



Province of Alberta  
Order in Council

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# ORDER IN COUNCIL

Approved and ordered:

Lieutenant Governor  
or  
Administrator

The Lieutenant Governor in Council makes the Order Dissolving the  
Town of Granum set out in the attached Appendix.

CHAIR

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For Information only

Recommended by: Minister of Municipal Affairs

Authority: Municipal Government Act (sections 133, 134, 135 and 137)  
Foreign Ownership of Land Regulations (section 14)

## APPENDIX

### Municipal Government Act

#### ORDER DISSOLVING THE TOWN OF GRANUM

**1** In this Order,

- (a) “Act” means the *Municipal Government Act*;
- (b) “designated industrial property” has the meaning given to it in section 284(1)(f.01) of the Act;
- (c) “dissolution date” means February 1, 2020;
- (d) “former area of the town” means the land in the Town of Granum before the dissolution date, as described in the Schedule;
- (e) “receiving municipality” means The Municipal District of Willow Creek, No. 26;
- (f) “town” means the Town of Granum.

**2** Effective February 1, 2020,

- (a) the Town of Granum is dissolved,
- (b) the former area of the town becomes part of The Municipal District of Willow Creek, No. 26,
- (c) the former area of the town is designated as a hamlet to be known as the Hamlet of Granum until the council of the receiving municipality changes the designation in accordance with section 59 of the Act,
- (d) all liabilities of the town, whether arising under debenture or otherwise, including liabilities referred to in clause (k), and all assets, rights, duties, functions and obligations of the town are vested in the receiving municipality and may be dealt with in the name of the receiving municipality,
- (e) bylaws and resolutions of the town continue to apply in the former area of the town until the bylaws or resolutions are repealed, amended or replaced by the council of the receiving municipality,

- (f) the receiving municipality may, by bylaw, impose an additional tax under Part 10 of the Act on property located in the former area of the town, including designated industrial property,
  - (i) to pay for any liabilities referred to in this section that exceed the assets referred to in this section, or
  - (ii) to meet obligations under a borrowing that was made by the town, prior to its dissolution, in respect of the former area of the town,
- (g) a bylaw referred to in clause (f) may be passed each year until the liability or borrowing is fully paid,
- (h) a reference to the town in any order, regulation, bylaw, certificate of title, agreement or any other instrument is deemed to be a reference to the receiving municipality,
- (i) the employees of the town at its dissolution are deemed to be employees of the receiving municipality,
- (j) all employment records related to past and current employees of the town are transferred to the receiving municipality, and
- (k) all liabilities related to past and current employees of the town are transferred to the receiving municipality.

**3 The receiving municipality shall**

- (a) before the 2021 general election, review the number of wards and the boundaries of the wards within the receiving municipality, and
- (b) pass a bylaw in accordance with sections 148 and 149 of the Act that is to take effect at the 2021 general election to establish the number of wards and the boundaries of those wards.

**4(1) The receiving municipality shall use**

- (a) money received from the town on its dissolution, and

- (b) money received from the sale of any assets of the town vested in the receiving municipality under section 2(d) and sold by the receiving municipality before January 1, 2025

only for the purposes of paying or reducing a liability vested in the receiving municipality under section 2 or for purposes for which the town could have used it.

(2) All money referred to in subsection (1) must be accounted for separately by the receiving municipality.

**5** The receiving municipality is responsible for

- (a) preparing or ensuring completion of the town's 2019 annual financial statements for the purposes of section 276 of the Act and the town's 2019 financial information return for the purposes of section 277 of the Act,
- (b) having an auditor report to the council of the receiving municipality on the town's 2019 annual financial statements and the town's 2019 financial information return in the same manner as is required under section 281 of the Act for the receiving municipality, and
- (c) submitting
  - (i) the town's 2019 financial information return,
  - (ii) the auditor's report on the town's 2019 financial information return,
  - (iii) the town's 2019 annual financial statements, and
  - (iv) the auditor's report on the town's 2019 annual financial statements

to the Minister in the same manner as is required under section 278 of the Act for the receiving municipality.

**6(1)** In this section, "professional accounting firm" and "review engagement" have the meanings given to them in the *Chartered Professional Accountants Act*.

(2) The receiving municipality is responsible for

- (a) preparing or ensuring completion of financial statements for the town in respect of the period from January 1, 2020 to January 31, 2020, and
  - (b) having a professional accounting firm complete a review engagement in respect of the financial statements referred to in clause (a) within 6 months after the dissolution date.
- (3) Despite subsection (2)(b), the receiving municipality may elect to have a professional accounting firm complete an audit, rather than a review engagement, in respect of the financial statements referred to in subsection (2)(a).
- (4) The receiving municipality shall, as soon as practicable after receiving the review engagement or auditor's report,
- (a) make the financial statements, or a summary of them, and the review engagement or auditor's report available to the public in the manner the council considers appropriate, and
  - (b) submit copies of the financial statements and the review engagement or auditor's report to the Minister.

**7** If a complaint is made under section 460 of the Act in respect of property located in the former area of the town and is properly filed in accordance with the Act and regulations before the dissolution date, the complaint

- (a) must be heard and decided by the assessment review board established by the town, if that board began hearing the matter before the dissolution date, or
- (b) must be heard and decided by the assessment review board established by the receiving municipality, in any other case.

**8** The Minister may decide any other matter relating to the rights, obligations, liabilities, assets or any other thing in respect of the town resulting from the dissolution of the town.

**9** Pursuant to section 14(1)(e) of the *Foreign Ownership of Land Regulations* (AR 160/79), the land within the boundaries of the

Hamlet of Granum is excluded from the operation of those regulations.

**Schedule  
Land Description**

ALL THOSE PORTIONS OF SECTIONS THIRTY-ONE (31) AND THIRTY-TWO (32), TOWNSHIP TEN (10), RANGE TWENTY-SIX (26) WEST OF THE FOURTH (4) MERIDIAN DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH-SOUTH ROAD ALLOWANCE AND THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PLAN 871 0424 IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTY-ONE (31), TOWNSHIP TEN (10), RANGE TWENTY-SIX (26) WEST OF THE FOURTH (4) MERIDIAN,

THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF PLAN 871 0424 TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH PLAN RY 8,

THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE WESTERN BOUNDARY OF PLAN 871 0424 TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 12PUL, PLAN 801 0878 IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTY-ONE (31), TOWNSHIP TEN (10), RANGE TWENTY-SIX (26) WEST OF THE FOURTH (4) MERIDIAN,

THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF THE NORTH HALF OF SECTION THIRTY-ONE (31), TOWNSHIP TEN (10), RANGE TWENTY-SIX (26) WEST OF THE FOURTH (4) MERIDIAN TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1, PLAN 981 1709 AND THE EASTERN BOUNDARY OF PLAN 931 0570 LOCATED IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTY-ONE (31), TOWNSHIP TEN (10), RANGE TWENTY-SIX (26) WEST OF THE FOURTH (4) MERIDIAN,

THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE EASTERN BOUNDARY OF PLAN 981 0570 TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF THE EAST-WEST ROAD ALLOWANCE IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTY-ONE (31), TOWNSHIP TEN (10), RANGE TWENTY-SIX (26) WEST OF THE FOURTH (4) MERIDIAN,

THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF THE EAST-WEST ROAD ALLOWANCE TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE EASTERN BOUNDARY OF LEGAL SUBDIVISION THIRTEEN (13) IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTY-TWO (32), TOWNSHIP TEN (10), RANGE TWENTY-SIX (26) WEST OF THE FOURTH (4) MERIDIAN,

THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERN BOUNDARY OF SAID LEGAL SUBDIVISION TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTHEAST BOUNDARY OF LEGAL SUBDIVISION TWELVE (12) IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTY-TWO (32), TOWNSHIP TEN (10), RANGE TWENTY-SIX (26) WEST OF THE FOURTH (4) MERIDIAN,

THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF SAID LEGAL SUBDIVISION TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PLAN 871 0424 AND THE WESTERLY BOUNDARY OF THE NORTH-SOUTH ROAD ALLOWANCE LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION THIRTY-ONE (31), TOWNSHIP TEN (10), RANGE TWENTY-SIX (26) WEST OF THE FOURTH (4) MERIDIAN,

THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERN BOUNDARY OF PLAN 871 0424 TO THE POINT OF COMMENCEMENT.