CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Meeting Date:	February 18, 2020	
Name of Agenda Item:	Resolution No. 1013 Public Hearing for Water System Plan	
Section of Agenda:	Public Hearing	
Department:	Public Works	
Council Committee Review:		Legal Review:
☐ Community Developme	ent Public Safety	☐ Yes - Reviewed
☐ Finance	⊠ Public Works	☐ No - Not Reviewed
☐ Parks	☐ Other:	⊠ Review Not Required
Attachments:		
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Summary Statement:

The City of Lynden has developed an updated Water System Plan referenced in the City's overall Comprehensive Plan (Chapter 5, Section 5.2.1), as required under the State's Growth Management Act.

The primary purpose of the City of Lynden Water System Plan (WSP) is to identify and schedule water system improvements that correct existing system deficiencies and ensure a safe and reliable supply of water to current and future customers. This WSP complies with Washington State Department of Health (DOH) regulations under Chapter 246-290 Washington Administrative Code (WAC), which was revised in 2017 to require water purveyors to update their water system plans every 10 years. The City's previous WSP was prepared in November 2009. This updated 2019 WSP reflects 2040 population projections and the City's current Urban Growth Area (UGA), which are consistent with the City's *Comprehensive Plan* and Whatcom County's *Comprehensive Plan*. The WSP also reflects improvements and changes to the water system since the completion of the 2009 WSP.

This WSP presents a description of the existing water system and service area, a forecast of future water demands, policies and design criteria for water system operation and improvements, the operations and maintenance program, staffing requirements, a schedule of improvements, and a financial plan to accomplish the improvements. The WSP also includes several ancillary elements that include a water use efficiency plan, a water quality monitoring plan, watershed control information, a cross-connection control program and an emergency response plan.

The WSP was submitted to the Department of Health and approval was received on January 15, 2020.

At their February 3rd meeting, City Council concurred to set a public hearing date of February 18, 2020 to hear comments on the City's Water System Plan. Upon hearing comments, the Council may reject the Plan or approve the Plan through Ordinance No. 1013.

Recommended Action:

That City Council approve the City's Water System Plan through Ordinance No. 1013 and authorize the Mayor's signature on the document.