

1 **MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE LYNNWOOD CITY COUNCIL**
2 **HELD MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021 AT 6:00 p.m. VIA ZOOM**
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A. Roll Call:

Mayor & Council:

Mayor Nicola Smith
Council President George Hurst
Council Vice President Jim Smith
Councilmember Ruth Ross
Councilmember Ian Cotton
Councilmember Christine Frizzell
Councilmember Julieta Altamirano-Crosby
Councilmember Shannon Sessions

Others Attending:

DBS Director David Kleitsch
Planning Manager Ashley Winchell
Finance Director Michelle Meyer
Strategic Planner Corbitt Loch

Guests:

Erik Bagwell, EcoNorthwest

Asst. City Administrator Art Ceniza
Interim City Clerk Karen Fitzthum
Executive Assistant Lisa Harrison
City Attorney Rosemary Larson

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6 **B. Executive Session: Potential Litigation (00:200-00:48:00)**

7 After roll call the council went into executive session.

8 **C. Briefing: South Lynnwood Neighborhood Plan (00:49:00)**

9 DBS Director David Kleitsch and Planning Manager Ashley Winchell updated council on the plans
10 for the South Lynnwood Neighborhood, along with Erik Bagwell from EcoNorthwest. They noted
11 that 20% of Lynnwood residents live in this area and 25% are Hispanic. It is a dense population
12 and includes industrial land. They reviewed themes for the development and discussed their
13 outreach plan, which will include an open house and surveys of the apartment complexes and
14 businesses. They will provide another update in Mid-May or early June.

15 **D. Break (1:37:00)**

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17 **E. Debrief: Business Roundtable (1:46:00)**

18 Council members discussed some of the ideas and issues brought up at the March 17 business
19 round table meeting, including the employee fee currently charged businesses. Strategic
20 Planner Corbitt Loch provided information regarding the employee fee and pointed out that if
21 city council wishes to remove this source of revenue (\$4MM across the biennium) they must
22 identify what will be cut from the budget to make up for this loss. Council will also be required
23 to hold a public hearing on this issue. Council President Hurst stated that he would like to
24 appoint a task force to take a more detailed look at this issue.
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26 **F. Mayor Comments and Questions**

27 Mayor Smith announced that vaccinations will be available for all adults age 16+ by the end of
28 May. She also thanked council member Ian Cotton for his service over the past 8 years as he is
29 leaving the council and moving to Arizona.

30 **G. Council President and Council Comments**

31 Council Members thanked Council Member Cotton for his service and wished him the best.

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33 The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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35 *Nicola Smith*

36 [Nicola Smith \(Apr 27, 2021 15:16 PDT\)](#)

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Nicola Smith, Mayor