

RESOLUTION R-4639

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO PROCEEDING TO THE SECOND PHASE OF THE ANNEXATION PROCESS.

WHEREAS, in 2006, the City Council began a four-phase process to study the annexation of Finn Hill, Upper Juanita, and Kingsgate; and

WHEREAS, over the past eight months, phase one activities were implemented; and

WHEREAS, during phase one, the City Council wanted to inform Kirkland residents about the potential annexation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also wanted to hear from Kirkland residents about their concerns and questions; and

WHEREAS, the City engaged the consulting firm of Envirolssues to assist the City in developing and implementing a communications strategy to accomplish these goals; and

WHEREAS, the City engaged the services of Berk and Associates to develop a financial model to enable the City to more fully understand the long-term financial implications of annexation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that phase one activities have been successfully completed and that further study and planning for annexation is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Kirkland;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

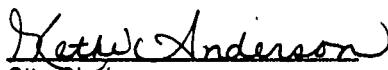
Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to lead staff in undertaking phase two annexation activities, to include: presenting annexation budget recommendations; expanding outreach to the Potential Annexation Area; continuing public information and outreach to Kirkland residents; conducting a preliminary assessment of infrastructure conditions; negotiating an initial Interlocal Agreement with King County; beginning land use planning and zoning; facilities planning; performing further financial analysis; and operation and facilities planning.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 3rd day of April, 2007.

Signed in authentication thereof this 3rd day of April, 2007.


MAYOR

Attest:


City Clerk