

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF CALLING FOR AN )  
ELECTION WHEREIN THE ELECTORS )  
WITHIN THE CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE )  
AND THE ELECTORS WITHIN SPOKANE )  
COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT )  
NO. 3 VOTE ON WHETHER THE CITY OF )  
MEDICAL LAKE SHOULD BE ANNEXED )  
INTO AND REMAIN A PART OF )  
SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 3 )

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of RCW 36.32.120(6), the Board of County Commissioners of Spokane County, Washington (“Board”) has the care of county property and the management of county funds and business; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance No. 1071 passed by the City Council of the City of Medical Lake on April 4, 2019, Resolution No. 19-1 passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 on April 10, 2019 and both public bodies determined to place before the electors within the City of Medical Lake and Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 respectively whether the City of Medical Lake should be annex into Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 52.04.071 provides that subsequent to receipt by the Board of action by the City of Medical Lake and Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 with regards to the City of Medical Lake’s request to annex into and remain a part of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3, the Board shall call a special election, to be held in the City of Medical Lake and in Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 at the next date provided for in RCW 29A.04.321, but not less than 60-days from the date of declaration of the finding, and shall cause notice of election to be given as provided for in RCW 29A.52.355]; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of RCW 52.04.071 and provisions of Ordinance No. 1071, passed by the City of Medical Lake on April 4, 2019, and Resolution No. 19-1 passed by the Board of Commissioners of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 on April 10, 2019, the Board calls for a Special Election to be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at which time an election will be held on whether the City of Medical Lake should be annexed into and remain a part of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Spokane County, Washington, pursuant to the provisions of RCW 52.04.071, that a special election shall be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2019, wherein the ballot proposition as set forth in **Attachment “A”**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference shall be submitted to the electors within the City of Medical Lake and the electors within Spokane County Fire Protection

District No. 3. The Spokane County Auditor shall provide notice of such election as required by state law and shall conduct such election in accordance with the general laws of the State of Washington. The Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners is hereby directed to provide the copy of this Resolution to the Spokane County Auditor

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 23rd day of April, 2019.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Mary L. Kuney  
MARY L. KUNEY, Chair

Al French  
AL FRENCH, Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Ginna Vasquez  
Ginna Vasquez, Clerk of the Board

Josh Kerns  
JOSH KERNS, Commissioner

**ATTACHMENT "A"**

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

**ANNEXATION OF THE CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE INTO  
SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3**

Shall the City of Medical Lake be annexed to and become a part of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3.

Yes   
No

**CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE ORDINANCE NO. 1071**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE, SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, STATING THE INTENT OF THE CITY TO ANNEX INTO SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3 IN ACCORDANCE WITH RCW 52.04.061 THROUGH .131 TO PROVIDE FOR FIRE PREVENTION, FIRE SUPPRESSION, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY.**

**WHEREAS**, The City Council of the City of Medical Lake (“the City”) finds that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health, life and property of the residents of the City and that it is in the public interest of its residents that the City annex into and become part of Spokane County Fire Protection District No.3 (“the District”) in accordance with RCW 52.04.061 through .131, and

**WHEREAS**, The City qualifies to annex into Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 since the City is in reasonable proximity to District and the City presently has a population of less than 300,000 persons, and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Medical Lake presently maintains its own volunteer Fire Department.

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** It is hereby declared to be the intent of the City Council as legislative authority of the City to annex into Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 in accordance with RCW 52.04.061 through .131, and

**Section 2.** The City Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to notify the Board of Commissioners of Spokane County Fire Protection No. 3 of the City’s above stated intention and to request the Board’s concurrence in the annexation.

**Section 3.** If the Board of Commissioners of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 shall concur in the proposed annexation of the City of Medical Lake, the City Finance Director and the Clerk of the Board shall request the Spokane County Board of Commissioners per RCW 52.04.061 and RCW 52.04.071 to call for special election to be held on August 6th, 2019 in the Fire Protection District and the City of Medical Lake and submit to the voters at such election a ballot proposition in substantially the following form:

**PROPOSITION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**ANNEXATION OF CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE INTO SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 3.**

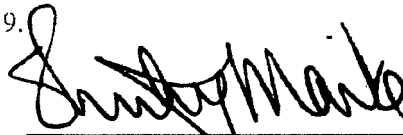
Shall the City of Medical Lake be annexed into and become a part of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3.

Yes   
No

**Section 4.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (days) after passage, approval and publication according to law.

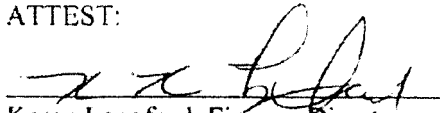
INTRODUCED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

PASSED this 4<sup>TH</sup> day of April, 2019.



MAYOR Shirley Maike

ATTEST:

  
Karen Langford, Finance Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Cynthia E. McMullen, City Attorney

## RESOLUTION COVER SHEET

This form MUST accompany each original or certified copy of the resolution. Contact person or persons should have the authority to approve changes and to answer questions.

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Name of District: Spokane County Fire District 3

District Address: 10 S. Presley Dr, Cheney, WA 99004

Date of Election: August 6, 2019

Contact Person: Cody Rohrbach Title: Fire Chief

Contact Phone Number: 509-235-6645 Fax Number: 509-235-6183

Contact Email: [crohrbach@scfd3.org](mailto:crohrbach@scfd3.org)

2<sup>nd</sup> Contact Person: Debbie Arnold Title: Executive Administrator

2<sup>nd</sup> Contact Phone Number: 509-235-6645

2<sup>nd</sup> Contact Email: [darnold@scfd3.org](mailto:darnold@scfd3.org)

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Attorney for District: Brian Snure

Attorney Phone Number 206-824-5630

Attorney Email Address: Brian@snurelaw.com

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Type of election (levy, bond, lid lift, etc.): ~~Single Year Permanent Lid Lift~~ ANNEXATION

Please state the pass/fail requirements for this measure (i.e., simple majority, 60% super majority, etc.) as determined by your legal counsel, together with applicable statutory references: Simple Majority, RCW 84.55.050(1).

**SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3  
DBA SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3**

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-1**

**A RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE'S INTENT TO ANNEX INTO THE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT DESIGNATING THE DISTRICT AS SEPA LEAD AGENCY AND REQUESTING THAT THE COUNTY CALL A SPECIAL ELECTION TO PLACE THE MEASURE BEFORE THE VOTERS OF THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY.**

**WHEREAS**, The City of Medical Lake in Ordinance No. 1071 declared its intention to annex into Spokane County Fire Protection District No.3; and

**WHEREAS**, the annexation of the City of Medical Lake into Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 would assure that the District will continue to provide fire protection and emergency medical services to the residents of the City and the District in the same manner that it currently provides services; and

**WHEREAS**, Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 concurs that the annexation of the City of Medical Lake into the District will serve the public interest of the citizens of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 and the citizens of the City of Medical Lake.

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Commissioners have reviewed and studied the proposal and have considered the Environmental Checklist prepared by the Chief of the District in consultation with District legal counsel.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 as follows:

**Section 1.** The Board of Commissioners concurs in the annexation of the City of Medical Lake into Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3.

**Section 2.** The Board of Commissioner's declare itself lead agency for SEPA review; find that such merger will not significantly affect the environment; and, therefore, hereby authorize the Chief to issue a final Declaration of Nonsignificance.

**Section 3.** The Board of Commissioners requests that the Spokane County Council adopt a Resolution as required by RCW 52.04.171 and call for special election to be held on August 6, 2019 in the Fire Protection District and the City of Medical Lake and submit to the voters at such election a ballot proposition in substantially the following form:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

**ANNEXATION OF CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE INTO SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 3.**

Shall the City of Medical Lake be annexed to and become a part of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3.

Yes   
No

**Section 3.** The Chief or the District Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to notify the Spokane County Council of the above stated intention by providing a copy of this Resolution and to request that the County Council adopt a resolution calling for an election.

**Section 4.** The Chief or designee is authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directives of this resolution.

**ADOPTED** at an open public meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 3 on April 10, 2019.

Howard Mast Jr.  
Commissioner

Bob Harris  
Commissioner

Sharon Galloway  
Commissioner

Julius L Arnold  
Secretary