



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE establishing November 3, 2009, as the date of a special election on the question of annexation to the city of Kent of an unincorporated area known as the Panther Lake annexation area; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Findings:

A. The city of Kent, Washington, by Resolution No. 1809 has determined that it is in the public interest and general welfare to provide for the annexation of an area known as the Panther Lake annexation area, in accordance with chapter 35A.14 RCW.

B. City of Kent Resolution No. 1809 satisfies the provisions of chapter 35A.14 RCW for qualification for annexation.

C. The city of Kent, by Resolution No. 1794 initiated the annexation of the Panther Lake annexation area.

D. The King County boundary review board received a request for review under chapter 36.93 RCW, and on November 13, 2008, the review board, in file 2284, deemed the proposed city of Kent Panther Lake annexation file approved.

E. Pursuant to chapters 29A.04 and 35A.14 RCW, the metropolitan King County council deems an emergency exists for the purpose of calling a special election to be held on the question of this annexation on November 3, 2009.

SECTION 2. A special election shall be held on the 3rd day of November 2009 in accordance with chapter 35A.14 RCW within the territory of the proposed annexation, for the purpose of submitting the

question of annexation of the Panther Lake annexation area.

SECTION 3. The number of registered voters within the subject area is estimated at 10,816 as nearly as may be determined from available records.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to RCW 29A.04.321 and 35A.14.050, it is hereby deemed that an emergency exists for purposes of calling a special election. The King County elections director is hereby requested to assume jurisdiction to call and conduct a special election and submit to the registered voters within the subject area of the proposition as set forth in section 4 of this ordinance. The clerk of the council is hereby authorized and directed to transmit the proposition to the elections director in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications in the ballot title as may be required for the propositions listed below by the King County prosecutor:

PROPOSITION 1: The Kent City Council passed Resolution No. 1809 concerning annexation of the Panther Lake Annexation Area, which would authorize annexation of that area of unincorporated King County known as the panther Lake Annexation Area as legally described in Resolution No. 1809. Shall that area of unincorporated King County known as the Panther Lake Annexation Area as legally described in City of Kent Resolution No. 1809 be annexed to the City of Kent?

For annexation

Against annexation

SECTION 5. The elections director is hereby authorized and requested to prepare and distribute a local voters' pamphlet, pursuant to K.C.C. 1.10.010, for the special election called for in this ordinance, the cost of the pamphlet to be included as part of the cost of the special election.

SECTION 6. The boundaries of the territory proposed for annexation are hereby described in city of Kent Resolution No. 1809 as contained in Attachment A to this ordinance.

SECTION 7. The council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency exists and that this ordinance is

necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health or safety or for the support of county government and its existing public institutions.