



Bringing the city together.

- ▶ Allow for the continued growth of Ashland in an efficient and orderly fashion.
- Protect the Future Ashland growth paths
 - Expanding the zoning jurisdiction
- Future Ashland Growth Paths
 - Northwest
 - Southeast towards Mahoney



Annexation Packages

- ▶ Package 1: Includes properties that have been not incorporated previously
- Package 2: Sabre Heights
- Future Annexation will be a yearly process going forward



Annexation Rational

- ▶ Allow for the continued growth of Ashland in an efficient and orderly fashion.
- Anticipated revenue from SID property tax base exceeds the debt payment amounts
- Advocated for by SID board members
- Properties selected are contiguous and adjacent to current city limits
- Uniform edge to the western city limits
- Expand the zoning jurisdiction of Ashland
- ► Equity for Taxpayers: Properties on the edge of town already benefit from city services such as streets, parks, trails, ballfields, and practice fields



Timeline

- November 13, 2019: Public Hearing at Planning Commission Meeting
 - Notification will be sent prior to the meeting
- Nov 21, 2019: Public Hearing and 1st reading of the annexation ordinance
 - Notification will be sent prior to the meeting
- ▶ Dec 5, 2019: 2nd reading of the ordinance
- ▶ Dec 19, 2019: 3rd and final reading of the ordinance



What does it mean for residents?

- Properties will be within the city limits of Ashland
- Able vote in city elections
 - ► Starting with General Election in November 2020
- ► Eligible to hold city offices
- APD is primary law enforcement



What does it mean for residents?

- Taxed at the city levee rate
 - ► City Levee .702
 - ► Current Sabre Levee .750. Overall Levee 2.2103
 - Overall City Range 2.122-2.131
 - ▶ Difference of -.09 per 100 of valuation
- ▶ 2019 taxes paid in 2020 will be at the existing rate
- ▶ 2020 taxes paid in 2021 will be at the City Rate



What does it mean for residents?

- School Bussing
 - School Board policy is to not provide bussing for students within city limits.
 - School Board and Superintendent have begun discussions in regard to the policy.
 - ▶ Jason asked that questions be referred to him
 - ► City Council advocated in the last 3 years to expand bussing to the east side.
 - Presented plan for a cross-town bussing program for east Ashland residents
 - ▶ School Board choose not to implement at that time



Q&A

Frequently asked questions will be collected and posted to a FAQ webpage on the city website.