IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH

KARL ALLEN SPECHT, Petitioner/Plaintiff, v. SNOHOMISH COUNTY, Respondent/Defendant.	NO. 25-2-09485-31 DECLARATION OF DOUGLAS W. MCCORMICK IN SUPPORT OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR MANDAMUS

I, DOUGLAS W. MCCORMICK, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the following is true and correct:

1. I am the County Engineer for Snohomish County and the Deputy Director of the Snohomish County Department of Public Works. I am competent to testify to the matters set forth in this declaration.

2. The right-of-way known as Hillman Place was dedicated to Snohomish County in 1909 through a recorded plat titled "C.D. Hillman's Birmingham Water Front Addition to the City of Everett." The dedicated right-of-way known as Hillman Place is not paved to the terminus of the right-of-way. The pavement ends approximately 35 feet short of the terminus. The paved portion of the right-of-way is called "opened right-of-way" or "maintained right-of-way" under Snohomish County Code (SCC) 13.02.342. The paved

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portion of the right-of-way is considered a "public road" under SCC 13.02.350 and is meant for public vehicular traffic. The remaining 35 feet of unimproved right-of-way is called "unopened right-of-way" or "unmaintained right-of-way" under SCC 13.02.345 and is not meant for public vehicular traffic.

3. The County has not vacated any portion of Hillman Place right-of-way. The public may use all portions of the Hillman Place right-of-way, except that vehicular traffic may only use the opened right-of-way.

4. Although the 1909 plat dedicated right-of-way for Soundview Place (now Soundview Drive) and Hillman Place that is 50 feet in width, the paved public road leading to Hillman Place is narrow. Leading up to and at the terminus of Hillman Place the paved public road is only 12-feet to 13-feet wide.

5. Under section 3-01 of the Snohomish County Engineering Design and Development Standards (EDDS), all public roads are designated fire lanes. Fire lanes cannot be less than 20 feet in unobstructed width. Parking is not allowed within the 20-foot minimum width.

6. All "no parking" signage at and leading to Hillman Place was authorized and placed by the County. The width of the paved Hillman Place right-of-way is substandard under the EDDS. Allowing parking along Hillman Place would exacerbate this substandard condition.

7. Under section 3-10 of the EDDS, a road end is the physical termination of the traveled way. For Hillman Place, this is where the maintained right-of way, or pavement, ends. To allow proper clearance for emergency vehicles to turn around at a road

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end, the EDDS requires a road end in a cul-de-sac, with a minimum outside paved radius of 40 feet. This clearance does not exist at the Hillman Place terminus. Allowing parking at the terminus of Hillman Place would exacerbate an already substandard condition.

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