

CITY OF LYNDEN  
PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION #21-10

**A resolution of recommendation for the approval of  
Conditional Use Permit 21-04, Lynden Automotive**

WHEREAS, Gerardo Morado hereinafter called the "Proponent," submitted a complete application to the City of Lynden, hereinafter called "the City," for a conditional use permit to allow an automobile repair shop in an existing commercial building within the CSL zone.

WHEREAS, the application was determined to be complete on October 1, 2021, and the notice of application was published in the Lynden Tribune on November 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Proponent has provided the City with receipts for the certified mailing of all required notices to all property owners within three hundred feet of the subject property together with the affidavits of posting said notices; and

WHEREAS, the Lynden Planning Commission held a virtual public hearing on November 18, 2021, to accept public testimony on the proposed conditional use permit request, and that meeting was duly recorded;

WHEREAS, the City's Technical Review Committee has reviewed the request for the conditional use permit and has provided comments and recommendations to the Planning Commission in a report dated November 12, 2021,

WHEREAS, the Lynden Planning Commission has reviewed the conditional use permit request and has found that the application meets the criteria for granting a conditional use permit under Chapter 19.49.020 of the Lynden Municipal Code.

1. The proposed use in the proposed location will not be detrimental to surrounding uses legally existing or permitted outright within the zoning district.
2. The proposed use, together with proposed mitigation, will not be detrimental to public health or safety and will be compatible with the surrounding area and land uses with respect to the following:
  - a. Traffic and pedestrian circulation;
  - b. Noise, smoke, fumes, glare or odors generated by the proposed use;
  - c. Building and site design;
  - d. The physical characteristics of the subject property
3. The proposed use is supported by adequate public facilities and services unless conditions can be established to mitigate adverse impacts to those facilities or services.
4. The traffic generated by the proposed use will not cause the traffic circulation system in the vicinity to deteriorate below the adopted level of service.

5. The proposed use complies with the performance standards, parking requirements, height, setback and lot coverage requirements, landscaping standards and other provisions of the Lynden Municipal Code.
6. There are adequate buffering devices, as specified in the landscape standards, or other topographic characteristics, to protect the adjacent properties from adverse impacts of the proposed use.
7. The proposed use will not destroy or substantially damage any natural, scenic or historic feature of major importance.
8. The proposed use is generally consistent with the purposes and objectives of the city comprehensive plan and applicable sub-area plan.

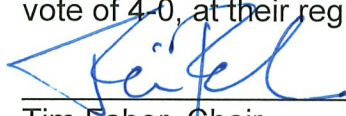
WHEREAS, the Lynden Planning Commission has reviewed the conditional use permit request and has found that the application also meets the criteria for granting a conditional use permit under Chapter 19.49.040 of the Lynden Municipal Code.

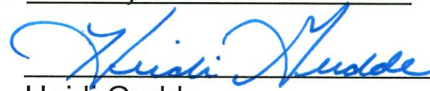
1. The development is consistent with the comprehensive plan and meets the applicable requirements and intent of this code.
2. The development makes adequate provisions for open space, drainage ways, streets and other public ways, transit stops, water supply, sanitary wastes, parks and recreation facilities, playgrounds, sites for schools and school grounds.
3. The development adequately mitigates impacts identified under Titles 16 through 19.
4. The development is beneficial to the public health, safety and welfare and is in the public interest.
5. The development does not lower the level of service of transportation and/or neighborhood park facilities below the minimum standards established within the comprehensive plan, and fully complies with Chapter 17.15 of the city code. If the development results in a level of service lower than those set forth in the comprehensive plan, the development may be approved if improvements or strategies to raise the level of service above the minimum standard are made concurrent with the development, and in conformance with all requirements in Chapter 17.15 of the city code. For the purpose of this section, "concurrent with the development" is defined as the required improvements or strategies in place at the time of occupancy, or a financial commitment is in place to complete the improvements or strategies within six years of approval of the development.
6. The area, location and features of land proposed for dedication are a direct result of the development proposal, are reasonably needed to mitigate the effects of the development and are proportional to the impacts created by the development.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Lynden Planning Commission to recommend approval by a vote of 4-0, to the Lynden City Council, of Conditional Use Permit #21-04, Lynden Automotive, subject to the Technical Review Report dated November 12, 2021, *with the following clarifications:*

1. Submission of the stormwater report must be done within 3 months but may be granted a 1-month extension if the applicant demonstrates steps toward compliance.
2. The proposed landscape screen, specifically, is a Type 3 landscape buffer and installed within 30 days of Council decision.
3. The 10 vehicles, temporary parked while under repair, must have current license and registration.
4. The 10 stalls used for vehicles under repair must be located in the northwest corner of the site and not south of the subject business.
5. Removal of storage containers from the site shall be permanent.

PASSED by the Planning Commission of the City of Lynden, Whatcom County, by a vote of 4-0, at their regular meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021.

  
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Tim Faber, Chair  
Lynden Planning Commission

  
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Planning Director