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May 4, 2023

Evergreen Land Trust Attn: Teresa Vaughn 18318 Periwinkle Lane Mount Vernon, WA 98274

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Open Space Application No. 3223 - Non-Receipt of Open Space Taxation Agreement

On May 18, 2022, the Snohomish County Council passed Motion No. 22-178, approving your application for current use assessment under Chapter 84.34 RCW to classify 7.9 acres of your property as Open Space General. We sent the Open Space Taxation Agreement, along with instructions for returning the agreement within 30 calendar days of receipt in order for approval to become effective *[pursuant to WAC 458-30-240(3)]*.

Based on the correspondence timeline below, the applicant has been provided additional and ample time to execute the Open Space Taxation Agreement and return the document to the County for recording:

Timeline:

- May 18, 2022 Council passed Motion 22-178 approving the Open Space Applications
- May 18, 2022 Open Space Tax Agreement sent via certified mail to 13401 184th St NE, Arlington, WA 98223 (address listed on application)
- June 13, 2022 Mail returned as undeliverable; email sent to Corey Snelson (contact person listed on application) to inform him of undelivered mail
- June 15, 2022 Email received from Corey Snelson stating that he is no longer with Evergreen Land Trust with cc to Teresa Vaughn and Aviathar Pemberton
- June 24, 2022 Email sent to Teresa Vaughn and Aviathar Pemberton requesting for a new mailing address
- June 26, 2022 Email received from Teresa Vaughn informing us of new address 18318 Periwinkle Ln, Mount Vernon, WA 98274
- June 28, 2022 Open Space Tax Agreement sent via certified mail to new address -18318 Periwinkle Ln, Mount Vernon, WA 98274
 - Council received return receipt for certified mail signed and dated July 12, 2022.
- October 5, 2022 Assessor's Office received a call from Peter Ledecky, inquiring on status of Open Space reclassification
- October 7, 2022 Email sent to Teresa Vaughn and Aviathar Pemberton inquiring on status of agreements
- October 7, 2022 Email received from Teresa Vaughn informing Council that the documents were misplaced and requested for a new set of paperwork
- October 7, 2022 Open Space Tax Agreement, Approval Letter with Instructions, and copy of Motion were emailed to Teresa Vaughn and Aviathar Pemberton

As of the date of this letter, we have not received any communication since the last email correspondence on October 7, 2022, indicating intent to submit the fully executed Open Space Taxation Agreement.

At this time, we regret to inform you that the County has considered your application withdrawn and conclusively presume that the Open Space Taxation Agreement has been rejected.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 425-388-3494 or by e-mail at elena.lao@snoco.org.

Sincerely,

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Elena Lao Deputy Clerk of the Council