



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the executive to enter into interlocal agreement with the city of Kent relating to the annexation of the Panther Lake Potential Annexation Area and transferring local government services delivery to the city, and declaring an emergency.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. King County's Annexation Initiative encourages the expedited annexation of all remaining urban unincorporated areas in order to achieve both financial stability in the current expense fund, and the regional land use vision in the countywide planning policies.
2. The city of Kent initiated the annexation process at the boundary review board with the filing of a notice of intent to annex the approximately twenty-four thousand residents of the Panther Lake Potential Annexation Area.
3. The city then sought the approval of the residents of the Panther Lake Potential Annexation Area to annex this area, by ballot proposition at the 2009 general election on November 3, 2009. The ballot measure was approved by 56.40 percent of the vote. The city subsequently set a July 1, 2010 effective date.
4. To facilitate the transition of local government services delivery in the Panther Lake Potential Annexation Area from the county 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 transition of local government services delivery among other matters.

5. In order to ensure that the services, which are the subject of this ordinance and the rights and responsibilities regarding them, are transferred to the city as of the effective date of the annexation, the executive must be authorized to execute this agreement before July 1, 2010.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The county executive is hereby authorized to enter into an interlocal agreement, substantially in the form of Attachment A to this ordinance, with the city of Kent to provide for the transition of local government services delivery as referenced therein.

SECTION 2. For the reasons set forth in Section 1, 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.