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**SOUND URBAN FORESTRY, LLC**

**Appraisals, Planning, Urban Landscape Design and Management**

**Patty Mosure Short Plat**

**54<sup>th</sup> Ave SE**

**Lacey, WA**

**Case #20-191**

Preliminary Tree Retention Review

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Prepared for: Patty Mosure, Property Owner

City of Lacey, Community and Economic Development Dept.

Prepared by: Kevin M. McFarland, City of Lacey, Tree Protection Professional

Date: 6/11/2021

## **Introduction**

Upon the request of Patty Mosure, I have conducted a review at the site of the proposed short plat within TPN 11834320000. As part of annexation and short plat process, I have been asked to provide my recommendations regarding the health of the trees within the property and suitability for retention. I visited the site on June 3, 2021.

## **Project and Site Description**

It is my understanding that the applicant is proposing to divide the southern portion of the parcel into 3 residential lots to be accessed from 53<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE while the remainder of the parcel will be designated as wetland and its associated buffer (Tract "A").

The site is currently undeveloped with the majority forested. Understory vegetation is a mixture of native and non-native species and includes: snowberry, sword and bracken ferns, tall mahonia, service berry, field grass, Himalayan blackberry, Scotch broom, oso berry, English ivy, hawthorn and holly, hazelnut and wild crabapple.

## **Tree Retention**

There are several Oregon white oaks and a large Douglas fir that are located in the southern portion of the property, in good condition and are excellent candidates for retention. In discussions with the property owner and representative, the location of the access road and drives are still in the preliminary phases and it is very possible that these trees can be saved. The approximate locations of these trees are noted on the attached site plan and they will be marked in the field with pink ribbon.

Based on these findings, I am requesting the following prior to final approval:

- The trees be surveyed and located on the preliminary site plan or future designs so that any conflicts with site improvements can be determined. Efforts should be made with site adjustments to accommodate these trees.
- The final wetland buffer location be determined and noted on the plan.

## **Off-Site Trees**

I did not identify any off-site trees that may be impacted by this project.

## **Tree Tract**

It appears that the 5% tree tract requirement will be satisfied by Tract "A".

## **Tree Protection**

Tree protection measures will be determined once the locations of the trees within the area to be developed and which trees are to be retained are established.

Professionally submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kevin M. McFarland". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'K' and 'M'.

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Approximate Locations of Potential Retention Trees

