

ORDINANCE NO. 1583

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LYNDEN, COUNTY OF WHATCOM,
AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES APPROVED IN THE
CITY'S ANNUAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the City of Lynden adopts an annual budget for the City which includes projected itemized expenditures for goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the City finds that it is more efficient for the Mayor, City Administrator and City department heads to purchase goods and services approved in the City's final adopted annual budget; and

WHEREAS, the foregoing recitals are material findings and declarations of the Lynden City Council;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED as follows:

Section 1: Pre-approved Expenses. Contracts involving expenditures for goods and services which are itemized in the City's final adopted budget may be entered into on behalf of the City by the Mayor, City Administrator, or the Director or Chief of the City department responsible for the expenditure, without further Council approval, so long as the expenditure authorized by said contract does not exceed its cost identified in the final adopted budget for that year. The term "contract" as used herein shall be broadly defined to include without limitation written agreements, memorandums of understanding, and purchase orders. Nothing herein affects the City's responsibility to comply with laws governing public bidding or other purchasing standards required by law.

Section 2: Report to Council. The City Administrator shall provide the City Council a list of all Pre-approved Expenses on a regular and at least quarterly basis at a regular City Council meeting.

Section 3: Expenses requiring Council approval. City Council approval is required for expenditures for goods and services which cost in excess of the itemized amounts approved in the adopted final budget for that year.

Section 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases has been declared invalid or unconstitutional, and if, for any reason, this ordinance should be declared invalid or unconstitutional, then the original ordinance or ordinances shall be in full force and effect.

Section 5. Any ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 6. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council this _____ day of _____, 2019, and signed by the Mayor
on the _____ day of _____, 2019.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney