

**DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT  
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- E. Parks and Open Space.....Phase I , II & III
- F. Fire Department SEPA Measures.....Phase I

**Section 15. Access, Roads and Open Space.** Except as otherwise provided herein, the Developer shall petition the Council to vacate South First Street adjacent to the development within ninety (90) days of the Effective Date of this Agreement. The Developer shall provide easements for access, egress, utilities and open space as follows:

- a) Open Space Public Areas. With regard to open space public amenities within the Subject Property, each site shall have an easement on the site map for the phases of the development that are approved and recorded, as shown in Exhibit A, attached hereto.
- b) Private Road Easements. Easements shall be established following the vacation of the South First Street 800 Block adjacent to the development.
  - i. An easement for emergency vehicle and public access from Caledonia Street along the vacated South First Street right-of-way.
  - ii. An easement extending from South First Street through the development to Caledonia Street for vehicle access/egress and public utilities.

**Section 16. Default.**

- a) Subject to extensions of time by mutual consent in writing, failure or delay by either party or Landowner not released from this Agreement, to perform any term or provision of this Agreement shall constitute a default. In the event of alleged default or breach of any terms or conditions of this Agreement, the party alleging such default or breach shall give the other party or Landowner not less than thirty (30) days notice in writing, specifying the nature of the alleged default and the manner in which said default may be cured. During this thirty (30) day period, the party or Landowner charged shall not be considered in default for purposes of termination or institution of legal proceedings.

b) After notice and expiration of the thirty (30) day period, if such default has not been cured or is not being diligently cured in the manner set forth in the notice, the other party or Landowner to this Agreement may, at its option, institute legal proceedings pursuant to this Agreement. In addition, the Town may decide to file an action to enforce the Town's Codes, and to obtain penalties and costs as provided in the La Conner Municipal Code for violations of this Development Agreement and the Code.

**Section 17. *Annual Review.*** The Town shall, at least every twelve (12) months during the term of this Agreement, review the extent of good faith substantial compliance by Developer and Landowner with this Agreement. The Town may charge fees as necessary to cover the costs of conducting the annual review.

**Section 18. *Termination.*** This Agreement shall expire and/or terminate as provided below:

- a) This Agreement shall expire and be of no further force and effect if the development contemplated in this Agreement and all of the permits and/or approvals issued by the Town for such development are not substantially underway prior to expiration of such permits and/or approvals. Nothing in this Agreement shall extend the expiration date of any permit or approval issued by the Town for any development.
- b) This Agreement shall expire and be of no further force and effect if the Developer does not construct the Project as contemplated by the permits and approvals identified in this Agreement, and submits applications for development of the Property that are inconsistent with such permits and approvals.
- c) This Agreement shall terminate upon the expiration of the term identified in Section 7 above or when the Subject Property has been fully developed, whichever first occurs, and all of the Developer's obligations in connection therewith are satisfied as determined by the Town. Upon termination of this Agreement, the Town shall record a notice of such termination in a form satisfactory to the Town Attorney that the Agreement has been terminated. This Agreement shall automatically terminate and be of no further force and effect as to any single-family residence, any other residential dwelling unit or any non-residential building and the lot or parcel upon which such residence or building is located, when it has been approved by the Town for occupancy.

**Section 19. *Effect upon Termination on Developer Obligations.*** Termination of this Agreement as to the Developer of the Subject Property or any portion thereof shall not affect any of the Developer's obligations to comply with the Town Comprehensive Plan and the terms and conditions or any applicable zoning code(s) or subdivision map or other land use entitlements approved with respect to the Subject Property, any other conditions of any other development specified in the Agreement to continue after the termination of this Agreement or obligations to pay assessments, liens, fees or taxes.

**Section 20. *Effects upon Termination on Town.*** Upon any termination of this Agreement as to the Developer of the Subject Property, or any portion thereof, the

entitlements, conditions of development, limitations on fees and all other terms and conditions of this Agreement shall no longer be vested hereby with respect to the property affected by such termination (provided that vesting of such entitlements, conditions or fees may then be established for such property pursuant to then existing planning and zoning laws).

**Section 21. Assignment and Assumption.** The Developer shall have the right to sell, assign or transfer this Agreement with all their rights, title and interests therein to any person, firm or corporation at any time during the term of this Agreement. Developer shall provide the Town with written notice of any intent to sell, assign, or transfer all or a portion of the Subject Property, at least thirty (30) days in advance of such action.

**Section 22. Covenants Running with the Land.** The conditions and covenants set forth in this Agreement and incorporated herein by the Exhibits shall run with the land and the benefits and burdens shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties. The Developer, Landowner and every purchaser, assignee or transferee with an interest in the Subject Property, or any portion thereof, shall be obligated and bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and shall be the beneficiary thereof and a party thereto, but only with respect to the Subject Property, or such portion thereof, sold, assigned or transferred to it. Any such purchaser, assignee or transferee shall observe and fully perform all of the duties and obligations of a Developer contained in this Agreement, as such duties and obligations pertain to the portion of the Subject Property sold, assigned or transferred to it.

**Section 23. Amendment to Agreement; Effect of Agreement on Future Actions.** This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of all of the parties, provided that any such amendment shall follow the process established by law for the adoption of a development agreement (see, RCW 36.70B.200 and UDC 15.135.230) However, nothing in this Agreement shall prevent the Town Council from making any amendment to its Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Code, Official Zoning Map or development regulations affecting the Subject Property during the next five (5) years, as the Town Council may deem necessary to the extent required by a serious threat to public health and safety. Nothing in this Development Agreement shall prevent the Town Council from making any amendments of any type to the Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Code, Official Zoning Map or development regulations relating to the Subject Property five (5) years from the anniversary date of the Effective Date of this Agreement.

**Section 24. Releases.** Developer, and any subsequent Landowner, may free itself from further obligations relating to the sold, assigned, or transferred property, provided that the buyer, assignee or transferee expressly assumes the obligations under this Agreement as provided herein.

**Section 25. Notices.** Notices, demands, or correspondence to the Town and Developer shall be sufficiently given if dispatched by pre-paid first-class mail to the addresses of the parties as designated in Section 5 above. Notice to the Town shall be to the attention of both the Town Administrator and the Town Attorney. Notices to subsequent Landowners shall be required to be given by the Town only for those

Landowners who have given the Town written notice of their address for such notice. The parties hereto may, from time to time, advise the other of new addresses for such notices, demands or correspondence.

**Section 26. *Reimbursement for Agreement Expenses of the Town.*** Developer agrees to reimburse the Town for actual expenses incurred over and above fees paid by Developer as an applicant incurred by Town directly relating to this Agreement, including recording fees, publishing fees and reasonable staff and legal costs not otherwise included within application fees. This Agreement shall not take effect until the fees provided for in this Section. Upon payment of all expenses, the Developer may request written acknowledgement of all fees. Such payment of all fees shall be paid, at the latest, within thirty (30) days from the Town's presentation of a written statement of charges to the Developer.

**Section 27. *Applicable Law and Attorney Fees.*** This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the state of Washington. If litigation is initiated to enforce the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its reasonable attorney fees and costs from the non-prevailing party. Venue for any action shall lie in Skagit County Superior Court.

**Section 28. *Third Party Legal Challenge.*** In the event any legal action or special proceeding is commenced by any person or entity other than a party or a Landowner to challenge this Agreement or any provision herein, the Town may elect to tender the defense of such lawsuit or individual claims in the lawsuit to Developer and/or Landowner(s). In such event, Developer and/or such Landowners shall hold the Town harmless from and defend the Town from all costs and expenses incurred in the defense of such lawsuit or individual claims in the lawsuit, including but not limited to, attorney fees and expenses of litigation, and damages awarded to the prevailing party or parties in such litigation. The Developer and/or Landowner shall not settle any lawsuit without the consent of the Town. The Town shall act in good faith and shall not unreasonably withhold consent to settle.

**Section 29. *Specific Performance.*** The parties specifically agree that damages are not an adequate remedy for breach of this Agreement, and that the parties are entitled to compel specific performance of all material terms of this Development Agreement by any party in default hereof.

**Section 30. *Severability.*** If any phrase, provision or section of this Agreement is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, or if any provision of this Agreement is rendered invalid or unenforceable according to the terms of any statute of the state of Washington which became effective after the effective date of the ordinance adopting this Agreement, and either party in good faith determines that such provision or provisions are material to its entering into this Agreement, that party may elect to terminate this Agreement as to all of its obligations remaining unperformed.

**Section 31. *Recordation.*** The Town may cause this Agreement to be recorded with the office of the Skagit County Auditor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the dates set forth below:

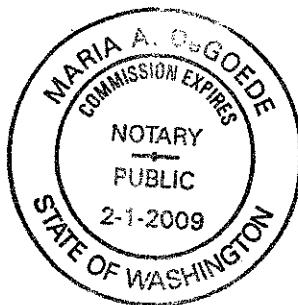
LA CONNER ASSOCIATES LLC:

By: Debra W. Jolley  
Its: La Conner  
Date: 5/15/07

STATE OF WASHINGTON )  
                          )  
                          ) ss.  
COUNTY OF SKAGIT    )

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2007 before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the state of Washington, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Vaughn W. Jolley to me known to be the Owner of La Conner Associates LLC the limited liability company that executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the said instrument to be the free and voluntary act and deed of said limited liability company, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and on oath stated that he/she is authorized to execute the said instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal hereto affixed the say and year first above written.



Maria A. DeGarde  
Notary Public  
Maria A. DeGarde  
Printed Name  
In and for the state of Washington  
Residing at: Bow, WA  
My commission expires: 2-1-09

**TOWN OF LA CONNER:**

By: Wayne Everton  
Its: Mayor  
Date: 5/10/07

**ATTESTATION:**

Lorraine Taylor  
TOWN CLERK/TREASURER

STATE OF WASHINGTON )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF SKAGIT )

On this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2007 before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the state of Washington, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Wayne Everton and Lorraine Taylor to me known to be the Mayor and Town Clerk/Treasurer, respectively, of the Town of La Conner, the municipal corporation that executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the said instrument to be the free and voluntary act and deed of said corporation, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and on oath stated that he is authorized to execute the said instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal hereto affixed the say and year first above written.



Wayne A. DeGoede  
Notary Public  
Maria A. DeGoede  
Printed Name  
In and for the State of Washington  
Residing at: Bow  
My commission expires: 2-1-09