TO: City Council

FROM: Dan Smith, Director of Water Resources & Sustainability Department

DATE: November 6, 2023

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Tumwater and LOTT Clean Water

Alliance Regarding a Purchase and Sale Agreement for Properties in the Deschutes

Valley

1) Recommended Action:

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the City of Tumwater and LOTT Clean Water Alliance (LOTT) Regarding a Purchase and Sale Agreement for Properties in the Deschutes Valley. Public Works Committee recommended this MOU for approval at their October 19, 2023 meeting.

2) <u>Background</u>:

In late 2011, LOTT acquired former Brewery properties in the Deschutes Valley for projects proposed in LOTT's master plan intended for the construction and operation of a satellite reclaimed water treatment plant. During its most recent master plan update, LOTT identified preferred treatment alternatives for reclaimed water at existing facilities, and the Deschutes Valley properties are no longer needed. This MOU provides the City time to conduct a feasibility review and due diligence regarding a potential acquisition of the properties.

3) Policy Support:

- 1. Opportunity | We seize opportunities to improve our community's social, environmental, and economic well-being. We endeavor to realize positive opportunities in adverse situations and periods of change.
- 2. Environment | We act to preserve and enhance the natural environment and the social fabric of our community.
- 3. Be a Leader in Environmental Sustainability Include environmental protection in City projects.

4) Alternatives:

■ None. The intent of this project is to evaluate alternatives for Council consideration.

5) Fiscal Notes:

Staff will solicit consultant support to assist analysis of property, overall value, and synthesis of City priorities, including municipal access, habitat restoration, transportation, and community events. Professional Services are estimated to be less than \$50,000 and shall be funded by the Storm Fund and General Fund.

6) Attachments:

A. Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Tumwater and LOTT Clean Water Alliance Regarding a Purchase and Sale Agreement for Properties in the Deschutes Valley