

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF KEY WEST AUTHORIZING THE INITIATION OF
AN ANNEXATION STUDY IN ACCORDANCE WITH
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN POLICY.**

WHEREAS, the City of Key West Comprehensive Plan includes provisions for the development of a plan for managing potential annexations, including areas such as South Stock Island and Key Haven; and

WHEREAS, at the January 24, 2024, Planning Board workshop the Planning Board requested that staff place an action item on a subsequent Planning Board agenda to further consider whether to recommend that the City Commission initiate an annexation study; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board noted that the adopted City of Key West Comprehensive Plan includes the following objective in the Chapter 1, Future Land Use Element, “Objective 1-1.8: Annexation Studies, The City of Key West acknowledges a need to prevent urban sprawl and disjointed urban service delivery systems. In addition, the City desires to develop a plan for managing potential annexations, including areas such as South Stock Island and Key Haven. Therefore, by 2017 the City of Key West shall prepare an annexation study which analyzes the potential for incorporating Key Haven. By 2020, the City shall prepare an annexation study that analyzes the potential for annexing South Stock Island. The studies shall document issues surrounding potential development within the unincorporated urban areas.”; and

WHEREAS, after public hearing and due consideration the City Commission has evaluated the potential benefits associated with the preparation of an Annexation Study in accordance with the Goals, Policies, and Objectives of the Comprehensive Plan; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Key West, Florida:

Section 1. That the above recitals are incorporated by reference as fully set forth herein.

Section 2. That the City directs the Planning Department, in consultation with the Planning Board, to pursue the preparation of an Annexation Study including areas such as South Stock Island and Key Haven as provided in the adopted City of Key West Comprehensive Plan Objective 1-1.8.

Section 3. This resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signatures of the presiding officer and City Clerk.

Section 4. This Resolution is subject to appeal periods as provided by the City of Key West Code of Ordinances (including the Land Development Regulations). After the City appeal period has expired, this permit or development order will be rendered to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. Pursuant to Chapter 73C-44, F.A.C., this permit or development order is not effective for forty-five (45) days after it has been properly rendered to the DEO with all exhibits and applications attached to or incorporated by reference to this approval; that within the forty-five (45) day review period the DEO can appeal the permit or development order to the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission; and that such an appeal stays the effectiveness of the permit until the appeal is resolved by agreement order.

Read and passed on first reading at a regular meeting held this ____ day of _____, 2024.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Commission on ____ day of _____, 2024.

Filed with the Clerk _____, 2024.

Mayor Teri Johnston

Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman

Commissioner Lisette Carey

Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover

Commissioner Clayton Lopez

Commissioner Billy Wardlow

Commissioner Jimmy Weekley

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ATTEST:

KERI O'BRIEN, CITY CLERK