

# STANDARDS FOR CITY INCORPORATION

## **Factors Favorable to Approval:**

1. Need for organized municipal or urban-type services.
2. A relatively dense population in a well-defined reasonably compact area.
3. Adequate property tax revenue and a sufficiently high base for sales tax, highway users tax, motor vehicle in lieu tax, and similar State-collected and disbursed funds, in relation to anticipated costs of required services as to make incorporation financially feasible.
4. The likelihood of continued substantial growth within the proposed area and adjacent areas during the next ten years.
5. Remoteness from other highly populated areas and particularly from an existing city to which the area proposed for incorporation could be annexed.
6. Alternate means of furnishing required services are infeasible or undesirable.
7. No adverse effect upon long-range provision for adequate local governmental services by other agencies to a larger region of which the area proposed for incorporation is an integral part.
8. Is consistent with adopted spheres of influence and the county adopted general plan.

## **Factors Unfavorable to Approval:**

1. Relatively low population density.
2. No or slight need for municipal urban-type services.
3. Population not in a reasonably compact or defined community.
4. Low property tax revenue, low retail sales of gasoline and other retail sales in relation to anticipated costs of services as to make incorporation financially infeasible.
5. Area proposed for incorporation is in close proximity to an existing city to which it could be annexed.
6. Incorporation is premature in view of lack of anticipated substantial growth within the next ten years.
7. Property boundaries do not include all urbanized areas or are otherwise improperly drawn.
8. Incorporation would have an adverse effect upon the long-range provision of local governmental services to a larger region of which the area proposed for incorporation forms an integral part.
9. The proposal is not consistent with adopted spheres of influence and adopted general plans.