

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	September 20, 2021	
Name of Agenda Item:	Interim Contract for Public Defender Services	
Section of Agenda:	Consent	
Department:	Administration	
Council Committee Review:	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Safety	Legal Review:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed
	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed
		<input type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required
Attachments:	Contract	
Summary Statement:	<p>The current Public Defender has been appointed to Judge position and her final day as Lynden Public Defender will be September 22nd. If approved, the new public defender firm of North County Public Defenders will begin that day and transition all existing cases that day; all new cases will be with the new firm as well. The City has started a RFP process and anticipates a result contract from the process to begin on January 1, 2022. The costs of the interim contract are consistent with the typical expenditures for the service.</p>	
Recommended Action:	Staff Recommends approval of the contract.	