CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	3/4/2019	Legal Review:
Department:	Planning Department	☐ Yes - Reviewed
Contact Name/Phone:	Heidi Gudde (360)354-5532	□ No - Not Reviewed
Council Committee Review:		☐ ☑ Review Not Required
⊠ Community Developm	ent Public Safety	
☐ Finance	☐ Public Works	
☐ Parks	☐ Other:	
Attachments:		
Draft Ordinance 1576, Staff memo, and Planning Commission Minutes from 1-24-19		
Name of Agenda Item:		
Public Hearing for Ord 1576 re Residential Mixed Density (RMD)		
Summary Statement:		

The planning of the Pepin Creek Sub-area represents a significant multi-step project. One aspect of the project is to create zoning categories and overlays which take into account the City's growth priorities, housing density goals, infrastructure requirements, and community character.

The proposed zoning text amendments will come forward to the City Council in three separate ordinances.

Ordinance 1576 proposes revisions to the Residential Mixed Density (RMD) zoning category which exists in several locations throughout the City and is anticipated to be used within the Pepin Creek Sub-area.

The proposed amendments and new zoning categories are summarized in a staff memo attached.

The current proposals come forward after careful review that has included public survey results, input from local real estate agents and builders, detailed work sessions with the Planning Commission and Community Development Committee.

On January 24, 2019 the Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended approval of the amendments described in Ordinance 1574, 1575, and 1576.

It should be noted that while these ordinances create the zoning categories they do not assign them to properties within the sub-area. These assignments will be subsequently adopted through the sub-area plan later this year. A draft of this plan was released on September 12, 2018 and is available on the City's website.

At this time staff would like to request that the City Council consider and approve this amendment to Chapter 19 of the land development code revising the Residential Mixed Density zoning category city-wide and for the accommodation of the Pepin Creek Sub-area.

Recommended Action:

Motion approve Ordinance 1576 which amends Chapter 19.16 of the Lynden Municipal Code to revise the standards associated with the Residential Mixed Density (RMD) zoning category city-wide and in anticipation of the development of the Pepin Creek Sub-area.