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November 8, 2010

TO:

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

FROM:

Eric Stuckey, City Administrator

David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive

SUBJECT:

Items 4 & 5 of November 11th CIC Agenda

Ordinance 2010-76 – Boyd Mill Ave Assessments Ordinance 2010-77 – Country Road Assessments

**Purpose** 

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) with information to consider: 1) Ordinance 2010-76 for the Sanitary Sewer Assessments for Boyd Mill Avenue Area Assessment District; and 2) Ordinance 2010-77 for the Sanitary Sewer Assessments for the Country Road Estates Area Assessment District.

Background

On November 10, 2009 the Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) approved the ordinances creating the two assessment districts – Boyd Mill Avenue Area and Country Road Estates Area. Since that time, the City has been progressing with the construction of the improvements necessary to provide the sanitary sewer services as needed in the two assessment district. Even though the two projects are not ready to be closed out due to them being a part of a larger project funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), the two project's; Boyd Mill and Country Road; final construction costs are known and the City can proceed with the establishment of the individual property assessments.

The two ordinances are presented with the term payment of twenty (20) years and the waiving of the sewer access fee and the installation charge. Also, there is no requirement for connection, but upon notification of sanitary sewer availability, each property will be billed a minimum sanitary sewer charge. These conditions are as staff understands BOMA's intent and Title 18 of the Municipal Code dictates how connection requirements are to be handled for assessment districts and/or any other connection to the City's sanitary sewer system.

**Financial Impact** 

There are no additional costs to the City other than maintenance of the two low-pressure sanitary sewer systems.

Recommendation

Approval of Ordinance 2010-76 and Ordinance 2010-77 as presented is recommended.

## ORDINANCE 2010-77

TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE COUNTRY ROAD ESTATES AREA."

WHEREAS, the City of Franklin, by Ordinance 1998-10, has annexed into the City some 32 acres, more or less, located east of Franklin Road and south of Moore's Lane, generally known as the Country Road Estates Subdivision; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 7-33-101 to 314, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City has determined that it would be in the best interest of the property owners residing in the annexed area and of the public generally to construct sanitary sewer improvements in the area hereinafter described and to assess a portion of the cost of the said improvements against the properties to be benefited; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Franklin passed on second and final reading on November 10, 2009, Ordinance 2009-70; an Ordinance to Authorize the Establishment of a Special Assessment District for and the Construction of Sanitary Sewer Improvements in the Country Road Estates Area.

## **NOW THEREFORE:**

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY AS FOLLOWS:

1. The following sanitary sewer improvements have been constructed and upon final approval of this Ordinance shall be ready for use:

A public sanitary sewer system for the Country Road Subdivision Area located in public rights-of-way and easements consisting of gravity and low pressure sewer lines with all required appurtenances (such as manholes, air release valves, service connections to each property, etc.) for a fully operational system. Individual service

lines within the properties, electrical & plumbing work, and the grinder pump assemblies shall be the responsibility of the individual property owners.

2. The geographic limits of the properties to be benefited are as follows:

Map-Parcel	Acres
53-61.00	3.64
53-62.00	1.68
53-63.00	2.21
53-64.00	2.75
53-65.00	1.86
53-66.00	2.30
53-67.00	2.56
53-68.00	6.44
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Commencing at the east right-of-way line of Franklin Road and the north right-of-way line of Country Road; thence east 400 feet along the north right-of-way line of Country Road to the southwest corner of parcel 68.00, Map 53, all parcels being referenced to Tennessee State Board of Equalization Maps, as may be revised, which is also the point of beginning.

Thence north 355 feet along the west line of parcel 68.00 to the northwest corner of parcel 68.00; thence east 1,745 feet along the north lines of parcels 68.00, 67.00, 66.00 and 65.00 to the northeast corner of parcel 65.00; thence south 380 feet along the east line of parcel 65.00 to the southeast corner of parcel 65.00; thence west 90 feet along the south line of parcel 65.00 to the southwest corner of parcel 65.00; thence west 50 feet along the south line of parcel 65.00, if extended, to the northeast corner of parcel 64.00 which is also a point along the south right-of-way line of Country Road; thence south 210 feet along the east line of parcel 64.00 to the southeast corner of parcel 64.00; thence west 1,105 feet along the south lines of parcels 64.00, 63.00, and 62.00 to the southwest corner of parcel 62.00; thence west 50 feet along the south line of parcel 62.00, if extended, to the southeast corner of parcel 61.00; thence west 770 feet along the south line of parcel 61.00 to the southwest corner of parcel 61.00; thence north 200 feet along the west line of parcel 61.00 to the northwest corner of parcel 61.00; thence east 230 feet along the south right-of-way line

to a point on the north line of parcel 61.00; thence north 50 feet along the west line of parcel 68.00, if extended, to the southwest corner of parcel 68.00, which is also the point of beginning, and containing 23.44 acres in parceled land.

Pursuant to T.C.A. §7-33-311, the Board may authorize additional properties to be benefitted by the improvements and make equitable provisions so that any later-added properties bear their proportional share of the costs of the improvements.

- 3. Based upon the Final Quantities and Change Order for the construction of the sanitary sewer improvements for the Country Road Estates Area, David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive, an engineer licensed by the State of Tennessee, has verified that the project costs to be used to calculate the property assessments for those improvements directly associated with providing a sanitary sewer collection system for the Country Road Estates Area is SIXTY-SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE AND 07/100 DOLLARS (\$66,269.07). Said sanitary sewer improvements were designed by, and construction was supervised by, Smith Seckman Reid, Inc., an engineering firm licensed by the State of Tennessee.
- 4. It is the intention of the Board that One Hundred Percent (100%) of the verified cost for construction of the improvements shall be assessed against the benefited properties listed in paragraph 2 and that improvement assessments shall be assessed annually against the benefited property in the proportion that the assessed value of each lot or parcel bears to the whole assessed value of the benefited properties, pursuant to T.C.A. §§7-33-310 to 314. The Board hereby pledges the full faith and credit of the City to satisfy any deficiency in collections of assessments for the improvements.
  - 5. The benefited property owners shall be allowed to pay off the total assessments

authorized herein over a term of twenty (20) years. Improvement assessments shall be made annually by the Board when the levy of municipal property taxes is made and such assessments shall be due at the same time or times as the municipal property taxes are due, and shall be subject to the same penalties and interest, in the event of nonpayment, as are municipal property taxes. The Board may also permit benefitted property owners to pay in monthly installments. In the event any monthly payment shall be delinquent thirty (30) days after it is due and payable, and the whole balance of the improvement assessment shall then become delinquent and be subject to all penalties and interest as provided in this Ordinance.

- 6. The assessment, with penalty and interest, shall constitute a lien against the property, lot, or parcel against which it is assessed, and shall attach as of the date the improvement assessment is made, and shall take precedence over all other liens, save those for state, county, and municipal property taxes, and any prior special assessments. Such liens shall otherwise have such priority and shall be enforceable as is provided in T.C.A. §7-33-314.
- 7. Upon final approval of this Ordinance and the completion and acceptance by the City of the sanitary sewer improvements, each benefitted property shall be notified of sanitary sewer availability by the City and shall be allowed to connect to such facilities, as provided in Section 18-204 (4), or as amended, of the Franklin Municipal Code, and thereafter the benefitted owner shall be billed monthly for sewer services at the City's prevailing Minimum bill. Upon connection to the sanitary sewer system the benefitted owner shall be billed a monthly sewer service charge as are all other customers of the sanitary sewer system of the City. Should the benefited property not receive service from a public water system, the monthly sewer service charge shall be the City's Minimum Bill. The system development fee (SDF) and effluent disposal fee (EDF) shall be due at the time the

connection is made (the Board of Mayor and Aldermen has waived the payment of the City's sewer access fee and the installation charge).

- 8. A public hearing shall be held on **January 11, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen**, at which time the benefited property owners may appear and be heard on the issue of whether the nature and scope of the assessments should be altered; and whether the improvements should be financed through the issuance of bonds on the "assessed value basis" as authorized by T.C.A. §§7-33-301 to 314.
- 9. Following the said public hearing, the Board shall confirm, amend or rescind this original Ordinance, as its final action pursuant to TCA §7-33-304. Such final action shall be the final determination of all issues presented, unless the owner of any property to be benefited files, within ten (10) days of such final action, a petition for certiorari in the Williamson County Circuit Court, to review such action.

SECTION II: BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE, that this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage on second reading, the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens requiring it.

ATTEST:	CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE:
By:	By:
ERIC S. STUCKEY	JOHN C. SCHROER
City Administrator/Recorder	Mayor

## Approved As To Form By Shauna Billingsley, City Attorney

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