

KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

April 11, 2006

Ordinance 15416

Proposed No. 2006-0047.2

Sponsors Phillips

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 Dalinda Vivero,
5 Delene Rodenberg and Deborah Rieschl for property
6 located at 10406 Southwest 188th Street, Vashon,
7 Washington 98070, designated department of natural
8 resources and parks, water and land resources division file
9 no. E05CT064.

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12 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

13 SECTION 1. This ordinance does hereby adopt and incorporate herein as its
14 findings and conclusions the findings and conclusions contained in the report and
15 recommendation of the hearing examiner dated March 20, 2006, to approve subject to
16 conditions, the application for public benefit rating system assessed valuation for open
17 space submitted by Dalinda Vivero, Delene Rodenberg and Deborah Rieschl for property

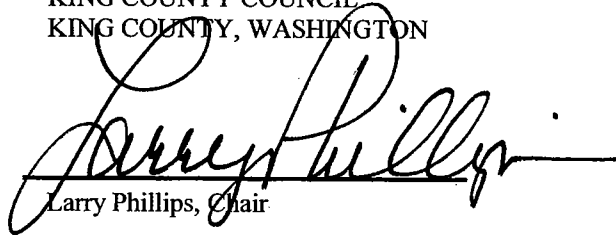
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18 located at 10406 Southwest 188th Street, Vashon, Washington 98070, designated
19 department of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no.
20 E05CT064, and the council does hereby adopt as its action the recommendation or
21 recommendations contained in the report.
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Ordinance 15416 was introduced on 1/30/2006 and passed by the Metropolitan King
County Council on 4/10/2006, by the following vote:

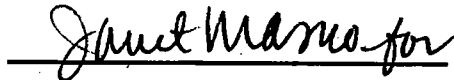
Yes: 8 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ferguson, Mr.
Gossett, Ms. Hague, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Constantine
No: 0 -
Excused: 1 - Mr. Phillips

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Phillips, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments A. Hearing Examiner Report dated March 21, 2006

15416
March 21, 2006

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REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE METROPOLITAN KING COUNTY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Department of Natural Resources & Parks, Water and Land Resources Division, file no.
E05CT064
Proposed Ordinance No. **2006-0047**

Open Space Taxation (Public Benefit Rating System)

Application of

DALINDA VIVERO, DELENE RODENBERG & DEBORAH RIESCHL

10406 Southwest 188th Street
Vashon, WA 98070

Location of Property: 10406 Southwest 188th Street
Vashon, Washington

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Department's Preliminary:	Approve 5.52 acres for 20% of market value
Department's Final:	Approve 5.52 acres for 20% of market value
Examiner:	Approve 5.52 acres for 20% of market value

PRELIMINARY REPORT:

The Department of Natural Resources & Parks, Water and Land Resources Division Report on item no. E05CT064 was received by the Examiner on February 27, 2006.

PUBLIC HEARING:

After reviewing the report and examining available information on file with the application, the Examiner conducted a public hearing on the application as follows:

The hearing on item no. E05CT064 was opened by the Examiner at 2:09 p.m., March 8, 2006, in the Hearing Examiner's Conference Room, 400 Yesler Way, Room 404, Seattle, Washington, and closed at 2:18 p.m.

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 office of the King County Hearing Examiner.

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATION: Having reviewed the record in this matter, the Examiner now makes and enters the following:

FINDINGS:

1. **General Information:**

Owners: Dalinda Vivero, Delene Rodenberg and Deborah Rieschl
10406 SW 188th Street
Vashon, WA 98070

Property location: Same as above

PBRS categories requested: **Open space resources**
Active or passive recreation area
Aquifer protection area
Buffer to public land
Forest stewardship land
Rural open space
Rural stewardship land
Significant wildlife or salmonid habitat
Special animal site
Surface water quality buffer area
Urban open space
Watershed protection area
Bonus categories
Resource restoration
Additional surface water quality buffer
Environmental education access

Recommended categories: **Open space resources**
Aquifer protection area
Buffer to public land
Significant wildlife or salmonid habitat
Surface water quality buffer area
Bonus categories
Additional surface water quality buffer

Zoning: R-1
Parcel no.: 312303-9039
Total acreage: 9.88
Requested for PBRS: 7.39
Recommended PBRS: 5.52*

COMMENT: *See Section 2.D below.

STR: SE 31-23-03

2. Except as modified herein, the facts set forth in the King County Department of Natural Resources & Parks, Water and Land Resources Division, Preliminary Report for the March 8, 2006, public hearing are found correct and are incorporated herein by reference. Copies of the department report will be provided with the copies of this report submitted to the King County Council.

The following changes should be made to the staff report:

- A. The hearing date at the top of the staff report should read March 8, 2006, rather than 2005.
 B. The zip code for the owners should be modified to eliminate the 's' at the end.
 C. The recommended acreage on page 2, item 5, should be changed to 5.52.
 D. The comment portion on page 2, item 5, should be revised to read as follows:

“*A portion of the property (1.50 acres) is existing field/grassland. If credit for the rural stewardship land category is awarded, which requires an approved plan that incorporates management of this area for wildlife enhancement, then this area’s participation in PBRs would be supported and the recommended acreage could increase to 7.02. Otherwise, the area recommended for participation ~~could be reduced to~~ would remain at 5.52 acres, unless a portion of the field/grassland is (some of this area could be reforested according to an approved forest stewardship plan, which may impact could increase the recommended acreage to 7.02 the acreage excluded). ...”

- E. Points for the Forest stewardship land category shown on page 6, section A.3, should be ‘0**’.
 F. Total points shown on page 7 should be 23 rather than 28.
 G. The comment section on page 7 should be revised as follows:

“*Award of these categories would increase the point total and may increase the percentage reduction for the portion enrolled ~~to 90%~~.
 **Because credit for these categories ~~can not overlap with credit for the forest stewardship category~~, award can only be given for one which would increase the point total and may of this category would not change the percent reduction.”

3. Timely application was made to King County for current use valuation of the subject property to begin in 2007. Notice of the application was given as required by law.
4. The property contains priority open space resources and is eligible for a total award of 23 points under the King County Public Benefit Rating System. The resulting current use value therefore would be 20% of market value for 5.52 acres of the property.
5. Credit may be awarded administratively for the Active or Passive Recreation Area and/or Environmental Education Access categories subject to Applicant submission by September 1, 2006, of multiple letters documenting present and future uses by appropriate groups. Award of these categories would increase the point total by 5 and/or 3 respectively, with the current use valuation for the enrolled portion of the property adjusted accordingly.

6. Credit for the Forest Stewardship Land category is contingent upon approval and implementation by September 1, 2006, of the Applicants' forest stewardship plan and may be awarded administratively.

Alternatively, credit may be awarded administratively for the Rural Stewardship Land category subject to Applicant submission by September 1, 2006, of an approved rural stewardship plan.

Credit for these two categories cannot overlap. If credit is awarded for either category the point total will increase by 5, with the current use valuation for the enrolled portion of the property adjusted accordingly. If an approved plan addresses the pasture area with reforestation or wildlife management, up to 1.50 acres may be added administratively to the qualifying acreage.

7. Credit may be awarded administratively for the Watershed Protection Area category subject to reforestation of at least 0.83 acre of the property if that is incorporated in either the approved forest stewardship plan or the approved rural stewardship plan. Credit for this category would increase the point total by 5, with the property's current use valuation being adjusted accordingly.

CONCLUSION:

1. Approval of current use valuation of 20% of market value for 5.52 acres of the property pursuant to the Public Benefit Rating System adopted by King County Ordinance No. 10511, as amended, would be 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.

RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE current use valuation of 20% of market value for 5.52 acres of the subject property, subject to the conditions recommended in the Department of Natural Resources & Parks report for the March 8, 2006, public hearing, and the following additional conditions of approval:

1. Credit may be awarded administratively for the Active or Passive Recreation Area and/or Environmental Education Access categories as stated in Finding no. 5 above. Award for either or both of these categories would increase the point total up to 8 points and may result in an adjustment to the current use valuation for the enrolled portion of the property.
2. Credit for the Forest or Rural Stewardship Land category may be awarded administratively as indicated in Finding no. 6 above. Award for either category will increase the point total by 5 points, may result in an adjustment to current use valuation for the enrolled portion of the property, and may result in an increase in the qualifying acreage.
3. Credit may be awarded administratively for the Watershed Protection Area category as indicated in Finding no. 7 above. Credit for this category would increase the point total by 5 and may adjust the current use valuation of the enrolled portion of the property.

Current use valuation shall be subject to all terms and conditions of RCW Chapter 84.34 and KCC Chapter 20.36, as may be amended from time to time, and all regulations and rules duly adopted to implement state law and county ordinances pertaining to current use valuation.

RECOMMENDED this 21st day of March, 2006.

Peter T. Donahue, Deputy
King County Hearing Examiner

TRANSMITTED this 21st day of March, 2006, to the following parties and interested persons:

Dalinda Vivero et al.
10406 SW 188th St.
Vashon, WA 98070

Susan Monroe, Department of Assessments
Ted Sullivan, Dept. of Natural Resources & Parks
Charlie Sundberg, Office of Cultural Resources
Marilyn Cope, KCC – Committee Staff
Bill Bernstein, Dept. of Natural Resources & Parks
Sally King, Dept. of Natural Resources & Parks

**NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL
AND ADDITIONAL ACTION REQUIRED**

In order to appeal the recommendation of the Examiner, written notice of appeal must be filed with the Clerk of the King County Council with a fee of \$250.00 (check payable to King County Office of Finance) *on or before April 4, 2006*. If a notice of appeal is filed, the original and 6 copies of a written appeal statement specifying the basis for the appeal and argument in support of the appeal must be filed with the Clerk of the King County Council *on or before April 11, 2006*. Appeal statements may refer only to facts contained in the hearing record; new facts may not be presented on appeal.

Filing requires actual delivery to the Office of the Clerk of the Council, Room 1025, King County Courthouse, 516 3rd Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98104, prior to the close of business (4:30 p.m.) on the date due. Prior mailing is not sufficient if actual receipt by the Clerk does not occur within the applicable time period. The Examiner does not have authority to extend the time period unless the Office of the Clerk is not open on the specified closing date, in which event delivery prior to the close of business on the next business day is sufficient to meet the filing requirement.

If a written notice of appeal and filing fee are not filed within 14 days calendar days of the date of this report, or if a written appeal statement and argument are not filed within 21 calendar days of the date of this report, the Clerk of the Council shall place a proposed ordinance which implements the Examiner's recommended action on the agenda of the next available Council meeting. At that meeting, the Council may adopt the Examiner's recommendation, may defer action, may refer the matter to a Council committee, or may remand to the Examiner for further hearing or further consideration.

Action of the Council is final. The action of the Council on a recommendation of the Examiner shall be final and conclusive unless within twenty-one (21) days from the date of the action an aggrieved party or person applies for a writ of certiorari from the Superior Court in and for the County of King, State of Washington, for the purpose of review of the action taken.

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 8, 2006, PUBLIC HEARING ON DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES & PARKS FILE NO. E05CT064:

Peter T. Donahue was the Hearing Examiner in this matter. Participating in the hearing and representing the Department was Ted Sullivan. There were no other participants in this hearing.

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 PBRs Staff Report
- 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 County Council
- Exhibit No. 9 Application signed/notarized
- Exhibit No. 10 Letter to Applicant re: received application and approval schedule
- Exhibit No. 11 Assessor's map
- Exhibit No. 12 King County Assessor's database printout
- Exhibit No. 13 Arcview/orthophoto map
- Exhibit No. 14 Forest Stewardship Plan
- Exhibit No. 15 *Reserved for future submission of* Legal description of area to be enrolled
- Exhibit No. 16 Copy of letter sent to neighbors re: notification of PBRs application

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Attachment

This document is provided for information only. DO NOT complete and return. A completed copy will be furnished to the Applicant(s) by the Office of the Hearing Examiner after an application has been approved by the Metropolitan King County Council.

OPEN SPACE TAXATION AGREEMENT

Chapter 84.34 RCW

(To be used for "Open Space", "Timber Land" Classification or "Reclassification" Only)

Property Owner: XXX
Property Address: XXXX
Granting Authority King County, Washington
Legal Description

Assessor's Property Tax Parcel or Account Number: XXX
Department of Natural Resources & Parks File Number: E0XXX
This agreement is between XXX hereinafter called the "Owner", and
King County, Washington hereinafter called the "Granting Authority".

Whereas the owner of the above described real property having made application for classification of that property under the provisions of Chapter 84.34 RCW. And whereas, both the owner and granting authority agree to limit the use of said property, recognizing that such land has substantial public value as open space and that the preservation of such land constitutes an important physical, social, esthetic, and economic asset to the public, and both parties agree that the classification of the property during the life of this agreement shall be for:

Open Space Land

Now, therefore, the parties, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions set forth herein, do agree as follows:

1. During the term of this agreement, the land shall be used only in accordance with the preservation of its classified use.
2. No structures shall be erected upon such land except those directly related to, and compatible with, the classified use of the land.
3. This agreement shall be effective commencing on the date the legislative body receives the signed agreement from the property owner and shall remain in effect until the property is withdrawn or removed from classification.
4. This agreement shall apply to the parcels of land described herein and shall be binding upon the heirs, successors and assignees of the parties hereto.
5. The landowner may withdraw from this agreement if, after a period of eight years, he or she files a request to **withdraw** classification with the assessor. Two years from the date of that request the assessor shall withdraw classification from the land, and the applicable taxes and interest shall be imposed as provided in RCW 84.34.070 and 84.34.108.
6. After the effective date of this agreement, any change in use of the land, except through compliance with items (5), (7), or (9), shall be considered a **breach** of this agreement, and shall be subject to removal of classification and liable for applicable taxes, penalties, and interest as provided in RCW 84.34.080 and RCW 84.34.108.
7. A **breach** of agreement shall not have occurred and the additional tax shall not be imposed if removal of classification resulted solely from:
 - a) Transfer to a governmental entity in exchange for other land located within the State of Washington.
 - b) A taking through the exercise of the power of eminent domain, or sale or transfer to an entity having the power in anticipation of the exercise of such power and having manifested its intent in writing or by other official action.
 - c) A natural disaster such as a flood, windstorm, earthquake, or other such calamity rather than by virtue of the act of the land owner changing the use of such property.
 - d) Official action by an agency of the State of Washington or by the county or city where the land is located disallowing the present use of such land.
 - e) Transfer of land to a church when such land would qualify for exemption pursuant to RCW 84.36.020.
 - f) Acquisition of property interests by State agencies or agencies or organizations qualified under RCW 84.34.210 and 64.04.130 (see RCW 84.34.108(6)(f)).

- g) Removal of land classified as farm and agricultural land under RCW 84.34.020(2)(e).
 - h) Removal of land from classification after enactment of a statutory exemption that qualifies the land for exemption and receipt of notice from the owner to remove the land from classification.
 - i) The creation, sale, or transfer of forestry riparian easements under RCW 76.13.120.
 - j) The creation, sale, or transfer of a fee interest or a conservation easement for the riparian open space program under RCW 76.09.040.
 - k) The sale or transfer of land within two years after the death of the owner of at least a fifty percent interest in the land if the land has been assessed and valued as forest land under chapter 84.33 RCW, or under chapter 84.34 RCW continuously since 1993. The date of death shown on the death certificate is the date used.
8. The county assessor may require an owner to submit data relevant to continuing the eligibility of any parcel of land described in this agreement.
9. The owner may apply for reclassification as provided in Chapter 84.34 RCW.

This agreement shall be subject to the following conditions:

See attached Hearing Examiner Report and Recommendation

It is declared that this agreement specifies the classification and conditions as provided for in Chapter 84.34 RCW and the conditions imposed by this Granting Authority. This agreement to tax according to the use of the property is not a contract and can be annulled or canceled at any time by the Legislature (RCW 84.34.070).

Granting Authority:

Dated _____

_____ King County, Washington

Council Chair

As owner(s) of the herein-described land I/we indicated by my/our signature(s) that I am/we are aware of the potential tax liability and hereby accept the classification and conditions of this agreement (must be signed by all owners).

Print Name

Signature

Date signed agreement received by Legislative Authority _____

For tax assistance, visit <http://dor.wa.gov> or call 1-800-647-7706. To inquire about the availability of this document in an alternate format for the visually impaired, please call (360) 705-6715. Teletype (TTY) users may call 1-800-451-7985.
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