

# CITY OF LYNDEN



## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	January 18, 2022	
<b>Name of Agenda Item:</b>	Agreement for legal services with Carmichael Clark P.S.	
<b>Section of Agenda:</b>	Consent	
<b>Department:</b>	Administration	
<b>Council Committee Review:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<b>Legal Review:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required	
<b>Attachments:</b>	Carmichael Clark Legal Services Contract 2022	
<b>Summary Statement:</b>	<p>The City of Lynden has contracted for legal services with the firm Carmichael Clark P.S. for many years. The most recent two-year contract expired on January 7, 2022. The attached agreement is its successor. The only substantive difference in the text of the proposed agreement is to change primary responsibility for planning commission meetings from Bob Carmichael to Catherine Moore. Otherwise, the text of proposed agreement remains unchanged from the prior agreement. There is a proposed a rate adjustment to keep pace with the increased cost of living, including maintaining competitive salaries for our employees, particularly our most experienced senior associate attorneys.</p> <p>The Finance Committee reviewed this agreement earlier today and approved it for review by the full Council.</p>	
<b>Recommended Action:</b>	To adopt the agreement for legal services and authorize the Mayor's signature.	