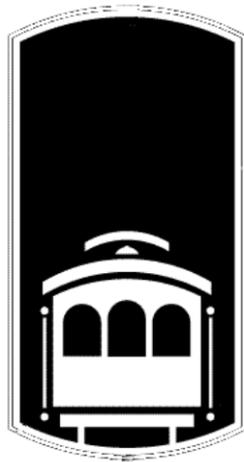


# **ANNUAL REPORT** of the **City of Lynnwood** **HISTORICAL COMMISSION**



# **2004**

## **MISSION**

**To recognize the sites, structures, and artifacts associated with Lynnwood's history and the individuals who contributed to the successful growth and development of the City.**

**To achieve a balance between preserving the past, satisfying the needs of the present and meeting the demands of the future.**

## Historical Commission and the Annual Report:

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The Lynnwood Historical Commission was established on November 24, 1997 (Ordinance No. 2160) under the authority of Lynnwood Municipal Code, Chapter 2.35. The Historical Commission is an advisory commission to the City of Lynnwood. The Commission's duties include advising and making recommendations to the Mayor and City Council in regard to historical and cultural recognition and preservation activities, and to perform such other duties as the Mayor may direct.

In March 2003, the City Council adopted Historic Preservation Ordinance 2445. This ordinance gives the Historical Commission the authority to designate properties to the City Of Lynnwood Historic Landmark Register. This new authority expands the Commission's role to include quasi-judicial actions in addition to its advisory function.

This is the Annual Report of the Lynnwood Historical Commission to the Mayor and City Council for 2004, as prescribed by the Commission's Scope and Rules. The report summarizes significant discussion issues, recommendations and actions of the Historic Commission during 2004. It is intended primarily for the Mayor and City Council, but may also be of interest to other commissions, organizations and individuals who have an interest in historic preservation.

## 2004 Historical Commissioners

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Niniva Tupua, Chair	Position #4	Expires December 31, 2005
Ronald Sather, Pro Tempore	Position #3	Expires December 31, 2005
Marie Little, Vice Chair	Position #1	Expires December 31, 2007
Vacant	Position #2	Expires December 31, 2004
Vacant	Position #5	Expires December 31, 2003

## Summary of Major Accomplishments in 2004:

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During much of 2004, the Historical Commission functioned without a quorum due to position vacancies. In November of 2004, the City Council adopted the Historical Commission Membership Code Amendment Ordinance (2531). The ordinance reduces Commission membership from seven to five. Reducing the number of Commissioners will make it easier to consistently achieve a quorum and expedite decision-making.

The following is a summary of the Historical Commission's major accomplishments for 2004. The Commission:

- Updated the Commission's Historical Resources Inventory.

- Adoption of the Historical Commission Code Amendment Ordinance that reduces Commission membership from 7 to 5.
- Monitored the status of the historic Keeler's Korner and Manor Hardware properties.
- Worked to develop a historic property survey form to be used for designating historic properties to the City's Historic Landmark Register.
- Organized a historic preservation and recognition event in May. The event included recognizing Janice Tutmark and Mary Wickstrum for their contribution to local historical preservation. Ms. Tutmark and Ms. Wickstrum were instrumental in promoting the development of Heritage Park.
- Continued work on the design and implementation of the Historic Landmark Plaque Project.
- Assisted the Economic Development Department with the production of postcards printed from four photographs of three historic structures and Interurban car 55.
- Preserved the old Rose Motel pole sign for possible future use in a display describing the history of Highway 99. The sign is now being temporarily stored at the City's Public Works Utility Maintenance Center.

One of the most important accomplishments this year was the second annual recognition of May as Historic Preservation Month in the City. The event took place during the May 10th City Council meeting and included presentation of a certificate of recognition to Janice Tutmark and Mary Wickstrum. Mayor McKinnon also issued a proclamation declaring May as Lynnwood Historic Preservation Month.

The Commission believes that working with other boards and commissions is an important way to highlight the connection between preserving local heritage and providing traditional public facilities and services. This year the Commission assisted Mary Monroe (Economic Development Tourism Project Manager) with the production of postcards printed from four historic photographic images. The images of the structures and Interurban car below depict important periods in the history of the City:

- Hunter Log Cabin (Present site of Pioneer Park) [circa 1900]



- Morrice Cabin (Site of Alderwood Mall) [circa 1900]



- Wickers Building (As Alderwood Mercantile) [1933]



- Interurban Car 55 (Last run of the Seattle-Everett Line) [1939]



The postcards are currently for sale at the South Snohomish County Visitor Information Office in the Wickers Building at Heritage Park.

The Commission also wishes to thank staff for their contribution to the Commission's accomplishments for 2004.

