## SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

## **MOTION NO. 21-126**

## ALLOCATION OF CONSERVATION FUTURES PROPERTY TAX FUNDS AND RETURN TO FUND BALANCE

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Code Chapter 4.14 establishes the Snohomish County Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund and the Conservation Futures Program Advisory Board, which duties include the review and recommendation of applications for projects to be funded with Conservation Futures Property Tax Funds; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County advertised the opportunity for project sponsors to submit applications for Conservation Futures Property Tax Funds and received 2 (Two) applications from a non-profit organization, and Snohomish County itself by the application due date of February 26th, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2021 the Conservation Futures Program Advisory Board listened to the presentations, reviewed the project proposals and voted to recommend fully funding 2 (Two) projects for funding totaling \$273,500.00 through the Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund; and

WHEREAS, recommendations by the Conservation Futures Program Advisory Board are forwarded through the Snohomish County Executive to the Snohomish County Council for review and consideration;

WHEREAS, funds from the unsuccessful Shelton View Forest project in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00), funds from the unsuccessful East Monroe Heritage Site project in the amount of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) and funds from the unsuccessful Tillman Farms Conservation Easement project in the amount of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00), totaling one million, eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000.00) will be returned to the Conservation Futures fund balance.

NOW, THEREFORE, ON MOTION, the County Council of Snohomish County approves the following:

<u>Section 1.</u> The following project recommendation(s) are hereby approved for funding allocation with proceeds from the Snohomish County Conservation Futures Property Tax Fund:

SPONSOR	PROJECT	FUNDING
Snohomish County DCNR	Heybrook Ridge	\$209,500.00
Forterra	Stillaguamish Valley Protection-Albert Farm	\$64,000.00

<u>Section 2.</u> The following recommendation to return the unsuccessful project grant funds to the Conservation Futures fund balance is hereby approved.

PROJECT	FUNDING
Shelton View Forest	\$1,000,000.00
East Monroe Heritage Site	\$500,000.00
Tillman Farms Conservation Easement	\$300,000.00
	Shelton View Forest  East Monroe Heritage Site

<u>Section 3.</u> Property acquisitions, future uses, and associated documentation shall comply with all the requirements and provisions of RCW 84.34.230 and Snohomish County Code Chapter 4.14.

<u>Section 4</u>. The Snohomish County Executive is authorized to execute all Agreements with the project sponsors, together with all related documents, including amendments in order to provide reimbursement funding up to the total amount of \$273,500.00.

<u>Section 5.</u> The Snohomish County Executive is authorized to execute all appraisal contracts and Purchase and Sale Agreements, including amendments in order to facilitate closing of these approved transactions.

Section 6. The Snohomish County Executive or the Property Officer of Facilities Management is authorized to take all actions consistent with the Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreements that are reasonably necessary to complete the transactions contemplated by the Purchase and Sale Agreements. The authorized actions include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) executing closing documents (ii) paying reasonable closing costs actually incurred and (iii) execute any other document necessary to complete the authorized purchases on behalf of the Snohomish County.

PASSED this 5th day of April, 2021

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

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ATTEST:

Asst. Clerk of the Counci