

# CITY OF LYNDEN



## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	August 1, 2022	
<b>Name of Agenda Item:</b>	Ord 1649 Camping Prohibition and Parks Rules Update	
<b>Section of Agenda:</b>	Unfinished Business	
<b>Department:</b>	Planning Department	
<b>Council Committee Review:</b>	<b>Legal Review:</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed
<input type="checkbox"/> Finance	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Works	<input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required
<b>Attachments:</b>		
Proposed Ordinance 1649		
<b>Summary Statement:</b>		
<p>The City is considering adopting an ordinance that would prohibit camping in public spaces and simultaneously amending LMC 12.24 related to park rules.</p> <p>Legal counsel drafted the initial language to ensure compliance with State code and provide consistency with current case law. The text was then reviewed in multiple council committees.</p> <p>On July 5 the City Council set the public hearing to occur on July 18<sup>th</sup>. Subsequently staff received feedback from Council and community members which has been reflected in the attached draft.</p> <p>On July 18<sup>th</sup> the City Council held a public hearing to collect comment. Subsequently the ordinance was reviewed at the Parks Committee meeting. Minor revisions to the ordinance have been made per comments received. These changes primarily related to park hours of operation and correct references to other sections of the municipal code.</p> <p>Tonight, Council is asked to consider making a final decision on the ordinance.</p>		
<b>Recommended Action:</b>		
Motion to adopt Ordinance 1649 amending LMC 12.24 and adding LMC 12.40 which regulates certain activities in City parks and other sensitive areas owned by the City and to also authorize the Mayor's signature on the document.		