



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Planning & Community Development **Analyst:** Ryan Countryman
ECAF: 2021-0863
Proposal: Proposed Motion 21-386 **Date:** October 18, 2021

Consideration

Proposed Motion 21-386 states that the Snohomish County Council does not oppose the Monroe Woodlands and US 2 Bypass 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.

Background

The City of Monroe seeks to annex approximately 178 acres of Urban Growth Area (UGA) adjacent to the northwest part of the current city boundary. This area includes the plat of Monroe Woodlands, a portion of the plat of Roosevelt Ridge and unopened state right-of-way for part of the future US 2 Bypass route. Snohomish County and the City entered a Master Annexation Interlocal Agreement (MAILA) in 2008 that establishes the terms of future annexation processes.

Monroe initiated present the annexation process for the area known as “Woodlands and US 2 Bypass Annexation” by adopting resolution 018-2020 and submitting a notice of intention with the BRB. PDS’ staff report dated September 30, 2021, describes how the annexation is consistent with the factors and objectives of the BRB, county code, the County’s Growth Management Act (GMA) Comprehensive Plan, the Countywide Planning Policies, and other applicable statutes. This annexation uses the petition method (RCW 35A.14.120) which requires owners of 60% of the assessed property value in the annexation area to sign a petition of support. On May 20, 2021, the Snohomish County Assessor’s office issued a Certificate of Sufficiency stating that owners of 72.82% of the assessed value had signed the petition.

Current Proposal

Summary: The motion states that the County Council does not oppose the annexation and directs the Council Clerk to file the motion with the BRB.

Effective Date: Date of passage

Fiscal Implications: None

Scope: Approval of the motion and direction to the Clerk to transmit to the BRB.

Handling: NORMAL

Approved-as-to-form: N/A

Risk Management: APPROVE

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE

Analysis

An affirmative vote on the motion would formalize the County Council's support for the annexation and direct staff to file the motion with the BRB. October 18, 2021 is the final day of the 45-day period during which the County may choose to invoke the jurisdiction of the BRB to hold a hearing on the annexation. If the County Council takes no action, then the annexation is valid. The proposed annexation is consistent with the MAILA and there is no known conflict with policy or other reason for the annexation to not proceed.

Request

Consideration of proposed Motion 21-386 and action by Committee of the Whole on October 18, 2021.