

**KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 27
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-2**

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF MERGER APPROVAL

(SPECIAL ELECTION)

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 27, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT ON APRIL 23, 2019, OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE MERGER OF THE DISTRICT INTO KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 10.

Background: WHEREAS, The Boards of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 27 and King County Fire Protection District No. 10 have approved a plan of merger for the two Districts. The Boards of Commissioners believe that it is in the best interests of the two Districts and the citizens they serve to merge and combine their operations into a single fire department.

Resolution: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 27, King County, Washington as follows:

Section 1. In order to combine the operations of the Districts, the Districts are authorized to merge and become a single District under the provisions of chapter 52.06 RCW.

Section 2. The Board of Commissioners of District No. 27 petitioned the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 10 to merge into the District on July 24, 2018.

Section 3. King County Fire Protection District No. 10 adopted Resolution 18-01 on July 30, 2018 in which it approved the petition for merger, declared itself lead agency for SEPA review, completed and reviewed an environmental checklist and issued a Determination of Nonsignificance; and

Section 4. The Merger was submitted to the Washington State Boundary Review Board for King County and was deemed approved on October 15, 2018.

Section 5. RCW 52.06.030 requires that the question of the merger must be approved by the voters of the merging district at an election in the merging district. King County Fire Protection District No. 27 is the merging district.

Section 6. If approved by the voters, the merger shall become effective on a date as determined in concurrent resolutions of the Board(s) of Commissioners, but prior to August 1, 2019.

Section 7. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of District 27 for their ratification or rejection, at a special election on April 23, 2019, the question of whether King County Fire Protection District No. 27 shall merge into King County Fire Protection District No. 10. The Board of Commissioners hereby requests the auditor of King County, as ex-officio Supervisor of

Elections, call such election, and submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

King County Fire Protection District No. 27 - Board of Commissioners - Proposition No. 1
Authorizing the Merger of the District into King County Fire Protection District No. 10.

The proposition will authorize the merger of King County Fire Protection District No. 27 into King County Fire Protection District No. 10., effective on a date determined in concurrent resolutions following the election, but not later than August 1, 2019.

Should this Proposition be enacted into law?

Yes

No

Section 8. Pursuant to RCW 52.06.050 the proposition shall require a simple majority vote to pass.

Section 9. For purposes of receiving notice of any matters related to the ballot title, as provided in RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates the Fire Chief as the individual to whom the County Auditor shall provide such notice.

Section 10. The Chief is authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directives of this resolution, including modifying the text of the ballot title and any other text, language and/or descriptions relative thereto necessary to conform such ballot title, text, language and/or descriptions to the intent of the parties, consistent with the objectives of this resolution.

Section 11. The Chief, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed, no later than February 22, 2019, to provide to the County Auditor a certified copy of this resolution and the proper District officials are authorized to perform such other duties or take such other actions as are necessary or required by law to the end that the proposition described in this resolution appear on the ballot before the voters at the April 23, 2019 election.

Section 12. The Board of Commissioners shall appoint members to a committee to advocate voters' approval of the proposition and to a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection of the proposition.

Section 13. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

Section 14. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this resolution is hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 15. This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage.

Section 16. The District hereby requests that King County Elections prepare and distribute a Local Voters Pamphlet.

Adoption: ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 27, King County, Washington, at an open public meeting of such Board on the 22nd day of January 2019, the following Commissioners being present and voting:



Lilly Hansen, Commissioner

Attest:



Melinda Wall, Board Secretary

Eric Hollis, Commissioner


Daniel Meredith, Commissioner