

CITY OF FIFE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 1681

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIFE, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ANNEXING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BENTHIEN LOOP TO THE CITY, REQUIRING THE ANNEXED PROPERTY TO BE ASSESSED AND TAXED AT THE SAME RATE AND BASIS AS OTHER PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY, ESTABLISHING ITS ZONING, AND FIXING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ANNEXATION.

WHEREAS, THE City Council was notified in writing by the owners of not less than ten percent in value of the real property legally described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, of the owners' intention to commence annexation proceedings; and

WHEREAS, a meeting was held on the 22nd day of July, 2008, between the initiating parties of this annexation and the Council of the City of Fife, at which time the Council accepted the notice of intention to commence annexation proceedings and authorized the circulation of an annexation petition for annexation of the real property legally described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto. At the meeting the Council also determined that it would require the simultaneous adoption of the zoning designations set forth in Ordinance No. 1672, and that the City would require the assumption of indebtedness of the City by the area to be annexed upon annexation; and

WHEREAS, the petition was circulated, filed with Pierce County, and certified by the County Assessor as containing the signature of owners as set forth in RCW 35A.01.040(9), of not less than 60% in value, according to the assessed valuation for general taxation, of the property to be annexed; and

WHEREAS, the City properly filed a Notice of Intention and related documents with the Pierce County Boundary Review Board on September 29th, 2008 and the proposed annexation was deemed approved by the BRB on November 12th, 2008 pursuant to RCW 36.93.100; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35A.14.330 and 35A.14.340, preannexation zoning for the annexation area was adopted on May 13th, 2008 by Ordinance No. 1672, effective upon annexation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35A.14.130, a public hearing was held on November 25, 2008, which hearing was duly noticed by the City Clerk through publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and the proposed annexation area, and through posting of a hearing notice in three public places within the territory proposed for annexation, specifying the time and place of the hearing and inviting interested persons to appear and voice approval or disapproval of the annexation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has been fully advised and finds that all statutory requirements have been satisfied in order to accomplish the proposed annexation; now therefore

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIFE, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The unincorporated real property located in Pierce County, Washington, contiguous to the City of Fife and legally described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby annexed to and made part of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington.

Section 2. All property within the territory annexed shall be assessed and taxed at the same rate and on the same basis as other property within the City of Fife, including assessments or taxes in payment of all or any portion of the outstanding indebtedness of the City contracted for, incurred prior to, or existing on, the date of annexation.

Section 3. All property within the territory annexed is hereby zoned Neighborhood Commercial (NC), in accordance with Ordinance No. 1672.

Section 4. The City Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Pierce County Council. The Clerk is further directed to file a certificate of annexation with the State Office of Financial Management as directed by RCW 35A.14.700.

Section 5. Each and every provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable. In the event that any portion of this Ordinance is determined by final order of a court of competent jurisdiction to be void or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions thereof, provided the intent of this Ordinance can still be furthered without the invalid provision.

Section 6. Effective Date of Annexation. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law. A summary of this Ordinance may be published in lieu of publishing it in its entirety.

Introduced the ____ day of _____ 2008.

Passed by the City Council on the ____ day of _____ 2008.

Steve Worthington, City Manager

ATTEST:

Steve Marcotte, City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Loren D. Combs, City Attorney

Published: _____
Effective Date: _____, 2008