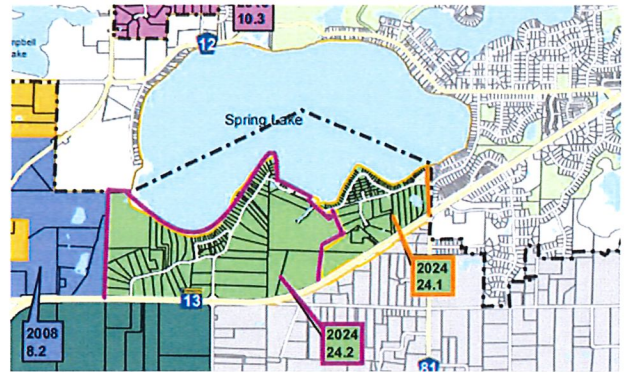


Spring Lake Township Resident-

You are receiving this letter as you are in an area that is planned to be annexed into the City of Prior Lake in 2024 as part of an Orderly Annexation Agreement Amendment initially entered into in 1972 and amended and restated in 2003 (areas 24.1 & 24.2). Spring Lake Township has made a diligent effort to negotiate an agreement to retain or delay this annexation in order to keep these areas as part of the Township; thus far, the efforts to do so have not been successful, therefore we expect that the City of Prior Lake will annex these areas in accordance with the present agreement on schedule in 2024.

Changes to expect:

- Taxes: *Change*- Anticipate increase in line item #7 on your tax statement: City taxes represent 27% of property taxes (source; City of Prior Lake 2022 Annual Report) as compared to 15% for the Township.
- Elections: *Change*-vote at a Prior Lake Precinct for all elections including Mayor/City Council.
- Emergency services:
 - Fire: No change.
 - Law Enforcement: Change to Prior Lake Police Department.
- Schools: No change.
- Roads: *Change* Prior Lake will be responsible for maintenance of and assessment for roads. South Shore Drive was planned for a mill and overlay by the Township in 2023 due to its deteriorating condition. The City of Prior Lake disputes responsibility for the debt for the project, therefore the work will not be completed at this time. Maintenance will be the responsibility of the City once annexed.
- Ordinances: *Change* Prior Lake ordinances will be enforced.
- Sanitary Services: Properties served with septic and well in areas 24.1 & 24.2, the 2003 agreement addresses a procedure and details will become the responsibility of the City of Prior Lake once annexed.



We will continue discussions with Prior Lake and if there are any material changes to the above information, we will provide an update. On our website, springlaketownship.com you can find the 1972 annexation agreement and the 2003 amendment. We recommend you retain copies of this agreement and the amendment for future reference.

If you have questions, please contact Melissa Hanson, Clerk at melissahanson@springlaketownship.com.

Thank you,

Ted Kowalski, Township Supervisor

Lisa Quinn, Township Supervisor

Doug Berens, Township Supervisor