on this 17th day of August, 2017.



Celyn N. Hurtado, City Clerk

Mayor and City Commissioners City of Garden City PO Box 998 Garden City, KS 67846

Dear Honorable Mayor and Commissioners:

This it to request that the property located at 3002 E US Highway 50 be annexed into the City of Garden City.

We further request that all City utilities – water, wastewater, electric and solid waste – provide service to the property, which we have been using since the construction of the facility.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tom Willis, C.E.O.

Bonanza BioEnergy, LLC

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## Attachment C

### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Memorandum) is entered into this 19th day of September, 2017, between the City of Garden City, Kansas (City), and Bonanza Bioenergy, LLC (Bonanza).

WHEREAS, City provides water and electric power service to the Bonanza ethanol plant located at 2830 East Highway 50, Garden City, Kansas (Ethanol Plant); and

WHEREAS, Bonanza will be requesting that the real property where the Ethanol Plant is located be annexed into the City; and

WHEREAS, the parties acknowledge that the request to annex fulfills the intent of both parties during the development of the Ethanol Plant, and that annexation was deferred until the time that federal incentives had expired; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of annexation, the parties desire to enter into this Memorandum to address water and electric power service rates after annexation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties enter into this Memorandum, and agree as follows:

- 1. Effective on the first day of the month after an annexation ordinance becomes effective, the following rates shall apply to water and electric power service to the Ethanol Plant:
  - a. Potable water \$1.10 per 1,000 gallons.
  - b. Non-potable water \$.89 per 1,000 gallons. (Quality of the non-potable water to be mutually agreed to by the parties.)
  - c. Electric Twenty percent (20%) reduction in the amount set out in Code Section 90-304(d).
- 2. This Memorandum shall be effective on September 19, 2017, and shall continue for a period of five (5) years, ending on September 18, 2022. The parties agree that City may change the electric power service rates set forth in paragraph 1 (c) of this Memorandum after March 19, 2022. The amount of any such change shall be limited to an amount reflecting the increase in City's purchased power costs, calculated in cents/kWh. City's purchased power costs shall include all costs related to purchases of capacity, energy, transmission service, local access charges, congestion and congestion hedging, ancillary services, and any load profile changes at the Ethanol Plant. Any increase to be applied in 2022 shall not exceed the most current City published large commercial rate.
- 3. City acknowledges and agrees that it will provide sufficient water to allow for operation of the Ethanol Plant. City further acknowledges that it has an adequate supply and quantity of water to meet the needs of the Ethanol Plant.
- 4. This Memorandum may be assigned by Bonanza to a future owner of the Ethanol Plant, or any successor of Bonanza.
- 5. If annexation occurs, the Memorandum of Understanding between the parties dated May 6, 2014, shall be terminated, to be replaced by this Memorandum. If annexation does not occur, for whatever reason, the Memorandum of Understanding dated May 6, 2014, shall remain in full force and effect for the remainder of its term.

This Memorandum is acknowledged and approved as set forth below.

CITY OF GARDEN CITY, KANSAS

Date

ATTEST:

Melvin L. Dale, Mayor

Celvn N. Hurtado, City Clerk

## Attachment C

CITY OF GARDEN CITY, KANSAS/CITY BONANZA BIOENERGY, LLC/BONANZA

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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BONANZA BIOENERGY, LLC

By: Son Will

Tom Willis, Chief Executive Office

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Date

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Governing Body

THRU:

Matthew C. Allen, City Manager

FROM:

Mike Muirhead, Public Utilities Director

DATE:

September 19, 2017

RE:

Bonanza Bioenergy, LLC Annexation Request

### ISSUE:

The Governing Body is asked to consider and approve a request from Bonanza Bioenergy, LLC for annexation of property located at 3002 East Highway 50 and to continue to receive all utility services as outlined in the attached Memo of Understanding.

1. Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_-2017, an ordinance annexing land to the City of Garden City, Finney County, Kansas, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-520(a)(7).

## BACKGROUND:

Bonanza Bioenergy, LLC (Bonanza) is requesting permission to annex the property at 3002 East Highway 50 Please see attached letter dated August 30, 2017 from Tom Willis, Bonanza CEO, making the request.

Bonanza acknowledges that this request to annex fulfills the intent of both parties, City of Garden City and Bonanza Bioenergy during the development of the ethanol plant, and that annexation was deferred until the time that federal incentives had expired, and in anticipation of annexation, the parties desire to enter into the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to address water and electric power service rates after annexation. The City of Garden City would continue to provide water, electric, and sanitary sewer services to the property.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1. Authorize the annexation request of Bonanza and approve the MOU outlining rates.
- 2. Do not authorize the annexation request of Bonanza and do not approve the MOU outlining rates.

## RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends alternative 1.

### FISCAL NOTE:

The rates charged for electric and water service is outlined in the attached MOU. Sanitary sewer rates will remain as published in city code.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

Description

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## Attachment D

Bonanza Bioenergy Annexation Annexation Request Rate MOU

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## ORDINANCE NO. 3771 -2017

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING LAND TO THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, FINNEY COUNTY, KANSAS, PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-520(a)(7).

WHEREAS, the following described land adjoins the City of Garden City, Kansas, and is generally located in Section 21, Township 24 South, Range 32 West of the 6th P.M., Finney County, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, BONANZA BIOENERGY, LLC, (Owner) is the owner of the following described land: and

WHEREAS, the Owner has requested and consented in writing to annexation of the following described land; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Garden City, Kansas, finds it advisable to annex the following described land.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. That Tract B, Parcel Plat of Windriver is hereby annexed and made a part of the City of Garden City, Finney County, Kansas. Said tract being annexed contains 17.05 acres, more or less.

SECTION 2. This annexation is made pursuant to K.S.A. 12-520(a)(7). No resolution, notice or public hearing is required pursuant to K.S.A. 12-520a(f).

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its publication, in the Garden City Telegram, the official city newspaper.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Garden City, Kansas, this 19th day of September, 2017.

ATTEST:

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### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF FINNEY COUNTY, KANSAS PURSUANT TO K.S.A. CHAPTER 59

In the Matter of the Estate of GARY SHERRIFB, Deceased Case No. 17-PR-000040

NOTICE TO CREDITORS THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on June 30, 2017 a Petition for retuance of Letters of Administration was filed in this court by Many Sherrieb, on help devisee and legatee of Gary Sherrieb. Deceased.

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**ORDINANCE NO. 2771-2017** 

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING LAND TO THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, FINNEY COUNTY, KANSAS, PURGUANT TO K.S.A. 12920(a)(7)

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WHEREAS, BONANZA BIDENERGY, LLC (Owner) is the owner of the following de-scribed land; and

WHEREAS, the Owner has requested and consented in writing to aunexation of the following described land; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Garden City, Kansas, finds it advisable to annex the following described land.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GAR-DEN CITY, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. That fixed B; Parcel Plat of Win-driver is hereby annoxed and made a part of the City of Garden City, Finney County, Kansas, Said tract being annoxed centains 17.05 acros, more or less.

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SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and affect from and after its publication, in the Gordon City Telegram, the official city newspaper.

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PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Garden City, Kansas, this 19th day of September, 2017.

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Frank A. Caro, Jr., being first duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states that he is Counsel for The City of Garden City, Kansas, that he has read and is familiar with the foregoing and that the statements therein are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Frank A. Caro, Jr.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of Subscribed, 2017.

ANDREA J. CHILTON
Notary Public - Notary Seal
STATE OF MISSOURI
Jackson County
Commission Expires: Nov 14, 2017
Commission # 13404320

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and forgoing was emailed, this 22 day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2017, to:

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