

City of Georgetown Records, 1903-1910

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Georgetown (Seattle, Wash.)
Title	City of Georgetown Records
Dates	1903-1910 (inclusive) 1903 1910
Quantity	4.3 cubic ft., (2 boxes and 7 volumes)
Collection Number	9123
Summary	Records of the City of Georgetown, annexed by Seattle in 1910. The records date from 1903-1910 and include city council minutes, ordinances, petitions, contracts, resolutions, local improvement files, and property ownership records.
Repository	Seattle Municipal Archives Seattle Municipal Archives Office of the City Clerk City of Seattle PO Box 94728 98124-4728 Seattle, WA Telephone: 206-233-7807 Fax: 206-386-9025 archives@seattle.gov
Access Restrictions	Records are open to the public.
Languages	English
Sponsor	Funding for encoding this finding aid was provided through a grant awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Historical Note

The City of Georgetown was incorporated in January 1904 as a city of the third class. The City was divided into six wards with one person from each elected to City Council for a two-year term. One at-large councilperson was elected for a one-year term. The mayor was elected for a one-year term.

Other City officials included an attorney, clerk, treasurer, health officer, marshal, police judge, engineer, and superintendent of streets. The latter was appointed by the mayor and confirmed by Council and had the responsibility of overseeing the repairing, cleaning, grading, and extension of streets, gutters, sidewalks, and sewers. Street improvements were by far the primary focus of municipal activity.

The City contracted with the Georgetown Water Company for its municipal water supply. Electrical and street railway services were contracted for with the Snoqualmie Falls and White River Power Company (1904) and the Seattle Electric Company (1906).

The movement for annexation to the City of Seattle began in 1906 but did not gain significant support until 1909. Following presentation of a petition for an annexation vote, a special election was held on March 29, 1910. The annexation proposition passed with 389 votes in favor and 238 opposed. The

City of Georgetown was officially consolidated with Seattle on April 4, 1910. It was the last of the small incorporated cities to be annexed to Seattle.

Georgetown was served by two Mayors: John Muller (1904-1909) and Auburn Slocum (1910).

Content Description

The City of Georgetown Records, 1903-1910, include Council minutes, ordinances, resolutions, correspondence, City officials' reports, petitions, contracts, and local improvement files. Of particular interest are the property ownership records which provide the name and address of the owners of lots in specific additions in the City.

Use of the Collection

Preferred Citation

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Administrative Information

Arrangement

The records of the City of Georgetown are arranged in four series:

Series I: Council Minutes (9123-01)

Series II: Ordinances (9123-02)

Series III: City Clerk's Files (9123-03)

Series IV: Demands and Warrants (9123-04)

Detailed Description of the Collection

The following section contains a detailed listing of the materials in the collection.

Series I (9123-01): Council Minutes, 1904-1910

2 volumes

Proceedings of the Georgetown City Council.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Volume		

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1	Minutes	1904-1908
2	Minutes	1908-1910

Series II (9123-02): Ordinances, 1904-1910

3 volumes

Ordinances passed by the Georgetown City Council.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Volume		
1	Ordinances 1-202	1904-1910
2	Ordinances 203-408	1904-1910
3	Ordinances 409-541	1904-1910

Series III (9123-03): City Clerk's Files, 1904-1910

2.0 cubic ft.

Administrative records of Georgetown filed with the City Clerk. Includes bids and proposals, specifications, correspondence, city officials' reports, franchises, petitions, and oaths of office. The bulk of the records relate to local improvements, extension of city services, and franchise administration.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
1/1	City of Georgetown: Applications, Employment	1904-1909
1/2	Applications, Pool Room Licenses	1904-1908
1/3	Auditing, Uniform Accounting Act	1908-1909
1/4	Bids and Proposals	1904-1910
1/5	Bids and Proposals, Auditing	1907-1909
1/6	Bids and Proposals, City Hall	1904-1909

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/7	Bonds, Official	1904-1909
1/8	City Attorney, Correspondence and Legal Opinion	1904-1910
1/9	City Clerk, Correspondence	1904-1910
1/10	City Clerk, Notices of Street Vacations	1907-1909
1/11	City Clerk, Reports	1904-1909
1/12	City Council, Committee Reports/Bonds and Salary	1904-1910
1/13	City Council, Committee Reports/Buildings and Grounds	1904-1910
1/14	City Council, Committee Reports/Committee as a Whole	1909
1/15	City Council, Committee Reports/Finance	1905-1910
1/16	City Council, Committee Reports/Fire, Water, and Light	1904-1909
1/17	City Council, Committee Reports/Franchise	1905-1910
1/18	City Council, Committee Reports/Licenses	1904-1909
1/19	City Council, Committee Reports/Police	1904-1909
1/20	City Council, Committee Reports/Printing	1906-1909
1/21	City Council, Committee Reports/Rules	1906-1909
1/22	City Council, Committee Reports/Sewers	1909
1/23	City Council, Committee Reports/Special	1905-1907
1/24	City Council, Committee Reports/Streets	1904-1910
1/25	City Engineer, Correspondence	1906-1910
1/26	City Engineer, Reports	1905-1910
1/27	City Treasurer, Correspondence	1907-1910

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/28	City Treasurer, Reports	1904-1909
1/29	Claims Against City	1904-1909
1/30	Claims Against City, Dillard Case	1906-1907
1/31	Claims Against City, Marino Case	1907-1908
1/32	Condemnation	1908-1910
1/33	Contracts and Bonds	1908-1910
1/34	Correspondence	1904-1910
1/35	Correspondence, Street Lights	1904-1907
1/36	Court Judgements	1906-1910
1/37	Elections, Affidavits of Publication	1906-1908
1/38	Elections, Campaign Expenditures	1904-1909
1/39	Elections, Certificates of Votes Cast	1905-1908
1/40	Elections, Declarations of Candidacy	1907-1909
1/41	Elections, Notices and Ballots	1906-1910
1/42	Franchises	1903-1910
1/43	Franchises, Oregon and Washington Railroad	1907-1908
1/44	Franchises, Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph Company	1905-1906
1/45	Franchises, Seattle Electric Company	1904-1909
1/46	Franchises, Seattle Lighting Company	1907-1910
1/47	Franchises, Sunset Telephone and Telegraph Company	1904-1909
1/48	Health Officer, Correspondence	1907-1909

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1/49	Health Officer, Reports	1905-1910
1/50	License and Bond/Liquor	1908-1909
1/51	Mayor's Communications to City Council	1904-1908
1/52	Oaths of Office	1904-1910
2/1	Petitions, Annexation	1906-1910
2/2	Petitions, General	1904-1909
2/3	Petitions, Liquor and Saloons	1904-1909
2/4	Petitions, Name Changes	1905-1910
2/5	Petitions, Protests	1905-1909
2/6	Petitions, Protests Against Street Improvements	1907-1910
2/7	Petitions, Rainier Valley Fire Protection	1904-1907
2/8	Petitions, Street Improvements	1904-1907
2/9	Petitions, Street Lights	1904-1910
2/10	Petitions, Street Vacations	1906-1909
2/11	Petitions, Undetermined	1904-1910
2/12	Police Judge, Reports	1904-1910
2/13	Poundmaster, Reports	1904-1908
2/14	Property Ownership	1904-1909
2/15	Railroad Viaduct, Alki Street	1909
2/16	Rainier Valley Volunteer Fire Department No. 2	1905-1910
2/17	Requests	1904-1910

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2/18	Request for Construction	1904-1910
2/19	Resignations	1904-1910
2/20	Resolutions	1907-1910
2/21	Seattle Brewing And Malting Company	1904-1910
2/22	Sewer Construction, Sub-Sewer No. 1	1906-1907
2/23	Street Improvements, A Street	1907-1908
2/24	Street Improvements, Bateman Street	1904-1909
2/25	Street Improvements, Brandon Street	1906
2/26	Street Improvements, Cemetery Road	1905-1909
2/27	Street Improvements, Charleston Avenue	1904-1907
2/28	Street Improvements, Commercial Street	1905-1909
2/29	Street Improvements, Corgiat Street	1905-1909
2/30	Street Improvements, County Road	1906
2/31	Street Improvements, Estelle Street	1904-1906
2/32	Street Improvements, French Avenue	1908
2/33	Street Improvements, Front Avenue	1908-1909
2/34	Street Improvements, Howard Street	1904-1910
2/35	Street Improvements, Mabel Street	1905-1909
2/36	Street Improvements, Monroe Street	1904-1907
2/37	Street Improvements, Nora Avenue	1905-1908
2/38	Street Improvements, Northwest District	1905-1908

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2/39	Street Improvements, Rainier Avenue	1904-1910
2/40	Street Improvements, Ridgeway Avenue	1907-1910
2/41	Street Improvements, Roosevelt Avenue, et. al.	1907-1910
2/42	Street Improvements, Stehman Street, et. al.	1905-1907
2/43	Superintendent of Streets, Correspondence	1904-1908
2/44	Superintendent of Streets, Monthly Reports	1904-1908
2/45	Taxes, Statements of King County Treasurer	1904-1910
2/46	Title Abstracts	1906-1908

Series IV (9123-04): Demands and Warrants, 1904-1910

2 volumes

Financial demands against the city of Georgetown for services rendered. Includes name of claimant, date of claim, amount, reasons for demand, warrant number, date warrant issued, and amount. Volume Two is embossed with the title Synoptic Journal and Cash Book.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Volume		
1	Demands and Warrants	1904-1908
2	Demands and Warrants	1908-1910

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Annexation (Municipal government)--Washington (State)--Seattle

City councils--Washington (State)--Seattle

Civic improvement--Washington (State)--Seattle

Geographical Names :

Georgetown (Seattle, Wash.)--Politics and government

Seattle (Wash.)--Politics and government

Form or Genre Terms :

Minutes

Ordinances

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