

# CITY OF LYNDEN

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



<b>Meeting Date:</b>	June 20, 2022	
<b>Name of Agenda Item:</b>	Ord 1645 Benson Park Annexation	
<b>Section of Agenda:</b>	Public Hearing	
<b>Department:</b>	Planning Department	
<b>Council Committee Review:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Development <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
	<b>Legal Review:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required	
<b>Attachments:</b>		
Ordinance 1645 with Exhibit A		
<b>Summary Statement:</b>		
<p>To facilitate the continued design and development of the Benson Road Park and implementation of the Pepin Creek Sub-Area Plan, the Council is being asked to approve the annexation of 36.35 acres of the Benson Road Park property that currently falls within unincorporated Whatcom County.</p> <p>As the Council may recall, in 2011 the farmstead associated with this property was annexed into the City. And, in 2014 the City purchased both the farmstead and the farmland.</p> <p>As the City is legal owner of the property, it is contiguous to the existing City limits, and will be used for public purpose, the annexation action may utilize an exception provided in RCW 36.93.090 whereby the review and approval of the proposed annexation by the Whatcom County Boundary Review Board is not required.</p> <p>Planning and Public Works staff have notified, and coordinated with, Whatcom County staff consistent with the guiding interlocal agreement on annexations. No special assessments or proportional share of infrastructure improvements are due to the County in association with this annexation.</p> <p>The proposed Ordinance 1645 comes forward as a final annexation action.</p>		
<b>Recommended Action:</b>		
Motion to approve Ordinance 1645 annexing the city-owned Benson Road property and authorize the Mayor's signature on the document.		