

# CITY OF LYNDEN

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



<b>Meeting Date:</b>	May 20, 2019	
<b>Name of Agenda Item:</b>	Set the Public Hearing for Ordinance 1581	
<b>Section of Agenda:</b>	Consent	
<b>Department:</b>	Planning Department	
<b>Council Committee Review:</b>		<b>Legal Review:</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed
<input type="checkbox"/> Finance	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Works	<input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed
<input type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required
<b>Attachments:</b>		
Draft Ordinance 1581, Staff Memo summarizing revisions, Residential Design Standards Review Document		
<b>Summary Statement:</b>		
<p>Ordinance 1581 is one of three ordinances which propose to update the residential design standards for the City of Lynden. Specifically, Ordinance 1581 repeals sections related to residential development standards and replaces with a more concise version of the same chapters. The action removes repetitive aesthetic design standards from each section and consolidates them into Chapter 19.22 which is proposed with the subsequent Ordinance 1582.</p> <p>Planning staff has worked closely with the Design Review Board, the Planning Commission, and Building Official to develop Chapter 19.22 and make a corresponding amendment to Chapter 18.</p> <p>Although 19.22 is a new chapter in the Lynden Municipal Code, many of the design standards currently exist but repetitiously appear in each zoning category. Aside from the consolidation of standards, the amendments touch on site design, architecture, accessory structures, landscaping and screening, and street trees. The code also clarifies the path to seeking relief from the design standards which allows alternate designs to be considered and approved by the Design Review Board. (A more detailed summary of the amendments is included in the attached staff memo.)</p> <p>On April 11 the Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended approval of the attached code revision as represented by Ordinance 1580, 1581, and 1582.</p> <p>Staff is proposing that the new design standards take effect on October 1, 2019 to allow time to inform residential developers, designers, and builders of the proposed changes.</p>		
<b>Recommended Action:</b>		
Motion to set a public hearing date of June 3 for Ordinance 1581 which amends Title 19 of the Lynden Municipal Code as part of the revisions to residential design standards.		