



Notice of Public Hearing

REVISED

August 19, 2021

On Tuesday, August 31, 2021, the City Council will conduct a public hearing on the draft Interlocal Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding with Pierce County on the proposed annexation of the Manitou Potential Annexation Area. The hearing will be held during the City Council meeting and will begin upon completion of the regular agenda items, no earlier than 5:15 p.m. **For additional details, please see the attached information.**

The City Council meeting will be conducted ~~both~~ virtually ~~and in-person~~. ~~To attend in-person, the City Council meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at the Tacoma Municipal Building located at 747 Market Street, Tacoma WA, 98402, on the first floor.~~ The meeting can be heard by dialing 253-215-8782 or through Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/84834233126> and entering the Meeting ID 848 3423 3126; and passcode 349099 when prompted. This meeting will also be broadcast on TV Tacoma and live streamed.

~~Per Proclamation of Emergency Second Amended Rule No. 1, effective Tuesday, August 10, 2021, the maximum occupancy of the City Council Chambers, excluding the City Council and City staff, shall be 50% capacity (72 persons) to allow for social distancing while still allowing the community to attend open public meetings.~~

Oral comments will be taken at the City Council meeting. If you are attending virtually, please press the Raise Hand button near the bottom of your Zoom window or *9 on your phone. ~~If you are attending in-person, please sign in at the back of the room with the Clerk.~~ Those wishing to submit written comments may do so by email to the City Clerk's Office at cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org or by mail at 733 Market Street, Room 11, Tacoma, WA 98402, by 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, August 31, 2021. Written comments will be compiled, forwarded to the City Council, and posted on the City's webpage at cityoftacoma.org/writtencomments.

Resolution No. 40820, which set the public hearing date, can be viewed in its entirety on the City's website at www.cityoftacoma.org/recentlegis by clicking on the link for August 10, 2021, or by requesting a copy from the City Clerk's Office at 253-591-5505.

For more information, please contact Lihuang Wung, Senior Planner, Planning and Development Services, at lwung@cityoftacoma.org or 253-591-5682.

Doris Sorum, City Clerk



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CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, August 31, 2021, 5:15 p.m.

SUBJECT:

The subject of the public hearing is the packet of the draft Interlocal Agreement (ILA) and draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Tacoma and Pierce County concerning the proposed annexation of the Manitou Potential Annexation Area (area map attached).

Tacoma residents as well as residents and business owners in the Manitou area and interested stakeholders are encouraged to provide comments on whether you are supportive of or opposed to the annexation and if you have any concerns or suggestions about the ILA and the MOU.

BACKGROUND:

The Manitou area is located in unincorporated Pierce County, abutting the southwest corner of the City and bounded by Lakewood Dr. W., 64th St. W., 70th St. W., and the County-City boundary line east of 52nd Ave. W.

The 37-acre Manitou area is designated in both the City's and the County's comprehensive plans as a Potential Annexation Area. Its annexation to the City is expected and required by the State Growth Management Act, to ensure the most efficient and effective provision of municipal services to support and accommodate the area's dense urban development.

The City and the County have been working on the Manitou annexation since 2018, through the Interlocal Agreement method as required by State law (i.e., RCW 35.13.470), and have recently completed the negotiation of the ILA and the MOU, at staff level. City and County Councils each will conduct a public hearing to solicit feedback from the community (County Council's hearing to be scheduled).

NEXT STEPS:

After the public hearing and upon consideration of public comments received, the City Council is scheduled to approve a resolution in September 2021 (tentatively) to authorize the execution of the ILA and the MOU. Subsequently, the City Council will consider adopting an Annexation Ordinance in November 2021 (tentatively) to set the effective date for the annexation. The effective date is yet to be determined.

Per RCW 35.13.480, the Annexation Ordinance is subject to referendum for 45 days after passage. If no timely and sufficient referendum petition is filed by voters in the Manitou area, or if there is one but the election held accordingly does not result in a majority of the votes in opposition, the annexation is deemed approved by the voters and the Manitou area will become a part of the City upon the effective date.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Please visit www.cityoftacoma.org/Manitou for more information, such as the following:

- Draft Interlocal Agreement (ILA) and Draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
- Manitou Annexation Fact Sheet (describing changes in services and the impacts of annexation)
- Project background and supplemental information

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