

# CITY OF LYNDEN

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



<b>Meeting Date:</b>	June 2, 2025	
<b>Name of Agenda Item:</b>	Request to Petition for Annexation – Benson Holdings	
<b>Section of Agenda:</b>	New Business	
<b>Department:</b>	Community Development	
<b>Council Committee Review</b>		<b>Legal Review</b>
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed
<input type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required
<b>Attachments</b>		
Request to petition, Map showing proposed annexation area.		
<b>Fiscal Impact</b>		
<b>Amount: \$ 0</b>	<b>Included in the 2025 Budget?</b>	
<b>Source/Fund:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Comments:</b>		
<b>Summary Statement</b>		
<p>The City's annexation process begins with a request to petition for annexation. If the request is granted the applicant can then petition for supporting signatures of those property owners within the proposed annexation area. If the petitioner successfully gains the support of property owners representing at least 60% of the assessed value of the annexation area, then the petitioner may begin an application for annexation.</p> <p>Attorney Lesa Starkenburg-Kroontje, representing property owner Benson Holdings, LLC, has submitted a request to petition for annexation. The 75-acre Benson Holdings property is located within the Pepin Creek Subarea and, if brought into the city, would be zoned residentially. The annexation area is also proposed to include an additional 4 small parcels representing 3 other property owners for a total annexation area of approximately 77 acres.</p> <p>The applicant has previously sought the Council's permission to petition for annexation and this was granted on July 17, 2022, however, at the time, the applicant decided not to pursue annexation.</p> <p>The annexation of the subject area is anticipated by the Pepin Creek Subarea Plan. Adding this northern portion at an early stage in subarea development is likely to facilitate a more comprehensive development strategy including the construction of a more complete roadway and result in financial contributions to other infrastructure improvements needed in this area.</p>		
<b>Recommended Action</b>		
Motion to grant the Benson Holdings, LLC, their request to petition for annexation.		