

Committee: Public Infrastructure and Conservation Analyst: Deb Evison Bell

ECAF: 2023-0649 **Proposal:** Motion 23-243

Date: June 20, 2023

Consideration

The proposed motion would approve and authorize the Property Officer of the Department of Facilities Management to execute, on behalf of the County, the Donation Agreement and take all actions consistent with the Donation Agreement that are reasonably necessary to consummate the transaction. The authorized actions include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) executing closing documents; (ii) approved the Donee's settlement statement; (iii) paying reasonable closing costs actually incurred, under Snohomish County Charter 2.140.

Background

The 2015 adopted Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan, Snohomish County Park and Recreation Element, includes a goal to provide open space and natural areas. An undeveloped 0.48-acre parcel (Tax Parcel No. 00557300100300) adjacent to the South Fork of the Stillaguamish River, located adjacent to Riverscene Park, encompasses these goals. The parcel has been planted with evergreen trees to enhance the riparian corridor and provide a natural buffer to the adjacent park.

The acceptance of this land donation would eliminate potential conflicts with Park users that may be disturbed by the public use of the site for river access.

Current Proposal

Scope: The proposed motion would authorize acquisition of 0.48 acres of real property adjacent to Riverscene Park in Granite Fall and approve the acceptance via donation of the real property owned by MSR Foundation, USA, Inc. to Snohomish County Parks for permanent conservation.

Duration: NA

Fiscal Implications: Closing costs of \$1,500; authorized expenditure within the 2023 budget.

2023 Budget: NA

Budget Impacts: NA Handling: NORMAL

Approved-as-to-form: Yes
Risk Management: Yes

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE.

Request: The requested action is to move to GLS on June 28, 2023, for consideration.