

December 27, 2006

South King County Arboretum Foundation
Eric Larson, First Vice President
P.O. Box 72
Maple Valley, WA 98038

Dear Eric:

On behalf of the Maple Valley City Council, I am pleased to inform you that your request for funding in calendar year 2007 has been included in the City's 2007 Final Budget. The Council had a number of difficult choices to make this year, however, they believed your request was consistent with their prioritization.

The 2007 Final Budget includes the following approved funding for your agency:

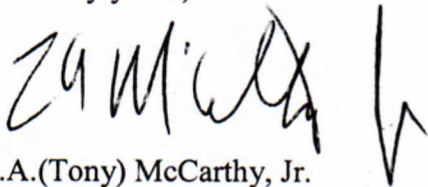
\$7,520	Part I is paid directly by the City for utilities and office and meeting space.
\$31,100	Part II is for Arboretum paid expenses to be reimbursed by the City. These expenses are not specifically allocated but include and are not limited to: converting metered water to a well system, educational expenses, purchase of large specimen trees, development of gateways to Arboretum in concert with City master plan for Lake Wilderness Park, increased signage, maintenance materials and support, improvements and materials for nursery.

Funds will be available in 2007, as you complete the programs described. When you have completed a program or a portion of a program for which you have expenditure documentation, please submit an invoice to the City. The invoice should be on your official stationery, should identify the program completed, and should be supported by appropriate documentation of expenditures. Documentation could include vendor

invoices or a summary of actual program expenditures with your allocation for City funding.

If you have any questions now or as it becomes time to request funding, please me call at 425-413-8800. The City pays bills on the Tuesday following the second and fourth Monday's of the month. For the checks to be mailed on these dates, your invoice must be to the City at least 10 days prior to the requested Tuesday, as the payment request must be processed and reviewed by the City Council Audit Committee.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L.A. McCarthy, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

L.A.(Tony) McCarthy, Jr.
Finance Director

Cc: Mayor Iddings and Councilors
Anthony Hemstad, City Manager