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The Honorable Eileen Cody  
Washington State Representative  
337 John L. O'Brien Bldg  
P.O. Box 40600  
Olympia, WA 98504-0600

The Honorable Ross Hunter  
Washington State Representative  
330 John L. O'Brien Bldg  
P.O. Box 40600  
Olympia, WA 98504-0600

The Honorable Joan McGilton  
Mayor, City of Burien  
400 SW 152<sup>nd</sup> - Suite 300  
Burien, WA 98166

Dear Representatives Cody, Hunter and Mayor McGilton:

Thank you for your letter to Mayor McGinn requesting clarification of the City of Seattle's intentions concerning the annexation of the unincorporated White Center neighborhoods. The Mayor's Office has asked me to respond on his behalf.

Throughout the campaign, Mayor McGinn's position has been that the choice of annexation lies with the people of unincorporated White center. If they choose the city of Seattle, they would be welcomed and we would work with the Seattle City Council and the White Center community to make it happen. In that regards, we will work with the Seattle City Council to initiate the annexation process for the unincorporated White Center neighborhoods in the first quarter of 2010. It is our goal to put the question of annexation before the voters of the unincorporated White Center neighborhoods at the November 2010 general elections.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding Seattle's position or the timeline for our annexation effort at (206) 684-8364 or at [kenny.pittman@seattle.gov](mailto:kenny.pittman@seattle.gov).

Sincerely,

Kenny Pittman  
Senior Policy Advisor

cc: Mike Martin, Burien City Manager

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