

**LYNDEN CITY COUNCIL
LYNDEN CITY HALL ANNEX
(205 4th Street)
REGULAR SESSION**

**7:00 P.M.
FEBRUARY 17, 2009
AGENDA**

I CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 2, 2009 Regular Session
February 5, 2009 Special Session

ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

A. SCHEDULED - None

B. UNSCHEDULED (20 Minutes)

During this portion of the meeting, audience members may address the Council on any issue other than those scheduled for a public hearing or those on which the public hearing has been closed. For the record, prior to commenting please state your name, address, and topic. Please keep comments under 4 minutes.

II CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

B. SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE - ORDINANCE NO. 1350 REGARDING
STORMWATER

III NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSIDERATION OF COVENANT MODIFICATION - STRAWBERRY
MEADOWS PLAT

B. REQUEST TO SCHEDULE A JOINT MEETING BETWEEN THE LYNDEN
PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE CITY COUNCIL - MARCH 12, 2009

IV EXECUTIVE SESSION

V ADJOURNMENT

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR ACTION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: February 17, 2009

AGENDA ITEM: Set Public Hearing Date – Ordinance No. 1350 Amending Chapter 13.24 of the Lynden Municipal Code – Storm Water		AGENDA SECTION: Public Hearing
PREPARED BY: Laura Burford, Administrative Office Manager, Public Works Dept.	COUNCIL REVIEW: <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Parks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Comm Dev. <input type="checkbox"/> Not Reviewed	AGENDA NO.: II-B
ATTACHMENTS: Draft Ordinance	LEGAL REVIEW COMPLETED: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Needed <input type="checkbox"/> Not Needed	APPROVED BY:

City staff and the Public Works Committee have completed their revisions to the Storm Water ordinance and have recommended that it now be presented to the full City Council for review. The Finance Committee has also reviewed this ordinance.

The language revisions will assist the City in meeting the increased demands of storm water management due to Lynden's growing population. Additionally, the ordinance sets forth the reasoning behind the General Facility Charges and the utility rates for storm water. These fees will be presented through resolution in separate agenda items.

Other highlights of the ordinance include:

- new definitions and better clarification of existing definitions
- the establishment of rate exemptions and reductions for the provision of water quality facilities, detention or retention of storm water
- identification of discharges that are not allowed in the storm water system.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That City Council set a Public Hearing date of March 2nd, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. to hear comments on the proposed revision to Section 8.24 of the Lynden Municipal Code – Storm Water.
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COUNCIL ACTION:

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR ACTION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: February 17, 2009

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Amendment to Covenants for Strawberry Meadows Plat		AGENDA SECTION: New Business
PREPARED BY: Amy Harksell, Planning Director	COUNCIL REVIEW: <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Parks <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comm. Dev. <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative	AGENDA NO.: <p align="center">III. A</p>
ATTACHMENTS: Covenant amendment, maps and sample site plan	LEGAL REVIEW COMPLETED: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Needed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Needed	APPROVED BY:

In the Strawberry Meadows Plat, there is a current requirement that lots attached single family lots 6 through 11 must utilize shared driveways. The design requirements within the RMD zone limit the number of sets of garage door that can face the street. In some instances, these two requirements conflict and may result in a site design that is contrary to the desired outcome.

The developers have proposed an amendment to the covenant that allows an exception to this requirement if it is approved by the Developer's, and the City's, Design Review Board, the Planning Department and the Public Works Department. The builder would be responsible for relocating any utilities, and replacing the curb cuts that are already installed in accordance with the plat requirements.

Staff is asking the Council take action on this covenant because the requirement was an original condition of the subdivision.

The Community Development Committee discussed this at their meeting on February 11, and recommends approval. A copy of a site plan that has been proposed is included in the package as an example

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Motion to approve plat covenant as proposed.
COUNCIL ACTION:

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR ACTION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: February 17, 2009

AGENDA ITEM: Request to Set date for Joint Work Session with Lynden Planning Commission		AGENDA SECTION: New Business
PREPARED BY: Amy Harksell, AICP Planning Director	COUNCIL REVIEW: <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Parks <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Com. Dev. <input type="checkbox"/> Quasi Judicial	AGENDA NO.: III. B
ATTACHMENTS: None	LEGAL REVIEW COMPLETED: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Needed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Needed	APPROVED BY:

In working with Whatcom County on their efforts to review and revise the urban growth areas, it is very important that the Planning Commission and Council stay informed of the issues and inputs into the process. After reviewing the preliminary results of the land capacity analysis and discussing the process and timing for potential urban growth area amendments, the Community Development Committee felt that a longer discussion with the full City Council and Planning Commission was warranted.

It is the recommendation of the Planning Department and the Community Development Committee that a joint worksession be held on March 12, 2009 at 7:30 P.M. This is a regular Planning Commission meeting date and time.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Motion to set the date of March 12, 2009 at 7:30 P.M. for a joint worksession with Lynden Planning Commission to discuss land capacity information and population projections.
COUNCIL ACTION: