

EXHIBIT D

ISSUE STATEMENT:	PUBLIC HEARING AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL CONCERNING THE VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION OF APPROXIMATELY 2.86 ACRES OF RIGHTS OF WAY OF MISSOURI ROUTE 14 LOCATED WEST OF CURRENT CITY LIMITS
DATE:	JUNE 3 rd , 2025
SUBMITTED BY:	THE CITY OF NIXA
PRESENTED BY:	PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Background

The City of Nixa has been awarded a grant from the State of Missouri Division of Tourism for the design, fabrication, and installation of a "Welcome to Nixa" sign. The sign will be on the 72-acre solar farm property on the south side of Missouri Route 14. To ensure that the welcome sign is adjacent to the city limits of Nixa, we are requesting the voluntary annexation of the subject right of way.

Analysis

The City of Nixa has contacted the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) to request the voluntary annexation of approximately 2.86 acres of Missouri Route 14 rights of way. The request specifically includes the highway rights of way of Missouri Route 14 (West Mt. Vernon) from roughly the current city limits along Missouri Route 14, to the west of South Hazels Run.

The MHTC has procedures that allow municipalities to request voluntary annexation of their rights of way. As part of this request, the City was required to notify all municipalities within a 5-mile radius of the subject rights of way. That included, Clever, Highlandville, Fremont Hills, Ozark, Springfield, and Christian County. The City of Nixa has received letters from these municipalities acknowledging that they do not have any objection to this annexation. The letter that was sent to the City of Clever was returned as unclaimed.

Recommendation

If the annexation request is approved by the City, it does not guarantee that the MHTC will approve the request. If approved, the signed ordinance will be submitted to the MHTC for them to consider during their review process. If MHTC approves the annexation request, the current MoDOT welcome to Nixa sign will be moved accordingly. Staff recommends approval of this annexation request.