

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

MOTION NO. 21-279

AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF THE GRANTEE CERTIFICATION DOCUMENT FOR A GRANT WITH WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO DEVELOP A FOOD AND FARMING CENTER (S22174) AT McCOLLUM PIONEER PARK

WHEREAS, McCollum Pioneer Park 78-acre park property was acquired by the County in 1922; and

WHEREAS, gravel mining commenced in 1929 and converted into refuse disposal in 1948 through 1967 as Emarder Landfill; and

WHEREAS, a soil cover was installed and subsequently purchased by the Downers Grove Park District in 1972 and was developed to become today's McCollum Pioneer Park; and

WHEREAS, in 1980, Park Administration offices and maintenance building were built and were turned over in 1984 to house the Washington State Extension Services; and

WHEREAS, in early 1990s, the landfill surface was stripped and major improvements were made in developing ballfields, trails, playground and a BMX track; and

WHEREAS, in May 2012 a Snohomish County Growers Alliance Market Business Plan was developed; and

WHEREAS, in February 2017, a Snohomish County Food Hub Business Plan was developed; and

WHEREAS, in April 2021 a Food and Farming Center Feasibility Study was conducted; and

WHEREAS, several sites were studied for a Food and Farming Center and McCollum Pioneer Park was selected for its accessibility and location; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 a grant application was submitted to Washington State Legislature and was successfully awarded for the amount of \$2,550,000 with \$50,000 deducted for administrative charges: a receiving total of \$2,500,000; and

WHEREAS, the project includes design and engineering for the Commercial/ Demonstration Kitchens with classrooms and offices (a three story 13,500 square feet structure) and renovation of an existing building (7,500 SF) for aggregation, processing and distribution; and


WHEREAS, the project requires a Grantee Certification document to be executed between Snohomish County and Washington State Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, once the Grantee Certification document is executed by the County the Washington State Department of Commerce will then issue a Contract Agreement to be signed by both parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON MOTION, the Snohomish County Council hereby approves and authorizes the County Executive to sign the Grantee Certification for the administering the Grant as well as any subsequent Contract Agreements to the Grant.

PASSED this 1st of September, 2021.

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Council Vice-Chair

ATTEST:



Asst. Clerk of the Council