

# CITY OF LYNDEN

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



<b>Meeting Date:</b>	November 16, 2020	
<b>Name of Agenda Item:</b>	2021 Legislative Agenda	
<b>Section of Agenda:</b>	New Business	
<b>Department:</b>	Administration	
<b>Council Committee Review:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Development <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
	<b>Legal Review:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required	
<b>Attachments:</b>		
1) 2021 Legislative Agenda 2) 2021 Legislative Agenda PowerPoint		
<b>Summary Statement:</b>		
<p>Lynden has a practice of adopting a Legislative Agenda that is used to focus advocacy at the State Legislature. This practice formalizes and strengthens our legislative "ask," and gives it added credibility with state lawmakers. We propose the following for the 2020 Legislative Session:</p> <p><u>Jim Kaemingt Trail Connection \$1.1 million:</u> This section of trail will link the existing City Trail to the trail around Fisher School that was completed in 2018. The City expects to have the trail under construction in 2021.</p> <p><u>West Front Infrastructure \$3 million:</u> This project would provide infrastructure improvements to West Front Street to facilitate development of nearby industrial land.</p> <p><u>Line and Bradley Roads \$3 million:</u> This is the arterial between Lynden High School and Lynden Middle School. This ¾-mile stretch of road will include a path/sidewalk as well as a widened street and a new culvert.</p> <p><u>Duffner Ditch Culvert Replacement. \$700,000:</u> The State is replacing most state-owned culverts to improve fish passage. This in turn means that downstream locally owned culverts must also be replaced. In Lynden the City must replace its culvert on the Duffner Ditch.</p> <p>In addition to the specific projects described above, there are a number of important policy issues at the state level that could directly affect Lynden. The second page of the attached document describes those issues and the proposed positions that City would take toward them.</p>		
<b>Recommended Action:</b>		
Approve the 2021 Legislative Agenda		