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*Combined city and county municipal corporations: State Constitution  
Art. 11 s 16 (Amendment 58).*

*Fire protection districts, effect upon: Chapter 52.22 RCW.*

*Incorporation of municipalities: State Constitution Art. 11 s 10  
(Amendment 40).*

*Incorporation proceedings exempt from State Environmental Policy Act:  
RCW 36.93.170, 43.21C.220.*