

## North Highline Annexation Area Tentative Timeline - Process

Date	Action	Comments
March 2016	Governor signed SSB 5864 that provides enhanced state sales tax incentive to provide municipal services in newly annexed areas (focus is Seattle's proposed North Highline Annexation Area)	Increase financial assistance from \$5 million/year for 10-year period to \$7.75 million per year for six-year period (designed to reduce annual financial gap). Bill will take effect June 6, 2016.
April 2016 to Present	Initial outreach to North Highline Annexation Area to provide information on potential services through the City of Seattle as a result of a potential annexation.	Minimal discussions with community groups, small neighborhood meetings, fire district, & interested individuals.
June 2016	Washington State Boundary Review Board (BRB) for King County establishes public hearing dates for Seattle's Notice of Intention to Annex the North Highline Annexation Area.	Public Hearing dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• June 13, 2016 at 7PM</li> <li>• June 14, 2016 at 7PM</li> <li>• June 16, 2016 at 7PM, if necessary</li> </ul>
July 2016	If approved by BRB, Seattle can proceed with process to annex North Highline Annexation Area.	There is a 30-day appeal process where affected parties can appeal the BRB decision to court. Ends 30 days after BRB decision
July 2016 / June 2017	Negotiation process between: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Seattle and King County on North Highline Interlocal Agreement (ILA);</li> <li>2. Negotiations on transfer of Fire District assets and employees; and</li> <li>3. Negotiations with other service providers over service delivery and/or franchise issues.</li> </ol>	Note: All of the negotiations and agreements will be contingent on a successful annexation and adoption of effective date by Seattle City Council.
July 2016 / August 2017	Increased outreach to voters in North Highline Annexation Area to address questions & concerns of a potential Seattle annexation.	Outreach process will involve working with city departments.
June 2017 / July 2017	Seattle City Council review/briefing of terms/conditions of ILA, agreements with applicable special purpose districts and adoption of resolution establishing election date.	Adoption of resolution tied to Mayor/City Council approval of terms/conditions of the ILA and applicable agreements.
November 2017 or November 2018	Registered voters in North Highline Annexation Area to vote (approve/reject) on annexation to City of Seattle.	

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<p>January 2018 (if Nov. 2017 election)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>January 2019 (if Nov. 2018 election)</p>	<p>If approved, City Council must decide to pass resolution establishing an effective date of the annexation: <b>Proposing either:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January 1, 2019 (if Nov. 2017 election)</b></li> <li style="text-align: center;">or</li> <li>• <b>January 1, 2020 (if Nov. 2018 election)</b></li> </ul>	<p>Proposed effective date allows adequate time to address the next steps in the process.</p>
<p>February 2018 to December 2018 (if Jan. 2019 effective date)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>February 2019 to December 2019 (if Jan. 2020 effective date)</p>	<p>Departmental budget process for CY 2018, notification to appropriate state, county agencies, taxing authorities and service providers on change in boundaries</p>	<p>Required notification to public and private authorities of change in geographic area from unincorporated King County to City of Seattle:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• King County Assessor – property taxes;</li> <li>• State of Washington – state-shared revenues (e.g. gas taxes, sales taxes, etc.);</li> <li>• Federal government – formula grants/revenues based on needs or populations;</li> <li>• Private utilities – utility taxes (e.g. Puget Sound Energy and Waste Management);</li> <li>• Special Purpose Districts – imposition of utility taxes (water &amp; sewer districts)</li> </ul>
<p>January 1, 2019</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>January 1, 2020</p>	<p>North Highline Annexation becomes part of the City of Seattle.</p>	