

**CITY OF SAMMAMISH
WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO. R2014-563**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH
CITY COUNCIL REGARDING THE KLAHANIE
AREA POTENTIAL ANNEXATION AREA**

WHEREAS, the Klahanie area is an unincorporated area of the Sammamish Plateau that is adjacent to the City of Sammamish on two of its three sides for a total common boundary of 3.5 miles or approximately ten times the common boundary with Issaquah; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the children in the Klahanie area reside within the attendance areas for Skyline High School and other district schools located in Sammamish; and

WHEREAS, major improvements to the Klahanie perimeter roads like Issaquah/Fall City Road and Issaquah/Pine Lake Road would much more likely to occur with Klahanie annexation to Sammamish; and

WHEREAS, the Klahanie area residents would benefit from significantly lower taxes with Sammamish than they are experiencing in unincorporated King County;

WHEREAS, all municipal services would be improved for both the existing Sammamish and Klahanie PAA residents with annexation to Sammamish; and

WHEREAS, the Sammamish City Council has heard from many Klahanie area residents that they identify with the Sammamish Plateau and utilize the Sammamish Library, Sammamish parks, shops, and schools, and that they attend many Sammamish city events; and

WHEREAS, in June, 2013 the Sammamish City Council unanimously approved a motion supporting annexation of the Klahanie area to Sammamish if annexation to Issaquah fails; and

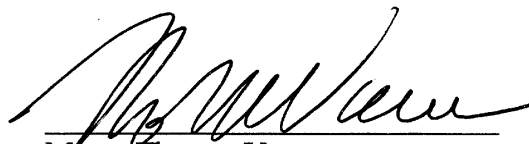
WHEREAS, on October 1, 2013 the Sammamish City Council adopted Resolution R2013-549 that states: 1) The Sammamish City Council strongly believes that the residents of the Klahanie area deserve the opportunity for an informed choice between annexation to either the City of Sammamish or the City of Issaquah, 2) The City Manager shall include studies of the Klahanie area in the Sammamish Comprehensive Plan Rewrite process, and 3) Sammamish may proceed with annexation once the Potential Annexation Area map in the Countywide Planning Policies has been amended.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH,
WASHINGTON, RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Sammamish City Council believes that Klahanie residents and businesses deserve to make an informed choice that includes the City of Sammamish as an option.
2. The Sammamish City Council believes that high quality public facilities and services can be efficiently and safely provided by the City of Sammamish to the Klahanie area, and that this can be accomplished consistent with Sammamish's adopted Level of Service standards. Examples of such facilities and services include:
 - a. Identifying opportunities to improve transportation facilities that serve the Klahanie area such as Issaquah - Fall City Road, Duthie Hill Road, and Issaquah - Pine Lake Road. This would be accomplished during the city's process for updating the Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan in 2014.
 - b. Providing street maintenance and snow removal services to the Klahanie area.
 - c. Sammamish Police Force would be upgraded by at least six additional police officers.
 - d. Providing convenient access to other local government services at Sammamish City Hall and other city facilities.
 - e. Klahanie residents would be fairly represented for all City Council created board and commissions. And some of the Board/Commission meetings would be held in Klahanie area to make them more accessible.
3. The Sammamish City Council is committed to "fast-track" the annexation and merging process through mechanisms such as creating a Transition Committee composed of Klahanie area residents and businesses to advise the Council regarding parks, streets, and various service delivery needs and options.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON
JANUARY 7, 2014.**

CITY OF SAMMAMISH




Mayor Thomas Vance

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Mike Kenyon, City Attorney

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