# Public Benefit Rating System (PBRS) Application

#### **City Council Public Hearing and Action**

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September 6, 2022



#### **Recommended Action**

Hold the Public Hearing on Resolution No. 10133, and following the Public Hearing, consider approval of the application subject to the same conditions enumerated in the King County staff report.

### Agenda

- 1. Context
- 2. Application Process
- 3. King County Approval
- 4. City's Review
- 5. Action



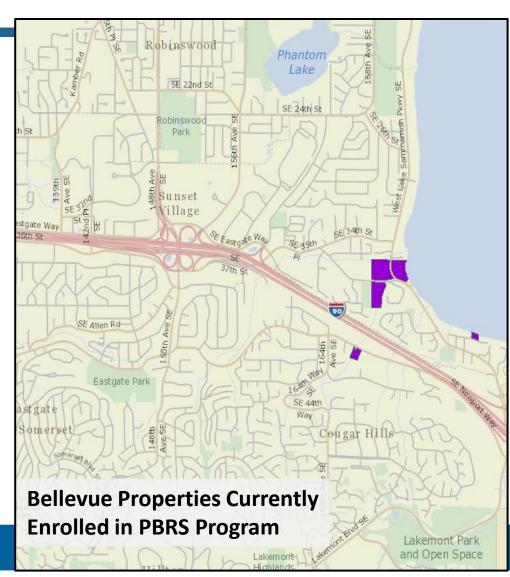
# Public Benefit Rating System (PBRS) Program

- Open Space Taxation Act (the "Act") enacted in 1970
- Voluntary resource conservation on private property
- Preserve, protect or restore open space resources, such as buffers to streams and wetlands, ground water, wildlife habitat, etc.
- In exchange for tax incentive
- Administered by King County



### **PBRS Program Cont'd**

- First application for Bellevue
- King County & Bellevue are granting authorities
- Either can approve, approve with conditions or deny
- Conditions imposed, must be identical
- If approved, tax benefit starts the following year





# Timiri & Ostergaard PBRS Application Process

King County Council Public Hearing June 21 Bellevue City Council Public Hearing Sept 6

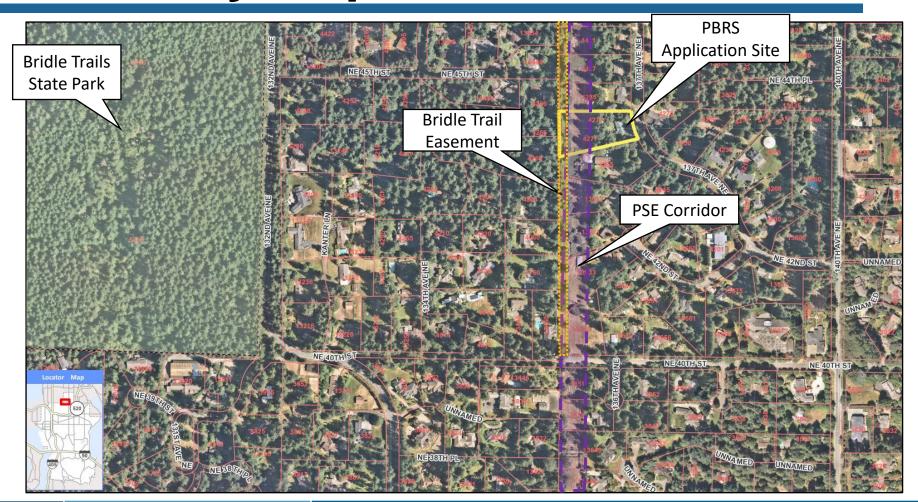
2023 Tax Reduction in effect



Required Public Notice August 22 Open Space Taxation Agreement Fall 2022



# Vicinity Map



## Timiri and Ostergaard property

**Property Address: 4277 137th Avenue NE** 

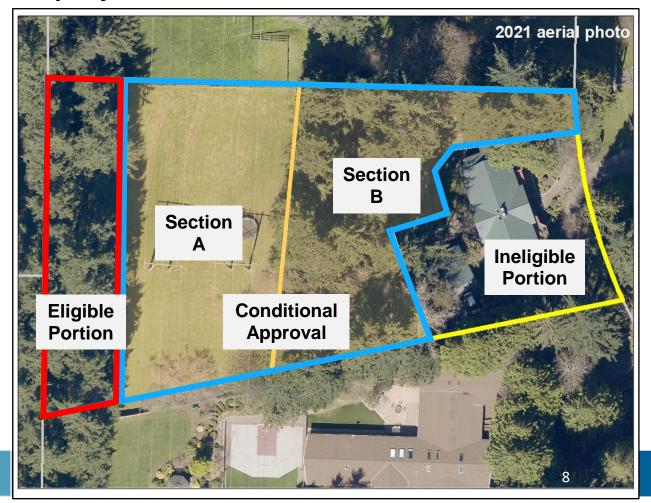
Eligible Portion = 0.23 ac

**Conditional Approval:** 

**Section A =** 0.46 ac

**Section B =** 0.41 ac

Max. Potential
Enrollment Area = 1.1 ac







### **King County Approval**

- Approved Land Area:
  - 0.23 acres
- Approved Categories:
  - Public recreation area (5 points)
  - Unlimited public access (5 points)
- · Award:
  - Entitled to 10 points
  - 10 points = 50% tax reduction for 0.23 ac
  - Annual Tax Reduction \$278 (City reduction \$28)



# King County Approval

- Conditionally Approved Land Area:
  - Up to 1.1 acres (include Sections A & B)
- Conditionally Approved Categories
  - Resource restoration (5 points)
  - Urban open space (5 points)
- Possible Award:
  - Additional 10 points for a total of <u>20 points</u>
  - 20 points = 70% tax reduction for 1.1 acres
  - Annual tax reduction of \$4,298 (City reduction \$443)



#### City's Review of Application

#### **Evaluation Criteria:**

- (a) The resulting revenue loss or tax shift;
- (b) Whether granting the application will;
  - (i) conserve or enhance natural, cultural, or scenic resources,
  - (ii) protect streams, stream corridors, wetlands, natural shorelines and aquifers,
  - (iii) protect soil resources and unique or critical wildlife and native plant habitat,
  - (iv) promote conservation principles by example or by offering educational opportunities,
  - (v) enhance the value of abutting or neighboring parks, forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations, sanctuaries, or other open spaces,
  - (vi) enhance recreation opportunities,
  - (vii) preserve historic and archaeological sites,
  - (viii) preserve visual quality along highway, road, and street corridors or scenic vistas,
  - (ix) affect any other factors relevant in weighing benefits to the general welfare of preserving the current use of the property

# City's Decision

#### Council may decide:

Option A (staff recommendation)	Approve with King County's conditions	
Option B	Approve with different conditions	
Option C	Deny	

Option A Explained				
	Land Area	Tax Reduction	Annual City Revenue Impact	
Approve	0.23 ac	50%	~(\$28.67)	
Conditionally Approve	1.1 ac	70%	~(\$443.21)	

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