

**Appendix V-A**  
**Questions For Evaluating Your**  
**City's Development Policies**

- (1) Does your city have a Utility Main Extension Policy? If "yes",** does it stipulate standards or conditions under which the main will be extended? Are these standards or conditions conducive to the proper growth and development of the city?

**If "no,"** is your city having growth or development problems outside the city limits caused by the improper extension of mains without standards or conditions?

- (2) Number of city utility customers outside the city limits = \_\_\_\_\_**

Is this number changing disproportionately to the change in customers inside the city? In other words, is your city growing outside its limits rather than inside its corporate limits?

Has the number increased significantly over the last 10 years? 5 years?

Is this growth outside the city limits directly attributable to the location of city utility mains?

- (3) Does your city have an Annexation Policy?**

**If "yes,"** does it consider the net costs of annexations? Does it prioritize potential annexation areas?

**If "no,"** does it need an annexation policy? Are annexation considerations vital to its development?

- (4) Has your city identified its prime growth area?**

Is this area suitable for utility construction?

Is the city protecting this area from substandard development?

- (5) Are substandard developments located outside your city limits?** In what manner are they "substandard?" quality of construction? lack of utilities? type of use? aesthetics?

Is your city trying to control such substandard developments?

- 6) Has your city adopted "impact fees" as required in Chapter 345, Texas Local Government Code?** If not, does you city need Impact Fees?