



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

Ordinance 19172

Proposed No. 2020-0216.2

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 Joshua Cowart and
5 Jessica Benardout for property located at 19414 257th
6 Avenue SE, Maple Valley, WA, designated department of
7 natural resources and parks, water and land resources
8 division file no. E19CT019.

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 August 13,
13 2020, to approve subject to conditions, the application for public benefit rating system
14 assessed valuation for open space submitted by Joshua Cowart and Jessica Benardout for
15 property located at 19414 257th Avenue SE, Maple Valley, WA, designated department
16 of natural resources and parks, water and land resources division file no. E19CT019, 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 19172 was introduced on 7/7/2020 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 9/29/2020, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, 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
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Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

Attachments: A. Hearing Examiner's Report dated August 13, 2020

Ordinance 19172

August 13, 2020

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

SUBJECT: Department of Natural Resources and Parks file no. **E19CT019**
Proposed ordinance no. **2020-0216**
Parcel nos. **0222069110 and 0222069062**

JOSHUA COWART AND JESSICA BENARDOUT

Open Space Taxation Application (Public Benefit Rating System)

Location: 19414 257th Avenue SE, Maple Valley

Applicants: **Joshua Cowart and Jessica Benardout**
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Kent, WA 98030
Telephone: (206) 310-4093
Email: joshuacowart@Hotmail.com

King County: Department of Natural Resources and Parks
represented by **Megan Kim**
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SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Department's Recommendation: Approve 8.01 acres for 30% of assessed value
Examiner's Recommendation: Approve 8.01 acres for 30% of assessed value

PRELIMINARY REPORT:

On July 22, 2020, the Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP) submitted its report on file no. E19CT019 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 July 30, 2020.

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:	Joshua Cowart and Jessica Benardout 25052 104th Avenue SE Kent, WA 98030
Location:	19414 257th Avenue SE, Maple Valley
STR:	NE 2-22-6
Zoning:	RA5
Parcel nos.:	0222069110, 0222069062
Total acreage:	9.26 acres (two parcels)

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 2020. 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 ~~strike through~~ 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:	<u>Open Space Resources</u>	
	Aquifer protection area	5
	Buffer to public or current use land	0
	Forest stewardship land	5
	Significant plant or ecological site	0
	Significant wildlife or salmonid habitat	5
	Special animal site	0

<i>Watershed protection area</i>	5
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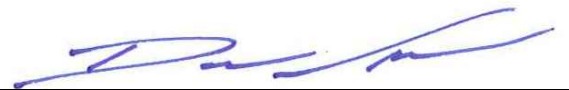
The DNRP-recommended score of 20 points results in a current use valuation of 30% of assessed value for the enrolled portion of the property.

4. As to the land area recommended for PBRS enrollment, the Applicant requested a total of 8.26 acres and DNRP recommends a total of 8.01 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 July 30, 2020, 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 of 20 points and a current use valuation of 30% of assessed value for 8.01 acres of the property 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:

APPROVE a current use valuation of 30% of assessed value for the 8.01-acre enrolled portion of the property.

DATED August 13, 2020.



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 *September 7, 2020*, 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 *September 7, 2020*, 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 *September 7, 2020*, the Examiner will notify all parties and interested persons and provide information about “next steps.”

MINUTES OF THE JULY 30, 2020, HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF JOSHUA COWART AND JESSICA BENARDOUT, FILE NO. E19CT019

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

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

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| 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 |
| Exhibit no. 6 | Forest Stewardship Plan |

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