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KING COUNTY

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Signature Report

Ordinance 19794

	Proposed No. 2024-0131.2 Sponsors Upthegrove		
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 Estate of David		
5	Knadle (represented by Debra Smith) for property located		
6	at 20202 SE 216th Street, Maple Valley, WA, designated		
7	department of natural resources and parks, water and land		
8	resources division file no. E23CT016a.		
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 June 12, 2024,		
13	to approve subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system assessed		
14	valuation for open space submitted by Estate of David Knadle (represented by Debra		
15	Smith) for property located at 20202 SE 216th Street, Maple Valley, WA, designated		
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Ordinance 19794

- 17 E23CT016a. The council does hereby adopt as its action the recommendation or
- 18 recommendations contained in the examiner's report.

Ordinance 19794 was introduced on 5/7/2024 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 7/16/2024, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer and Zahilay

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

DocuSigned by:

E76CE01F07B14EF... Dave Upthegrove, Chair

ATTEST:

DocuSigned by:

Melani Hay

Melani Hay, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: A. Hearing Examiner Report dated June 12, 2024

Ordinance 19794

June 12, 2024

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REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE METROPOLITAN KING COUNTY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Department of Natural Resources and Parks file no. **E23CT016a** Proposed ordinance no. **2024-0131** Parcel no. **082206-9035**

ESTATE OF DAVID KNADLE

Open Space Taxation Application (Public Benefit Rating System)

Location:	20202 SE 216th Street, Maple V	Valley
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Applicant: Estate of David Knadle represented by **Debra Smith** 9726 Woodlawn Ave N, Unit A Seattle, WA 98103 Telephone: (253) 486-3933 Email: debkaye@hotmail.com

King County: Department of Natural Resources and Parks represented by Megan Kim 201 S. Jackson Street Suite 5601 Seattle, WA 98104 Telephone: (206) 477-4788

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Department's Recommendation:

Contingently approve 3.40 acres for 40% of assessed value Conditionally approve 4.06 acres for enrollment at 40% of assessed value Examiner's Recommendation: Contingently approve 3.40 acres for 40% of assessed value Conditionally approve 4.06 acres for enrollment at 40% of assessed value

PRELIMINARY REPORT:

On May 17, 2024, the Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP) submitted its report on file no. E23CT016a to the Examiner.

PUBLIC HEARING:

After reviewing the preliminary report and examining available information on file with the application, the Examiner conducted a remote public hearing on the application on May 29, 2024.

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:	Estate of David Knadle, represented by Debra Smith
		9726 Woodlawn Avenue N Unit A
		Seattle, WA 98103
	Location:	20202 SE 216th Street, Maple Valley
	STR:	NW-08-22-06
	Zoning:	RA5
	Parcel no:	082206-9035
	Total acreage:	4.72 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 2024. As required by law, notification of the application occurred.
- 3. The property is currently enrolled in the State's farm and agricultural land program. The purpose of this application is to reclassify the property and enroll it in PBRS. Any new open space taxation agreement must supersede the existing agreement.
- 4. 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. Strikethrough represents a category an applicant requested an award for but that DNRP disagrees is warranted. *Italics* represents a category an applicant did not request an award for, but that DNRP nonetheless concludes is warranted. And an *asterisk* represents a category where DNRP finds an award is warranted, but only if certain contingencies or conditions are met.)

PBRS categories:	<u>Open Space Resources</u>	
U U	Buffer to public or current use classified land	3*
	Farm and agricultural conservation land	5*
	Forest stewardship land	0
	Historic landmark or archaeological site: designated site	0
	Rural open space	0
	Scenic resource, viewpoint or view corridor	0
	Significant wildlife or salmonid habitat	5*
	Total	13

The DNRP-recommended score of 13 points results in a current use valuation of 40% of assessed value for the enrolled portion of the property.

- 5. Enrollment is contingent on submittal of a King Conservation District-approved farm management plan by **December 31, 2024**. There are several nuances with this.
 - A. Failure to qualify as farm and agricultural conservation land precludes the property from enrolling in PBRS at all.
 - B. If the property qualifies as farm and agricultural conservation land, it will then also qualify under the buffer to public or current use classified land (given the status of the abutting property) and as significant wildlife or salmonid habitat (because the pastureland supports foraging by, and important habitat/bedding area for, elk—a species of local importance).
 - C. If the property qualifies as farm and agricultural conservation land *and* that farm management plan incorporates into the farm the 0.66 acre-area south of the road (highlighted in green on the map), the enrolled acreage will increase from 3.40 to 4.06.
- 6. As to the land area recommended for PBRS enrollment, the Applicant requested 5.00 acres and DNRP recommends 3.40 acres, with the potential for an additional 0.66 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.)
- 7. Except as modified herein, we find the facts set forth in DNRP's preliminary report and testimony at the May 29, 2024, public hearing correct and we incorporate them by reference. We will provide copies of this report and DNRP's report to the Metropolitan King County Council for final approval.
- 8. Contingent approval of 13 points and a current use valuation of 40% of assessed value for 3.40 acres, and conditional approval of that valuation for 4.06 acres, are 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:

- 1. APPROVE a current use valuation of 40% of assessed value for the 3.40-acre enrolled portion of the property, CONTINGENT on submittal of a King Conservation District-approved farm management plan by **December 31, 2024**.
- 2. CONDITIONALLY APPROVE an additional 0.66 acres for enrollment at 40% of assessed value, if that farm management plan incorporates into the farm the 0.66 acrearea south of the road.

DATED June 12, 2024.

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David Spohr King County Hearing Examiner

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A party may appeal an Examiner report and recommendation by following the steps described in KCC 20.22.230. By **4:30 p.m.** on *July 8, 2024*, an electronic appeal statement must be sent to <u>Clerk.Council@kingcounty.gov</u>, to <u>hearingexaminer@kingcounty.gov</u>, and to the party email addresses on the front page of this report and recommendation. Please consult KCC 20.22.230 for the exact filing requirements.

If a party fails to timely file an appeal, the Council does not have jurisdiction to consider that appeal. Conversely, if the appeal requirements of KCC 20.22.230 are met, the Examiner will notify parties and interested persons and will provide information about next steps in the appeal process.

MINUTES OF THE MAY 29, 2024, HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF ESTATE OF DAVID KNADLE, FILE NO. E23CT016A

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

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

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