

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	November 17 th , 2025	
Name of Agenda Item:	RES-25-1134 Water Leak Adjustment Policy – Rescind RES-949	
Section of Agenda:	Consent	
Department:	Finance	
Council Committee Review		Legal Review
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Finance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Works	<input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed
<input type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required
Attachments		
RES-25-1134		
Fiscal Impact		
Amount: \$ Source/Fund: Water Fund	Included in the 2025 Budget? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Comments:		
Summary Statement		
<p>The City of Lynden wishes to amend its policy on Water Leak adjustments. It is recognized that there are period leaks in in-ground water services that are no fault of the account holder. The City of Lynden's previous policy was restricted to residential account, and the City wishes to expand the eligible account types to include Commercial, irrigation and industrial accounts to capture other types of accounts that may be subject to a periodic leak.</p> <p>RES-25-1134 rescinds the previous policy, last updated in 2016. It provides an opportunity for a leak adjustment to be applied to one billing cycle in a ten-year period per account per owner. The maximum adjustment is \$2,000 or 50,000 cubic feet of water, whichever is lower. This will allow some relief to rate payers who experience a leak, while still protecting the financial position of the Water Utility.</p>		
Recommended Action		
Make a motion to approve RES-25-1134 to update the Water Leak Adjustment policy and rescind RES-949 and authorize the Mayor's signature.		