



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

Ordinance 19390

Proposed No. 2021-0394.2

Sponsors Balducci

1 AN ORDINANCE concurring with the recommendation of
2 the hearing examiner to approve, subject to conditions, the
3 application for public benefit rating system assessed
4 valuation for open space submitted by Stewart and Sandy
5 Birse for property located at 15702 SE 344th Street,
6 Auburn, WA, designated department of natural resources
7 and parks, water and land resources division file no.
8 E21CT007.

9 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

10 SECTION 1. This ordinance does hereby adopt and incorporate herein as its
11 findings and conclusions the findings and conclusions contained in Attachment A to this
12 ordinance, the report and recommendation of the hearing examiner dated December 6,
13 2021, to approve subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system
14 assessed valuation for open space submitted by Stewart and Sandy Birse for property
15 located at 15702 SE 344th Street, Auburn, WA, designated department of natural
16 resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E21CT007. The council

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17 does hereby adopt as its action the recommendation or recommendations contained in the
18 examiner's report.

Ordinance 19390 was introduced on 10/19/2021 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 1/11/2022, by the following vote:

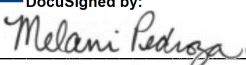
Yes: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Perry, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove, Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Zahilay

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Claudia Balducci, Chair

ATTEST:

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Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: A. Hearing Examiner Report Dated December 6, 2021

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December 6, 2021

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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE
METROPOLITAN KING COUNTY COUNCIL**

SUBJECT: Department of Natural Resources and Parks file no. **E21CT007**
Proposed ordinance no. **2021-0394**
Parcel no. **2321059046**

STEWART AND SANDY BIRSE

Open Space Taxation Application (Public Benefit Rating System)

Location: 15702 SE 344th Street, Auburn

Applicants: **Stewart and Sandy Birse**
15702 SE 344th Street
Auburn, WA 98092
Telephone: (253) 740-6551
Email: stewsanbren@comcast.net

King County: Department of Natural Resources and Parks
represented by **Megan Kim**
201 S. Jackson Street
Suite 5600
Seattle, WA 98104
Telephone: (206) 477-4788

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Department's Recommendation:	Approve 3.38 acres for 50% of assessed value
Examiner's Recommendation:	Approve 3.38 acres for 50% of assessed value

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PRELIMINARY REPORT:

On November 5, 2021, the Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP) submitted its report on file no. E21CT007 to the Examiner.

PUBLIC HEARING:

After reviewing the preliminary report and examining available information on file with the application, the Examiner conducted a Zoom public hearing on the application on November 18, 2021.

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:

Owners: Stewart and Sandy Birse
15702 SE 344th Street
Auburn, WA 98092

Location: 15702 SE 344th Street, Auburn
STR: NE-23-21-05
Zoning: RA5
Parcel no.: 2321059046
Total acreage: 3.81 acres

2. The Applicant timely filed an application to King County for the Public Benefit Rating System (PBRS) program current use valuation of the property to begin in 2022. As required by law, notification of the application occurred.

3. A summary of relevant PBRS categories follows below. (Plain text is a category an applicant requested an award for and that DNRP agrees is warranted. A ~~strike through~~ is a category an applicant requested an award for but that DNRP disagrees is warranted.)

PBRS categories:	<u>Open Space Resources</u>	
	Farm and agricultural conservation land	5
	Forest stewardship land	0
	Rural open space	0
	Rural stewardship land	0

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The DNRP-recommended score of five points results in a current use valuation of 50% of assessed value for the enrolled portion of the property.

4. As to the land area recommended for PBRS enrollment, the Applicant requested 3.00 acres and DNRP recommends 3.38 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.)
5. Except as modified herein, the facts set forth in DNRP's preliminary report and testimony at the November 18, 2021, 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. The property already has a King Conservation District farm plan. Therefore, approval for the farm and agricultural conservation land category, and thus qualification of the property for enrollment (as there is no other qualifying category) is not contingent. Continued enrollment in the future is predicated on continuing to follow that farm plan in the future, but that is true for everyone who qualifies under the farm and agricultural conservation land category.
6. Approval of five points and a current use valuation of 50% of assessed value for 3.38 acres is consistent with KCC Chapter 20.36 and 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.

RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE a current use valuation of 50% of assessed value for the 3.38-acre enrolled portion of the property.

DATED December 6, 2021.



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 *December 30, 2021*, an electronic copy of the appeal statement must be sent to Clerk.Council@kingcounty.gov 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 *December 30, 2021*, 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 *December 30, 2021*, the Examiner will notify all parties and interested persons and provide information about “next steps.”

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 18, 2021, HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF STEWART AND SANDY BIRSE, FILE NO. E21CT007

David Spohr was the Hearing Examiner in this matter. Megan Kim participated in the hearing.

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

Exhibit no. 1	DNRP report to the Hearing Examiner
Exhibit no. 2	<i>Reserved for future submission of the affidavit of hearing publication</i>
Exhibit no. 3	Legal notice and introductory ordinance to the King County Council
Exhibit no. 4	Arcview/orthophotograph and aerial map
Exhibit no. 5	Application signed and notarized

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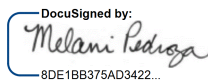
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