CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	January 4, 2021	
Name of Agenda Item:	Resolution No. 1029 – Real Estate Property Tax Levy Increase 2021	
Section of Agenda:	Consent	
Department:	Finance	
Council Committee Review:		Legal Review:
🗆 Community Developme	ent 🛛 Public Safety	□ Yes - Reviewed
Finance	Public Works	No - Not Reviewed
Parks	□ Other:	⊠ Review Not Required
Attachments:		
Resolution No. 1029 – Real Estate Property Tax Levy Increase 2021		
Summary Statement:		
All taxing jurisdictions are required, due to the passage of Referendum 47 in 1997, to pass a resolution specifically indicating the increase in tax levy if any, from the previous year, excluding the increase due to new construction, improvements to property, or any increase in the value of state assessed property.		

The limit factor for a taxing jurisdiction with a population of 10,000 or over is the lesser of 1% or the rate of inflation. Given the current rate of inflation (0.602%) the City is allowed by statute RCW 84.55.005 to increase the Levy 0.602% or bank this capacity for future use.

The City Council has deemed it necessary due to the City's funding requirements to increase the regular property tax levy by the full 0.602%% allowed.

Resolution No. 1029 (attached) reflects the City Council's requirement to not "bank" any real property taxes in 2021 and approve the legally allowed 0.602% increase in the 2021 real property taxes.

Recommended Action:

For the City Council to approve Resolution No. 1029 and authorize the Mayor's signature.