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January 29, 2019

The Honorable Rod Dembowski
Chair, King County Council
Room 1200
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Dembowski:

I am submitting for your approval an ordinance approving the 2019 alterations to voting precincts. The law requires that annual precinct adjustments be presented to the Council for adoption and to the County Executive for approval prior to the statutory deadline of April 29, 2019.

These alterations are proposed, pursuant to state law and King County Code (RCW 29A.16.040-050 and KCC 1.12.010), which require the adjustment or alteration of precincts as an ongoing responsibility for the following reasons:

- To adjust precinct boundaries to comply with recent city annexation activity
- To balance precincts to maintain voter population within the limits prescribed by state law and King County Code
- To ease election administration

Precinct alterations for the year 2019 are the result of boundary changes due to precinct balancing, and election administrative maintenance. This year the precinct alteration process included input and review by both major political parties in King County and a 10-day public review period. The cost of making the precinct revisions is fully funded as part of the adopted Department of Elections budget.

If approved, the proposed ordinance will authorize the precinct boundary alterations described in the attachment to the ordinance. The ordinance and attachments then become an amendment to the official list of county voting precincts.

I recommend council approval of this ordinance.

If you have any questions regarding the proposed alterations, please give me a call at (206) 477-4140.

Sincerely,

Julie Wise
Director

Enclosures

cc: King County Council Members

ATTN: Carolyn Busch, Chief of Staff

Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

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Dwight Dively, Director, Office of Management and Budget, KCE, EO
