

**RESOLUTION FACT SHEET  
CADDO PARISH COMMISSION**

<b>TITLE</b>	
Resolution No. 37 of 2022  A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH ATTORNEY TO FILE SUIT ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH CHALLENGING THE ANNEXATION BY THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD OF LANDS IN SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST AND RELATED MATTERS, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO	
<b>DATE:</b> July 1, 2022	<b>ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:</b> Legal
<b>BACKGROUND INFORMATION</b>	
The Town of Greenwood has annexed a tract of land comprising 49 acres along Greenwood Road. As there appears to be no resident property owners and no registered voters residing on that tract, the annexation process is under La.R.S. 33:172(A)(1)(c). The statutes on annexation state that an annexation under Subparagraph (c) may be challenged by the parish to contest whether the annexation is reasonable. The reasonableness of the annexation includes the desire of the owners of the annexed land, the anticipated public benefit of the proposed annexation, and the fiscal and financial impact on the municipality, parish, and neighboring property owners. Additionally, the zoning of the annexed territory cannot, for two years, be less restrictive in uses permitted than the parish zoning which was in place at the time of annexation. The Parish may consent to less restrictive zoning in the annexed territory by adopting a resolution stating its consent.	
<b>FINANCIAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING</b>	
<b>EFFECT(S) OF PROPOSED ACTION</b>	
Adoption of this resolution authorizes the Parish Attorney to file suit for the Parish to challenge the annexation and to enforce the provision regarding zoning in the annexed territory.	
<b>ALTERNATIVES/STAFF RECOMMENDATION</b>	
Choose not to adopt the resolution and allow the annexation to take effect.	
<b>KEY STAFF CONTACT</b>	
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<b>COORDINATION</b>	
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Parish Administrator/CEO	(Initial)