SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION ORDER ASSESSMENT YEAR 2024 – TAX YEAR 2025

February 12, 2025

Greg Monaghan 2908 17th Street Anacortes, WA 98221 PETITIONER: Greg Monaghan

PETITION NO: 24-046 PARCEL NO: P127445

ASSESSOR'S VALUE

BOE VALUE DETERMINATION

LAND	\$ 477,400	\$ 477,400
IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 980,700	\$ 980,700
TOTAL	\$ 1,458,100	\$ 1,458,100

The petitioner was not present at the February 6, 2025, hearing.

This property is described as a residential home situated on .32 acres located at 2908 17th Street, Anacortes, Skagit County, Washington. The appellant cites, lot # 25 in the Highlands, immediately juxtaposition to our property, sold for \$350,000 on 10-13-2020, to the previous owners of lot #24, to protect their southern view of the forest trees. Those owners have since moved. Lot #25 remains un-resold, after recently asking \$425,000 (currently off market). It had a 2024 assessed value of only \$410,100. Lot #25, which initially became available in 2008, has never been bought for a future building project.

The Assessor, represented by Deputy Assessor Doug Webb, provided a response to the appeal, noting that the assessor's market evidence provided support for the current assessment. The Assessor requests the board sustain the current evaluation.

BOE members present were Rich Holtrop, Angie Bossarte, and Betta Spinelli.

The burden of proof is on the petitioner to provide clear, cogent, and convincing evidence to support the appeal. In this case, the petitioner did not submit sufficient evidence to support a reduction. The petitioner cites a property that is not developed, while the assessor cites eleven properties with a range of \$1.2 Million and \$1.75 Million. These eleven properties bracket the subject property; therefore, the Board finds that the petitioner has failed to overcome the evidentiary standard necessary to overrule the assessor.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously upholds the Assessor.

Skagit County Board of Equalization

Dated:

Rich Holtrop, Chair

Mailed:

Crystal Carter, Clerk of the Board

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