



Committee of the Whole

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Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2026-0515

Motion: 26-110

Type:

- Contract
- Board Appt.
- Code Amendment
- Budget Action
- Other-Annexation

Requested Handling:

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent

Fund Source:

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

Executive Rec:

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- Yes
- No
- N/A

Subject: Annexation- Lake Stevens Sewer District.

Scope: Proposed Motion 26-110 states that the Snohomish County Council does not oppose the Lake Stevens Sewer District annexation and will not invoke the jurisdiction of the Boundary Review Board (BRB). It also directs the Council Clerk to file the motion together with a staff report from Snohomish County Planning and Development Services (PDS) with the BRB.

Duration: N/A.

Fiscal Impact: Current Year Multi-Year N/A

Fiscal impacts of this annexation are negligible. The fiscal impact section of the PDS Memorandum (Attachment A to Motion), states that PDS did not receive any concerns on the proposal.

Authority Granted: N/A.

Background: The area proposed for annexation is approximately 25.92 acres and located within the City of Lake Stevens city limits. The general location of the proposed sewer annexation is east of North Machias Rd, south of 28th St NE, and north of Machias Cutoff Rd.

This is a petition method of annexation for which a petition of annexation was submitted to the Sewer District by the property owners/property owner’s representative representing 95.04% of the area proposed for annexation. The Sewer District submitted a Notice of Intention to the BRB for the Catapult Sewer Annexation that was filed on February 9, 2026 (File No. 2026-02). The BRB 45-day review period will end on March 26, 2026, at 4:00 pm. However, per [RCW 57.02.040\(2\)](#), the County Council must, within 30-days of receiving notice of the proposed action, approve the action or hold a hearing on the action and transmit to the BRB a report of its approval or disapproval of the proposed action together with its findings and recommendations under RCW 57.02.040. The 30-day review period for the County Council to act on the proposed sewer annexation expires on March 11, 2026. The BRB, consistent with its annexation review procedures outlined in [SCC 2.77](#), distributed the NOI to County departments, including Planning and Development Services (PDS) and the County Council.

The County Council’s authority for reviewing sewer service annexations is set forth in RCW 57.02.040, RCW 57.02.045, and SCC 2.77.040. According to SCC 2.77.040, the County Council must, at a public meeting, determine whether to file a request for review with the BRB of the proposed action, and give notice of its decision to the BRB within 45 days of the filing of a notice of intention.

If the County Council approves the sewer annexation, BRB jurisdiction could be invoked by another party during the 45-day BRB review period, on March 26, 2026, at 4:00 pm. The County Councils finding and decision to approve or not approve the annexation will be transmitted to the BRB.

Requested Action: For Council to consider the motion during Committee of the Whole on March 4, 2026.