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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH AND THE CITY OF  
ISSAQUAH CONCERNING THE KLAHANIE & ALDARRA FARMS  
POTENTIAL ANNEXATION AREAS**

**May 6, 2002**

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**1. PARTIES**

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (hereinafter referred to as the "MOU") is entered into between the City of Sammamish and the City of Issaquah Respective to the Klahanie & Aldarra Farms Potential Annexation Areas.

**2. PURPOSE AND RECITALS**

- 2.1 As required by the Growth Management Act (GMA), the King County County-Wide Planning Policies has adopted Urban Growth Areas for those areas of unincorporated King County capable of providing urban level services for future growth.
- 2.2 Annexations may only be undertaken by a city which has established potential annexation areas (PAAs) within urban growth areas, as required by the King County County-Wide Planning Policies (LU-31).
- 2.3 The City of Issaquah has adopted PAA's under the City of Issaquah Comprehensive Plan (1995, revised 2000) which include the unincorporated areas of Klahanie and Aldarra Farms (See Attachment 1).
- 2.4 The City of Sammamish, which was incorporated on August 31, 1999, is in the process of developing and adopting a comprehensive plan.
- 2.5 The City of Sammamish did on May 31, 2001, adopt Council Resolution #2001-75 (amended by Resolution #2001-76) establishing annexation policy and stating it's intent to adopt potential annexation areas, which included the area of the Klahanie Planned Community and Aldarra Farms.
- 2.6 The City of Sammamish has not adopted potential annexation areas, in lieu of adopting its comprehensive plan.
- 2.7 The City of Sammamish and The City of Issaquah find that it is generally in their best mutual interests to accommodate requests for annexation based upon the preferences of the citizens within a PAA.
- 2.8 The Board of Directors of the Klahanie Homeowners Association has stated it's intent to pursue annexation with the City of Sammamish.

- 2.9 The City of Sammamish has stated its desire to annex the areas identified in Issaquah's Comprehensive Plan as the Klahanie PAA and Aldarra Farms PAA.
- 2.10 The City of Issaquah has determined that:
- a) annexation of the Klahanie PAA is not likely within the next 5 – 10 years; and,
  - b) because of the incorporation of the City of Sammamish, the Aldarra Farms PAA is no longer adjacent to the City of Issaquah and, therefore, can no longer logically annex to Issaquah. Aldarra Farms is adjacent, and could annex to, the City of Sammamish.
- 2.11 Jurisdictions shall cooperate in developing comprehensive plans that are consistent with those of adjacent jurisdictions and the County-Wide Planning Policies (County-Wide Planning Policy LU-3).

#### **APPLICABILITY / PROCEDURE / AMENDMENTS**

- 3.0 **Applicability.** This MOU shall apply to the Klahanie and Aldarra Farms PAA shown in Attachment 1.
- 3.1 **Procedure – City of Issaquah.** The City of Issaquah agrees to initiate an amendment to its comprehensive plan to remove the Aldarra Farms PAA and all or part of the Klahanie PAA as Potential Annexation Areas of the City of Issaquah. (For example, after review, Issaquah may decide to retain the area south of SE 48<sup>th</sup> St. extended, between Issaquah-Pine Lake and Issaquah-Fall City Roads within its PAA and transfer the remainder of the Klahanie PAA to Sammamish). The amendment will be initiated by May 2002 and action on the amendment by the Issaquah City Council is anticipated by the Fall of 2002.
- 3.2 **Procedure – City of Sammamish.** Conversely, the City of Sammamish will initiate the appropriate/addition to its comprehensive plan to include the areas in the Aldarra Farms PAA and the Klahanie PAA that were removed as PAA's of the City of Issaquah. The City of Sammamish will adopt its comprehensive plan with the revised PAA's on or before December 2002.
- 3.3 **Consistency – County-Wide Planning Policy LU-31** is clear that PAA's shall be consistent and shall not overlap. Therefore, the comprehensive plan amendment approved by the City of Sammamish shall be consistent with the Klahanie and Aldarra Farms PAA amendment approved by the Issaquah City Council.
- 3.4 **Procedure – King County Countywide Planning Policies.** Issaquah and Sammamish shall jointly recommend the revisions to the Klahanie and Aldarra Farms PAA's described in 3.3 above to the Growth Management Planning Council for review and approval as an amendment to the King County Countywide Planning Policies.

3.5 Process for amending this MOU. An addendum or amendment must be mutually agreed to by the parties and executed in writing before becoming effective. Any addendum or amendment to the MOU shall be executed in the same manner as provided by law for the execution of the agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this AGREEMENT, effective on the later date indicated below.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2002.

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BY:



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City Manager

Date: 5/6/02

CITY OF ISSAQUAH  
BY:



Ava Frisinger  
Mayor

Date: 5/6/02

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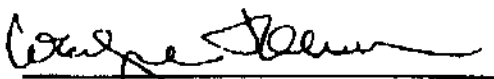
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