



# INSIDE LYNNWOOD

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## We're Turning 65!

*The City of Lynnwood was incorporated in 1959 and we are so excited to celebrate our 65th birthday all year long!*

*Be sure to follow us on social media for fun historical facts about our great city and updates about our future as we look ahead to the next 65 years and beyond.*



# Message from Mayor Christine Frizzell

Thriving in 2024



Every year, I take time to reflect on the past year and choose a word to focus on for the next 365 days. This year, my word is “THRIVE.”

As an individual, I look for ways to live out my chosen word in meaningful ways. As a public servant, I am committing to helping our city employees and our community thrive. To achieve

this in 2024, I want to use the word “THRIVE” as an acronym, with each letter representing a pillar to focus on.

These pillars are:

**Thankful:** *Where have we come from? How has Lynnwood grown? What makes Lynnwood the great city that we love?*

**Health:** *How can we promote physical, mental, and emotional health?*

**Relationship:** *What relationships can we build, nurture, mend, or let go of? How do we connect with others?*

**Intentionality:** *When we fail to plan, we plan to fail. What is our action plan?*

**Vision:** *Where are we headed? What haven't we accomplished? What is our legacy?*

**Empower:** *What tools are needed? What culture do we need to lead? How do we get to our next vision?*

As I thought about my word for 2024, I was struck by how much Lynnwood has evolved since my childhood. Through all the changes, our commitment to each other has remained the same. We value one another and enjoy all that Lynnwood has become while looking forward to what it will be for our children and grandchildren. I am excited to see what our community will achieve in the coming year and look forward to celebrating with everyone at the 2024 State of the City event in March.

I am **Thankful** that you are a part of our Lynnwood community. Be well.

*Christine Frizzell*



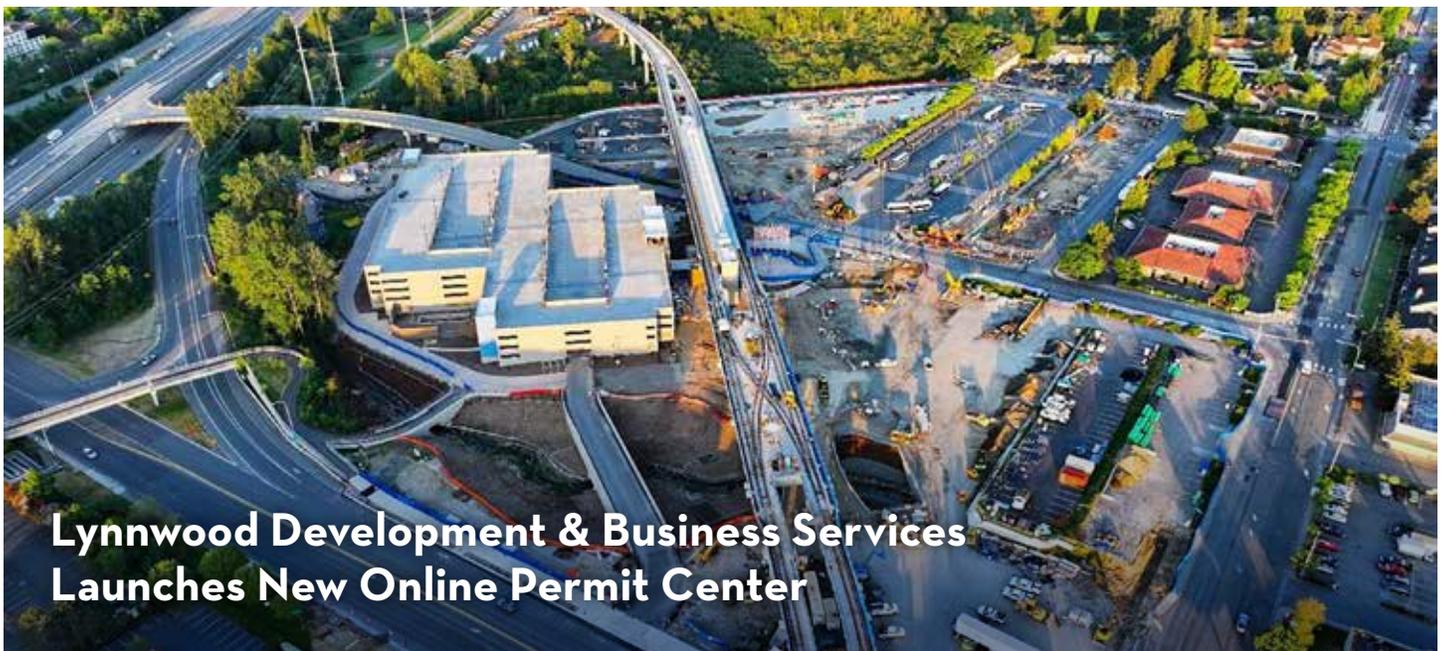
*Charcuterie Board Eastern Europe Focused from European Food Store in Lynnwood Washington*

## Sound Transit Supporting Impacted Businesses in Lynnwood

Later this Fall, Sound Transit's light rail will make its way to Snohomish County and arrive here in our wonderful city. We appreciate the patience of our residents and businesses throughout the construction of this project; we know it hasn't always been easy. Between construction noise, road closures, and detours, the impact has been especially difficult for a number of our local businesses and their customers. Sound Transit recognizes the challenges of operating a small business in an active construction area, which is why they created the Loyal to the Local program. The intention of this program is to remind shoppers to support these local businesses during construction, and by doing so, keep the community vibrant!

In Lynnwood, Sound Transit recently highlighted some local businesses adjacent to the Lynnwood Transit Center (and the upcoming Lynnwood Light Rail Station) for Loyal to the Local's International Market Campaign. This included some local favorites: Fiker Market, Alpha-T Mediterranean Grocery, and European Food Store. These stores source ingredients from East Africa, the Middle East and Europe. At local businesses like these, you can meet the owners when you shop and find amazing resources for cooking the perfect dish. Sound Transit is committed to building stronger, more vibrant communities by connecting people and places in Lynnwood and throughout the region. Hence the name, be loyal to your local.

If you haven't had the chance to check out any of these Lynnwood Locals, please stop by and say hi.



## Lynnwood Development & Business Services Launches New Online Permit Center

Lynnwood Development and Business Services department (DBS) has launched a new Online Permit Center that transitions all aspects of the permit application process to 100% online. DBS has upgraded the City's permitting system, marking a significant step forward in enhancing our services and streamlining the permit application process. The new software makes applying for a permit easier and all in one place online.

### Key Features of the New Online Permit Center:

- **100% Online Permit Application and Review:** Experience a seamless transition to a fully electronic permit application and review process, reducing paperwork and increasing efficiency. Residents can now conveniently apply, pay, and issue permits all online.
- **Improved Processes:** The new software is equipped with process improvements aimed at eliminating redundancies and delays, ensuring a smoother process for all applicants.
- **Real-time Tracking:** Stay up to date on your permit application with the ability to track your status online, allowing for greater transparency and quicker response times.
- **Issuing Permits Online:** Once an application is approved, a user can download and print their permit online.
- **Schedule Inspections:** Users can request their inspection online by viewing available schedules.
- **Search and View Permit Records:** All permit records submitted through the new system can be viewed online by searching for parcel number, address or owner information.
- **Language Preferences:** The online permit center and all aspects of the dashboard can be translated into your preferred language. Toggle the language preference drop down menu in the top right corner throughout the dashboard.

### Visit [LynnwoodWA.gov/Permits](https://LynnwoodWA.gov/Permits) to Get Started!

Visit the Online Permit Center at [LynnwoodWA.gov/Permits](https://LynnwoodWA.gov/Permits) to begin the process of applying for permits online. To get started, you will need to create a profile through the dashboard by clicking "Sign Up" and following the instructions. Prior to applying, be sure to view the helpful items including checklists, a guide to getting a permit, and more. There are many step-by-step instructions on the portal to help ease the process of applying for a permit. The website will also help you determine if you need a permit. Bigger projects beyond a simple repair are typically the kind of projects that requires a permit.

### Our Staff is Here to Help:

Our Permit Technicians are available to help you through the permit and process and troubleshoot any issues you may have with the online dashboard. Call our office at (425) 670-5400 or send an email to [Permits@LynnwoodWA.gov](mailto:Permits@LynnwoodWA.gov).

### Permit Center Office Location & Hours: 20816 44th Avenue W, Suite 230 Lynnwood, WA 98036

Our office is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM. The Permit center office is closed on Fridays.

We are committed to providing you with the best service possible, and this new online permit software is a testament to that commitment. As we transition to the new software, your feedback is important to us.

*Please note that any permit submitted prior to January 10, 2024, will not be available in the new Online Permit Center Dashboard. You can access those permit applications through the previous website or by contacting our office.*

# Lynnwood's Legislative Priorities

The City of Lynnwood proactively engages with Washington State Legislators and Washington State Congressional leaders to advocate and convey our City's legislative priorities. Many decisions made in Olympia and Washington, D.C., directly or indirectly impact our City's ability to provide programs and services to the people of Lynnwood. When our legislators know our city priorities and community stories related to those priorities from residents and business owners, they are better equipped to represent our interests in Olympia and D.C. Each year, Lynnwood Officials develop the City's legislative priorities.

Looking forward to 2024, Lynnwood's Legislative Priorities align with our community vision and strategic priorities to support our current services and build the future that the Lynnwood community seeks. We will accomplish this through realizing new efficiencies, forging partnerships, increasing equity, and remaining committed to fiscal sustainability and strategic priorities for a positive future.

We focus our advocacy into three main areas of focus:

- Investing in transportation and infrastructure to keep the foundation of our City strong and healthy.
- Investing in programs and systems that support our most vulnerable community members.
- Supporting protections that allow for fiscal flexibility and sustainability at the local level.

To see Lynnwood's full 2024 Legislative Agenda, visit us online at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/LegislativePriorities](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/LegislativePriorities).



**Lynnwood Earth Day Event**

**Saturday, April 27th**  
**9:00am-11:00am**

Lynnwood Operations & Maintenance Center  
20525 60th Ave. W  
Lynnwood, WA 98036

For details scan the QR code or visit:  
<https://www.lynnwoodwa.gov/Government/Departments/Public-Works/Garbage-and-Recycling/Earth-Day-Drive-Thru-Event>

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# Meet Your Lynnwood City Council

For 2024 the Lynnwood City Council has two new members, Nick Coelho, and David Parshall and two returning members, George Hurst, and Julieta Altamirano-Crosby. They join existing members, Josh Binda, Patrick Decker, and Shirley Sutton. Here are a few facts about your Council:



COUNCIL  
PRESIDENT  
**George  
Hurst**

George was born in Seattle but grew up in New York on Long Island. He has lived in Lynnwood for over 30 years with his wife and four children. George is starting his third term on the Council and the Council elected him President for 2024.



COUNCIL  
VICE PRESIDENT  
**Julieta  
Altamirano-  
Crosby**

Julieta was born and raised in Guerrero, Mexico, and moved to Washington state in 2009. She is the first Latina elected to office in the City of Lynnwood. She starts her second term on the Council and the Council elected her Vice-President for 2024.



**Josh  
Binda**

Josh was born and raised in Providence, Rhode Island. Josh later moved to Lynnwood in 2012. As a newly elected Council Member in 2022, at age 21 Josh became the youngest African American ever elected in Washington state history.



**Nick  
Coelho**

Nick is a Lynnwood entrepreneur, volunteer, and parks advocate. He and his wife Layla live in the South Lynnwood neighborhood, where they enjoy frequent strolls through the serene Scriber Lake Park.



**Patrick  
Decker**

Patrick has been a resident of Lynnwood for over 35 years. He is married to his wife of 27 years, who is a first-generation immigrant from Thailand. They own a home here and have raised their three sons in this community.



**David  
Parshall**

David has deep ties to the Lynnwood community. David grew up in the Lynnwood area and went to local schools. In the 2000's David returned to the area and purchased a home in Lynnwood to be closer to his job teaching and coaching in the Edmonds School District.



**Shirley  
Sutton**

Shirley earned a MA in education/ law and Justice and worked as director of homeless programs in Yakima schools. For 8 years she was on the Governor's Homeless Commission.

*City Council Work Sessions are held the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month and the third Wednesdays from 6-9pm. Council Business Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month from 6-9pm. Meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 19100 44th Ave W. Council Meetings are streamed live at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/Live](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/Live).*

## *Apply To Join One Of Our City Boards and Commissions*

The City of Lynnwood has several Boards and Commissions that serve in an advisory role to the City Council and City Administration. Most Boards and Commissions require that you live within the Lynnwood City limits or in Lynnwood's Municipal Urban Growth Area, and they generally meet once per month. Visit [lynnwoodwa.gov/Government/Boards-and-Commissions](http://lynnwoodwa.gov/Government/Boards-and-Commissions) for a list of current openings.

## Stay vigilant

The Lynnwood Police Department is reminding community members to stay vigilant when you're out and about.

- Reduce or eliminate opportunities: avoid distractions (cell phones and headphones).
- Increase your awareness: When walking, use well-lit and well-populated areas. When approaching your car, make sure no one is hiding in or around your vehicle, and when parking your vehicle, always park in well-lit areas.
- Trust your instincts.
- Be prepared. Think, don't panic. There is no single action to take if you are attacked. Your best defense is to be prepared and know your options and capabilities.
- Call 911 if you see something or someone suspicious.



Download the *LPD app!*  
It's available on Google Play and the App store.



## Just keep swimming... at our fish hatchery!

The City of Lynnwood Coho Salmon Class of 2024 is wiggling into the new year at the Hall Lake Fish Hatchery & Environmental Education Center. 30,000 coho salmon have been growing up in our center since December and would love to meet you! City staff will be offering educational programs and tours of the hatchery this spring. Contact us at [environmental@LynnwoodWA.gov](mailto:environmental@LynnwoodWA.gov) for more information.



## Check out our new disc golf at Gold Park!

This winter, we unveiled Lynnwood's first public disc golf course! The nine-hole course traverses the diverse landscape and topography of this historic and culturally significant park. Gold Park and the course are open daily from dusk to dawn, and it's free to play. Check it out and let us know what you think!



## Hungry for our local flavor? Discover Lynnwood's Best Bites

Lynnwood has emerged as one of the top destinations in the PNW for foodies. With hundreds of international cuisine options, you'll find something for everyone. Discover the fantastic foodie's paradise and enjoy Lynnwood's Best Bites Pass. Download the free dining pass for discounts and savings at participating restaurants. Start your foodie journey at [ExploreLynnwood.com/BestBites](https://ExploreLynnwood.com/BestBites).



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## See Something? Say Something.

We want to keep Lynnwood safe and welcoming for all people. If you see graffiti or other vandalism in our City parks or rights-of-way, please report it. Visit [www.LynnwoodWA.gov](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov), click on the Report a Problem button, or call 425-670-5595 for Parks Maintenance, or 425-670-5420 for private property issues. Always dial 9-1-1 for emergencies.



## We're Hiring!

The City of Lynnwood has position openings varying in fields and types, including part-time and full-time. Join our team and make a difference in your community! Visit [lynnwoodwa.gov/jobs](http://lynnwoodwa.gov/jobs) for a list of current openings.



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Registration for the spring quarter is open now! Visit [edmonds.edu/apply](http://edmonds.edu/apply) to take the next step toward your academic and professional goals.



## Free Family Fun!

Saturday, April 27, 11 am-2 pm  
PUD Headquarters (2320 California Street, Everett)  
Truckstravaganza, EV show, booths, food trucks & more!  
[snopud.com/energyblockparty](http://snopud.com/energyblockparty)



*Snopud.com is available in 15 languages! Click the language button at the top left of the site.*



## PAWS IN THE PARK!

Saturday, April 20, 2024  
10:00 AM - Noon  
Lynndale Dog Park  
7512 Olympic View Drive

Join us for a tail-wagging extravaganza designed to delight both dogs and their humans! Paws in the Park is a community-centric event celebrating our four-legged friends and the bond we share with them. Whether you're a seasoned pet owner or just looking to spend a fun-filled day with furry companions. Friendly pet parade, costumes, prizes. . . There's something for everyone at Paws in the Park.



For details scan the QR code or visit: [www.lynnwoodwa.gov/events](http://www.lynnwoodwa.gov/events)



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### Heritage Park Spring Clean

Wednesday, April 3, 2024  
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
Heritage Park  
19921 Poplar Way  
Lynnwood

### Earth Day Drive Thru Event

Saturday, April 27, 2024  
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
Lynnwood Operations  
& Maintenance Center  
20525 60th Ave W.  
Lynnwood



*Calendar listings are updated on an ongoing basis so be sure to check back often. For details scan the QR code or visit [lynnwoodwa.gov/events](http://lynnwoodwa.gov/events).*



**With Mayor Christine Frizzell  
Wednesday, March 6, 9 a.m.  
Lynnwood Event Center  
Free and open to the public**