

# KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Scattle, WA 98104

# Signature Report

June 6, 2017

# Ordinance 18527

	Proposed No. 2017-0105.2 Sponsors McDermot	t
1	1 AN ORDINANCE concurring with the recommendation	dation of
2	the hearing examiner to approve, subject to conditi	ions, the
3	application for public benefit rating system assesses	ed
4	4 valuation for open space submitted by Lon Matthe	ws for
5	5 property located at 45103 SE Edgewick Road, No.	rth Bend,
6	6 WA, designated department of natural resources a	nd parks,
7	water and land resources division file no. E16CT0	33.
8	8 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COU	NTY:
9	9 <u>SECTION 1.</u> This ordinance does hereby adopt and inco	rporate herein as its
10	findings and conclusions the findings and conclusions contained	in Attachment A to this
11	ordinance, the report and recommendation of the hearing examin	er dated May 1, 2017, to
12	approve subject to conditions, the application for public benefit r	ating system assessed
13	valuation for open space submitted by Lon Matthews for propert	y located at 45103 SE
14	14 Edgewick Road, North Bend, WA, designated department of nat	ural resources and parks,

- water and land resources division file no. E16CT033, and the council does hereby adopt
- as its action the recommendation or recommendations contained in the report.

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Ordinance 18527 was introduced on 3/20/2017 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/5/2017, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles and Ms. Balducci

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Mr. Gossett

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:

Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: A. Hearing Examiner Report Dated May 1, 2017

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## REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE METROPOLITAN KING COUNTY COUNCIL

SUBJECT:

Department of Natural Resources and Parks file no. E16CT033

Proposed ordinance no. 2017-0105

Parcel nos. 2623089041, 2623089154, 2623089073, 2623089151, 2623089152,

2623089013, 2623089110, 2623089150

#### LON MATTHEWS

Open Space Taxation Application (Public Benefit Rating System)

Location:

45103 SE Edgewick Road, North Bend

Applicant:

Lon Matthews

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King County: Department of Natural Resources and Parks

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#### SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Department's Recommendation:

Approve 37.54 acres for 20% of market value

Examiner's Recommendation:

Approve 5.06 acres for 30% of market value Approve 37.54 acres for 20% of market value

Approve 5.06 acres for 30% of market value

#### PRELIMINARY REPORT:

On April 6, 2017, the Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP) submitted its report on file no. E16CT033 to the Examiner.

#### PUBLIC HEARING:

After reviewing the preliminary report and examining available information on file with the application, the Examiner conducted a public hearing on the application on April 20, 2017, in the Ginger Conference Room, 12th Floor, King County Courthouse, 516 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington. The Examiner received the affidavit of notice publication on April 14, 2017.

Participants at the public hearing and the exhibits offered and entered are listed in the attached minutes. A verbatim recording of the hearing is available in the Hearing Examiner's Office.

### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS:

1. General Information:

Owner:

Lon Matthews

45103 SE Edgewick Road North Bend, WA 98045

Location:

45103 SE Edgewick Road, North Bend

STR:

SE 26-23-08

Zoning:

RA-10

Parcel nos.:

2623089041, 2623089154, 2623089073, 2623089151,

2623089152, 2623089013, 2623089110, 2623089150

Total acreage:

42.60 acres

- 2. The Applicant timely filed an application to King County for PBRS program current use valuation of the property to begin in 2018. As required by law, notification of the application occurred.
- 3. A summary of relevant PBRS categories follows below. (Plain text represents a category an applicant requested an award for and that DNRP agrees is warranted. Any strikethrough represents a category an applicant requested an award for but that DNRP disagrees is warranted. Any *italics* represents a category an applicant did not request an award for, but that DNRP nonetheless concludes is warranted. And any \*asterisk\* represents a category where DNRP finds an award is warranted, but only if certain contingencies or conditions are met.)

PBRS categories

2623089041, 2623089154, 2623089073, 2623089150

2623089151, 2623089152, 2623089013,

2623089110

Open Sp	ace Resources		
Aquifer protection area			

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	33	18
buffer		
Additional surface water quality	5	
Bonus Categories		
•	3	5
Watershed protection area	5	-
Surface water quality buffer	5	
habitat	•	9
Significant wildlife or salmonid	5	5
Rural open space	5	
*Forest stewardship land*		
classified land		
Buffer to public or current use	3	3
D. CC 4 11'		

The DNRP-recommended score of 33 points results in a current use valuation of 20% of market value for the enrolled portions of parcels 2623089041, 2623089154, 2623089073, 2623089151, 2623089152, 2623089013, 2623089110. The DNRP-recommended score of 18 points results in a current use valuation of 30% of market value for the enrolled portion of parcel 2623089150.

Additional credit may be awarded administratively under the forest stewardship land category subject to submittal of a forest stewardship program by **December 1, 2017**, and subsequent approval by **December 29, 2017**. Award of credit under this category will increase the point total by 5 points, resulting in a current use valuation of 10% of market value for the enrolled portions of parcels 2623089041, 2623089154, 2623089073, 2623089151, 2623089152, 2623089013, 2623089110 and 20% of market value for the enrolled portion of parcel 2623089150. Award of this category may allow approved forestry activities to occur on the property.

- As to the land area recommended for PBRS enrollment, the Applicant requested 39.76 acres and DNRP recommends 40.47 acres. (Enrollment acreage is the entire parcel less the excluded area, as calculated by DNRP. In the event the County Assessor's official parcel size is revised, the PBRS acreage shall be administratively adjusted to reflect that change.)
- Except as modified herein, the facts set forth in DNRP's preliminary report and testimony at the April 20, 2017, public hearing are correct and incorporated herein by reference. Copies of this report and DNRP's report will be provided to the Metropolitan King County Council for final approval.
  - A. Change to Department staff report: in both the discussion of category recommendation, beginning on page 7, Section E. (for categories surface water quality buffer and additional surface water quality buffer), and on page 9 in the Conclusions and Recommendation, Section A., the Department did not include parcel no. 2623089152.

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6. Approval, pursuant to the Public Benefit Rating System adopted by Chapter 20.36 KCC, of 33 points and a current use valuation of 20% of market value for 37.54 acres of parcels 2623089041, 2623089154, 2623089073, 2623089151, 2623089152, 2623089013, 2623089110 and 30% of market value for 5.06 acres of parcel 2623089150. Plus conditional approval of 5 additional points (which will bring the totals to 38 and 23 points and 10% and 20% of market value for 37.54 and 5.06 acres of the property respectively), is consistent with the purposes and intent of King County to maintain, preserve, conserve, and otherwise continue in existence adequate open space lands and to assure the use and enjoyment of natural resources and scenic beauty for the economic and social well-being of King County and its citizens.

7. The subject property, except for parcel 2323089041, is currently enrolled in either the Timber Land or Designated Forestland program. Any open space taxation participation agreement signed as a result of approval of this application should be worded to supersede any prior agreements for the parcel.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. APPROVE current use valuation of 20% of market value for the parcels 2623089041, 2623089154, 2623089073, 2623089151, 2623089152, 2623089013, and 2623089110, and 30% of market value for 5.06 acres of parcel 2623089150.
- 2. CONDITIONALLY APPROVE additional credit under the forest stewardship land category, to be awarded administratively, if the Applicant submits a forest stewardship plan by **December 1, 2017**, and that plan is approved by **December 29, 2017**. This will result in a current use valuation of 10% of market value for the 37.54 acres of properties and of 20% of market value for the 5.06 acres of property. Award of this category may allow approved forestry activities to occur on the property.

DATED May 1, 2017.

David Spohr

Hearing Examiner

#### NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

A person appeals an Examiner recommendation by following the steps described in KCC 20.22.230, including filing with the Clerk of the Council a sufficient appeal statement and a \$250 appeal fee (check payable to the King County FBOD). Appeal statements may refer only to facts contained in the hearing record; new facts may not be presented on appeal. KCC 20.22.230 also requires that the appellant provide copies of the appeal statement to the Examiner and to any named parties listed on the front page of the Examiner's recommendation.

Prior to the close of business (4:30 p.m.) on *May 25, 2017*, an electronic copy of the appeal statement must be sent to <u>Clerk.Council@kingcounty.gov</u> and a paper copy of the appeal statement must be delivered to the Clerk of the Council's Office, Room 1200, King County Courthouse, 516 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98104. Prior mailing is not sufficient if actual receipt by the Clerk does not occur within the applicable time period. If the Office of the Clerk is not officially open on the specified closing date, delivery prior to the close of business on the next business day is sufficient to meet the filing requirement.

Unless both a timely and sufficient appeal statement and filing fee are filed by *May 25, 2017*, the Clerk of the Council shall place on the agenda of the next available Council meeting a proposed ordinance implementing the Examiner's recommended action. At that meeting the Council may adopt the Examiner's recommendation, defer action, refer the matter to a Council committee, or remand to the Examiner for further hearing or further consideration.

If a timely and sufficient appeal statement and filing fee are filed by May 25, 2017, the Examiner will notify all parties and interested persons and provide information about "next steps."

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 20, 2017, HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF LON MATTHEWS, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND PARKS FILE NO. E16CT033.

David Spohr was the Hearing Examiner in this matter. Bill Bernstein and Megan Kim both participated in the hearing on behalf of the department.

The following exhibits were offered and entered into the hearing record:

Exhibit no. 1	Not submitted
Exhibit no. 2	Not submitted
Exhibit no. 3	Not submitted
Exhibit no. 4	DNRP report to the Hearing Examiner
Exhibit no. 5	Affidavit of publication
Exhibit no. 6	Notice of hearing from the Hearing Examiner's Office
Exhibit no. 7	Notice of hearing from the PBRS program
Exhibit no. 8	Legal notice and introductory ordinance to the King County Council
Exhibit no. 9	Application signed/notarized
Exhibit no. 10	Reserved for Legal description of area to be enrolled
Exhibit no. 11	Email to applicant regarding received application and approval schedule
Exhibit no. 12	Arcview and orthophoto/aerial map
Exhibit no. 13	Reserved for forest stewardship plan

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