

MEMORANDUM

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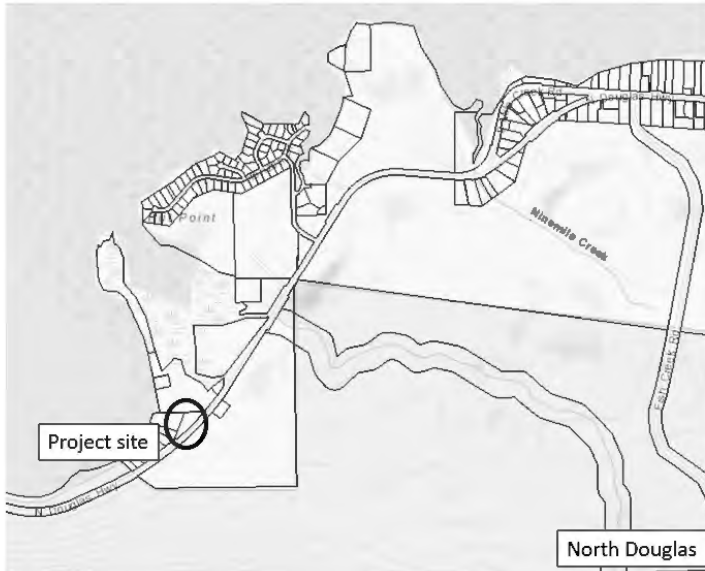
TO: Michelle Hale, Chair of the Assembly Lands Housing and Economic Development Committee

FROM: Dan Bleidorn, Lands and Resources Manager *Daniel Bleidorn*

SUBJECT: Reiswig Request to Purchase City Property adjacent to 11260 Douglas Highway

DATE: April 28, 2022

The Lands Office has received a request to purchase city property from Jon and Susanne Reiswig, the owners of 12260 Douglas Highway. The Reiswigs propose to purchase a fraction of the adjacent City property in order to subdivide their lot. According to the application, there is currently insufficient land to access the highway so they are requesting around 1,400 square feet of City property.



The City property is a large 92-acre parcel transected by Douglas Highway, with the sub-parcel created by the Highway is 1.5 acres. The requested property is managed by Lands and the 2016 Land Management Plan designated this property as retain/dispose. The Plan also states that this property could be utilized for a future residential subdivision. The northern part of the City property has Fish Creek running through it and is designated as retain in the Plan.

53.09.260 - Negotiated sales, leases, and exchanges.

(a) *Application, initial review, assembly authority to negotiate.* Upon application, approval by the manager, and payment of a \$500.00 fee, a person or business entity may submit a written proposal to lease, purchase, exchange, or otherwise acquire City and Borough land for a specified purpose. The proposal shall be reviewed by the assembly for a determination of whether the proposal should be further

considered and, if so, whether by direct negotiation with the original proposer or by competition after an invitation for further proposals. Upon direction of the assembly by motion, the manager may commence negotiations for the lease, sale, exchange, or other disposal of City and Borough land.

The next step in the process is for this application to be forwarded to the Assembly as New Business to make a determination under 53.09.260. In order to dispose of this property, the Assembly must adopt an ordinance authorizing the sale after the Planning Commission has had the opportunity to review it.

Staff request that the Lands, Housing and Economic Development Committee forward this application to the Assembly with a motion of support for disposal of City property to Jon and Susanne Reiswig.

Attachments:

1. Jon and Susanne Reiswig Applicant to Purchase City Property