

MEMORANDUM

Date:	May 14, 2025	
To:	Plan Commission	
From:	Lindsey Smith, Principal Planner	
Subject:	Petition for Direct Annexation by Unanimous Approval Where No	
	Owners/Electors Reside – Dewitt Development Partners, LLC Annexation	

GENERAL INFORMATION

Owner/Petitioner: Scott Dewitt, Representative for Dewitt Development Partners, LLC

Address/Parcel Numbers: 6000 Blk of N. French Road / 101156900, 101154800, and 101154900 – Town of Grand Chute

Petitioner's Request: The owner/petitioner is requesting direct annexation by unanimous approval where no owners/electors reside pursuant to Section 66.0217(2), Wisconsin State Statutes of land currently located in the Town of Grand Chute, Outagamie County.

Purpose for Annexation: To allow the property to be developed utilizing City services for anticipated residential subdivision.

Population of Such Territory: 0

Annexation Area: 72.2948 acres m/l

Plan Commission Meeting Date: May 14, 2025

Common Council Meeting Date: May 21, 2025

BACKGROUND

On March 16, 1992, the City of Appleton and the Town of Grand Chute agreed to and entered into an Intermunicipal Boundary Agreement pursuant to Section 66.027 and 66.30 of the Wisconsin State Statutes for the purpose of defining and expanding the provision of governmental services, including water and sewer services, by establishing the City's growth area and establishing provisions for annexation of land within the Town of Grand Chute to the City of Appleton.

On October 9, 2024, City staff reviewed and provided initial comments back to the prospective developer of subject site for a conceptual subdivision layout. Staff will continue to work with the developer of the property to review and provide feedback on future conceptual subdivision layout submittals. This ongoing collaboration is intended to ensure that all municipal requirements are met, and that the development aligns with City goals and policies.

Before the Common Council approves the annexation ordinance, the City must allow a 20-day statutory review period, which starts when the Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA) receives the annexation application materials and fee. The DOA received the annexation application materials and fee on May 1, 2025.

STAFF ANALYSIS

The Community Development Department staff has reviewed the annexation petition and identified the following:

- Currently, the subject property is undeveloped and farmed. No electors reside in the annexation area.
- The area proposed for annexation is contiguous to the existing City boundary located to the south and west of the annexation area.
- Annexation of the site in question is consistent with the Intermunicipal Boundary Agreement with the Town of Grand Chute.
- City water infrastructure is already installed along French Road. Annexation to the City of Appleton is required before the subject property could connect to the City's public utilities.
- The subject properties are adjacent to North French Road and future North Lightning Drive right-of-way.
- The City can provide Police and Fire services to the subject property.
- The City of Appleton 2010-2030 Comprehensive Plan Map identifies the subject area as future One/Two family residential.
- The owner is requesting the City Plan Commission initiate a zoning map amendment (rezoning) for the annexation area from AG Agricultural District to a zoning classification of R-2 Two-family residential District. This request is consistent with the City of Appleton 2010-2030 Comprehensive Plan Map.

Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses: The surrounding zoning and uses (north, south, east, and west) are generally residential in nature with a small portion being commercial.

- North: Town of Grand Chute. The adjacent land uses to the north are residential and undeveloped land.
- South: City of Appleton. R-1B Single-family, AG Agricultural District, and P-I Public Institutional. The adjacent land uses to the south are residential, undeveloped, and future North Lightning Drive right-of-way.

Town of Grand Chute. The adjacent land use to the south is undeveloped land.

- East: Town of Grand Chute. The adjacent land use to the east is undeveloped land.
- West: City of Appleton. R-1B Single-family. The adjacent land use to the west is residential.

Appleton Comprehensive Plan 2010-2030: The City of Appleton 2010-2030 Comprehensive Plan Map identifies the subject area as future one/two family residential development. The proposed annexation is consistent with the following goals and objectives of the *Comprehensive Plan 2010-2030*.

Goal 1 – Community Growth

Appleton will continue to provide opportunities for residential, commercial, and industrial growth, including appropriate redevelopment sites within the downtown and existing neighborhoods, and greenfield development sites at the City's edge.

Goal 3 – Housing Quality, Variety, and Affordability

Appleton will provide a variety of rental and ownership housing choices in a range of prices affordable to community residents, and ensure that existing housing is adequately maintained in terms of physical quality and market viability.

OBJECTIVE 5.3 Housing and Neighborhoods:

Provide a range of housing options that meet the needs and appeal to all segments of the community and allows residents to age in place.

Policy 5.3.3 Plan for a supply of developable land suitable for residential development.

OBJECTIVE 10.1 Land Use:

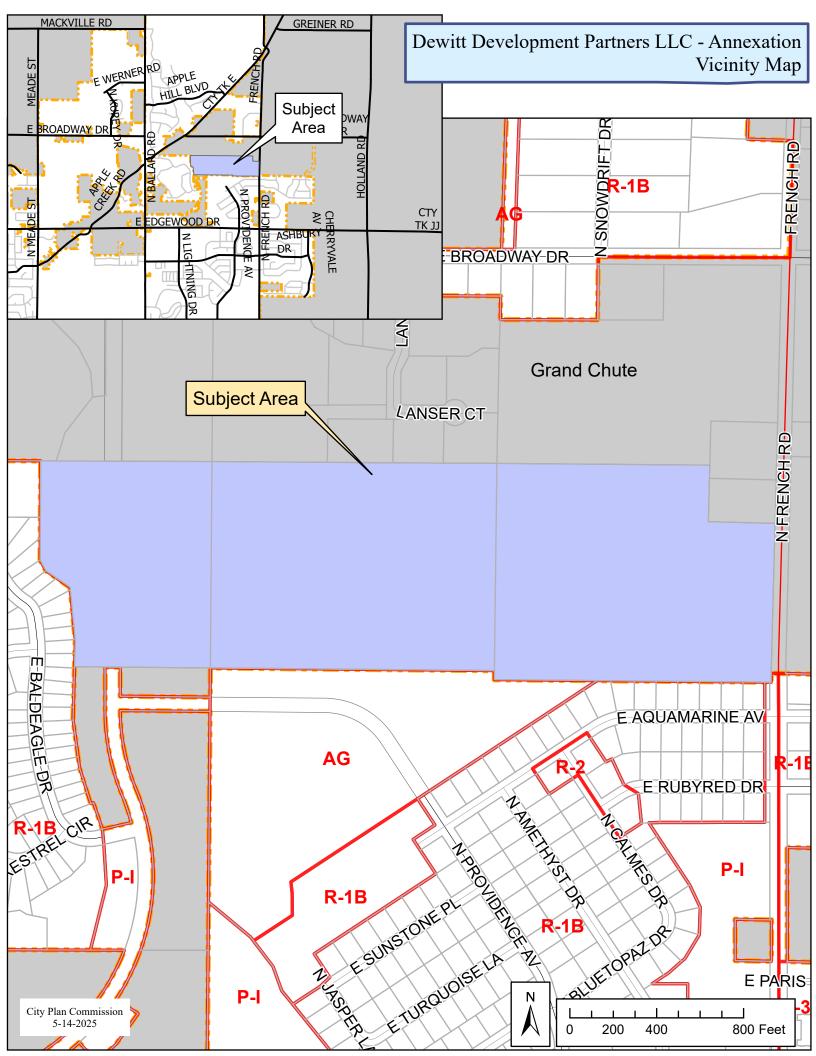
Provide an adequate supply of suitable land meeting the demand for development of various land uses.

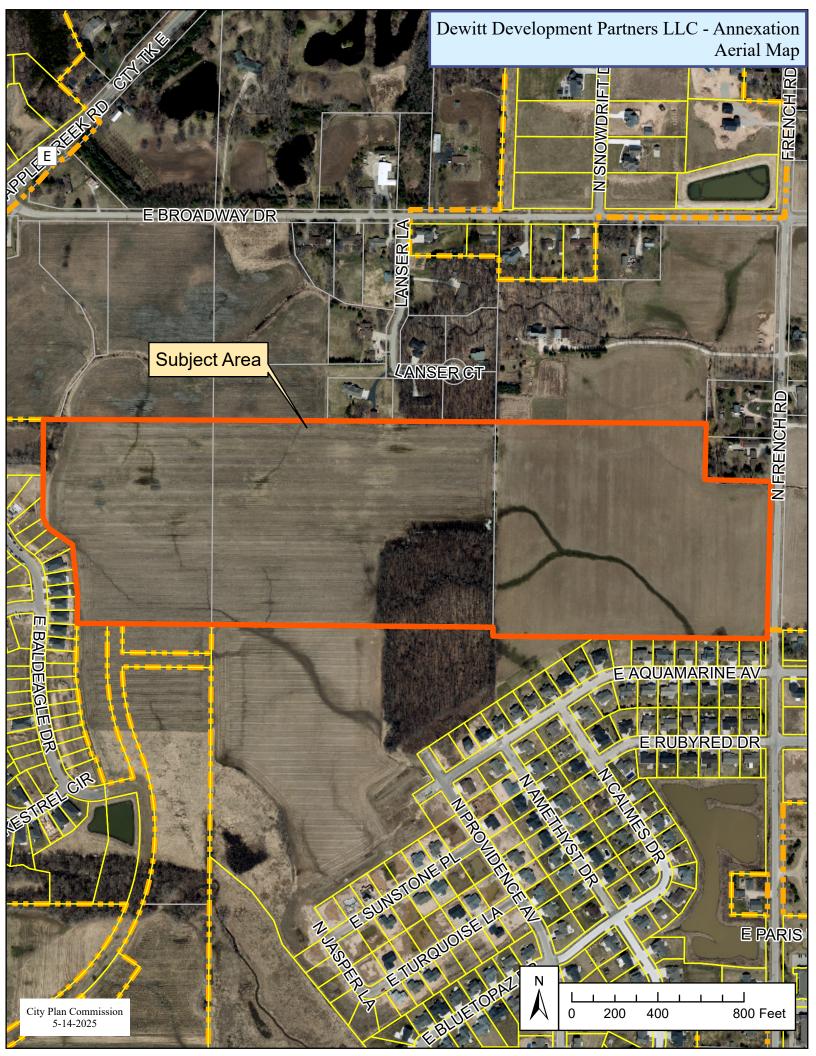
Development Review Team (DRT) Report: This item appeared on the April 1, 2025 Development Review Team agenda. No negative comments were received from participating departments.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Dewitt Development Partners, LLC Annexation, as shown on the attached maps, **BE APPROVED** with the following stipulation:

1. The Plan Commission initiates the zoning map amendment (rezoning) for the subject property from AG Agricultural District to the zoning classification of R-2 Two Family District, pursuant to Section 23-65(h) which is consistent with the *Comprehensive Plan 2010-2030*, pursuant to Section 23-65(e)(1)a. of the Municipal Code.







PETITION FOR DIRECT ANNEXATION BY UNANIMOUS APPROVAL PURSUANT TO SECTION 66.0217(2), WISCONSIN STATUTES WHERE NO ELECTORS RESIDE IN TERRITORY

I/We, the undersigned, constituting all of the owners of the real property in which no electors reside in the following territory of the town(s) of Grand Chute, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, lying contiguous to the City of Appleton petition the Common Council of the City of Appleton to annex the territory described below and shown on the attached scaled map to the City of Appleton, Outagamie County, Wisconsin.

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Fractional Northeast 1/4 and All of the Southwest 1/4 of the Fractional Northeast 1/4 and part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Fractional Northwest 1/4 and part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, ALL of Section 6, Township 21 North, Range 18 East, Town of Grand Chute, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, containing 3,149,161 Square Feet (72.2948 Acres) of land described as follows:

Beginning at the East 1/4 Corner of Section 06, Township 21 North, Range 18 East; thence S00°02'25"E along the east line of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 06, 41.27 feet to the intersection of said east line with the east extension of the north line of Emerald Valley; thence N89°27'33"W along said extension line and along said north line, 1307.67 feet to the west line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 06; thence *N00°12'16"E along said west line, 41.27 feet to the south line of the Fractional Northeast 1/4 of said Section* 06; thence N89°27'33"W along said south line, 1307.49 feet to the Center of said Section 06 as monumented; thence N89°27'19"W along the south line of the Fractional Northwest 1/4 of said Section 06, 625.06 feet to the east line of Apple Ridge 2; thence N01°36'33"E along said east line, 119.15 feet; thence N05°33'54"W along said east line, 247.09 feet; thence N55°27'06"W along said east line, 135.41 feet; thence N28°25'33"W along said east line, 55.45 feet; thence N00°20'17"E along said east line, 456.72 feet to the south line of Lot 1, Certified Survey Map No. 8359 and to the north line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Fractional Northwest 1/4 of said Section 06; thence S89°39'43"E along said south line of said Lot 1 and along said north line of said 1/4-1/4 and along the south line of Certified Survey Map No. 7511, 788.41 feet to the southeast corner of said Map No. 7511 and to the west line of the Southwest 1/4 of the Fractional Northeast 1/4 of said Section 06; thence *N00°27'15"E along said east line of said Map No. 7511 and along said west line, 1.45 feet to the north line of* the Southwest 1/4 of the Fractional Northeast 1/4 of said Section 06 as monumented and to the south line of Certified Survey Map No. 8122; thence S89°37'46"E along said north line as monumented and the south line of said Map No. 8122 and the south line of Certified Survey Map No. 6740 and the south line of Certified Survey Map No. 4280 and along the north line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Fractional Northeast 1/4 said Section 06 as monumented, 2291.51 feet to the west line of lands described in Doc. 1763227; thence S01°26'43"W along said west line and the west line of Lands Described in Doc. 799879, 259.41 feet to the south line of said Doc. 799879; thence S88°09'17"E along said south line, 340.00 feet to the east line of the Fractional Northeast 1/4 of said Section 06; thence S01°26'43"W along said east line, 689.84 feet to the Point Of Beginning. Described Lands are subject to easements and restrictions of record.

I/We, the undersigned, elect that this annexation shall take effect to the full extent consistent with outstanding priorities of other annexation, incorporation, or consolidation proceedings, if any.

I/We further respectfully request that the City Plan Commission initiate a rezoning for the subject property, from AG Agricultural District to a zoning classification of R-2 Two-Family District.

Area of lands to be annexed contains 72.2948 acres m/l.

Tax Parcel number of lands to be annexed: 101156900, 101154800, 101154900.

The current population of such territory is 0.

Signature of Petitioner/Owner	Date of Signing	Address of Petitioner (Include Zip Code)
DocuSigned by:	4/9/2025	3405 Commerce Ct., Suite C
ScottDeWitt	4/ 5/ 2025	Appleton, WI 54911
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Dewitt Development Partners, LLC		

