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City of Killeen
101 N College Street
Killeen, TX 76541

Subject: Petition for Deannexation from the City of Killeen

TO THE MAYOR AND GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF KILLEEN, TEXAS

I am writing to formally request the deannexation of my property 13311 FM 2484 (Exhibit A), Salado Texas from the City of Killeen. The tract of land is not contiguous with the City of Killeen. I have carefully considered this decision due to the absence of essential municipal services, specifically the lack of municipal water, solid waste services, and sewer services in my area.

Firstly, the absence of municipal water services is a great inconvenience and complicates my wife and I's plan to build a residence on the current property. We currently rely on a private well, which comes with numerous challenges such as maintenance costs, quality control, and potential contamination risks. Access to a reliable and regulated water supply is crucial for the well-being and safety of any community, and unfortunately, we have been deprived of this basic necessity.

Furthermore, the lack of solid waste services poses significant challenges for proper waste management in our area. Without access to municipal garbage collection, we are left to seek private alternatives, leading to increased costs and potential environmental hazards. By not providing solid waste services, the City of Killeen currently does not ensure the proper disposal of waste, promote environmental sustainability, and maintain the overall cleanliness of my land.

Additionally, the absence of sewer services is a major concern. My wife and I will have to install an expensive private septic system that will require maintenance, and upkeep as well as county inspections.

Given the absence of these essential services, it is evident we do not benefit from the advantages typically associated with being part of the City of Killeen. Therefore, I kindly request that you consider our deannexation appeal as a means to address these ongoing issues and provide an opportunity for our community to pursue alternative solutions that better suit our needs.

According to the 2022 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Killeen it is evident the City's point of interest is to focus on infill development, revitalization and redevelopment of North Killeen. Moreover, by Level 3 analysis performed by the report estimates that land will generate a loss of revenue of \$30,000 per acre for the City. I understand that deannexation is a significant decision, and it is my sincere hope that the City of Killeen will take our concerns into account and initiate a thorough review of our request. I believe that this action would demonstrate the city's commitment to the well-being and satisfaction of its residents and will have a mutual benefit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to a favorable response regarding the deannexation request for my property. Should you require any additional information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Drs. Justin C. Prince & Kristine E. Prince

References

City of Kileen. (2022, August 23). 2022 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Kileen.
<https://www.killeentexas.gov/DocumentCenter/View/6782/2022-Draft-Comprehensive-Plan>-
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The undersigned Petitioners, being all of the owners of an approximate 5.91 acre tract of land (the "Property") located in the city limits of the City of Killeen ("City") and being more particularly described by metes and bounds of Exhibit A attached hereto, are vacant and without residents, hereby petition to the Honorable Body of the City to disannex the Property pursuant to the authority granted to home rule cities by TEX. LOC. GOV'T CODE §43.142.

Petitioner hereby waives all rights to claim any refund as provided by TEX. LOC. GOV'T CODE §43.148 for any money collected in property taxes and fees during the time the property was part of the City.

EXECUTED on this 12 day of June, 2023.

[Signature pages to follow]