



Kalama City Council - Council Agenda Item Information Form

Agenda Item: 6A-New Business

Meeting Date August 15, 2019

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Subject: Intent to Annex

Information: The City has received a notice of Intent to Annex property to the City Limits from Connie (Kelowitz) Guffey. The following is taken from the MRSC Annexation publication:

A. Initiation of the 60 Percent Petition Annexation (RCW 35A.14.120)

Prior to circulating a petition for annexation, the initiating party or parties (the owners of property representing not less than 10 percent of the assessed value of the property for which annexation is sought) must give written notice to the city council of their intention to commence annexation proceedings.

B. Meeting with Initiators on the Annexation Proposal (RCW 35A.14.120)

The city council is to set a date (not later than 60 days after the filing of the notice) for a meeting with the initiating parties **to determine:**

1. Whether the city will accept, reject, or geographically modify the proposed annexation;

The Council should consider whether there are any boundary irregularities in the area or created by the annexation as it changes the city limit boundaries. If the annexation is modified, the applicant will have to amend the property description on the petition accordingly, when it is presented to the property owners for signature.

2. Whether it will require the simultaneous adoption of a proposed zoning regulation, if such a proposal has been prepared and filed (as provided for in RCW 35A.14.330, and RCW 35A.14.340); and

The Council should consider the zoning of the surrounding properties and usages within the areas. If there are concerns, the annexation could be sent to the Planning Commission to review and make recommendations on the zoning. Current property is residential in use and adjoining properties, inside the City limits, are zoned R-1. If the Council chooses to not require additional zoning review it will come into the City as R-1 low density residential.

3. Whether it will require the assumption of all or any portion of existing city indebtedness by the area to be annexed.

The City has always required annexed property to assume the indebtedness as it becomes a part of the City subject to the property and other taxes of the City.

If the legislative body requires the adoption of a proposed zoning regulation and/or the assumption of all or any portion of indebtedness as conditions to annexation, it is to record this action in its minutes. Council acceptance is a condition precedent to circulation of the petition. There is no appeal from the Council's decision.

Recommendation: Staff recommends accepting the property to annex as R-1 low density residential and requiring the assumption of the City's indebtedness.

► **Action or Draft/Suggested Motions:**

The City Council **accepts** the intent to annex the property presented as the Kelowitz Annexation to the City. which requires the assumption of all or any portion of existing city indebtedness and zoned as R-1 low-density residential.

The City Council **rejects** the intent to annex the property presented as the Kelowitz Annexation to the City.

The City Council accepts the intent to annex the property presented as the Kelowitz Annexation to the City **modified** to include additional property identified as Parcels ?????, and requiring the assumption of all or any portion of existing city indebtedness and zoned as R-1 low-density residential.

The Council can direct staff to present the annexation to the Planning Commission for a recommendation on zoning designation.