



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the King County executive to enter into an interlocal agreement with the city of Bellevue relating to the South Bellevue Potential Annexation consisting of the Eastgate, Tamara Hills, Hilltop and Horizon View Potential Annexation Areas and transferring certain surface water and roads related property interests to the city; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Findings:

A. King County's annexation policy encourages the expedited annexation of all remaining urban unincorporated areas in order to achieve several goals, including realizing the regional land use vision set forth in the countywide planning policies and the state Growth Management Act, and achieving efficiencies as a result of no longer serving urban areas wholly surrounded by an urban city, enabling the county to focus on its regional and rural service model.

B. The city of Bellevue initiated the annexation process in 2011 by gathering petitions signed by residents of the potential annexation areas stating they desire annexation. Bellevue has gathered a sufficient number of signatures to satisfy the statutory requirement for annexation of the Eastgate and Tamara Hills Potential Annexation Areas, followed with a filing at the King County boundary review board, which approved Bellevue's Notice of Intention to Annex in February 2012. In addition, Bellevue has gathered a sufficient number of signatures to satisfy the statutory requirement for annexation of the Horizon View Potential Annexation Area, followed with a filing at the King County boundary review board, which approved Bellevue's

Notice of Intention to Annex on May 8, 2012. Also, Bellevue is still collecting signatures with regard to the Hilltop Potential Annexation Area.

C. To facilitate the transition of local government services delivery in the South Bellevue Annexation Area and complete the transfer of properties located within the Potential Annexation Areas upon annexation to the city, the city and county wish to enter into an interlocal agreement, substantially in the form of Attachment A to this ordinance, which addresses transfer of public records and transfer of ownership of certain properties, among other matters, and the processing of permits, among other land use matters.

D. In the interlocal agreement, the county has agreed to terms that allow the city to supersede the use of the transferred road-related property for other purposes. This change is a departure from previous interlocal agreements into which the county has entered, but the county recognizes that in this instance the property is small, being approximately two thousand four hundred square feet, with an assessed value of one hundred dollars.

E. The city of Bellevue intends to set an annexation effective date of June 1, 2012, as indicated by a whereas clause in the interlocal agreement in Attachment A to this ordinance.

F. In order to ensure that there is an orderly transition of services, transfer of records and of ownership of certain properties and provision for the processing of permits and the rights and responsibilities regarding these matters, as of the effective date of the annexation, the executive must be authorized to execute the agreement before June 1, 2012.

SECTION 2. The King County executive is hereby authorized to execute an interlocal agreement, substantially in the form of Attachment A to this ordinance, with the city of Bellevue to provide for an orderly transition of services, the processing of permits and the transfer of the properties as referenced therein.

SECTION 3. For the reasons set forth in section 1 of this ordinance, the county 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.