BEFORE THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

Applicant: Associated Investments LLC

Address: P.O. Box 30889

Seattle, WA 908113

File No: Current Use Open Space Land #11-2018

Request: To transfer 14.87 acres from Farm and Agriculture to

Current Use Open Space.

Location: West of SR 9, within S1/2NW1/4SW1/4 Sec.25, T34N, R4E,

W.M.

Assessor's Nos: P27834

Public Hearing: After reviewing the report of the Assessor's Office, the Hearing

Examiner conducted a public hearing on October 17, 2018.

Recommendation: Approval

FINDINGS

- 1. Associate Investments LLC seeks the transfer of property from Farm and Agriculture to Current Use Open Space Land. Associated Investments is owner of the property.
- 2. The property is Parcel No. P27834, located west of SR 9 within S1/2NW1/4SW1/4 Sec. 25, T34N, R4E, W.M.
- 3. The property is traditional farmland which no longer meets the income requirements for Farm and Agriculture. The request is to transfer 14.87 acres to Current Use Open Space.
- 4. Much of the parcel is currently in timber The open space classification would enhance the value to the public of abutting or neighboring open spaces.
- 5. The hearing was held after due notice. There was no public testimony and there were no written comments.
 - 6. The Examiner finds that the property meets the definition of the classification sought.
 - 7. The Staff recommends approval. The Examiner concurs with Staff.

RECOMMENDATION

The Examiner recommends approval of the application.

Wick Dufford, Hearing Examiner

Date: November 2, 2018

Copies transmitted to Applicant, Assessor's Office and County Commissioners:

November 2, 2018

Attachment: Staff Report and Exhibits