CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	November 16, 2020	
Name of Agenda Item:	Ordinance No. 1609 – Real Estate Property Tax 2021	
Section of Agenda:	New Business	
Department:	Finance	
Council Committee Review:		Legal Review:
☐ Community Development ☐ Public Safety		☐ Yes - Reviewed
⊠ Finance	☐ Public Works	☐ No - Not Reviewed
☐ Parks	☐ Other:	□ Review Not Required
Attachments:		
Ordinance No. 1609 – Real Estate Property Tax 2021		
Summary Statement:		
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The City of Lynden is required by State regulations to adopt the proposed 2021 property tax levy. Attached is a copy of the proposed Ordinance. The mil rate has been calculated on preliminary information received to date from the Whatcom County Assessor's Office. When comparing preliminary 2019 levy rates to 2020 levy rates, the decrease is estimated at 0.114 cents per mil to a mil rate of 1.57560. The final figures for the assessed valuation of the city's tax base are not yet available. Once those are provided by the County Assessor, an ordinance setting the final, exact levy will be provided in January 2021 for consideration. At today's Finance Committee meeting the draft ordinance was discussed and approved for review by the full Council.		
Recommended Action:		
To adopt Ordinance No. 1609 and authorize the Mayor's signature.		