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MEMORANDUM

To: Houghton Community Council

From: Nancy Cox, AICP, Development Review Manager

Date: April 17, 2009

Subject: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE HOUGHTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL TO CONTINUE
IT'S TERM OF EXISTENCE FOR FOUR YEARS, FILE MIS09-00011

RCW 35.14.060 states that there are two methods to provide authorization for a community municipal corporation to continue its term of existence – by resolution or petition. Historically the Houghton Community Council (HCC) has used the resolution method. A resolution (2009-6) is enclosed that if adopted will cause the city clerk to place the proposition on continuation on the ballot at the next city general election. The resolution should be filed not less than seven months prior to the end of the term of existence.

Enclosure
Resolution 2009-6

RESOLUTION 2009-6

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR THE HOUGHTON COMMUNITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION REQUESTING, PURSUANT TO RCW 35.14.060 AND KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.16, THE CONTINUATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE HOUGHTON COMMUNITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AND ITS COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR AN ADDITIONAL FOUR YEAR PERIOD, AND THAT THE QUESTION OF CONTINUANCE BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS RESIDING WITHIN THE HOUGHTON COMMUNITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED GENERAL CITY ELECTIONS TO TAKE PLACE IN NOVEMBER 2009.

WHEREAS, when the Cities of Kirkland and Houghton were consolidated in 1968, the voters in Houghton also voted to establish within the former City of Houghton a community municipal corporation known as the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation; and

WHEREAS, under state law, the community municipal corporation may continue in existence for four year periods upon approval of the voters within it; and

WHEREAS, the term of the existence of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation was extended at the general election held in November 2005 and shall end on January 4, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Houghton Community Council believes that the electors of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation should have an opportunity to vote on the question of whether or not the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation and its Community Council should continue in existence for at least an additional four-year period.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Community Council of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation:

Section 1. The Houghton Community Council requests that an election be held in the manner provided for by RCW 35.14.060, and that the ballot at the election contain the words:

PROPOSITION

The community council of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation has adopted Resolution No. 2009-6 concerning this proposition to continue the existence of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation. Pursuant to RCW 35.14.060, the existence of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation expires on January 4, 2010. This proposition would continue the existence of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation until the first Monday of January 2014. Should this proposition be:

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And shall also contain the names of the candidates who have filed for election to the seven positions on the Houghton Community Council.

Section 2. The Clerk for the Houghton Community Council is hereby authorized and directed to file this resolution with the City Clerk for the City of Kirkland.

Upon receipt of this resolution, as provided in RCW 35.14.060, the City Clerk notify the Kirkland City Council and file a certified copy of this resolution with the Director of Elections and Records for King County (ex officio King County Supervisor of Elections). Such filing shall be made within sufficient time to allow the election to be held in conjunction with the regularly scheduled general municipal election to take place in November 2009.

Adopted by majority vote of the Houghton Community Council in their regular meeting held on the ___ day of _____, 2009.

Rick Whitney, Chairman
Houghton Community Council