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City of Fulton v. Town of Granby

Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Fourth Department, New York - May 9, 2014 - N.Y.S.2d - 2014 N.Y. Slip Op. 03371

City filed petition seeking a determination that proposed annexation of industrial and vacant land from town was in the public interest.

After court-designated referees issued report concluding that annexation was in the public interest, the Supreme Court

Annexation would benefit the city, as land housed city's wastewater treatment facility, which was a vital component of the city's municipal utility infrastructure, reduce the city's tax liability, benefit territory itself, as city, not town, provided municipal services, and enable city to stabilize rates it charged to residents and businesses in the area, including the town, which could spawn industrial growth and development in the surrounding area.