

**ORDINANCE NO. 2435****AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, WASHINGTON,  
ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE SOUTHWEST FAIRGROUND  
ANNEXATION**

**WHEREAS**, a Notice of Intent to Annex was initiated by Lewis County who is the owner of the Lewis County Southwest Washington Fairgrounds on March 5, 2018, pursuant to RCW 35A.14.120 (petition method); and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council accepted the petition for annexation at a public meeting on April 10, 2018, determined that the City would accept the proposed annexation boundary; determined whether the petition will require the simultaneous adoption of a zoning classification; determined the City will require the assumption of all portions of the existing City indebtedness by the area to be annexed and called for a public hearing after staff analysis is complete; and

**WHEREAS**, following the public meeting and acceptance of the Notice of Intent to Annex, the Petitioner's fashioned and circulated for signature a Petition for Annexation which included:

1. The legal description of the property to be annexed.
2. A map that outlines the boundaries of the property sought to be annexed.
3. A statement that the City has required the assumption of all of any portion of existing City indebtedness and/or the adoption of a zoning classification for the area to be annexed.

**WHEREAS**, the Petition for Annexation was transmitted to the County Assessor on January 19, 2019, for signature verification and determination of sufficiency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission reviewed the proposal on March 14, 2019, and recommended not proceeding with the Annexation to the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the City thereafter set a public hearing for May 14, 2019, before the Centralia City Council. Notification of Public Hearing was published in the Chronicle on April 27 and May 4, 2019. All petitioners and residents within 300 feet of the proposed annexation area, were sent notification in the mail on April 30, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council on May 14, 2019, reviewed the recommendation from the Planning Commission, held a public hearing; and considered testimony for or against the proposed annexation area subject to two conditions:

1. The Lewis County Southwest Washington Fairgrounds main office be relocated within the City of Centralia municipal boundaries within three (3) month of final approval of the annexation by the City of Centralia.
2. The Lewis County Sheriff's office continues to be the responsible public safety organization during the Southwest Washington Fair dates; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Assessor has determined the Petition for Annexation to be sufficient; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lewis County Boundary Review Board reviewed and approved the Petition for Annexation on September 6, 2019;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, WASHINGTON, HEREBY APPROVES THE PETITION FOR ANNEXATION AS DESCRIBED IN THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION DATED MARCH 12, 2019, EXHIBIT A, SUBJECT TO THE TWO CONDITIONS BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.**

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Centralia, Washington for the **first reading** on the 24th day of September, 2019 and the second and **final reading** on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney