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1.0 Introduction

This 2019 Annexation Application report has been prepared on behalf of the City of Spruce Grove (the “City”) in support of its application to annex approximately 8 quarter sections of land from Parkland County (the “County”).

The City’s 2016 Growth Study (“Growth Study”) recommended expansion areas in the amount of 22.5 quarter sections – 22 quarters from the County and 0.5 quarters from the Town of Stony Plain – to accommodate 50 years of projected growth. Regarding the 22 quarters, subsequent negotiations between the City and the County resulted in the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) in January 2019 respecting a reduced 30-year annexation of ±7 quarter sections and a commitment to undertake a sub-regional planning exercise to identify a future 50-year growth plan. Further negotiations, informed by technical analysis, resulted in a final proposed annexation of 8 quarter sections to accommodate the 31 years of projected growth pursuant to the Annexation Memorandum of Agreement signed on April 23, 2019 (the “Annexation Agreement”). The technical analysis is embedded in the City’s 2019 Growth Study Addendum (“Growth Study Addendum”).

The following documents are submitted in support of this annexation application and attached as appendices to this report:

- Appendix A: 2016 Spruce Grove Growth Study;
- Appendix B: City of Spruce Grove Annexation Financial Impact Assessment;
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The content of this report generally follows the order of information required as outlined in the MGB’s Annexation Application Checklist.