CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	April 15, 2024	
Name of Agenda Item:	Set the Public Hearing to update LMC 5 Special Events	
Section of Agenda:	Consent	
Department:	Community Development Dept	
Council Committee Review:		Legal Review:
□ Community	□ Public Safety	☐ Yes - Reviewed
Development	•	
☐ Finance	□ Public Works	□ No - Not Reviewed
☐ Parks	☐ Other:	☐ Review Not Required
Attachments:		
 Proposed Special Events Code Update (LMC 5.30) 		
Summary Statement		

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The City Council will be asked to hear and consider a proposed amendment to the Lynden Municipal Code. The amendment would shift language regarding Parades and Special Events from the Criminal Code in Title 9 to Title 5 – Business Licenses and Regulation. The amended language clarifies regulations, permit process, and approval authority for events that may have an impact on a neighborhood and/or on public services. The revised code now includes three tiers of events depending on the impact created by each event.

The code will continue to regulate the activities associated with private "Dance Permits" but would categorize them as Tier 1 or Tier 2 Special Events depending on their characteristics. The revised code does <u>not</u> modify LMC 5.04 which prohibits dancing and the sale of intoxicating beverages at commercial establishments.

In association with the code revision staff have also been updating the application to ensure that proposals include all the necessary information such as insurance and site maps or routes. The application will also include detailed instructions and resources for securing insurance for private events.

The proposed amendment is legislative in nature and public comment will be accepted. The proposed public hearing date is May 20, 2024.

Recommended Action:

Motion to set a public hearing date of May 20, 2024, to consider proposed updates to the City's regulations of Special Events by amending LMC Title 5 and 9.