

# **KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

# Signature Report

March 20, 2018

Ordinance 18688

	Proposed No. 2018-0027.2 Sponsors McDermott		
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 Marcia Knadle and		
5	Michael Carlson for property located at 21044 204th		
6	Avenue SE, Maple Valley, WA, designated department of		
7	natural resources and parks, water and land resources		
8	division file no. E17CT022.		
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 February 5,		
13	2018, to approve subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system		
14	assessed valuation for open space submitted by Marcia Knadle and Michael Carlson for		
15	property located at 21044 204th Avenue SE, Maple Valley, WA, designated department		
16	of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E17CT022, and		

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- 17 the council does hereby adopt as its action the recommendation or recommendations
- 18 contained in the report.

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Ordinance 18688 was introduced on 1/8/2018 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 3/19/2018, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles and Ms. Balducci No: 0 Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:

Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: A. Hearing Examiner Report dated 2-5-18

February 5, 2018

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

SUBJECT: Department of Natural Resources and Parks file no. E17CT022 Proposed ordinance no. 2018-0027 Parcel nos. 0822069036, 0822069002

> MARCIA KNADLE AND MICHAEL CARLSON Open Space Taxation Application (Public Benefit Rating System)

Location: 21044 204th Avenue SE, Maple Valley

Applicants: Marcia Knadle and Michael Carlson 21044 204th Avenue SE Maple Valley, WA 98038 Telephone: (425) 432-9645 Email: mknadle1@aol.com

King County: Department of Natural Resources and Parks represented by Bill Bernstein 201 S Jackson Street Suite 600 Seattle, WA 98104 Telephone: (206) 477-4643 Email: bill.bernstein@kingcounty.gov

#### SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Department's Recommendation: Examiner's Recommendation: Approve 38.98 acres for 30% of assessed value Approve 38.98 acres for 30% of assessed value

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#### PRELIMINARY REPORT:

On January 11, 2018, the Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP) submitted its report on file no. E17CT022 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 January 25, 2018, in the Fred Conference Room, 12th Floor, King County Courthouse, 516 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

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**:

Marcia Knadle and Michael Carlson 21044 204th Avenue SE Maple Valley, WA 98038 Location: 21044 204th Avenue SE, Maple Valley STR: NE 08-22-06 Zoning: RA-5 Parcel nos.: 0822069036, 0822069002 40.01 acres Total acreage:

- 2. The Applicants timely filed an application to King County for PBRS program current use valuation of the property to begin in 2019. 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:	Open Space Resources	
	Buffer to public or current use classified land	3
	Farm and agricultural conservation land	5

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*Forest stewardship land*	
Rural open space	5
Significant wildlife or salmonid habitat	5
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The DNRP-recommended score of 18 points results in a current use valuation of 30% of assessed value for the enrolled portion of the property. Additional credit may be awarded administratively under the forest stewardship land category subject to submittal of a forest stewardship plan by **June 1, 2018**, and subsequent approval by **August 1, 2018**. Award of credit under this category will increase the point total by 5 points, resulting in a current use valuation of 20% of assessed value for the enrolled portion of the property.

- 4. As to the land area recommended for PBRS enrollment, the Applicant requested 39.10 acres and DNRP recommends 38.98 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 January 25, 2018, 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.
- 6. Approval, pursuant to the Public Benefit Rating System adopted by Chapter 20.36 KCC, of 18 points and a current use valuation of 30% of assessed value for 38.98 acres of the property and conditional approval of 5 additional points (which will bring the total to 23 points and 20% of assessed value for 38.98 acres of the property), 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 is currently enrolled in the farm and agricultural land 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 30% of assessed value for the 38.98-acre enrolled portion of the property.
- 2. CONDITIONALLY APPROVE additional credit under the forest stewardship land category subject to submittal of a forest stewardship plan by **June 1, 2018**, and subsequent approval by **August 1, 2018**. Award of credit under this category will

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increase the point total by 5 points, resulting in a current use valuation of 20% of assessed value for the enrolled portion of the property.

DATED February 5, 2018.

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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 *March 1, 2018,* 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 *March 1, 2018*, 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 *March 1, 2018*, the Examiner will notify all parties and interested persons and provide information about "next steps."

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## MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 25, 2018, HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF MARCIA KNADLE AND MICHAEL CARLSON, FILE NO. E17CT022

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	Reserved for open space taxation agreement
Exhibit no. 2	Reserved for final ordinance
Exhibit no. 3	Reserved for Hearing Examiner's report and recommendation
Exhibit no. 4	DNRP report to the Hearing Examiner
Exhibit no. 5	Reserved for future submission of 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 future submission of 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	Farm management plan
Exhibit no. 14	Reserved for future submission of forest stewardship plan

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