CITY OF SULTAN
AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Agenda Item : Public Meeting

Date: August 27, 2009

SUBJECT: Washington State Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

CONTACT PERSON: Donna Murphy Grants and Economic Development Coordinator

ISSUE:
The issue before the Council is to conduct a public meeting informing the public of the City of Sultan's intent to purchase and demolish two Repetitive Flood Loss properties:

- 107 2nd Street, Sultan, WA
- 211 1st Street, Sultan, WA

SUMMARY STATEMENT:
At the April 23, 2009 City Council meeting the Council unanimously voted to authorize Mayor Eslick to direct staff to submit two Mitigation Project Letters of Intent to apply to the State of Washington Military Department of Emergency Management Division for a Hazard Mitigation Grant to purchase and demolish 107 2nd Street and 211 1st Street, Sultan, WA. Department of Ecology has confirmed these properties are eligible for the grant program. Once the structure is demolished, the property will become open space/parkland for the citizens of Sultan to enjoy.

As part of the application process, the State of Washington Military Department Emergency Management Division requires grant applicants to conduct a minimum of two public notices and two public meetings during the month of August, 2009 for project applications to meet program eligibility. Alternatives must be identified and the public must be allowed to comment.

At the August 13, 2009 Council Meeting the first of two Public Meetings were held. Mr. Dan Erickson, owner of 107 2nd Street, Sultan addressed the Council advising that he is in favor of the program and a willing seller.

Members of the public may choose to attend the meeting and learn about the Repetitive Flood Loss Buyout Program. Additional properties may be added to the application.

Alternatives:

1. Apply for the grant to acquire and demolish the two proposed properties. If successful, purchase the repetitive flood loss properties, demolish the structures and provide open space/parkland for the citizens of Sultan in perpetuity.
2. Do nothing. The properties will continue to flood annually and the owners will continue filing to FEMA for Flood Insurance claims.
3. Identify additional properties to include in the application
4. Remove proposed properties from the application

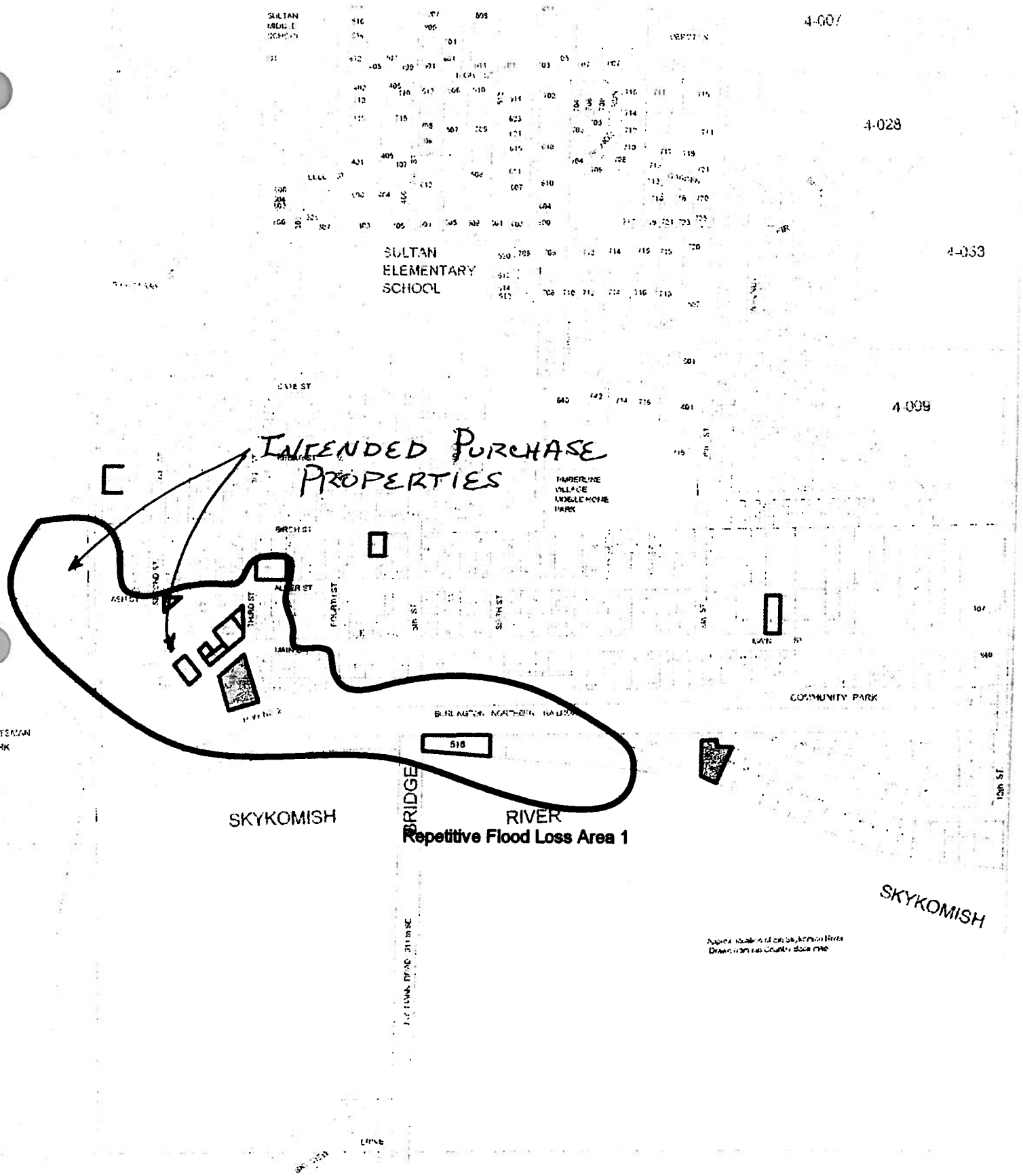
ATTACHMENTS:

1. Washington State Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Timeline.
   Note: July 30, 2009 – August 31, 2009.
2. Repetitive Flood Loss Area Map - 2001

WASHINGTON STATE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM
Timeline for Joint DR-1817 / DR-1825 Program

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program available statewide for planning and project gra

DR 1825 – 12/12/08 – 1/5/09 **DR 1817 – 1/6 – 16/09**	Severe Winter Storm and Record/Near Record Snow ever Severe Storm, Floods, Landslides, High Winds event
DR 1817 – Jan. 30, 2009 **DR 1825 – March 2, 2009**	President Obama declares disaster in listed counties.
February – April 2009	Applicant briefings for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (declared counties.
DR 1817 – Feb. 2, 2009 **Joint Program – Mar. 4, 2009**	Letters of Intent, program information and timeline – Ema County and City Emergency Management Offices, Tribal Managers, State Agencies, Association of Washington C Washington Association of Counties. LOIs, Fact Sheet, and revised program timeline posted o website – http://emd.wa.gov.
April 10, 2009 – *NEW*	Deadline for ***expedited consideration*** of Letters of Inter ***existing hazard mitigation plans*** only. Priority will be g mitigation plans with earliest expiration date.
April 13, 2009 – *NEW*	Application packets mailed to applicants seeking ***expedi consideration*** of their request for grant funding to ***revis mitigation plans***.
May 1, 2009, 5 p.m.	Letters of Intent for all projects and hazard mitigation pla initiatives must be **submitted to and received by State** email, or postal mail. ***Late LOIs will not be considerec***
May 5, 2009	Application packets mailed to eligible applicants for mitig construction projects and/or hazard mitigation planning i made available on the EMD web site.
May 29, 2009, 5 p.m. – *NEW*	Deadline for ***expedited consideration*** of applications fc funding to ***revise expiring mitigation plans***. Applicatio after this date will be rolled into the regular application re
May – August 2009	State EMD provides project and application developmer assistance at the request of the applicant, as time allows
July 30, 2008 – Aug. 31, 2009	Minimum of two public notices and two public meetings during this timeframe for project applications to meet prc eligibility; only one public notice/public meeting required applications. One public notice and one public meeting after January 30, 2009.
September 8, 2009	Last day acceptable for initial public involvement (the se public notices and meetings must be completed by this project application to be considered eligible).



Repetitive Flood Loss Area 1