



August 16, 2024

The Honorable Adam Ensey  
Armstrong County Judge  
Armstrong County Courthouse  
101 Trice St  
Claude, TX 79019

Re: The reduction of the City's Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) from five miles to one mile.

Honorable Judge Ensey:

The City of Amarillo City Council approved Ordinance 8117 on February 27, 2024, reducing the city's Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) from five miles to one mile. The ordinance provided an effective date of 180 days for a transition period. This letter serves as notification under the Interlocal Agreement between the City and Armstrong County for the regulation of subdivision plats and approval of related permits in the ETJ. The Interlocal Agreement is mandated by Texas HB 1445.

Article VIII of the Interlocal Agreement states:

*EXPANSION/REDUCTION – The CITY shall notify COUNTY in writing of any changes in the ETJ, expanding the ETJ or reducing the ETJ. Any changes in ETJ shall not alter the effectiveness of any plat previously approved as provided by Chapter 245, Local Government Code. The parties agree that all terms of this agreement will automatically apply to any reduction or expansion of the ETJ.*

**The effective date for Ordinance 8117 is Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, beginning Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, the City's 1-mile ETJ will not extend into Armstrong County.** Any subdivision applications and the associated infrastructure requirements previously approved under City ordinances in what will no longer be the City's ETJ will continue to be regulated by those ordinances as provided by Chapter 245 of the Texas Local Government Code. City staff are available to assist in project review for those applications in the future.

For your convenience, a copy of Ordinance 8117, maps of the ETJ boundaries, and a copy of the 2002 Interlocal Agreement are enclosed for review. Should you wish to schedule a coordination meeting to discuss further, please don't hesitate to contact me at 806-378-6292 or [emily.koller@amarillo.gov](mailto:emily.koller@amarillo.gov).

Sincerely,

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Director of Planning

**Enclosures:**

COA Ordinance 8117  
5-mile ETJ and 1-mile ETJ maps  
Interlocal Agreement

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