

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-04

A RESOLUTION RELATED TO THE ANNEXATION OF THE PACIFIC HWY./ ALDRICH AREA OF BELLINGHAM'S NORTHERN URBAN GROWTH AREA (UGA) TO THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM

WHEREAS, according to RCW 35.13.125 not less than ten percent of the residents of an area to be annexed or the owners of not less than ten percent in property value, according to the assessed valuation for general taxation of the property for which annexation is petitioned, shall notify the legislative body of the city or town in writing of their intention to commence annexation proceedings; and

WHEREAS, under RCW 35.13.125, the legislative body is to hold a meeting not later than sixty days after the filing of the petition with the initiating parties to determine whether the city would accept, reject, or geographically modify the proposed annexation, whether it shall require the simultaneous adoption of the comprehensive plan, and whether it shall require the assumption of all or any portion of existing city indebtedness; and

WHEREAS, On November 29, 2007 property owners within the Pacific Hwy. / Aldrich Annexation area submitted a ten percent petition to the City of Bellingham requesting consideration of annexation of their area to Bellingham; and

WHEREAS, the petition represents approximately 37.4 percent in property value, according to the assessed valuation for general taxation of the property for which annexation is petitioned, as shown in Exhibit A; and

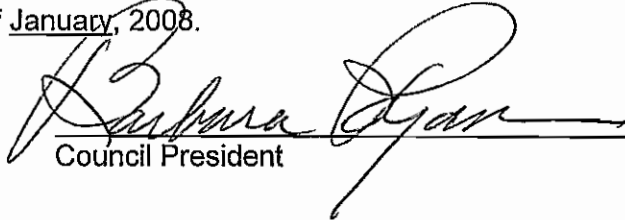
WHEREAS, the Bellingham City Council held a meeting with the initiating parties on January 28, 2008, to determine whether the City would accept, reject, or geographically modify the proposed annexation, whether it shall require the simultaneous adoption of the comprehensive plan, and whether it shall require the assumption of all or any portion of existing city indebtedness; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM:

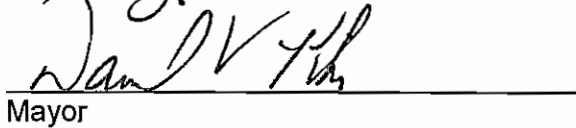
1. The City accepts the ten percent petition to annex to the City of Bellingham for further evaluation in accordance with City regulations and State law with the proposed annexation boundary as shown on Exhibit A;
2. City staff is directed to provide additional information regarding the proposed annexation, including an evaluation of service impacts of the proposed annexation; and

3. If the annexation is approved, the City will require simultaneous adoption of the comprehensive plan and zoning and development regulations consistent with Bellingham's Comprehensive Plan and require the annexed area to assume all of the City's indebtedness.

PASSED by the Council this 28th day of January, 2008.


Council President

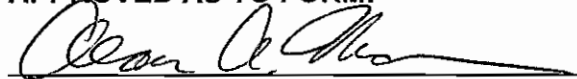
APPROVED by me this 15 day of February, 2008.


Mayor

ATTEST:


Finance Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Office of the City Attorney

Pacific Hwy/Aldrich Rd. Annexation

LOCATION - MAP 1

