## SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION ORDER ASSESSMENT YEAR 2023 – TAX YEAR 2024

March 3, 2025

Bryan Cox 14779 Lexington Ave Anacortes, WA 98221 PETITIONER: Bryan Cox PETITION NO:24-334 PARCEL NO: P73148

## ASSESSOR'S VALUE

## **BOE VALUE DETERMINATION**

LAND	\$ 266,500	\$ 186,500
<b>IMPROVEMENTS</b>	\$ 742,300	\$ 742,300
TOTAL	\$ 1,008,800	\$ 928,800

The petitioner was present at the February 20, 2025, hearing.

This property is described as a residential home situated on 3.29 acres located at 14779 Lexington Avenue, Anacortes, Skagit County, Washington. The appellant cites, my home is 20 years old, and my value went up 18%. I am on the poor side of Campbell Lake. My neighbors have questionable property, there are trees growing out of cars and they are unkept. This should drive my property value down, not up.

The Assessor, represented by Deputy Assessor Brian Herring and Douglas Webb, provided a response to the appeal, noting that the assessor's market evidence provided support for the current assessment. They asked that due to lack of clear, cogent, and convincing evidence from the petitioner, the Board sustain the current valuation.

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

The petitioner provided pictorial evidence and oral testimony to support a reduction of value in the land. The petitioner provided pictorial evidence and oral testimony in support of the request for a value reduction. The visible external obsolescence noted due to neighboring property conditions results in a loss of appeal and marketability. Therefore, the Board finds that the petitioner has provided ample documentation to overcome the standard necessary to overrule the assessor.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board overrules the Assessor and assigns a new assessed value of \$928,800.

Dated:

Rich Holtrop, Chair

Mailed:

Crystal Carter, Clerk of the Board

Skagit County Board of Equalization

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