

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	March 17, 2025	
Name of Agenda Item:	Lynden Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Appointments	
Section of Agenda:	Consent	
Department:	Finance	
Council Committee Review		Legal Review
<input 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
Attachments		
N/A		
Fiscal Impact		
Amount: \$ N/A Source/Fund:		Included in the 2025 Budget? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Comments: No Fiscal Impact		
Summary Statement		
<p>According to RCW 67.28.1817, any city which has a population greater than 5,000 and imposes a lodging tax must establish a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC). The LTAC must include a minimum of five members: an elected official, two representatives of businesses that collect the Lodging Tax and two representatives of organizations that apply to utilize the Lodging Tax for tourism-related activities. The LTAC reviews and recommends which organizations should receive Lodging Tax funds and how much, for the consideration of the Mayor and Council in developing the annual budget. The Governing body must review the membership of the LTAC annually. The following individuals are considered for appointment to LTAC through December 31, 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Member Brent Lenssen – Chairperson • Teri Treat – Lynden Inn – Collector the Lodging Tax • Maria Folsom – Cobblestone Hotel – Collector of the tax • Selena Burgess – Northwest Washington Fair – Recipient of the Lodging Tax • Dylan Deane-Boyle – Bellingham Whatcom County Tourism – Recipient of Tax Funds 		
Recommended Action		
The City Council confirm appointment of Brent Lenssen, Teri Treat, Selena Burgess, Fred Polinder, and Dylan Deane-Boyle to the Lynden LTAC for a single year term through December 31, 2025.		