# City of Ann Arbor Township Island Annexation Public Information Meeting

August 20, 2018

# Agenda

- Welcome, Introduction and Meeting Purpose (5 minutes)
- Background and History (5 minutes)
- Rationale (5 minutes)
- City Initiated Annexation Process (5 minutes)
- Impacts to Property Owners (10 minutes)
- Discussion (90 minutes)

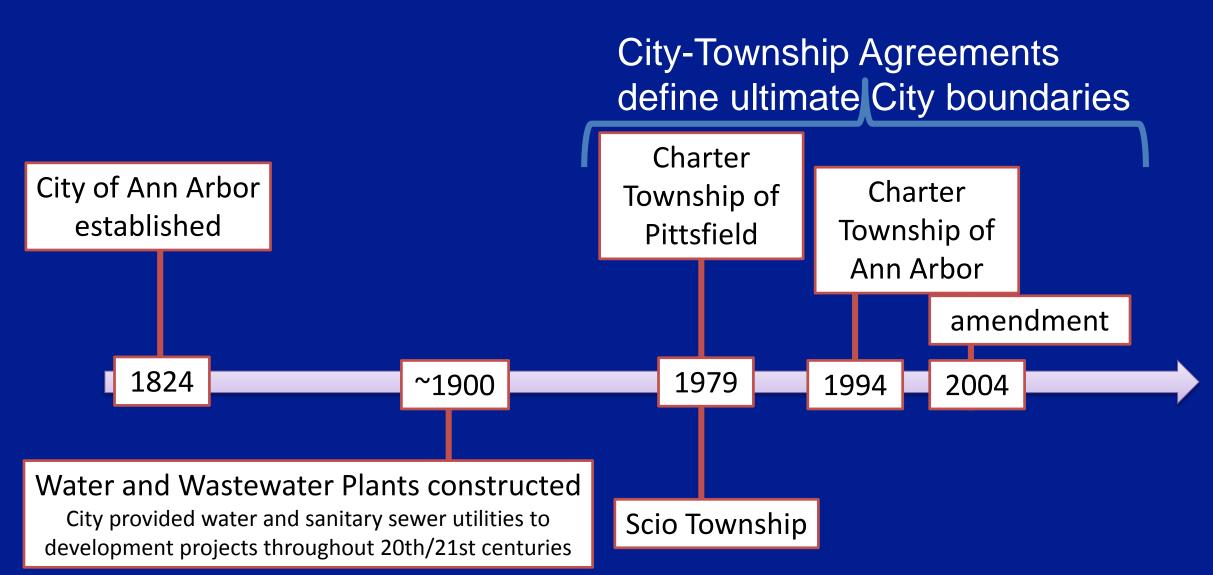
**State Boundary Commission** 

**City Council** 

#### **Staff Team**

Community
Services, Public
Services,
Attorney's Office,
Safety Services,
Financial Services

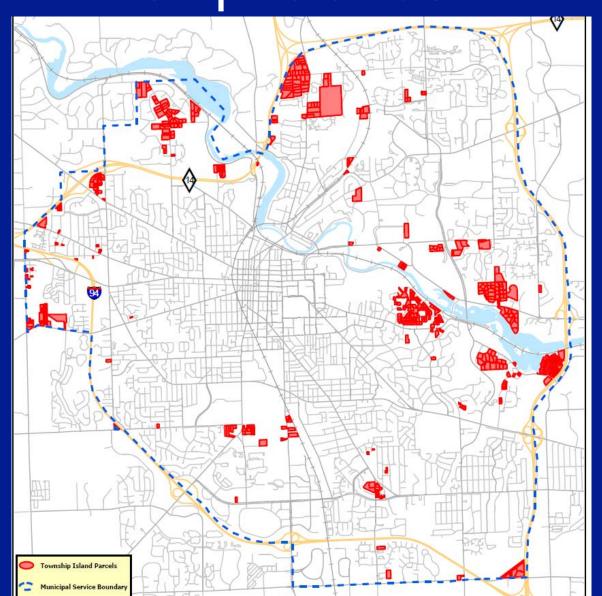
# Background and History



# Ultimate Service Boundary and Remaining Township Islands

- What is a township island?
  - Parcel in township jurisdiction
  - Within the City's ultimate boundary
  - Often surrounded by parcels in the City's jurisdiction

 Approximately 510 township islands remain within the City's ultimate service boundary



# Background and History

Staff report to
City Council
regarding
Township Islands

Round 1 of city-initiated township island annexation completed (20 Ann Arbor Township parcels)

2011

2016

Council resolution directed staff to begin a process to incrementally annex township island parcels

# Rationale: Why annex township islands?

- Eliminate duplication of municipal services
  - Police Services
  - Fire Services
- Improve efficiency and clarity
  - Solid Waste collection
  - Voting (polling locations)
  - Building permits
  - Capital improvements planning (e.g., extension of water and sanitary sewer services)

# Rationale: Why annex township islands?

- Promote equity of funding municipal services
  - Street resurfacing and reconstruction
  - Streetlighting
  - Stormwater
  - Parks
  - Police and fire services

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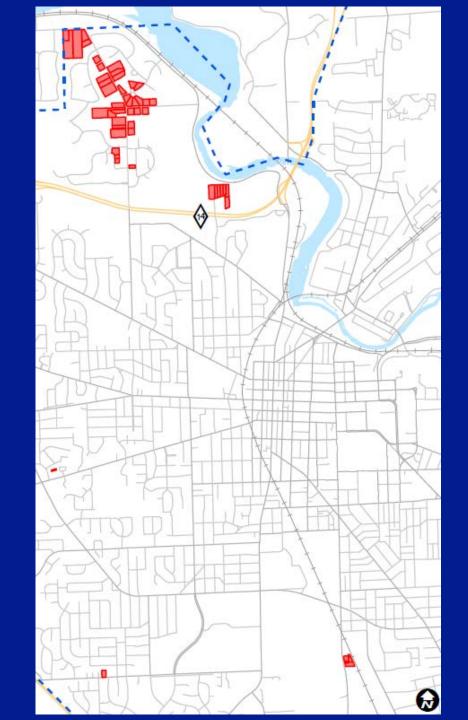
- Other considerations:
  - County-wide, per Washtenaw County Water Resources Commission inspection, approximately:
    - 18% of septic systems are failing
    - 15% of wells do not have adequate protection against contaminants
    - 14% of wells showed chemical or bacterial contamination
  - State Boundary Commission staff has recommended that the City complete annexation of township islands in a timely manner.

#### Process

- To make the annexation process manageable, the City is choosing to annex parcels incrementally, rather than all 500+ parcels at once.
  - 89 parcels have been selected for Round 2 of City-initiated Township Island Annexation.

# Round 2 Ann Arbor Township

• 52 parcels



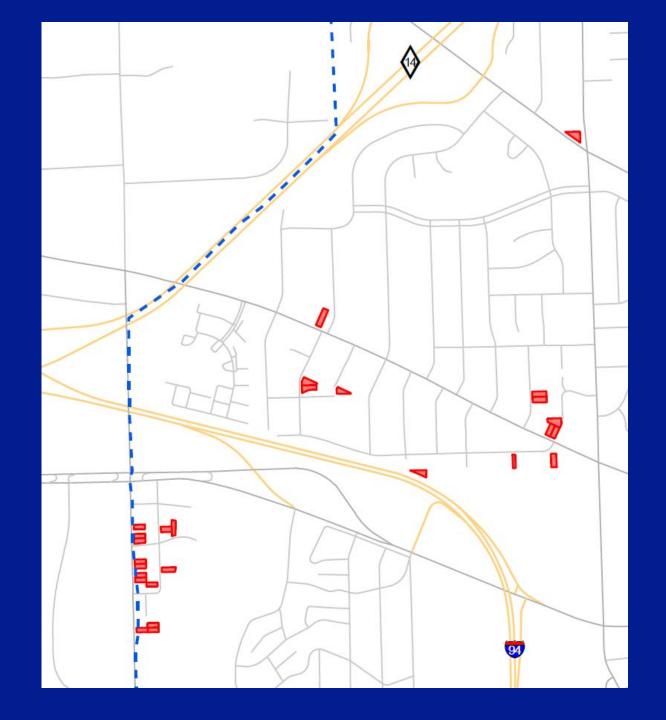
# Round 2 Pittsfield Township

• 10 parcels



# Round 2 Scio Township

• 27 parcels



#### **Process**

- State Boundary Commission Act: 1968 P.A. 191 as amended
- Public Information Meeting
  - August 20, 2018
- City Council
  - October 1, 2018
  - Public hearing and City Council action to approve petition submittal
- State Boundary Commission
  - October 31, 2018 (target petition submittal date)
  - Legal Sufficiency Meeting (Lansing)
  - Public Hearing (Ann Arbor)
  - Recommendation Meeting (Lansing)
- Property owners will be informed once annexation is complete.

- Property Taxes
  - Annexation is not an uncapping event effecting taxable value
  - Increased Municipal Portion of Property Taxes (City Millage Rate: 15.8885 as of summer 2018)
  - Does not change taxes of other authorities, e.g.:









 Local taxes will be collected by the City of Ann Arbor beginning in the year after annexation is complete

- Voting
  - Polling location will change.
  - If registered to vote in your township, you will receive a new voter identification card after annexation is complete.
- Solid Waste collection
  - Solid waste services will change.
  - The City provides solid waste services
     including trash, recycling and yard/food waste.
- Zoning
  - The City will initiate rezoning of your property.







- Water and Sanitary Sewer Utility Connection
  - If utility service is available:
    - Property will have 90 days to connect
    - Capital Recovery Charge will be due
  - If utility service is not available:
    - Capital Recovery Charges (including an Extension Charge) will not be due until service is available.
    - Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)



- Water and Sanitary Sewer Utility Connection (continued)
  - For vacant properties:
    - Capital Recovery Charges will be determined when developed
  - For commercial properties:
    - Charges vary based on the size of the future water meter

- Costs associated with Water/Sanitary Connection
  - Capital Cost Recovery Charge
    - Covers original capital expenditure for utility construction
    - Due at time of connection
    - Payment plan options available
  - Tap and Meter Charges
  - Private contractor costs/permits
    - Varies greatly depending on site and installation conditions

- Other Historical Improvement Charges
  - (Road, sidewalk, and/or storm sewer)
  - Historic amount is cost-forwarded to equivalent dollars in the year annexation is complete
  - Amount (if applicable) varies for each parcel
  - Due upon annexation
  - Payment plan options available

- Payment plan options
  - Capital Cost Recovery Charges and Historical Improvement
     Charges can be paid in yearly installments over time
  - Chapter 12 of City Code

Total amount of special and single lot assessment(s)	Number of years for installments
Up to \$1,200.00	1 year
Greater than \$1,200.00 up to \$2,400.00	2 years
Greater than \$2,400.00 up to \$3,600.00	3 years
Greater than \$3,600.00 up to \$4,800.00	4 years
Greater than \$4,800.00 up to \$6,000.00	5 years
Greater than \$6,000.00 up to \$7,200.00	6 years
Greater than \$7,200.00 up to \$8,400.00	7 years
Greater than \$8,400.00 up to \$9,600.00	8 years
Greater than \$9,600.00 up to \$10,800.00	9 years
Greater than \$10,800.00 up to \$12,000.00	10 years
Greater than \$12,000.00 up to \$13,200.00	11 years
Greater than \$13,200.00 up to \$14,400.00	12 years
Greater than \$14,400.00 up to \$15,600.00	13 years
Greater than \$15,600.00 up to \$16,800.00	14 years
Greater than \$16,800.00	15 years

#### Opportunities for public comment

- Public Information Meeting
  - August 20, 2018
- City Council public hearing
  - October 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers
    - Advance sign-up not required, 3 minutes per speaker
    - Written comments can be provided to City Council
- State Boundary Commission (SBC) public hearing
  - Date: to be determined by SBC
  - Location: Ann Arbor
  - Notice and meeting details will be provided by SBC

# Discussion