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## KITSAP COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- 1 FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE KITSAP COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION, TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, REGARDING THE 2 RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE DAVID AND PAULA LAWRENCE CURRENT USE 3 ASSESSSMENT- OPEN SPACE APPLICATION 23-01029. 4 5 The Kitsap County Planning Commission finds as follows: 6 1) Washington State law (RCW 84.34) provides property tax relief for properties that meet 7 certain use requirements and that will be kept in open space. This law allows taxable 8 value of a parcel to be based on use, rather than market value. 9 2) Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence have applied for Current Use Assessment- Open Space on approximately 3.9-acres located in Section 04, Township 22 N, Range 1 E, in South Kitsap 10 County. 11 12 3) A Notice of Application was issued on April 20, 2023. No comments were received. 13 4) County staff, having reviewed the application and the Open Space plan for the subject property has found the application to be eligible for the current use classification of Open 14 Space Land. Properties qualifying for Open Space Land must be any land area which 15 would conserve or enhance natural or scenic resources; protect streams; promote 16 conservation of natural resources; enhance the value to the public of other open space 17 lands; enhance recreation opportunities; preserve historic sites; preserve visual qualities; 18 or retain in its natural state tracts of land not less than one acre situated in the urban area 19 and open to public use on such conditions as may be reasonably required by the 20 legislative body granting the open space classification. 21 5) The parcel is zoned Rural Residential, one dwelling unit per 5 acres. The property is 22 located at 13610 Glenwood Rd. S.W., near the intersection of SW Old Farm Rd. 23 24 NOW THEREFORE, the Kitsap County Planning Commission recommends to the Board of County Commissioners as follows: 25 26 RECOMMENDATION: Approval of the Lawrence Current Use- Open Space Application, as Amended and Approved by the Planning Commission of Kitsap County, Washington, at a 27 28 regular meeting thereof, held this day of June 6, 2023.

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Kitsap County Department of Community Development Lawrence Open Space #23-01029 Planning Commission Findings of Fact June 6, 2023