

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	January 21, 2025	
Name of Agenda Item:	Renew Contract with Whatcom County for Jail Work Crew	
Section of Agenda:	Consent	
Department:	Public Works	
Council Committee Review <input type="checkbox"/> Community Development <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Parks <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		Legal Review <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required
Attachments		
Draft Contract		
Fiscal Impact		
Amount: \$ 5,100 maximum Source/Fund: Roadside 001/011 54270		Included in the 2025 Budget? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Comments:		
Summary Statement		
<p>The City has contracted with Whatcom County's Jail Work Crew program since 2021. Services provided by this crew include basic vegetation clean-up and debris removal. Work may include weed whacking, trimming, weed pulling, and grass and blackberry cutting. Whatcom County provides transportation of crew members, oversight, tools and safety gear for assigned work.</p> <p>In the past, contracted work has occurred during the summer and included removing overgrown vegetation from dry detention ponds and cleanup around the ponds. While this is not a service the City uses every year, deploying jail work crews allows City employees to perform higher-level duties while still delivering necessary maintenance.</p> <p>The Public Works Committee reviewed the contract at their January 8 meeting and recommended approval by City Council.</p>		
Recommended Action		
That City Council approve the contract with Whatcom County for Jail Work Crew Services and authorize the mayor's signature on the contract.		