

# **Lynnwood Moving Forward: Our Community Vision**

***The City of Lynnwood will be a regional model for a sustainable, vibrant community with engaged citizens and an accountable government.***

***Our vision is...***

***To be a welcoming city that builds a healthy and sustainable environment.***

- Safe and walk-able interconnecting residential and commercial neighborhoods
- Vibrant city center
- Promote Lynnwood as an affordable place to live, work, and play
- Aesthetic neighborhood quality through code enforcement
- Preserve and expand natural spaces, parks, and cultural diversity and heritage
- Integrate the built environment to support the natural environment
- Encourage economic development

***To encourage a broad business base in sector, size and related employment, and promote high quality development.***

- Promote high quality, sustainable development and design (LEED)
- Balanced commercial development mindful of traffic management
- Convention center as an engine of economic growth and community events
- Protect residential areas from commercial use
- Communicate with the community on city plans, policies, and events

***To invest in preserving and expanding parks, recreation, and community programs.***

- Develop a network of pedestrian and bike trails for recreation and transportation
- Encourage business/organization partnerships & participation to create and promote community events
- Create civic pride through cultural arts, events, parks, and services
- Promote healthy lifestyles
- Provide diverse senior services creating a liveable community
- Establish a new signature event that creates civic pride
- Use parks and cultural arts to attract economic growth

1 ***To be a cohesive community that respects all citizens.***

- 2 • A safe, clean, beautiful, small-town atmosphere
- 3 • Build and enhance a strong, diverse, integrated community
- 4 • Develop and identify physical neighborhoods
- 5 • Encourage citizens to be involved in community events
- 6 • Engage our diverse population through effective, inclusive communication
- 7 • Continue community communications and open process

8 ***To invest in efficient, integrated, local and regional transportation systems.***

- 9 • Improve pedestrian and bike flow, safety, and connectivity
- 10 • Adaptive, safe, well-maintained, state-of-the-art traffic management infrastructure
- 11 • Support the needs of commuters and non-commuters
- 12 • Reduce traffic congestion

13 ***To ensure a safe environment through rigorous criminal and property law***  
14 ***enforcement.***

- 15 • Continue to provide good quality response times for fire, paramedics, and police
- 16 • Encourage support for police and fire department citizen volunteer programs
- 17 • Become a benchmark city through technology and through neighborhood  
18 involvement
- 19 • Increase police presence through more patrol and bike officers
- 20 • Increase and support public education on public safety

21 ***To be a city that is responsive to the wants and needs of our citizens.***

- 22 • Develop goals and objectives that benefit residents and businesses
- 23 • Create/enhance Lynnwood's brand identity
- 24 • Govern and grow in a way to stay true to the city's defined identity
- 25 • Develop and execute a measurable strategic plan (budget, timeline); involve  
26 community
- 27 • Fair and diverse revenue base
- 28 • Promote Lynnwood's convenient location to maximize opportunities and benefits
- 29 • Be environmentally friendly – sustainable

30 ***Adopted by the Lynnwood City Council on 1/26/09.***