

# INSIDE LYNNWOOD

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Fall 2019

## Fair on 44th Saturday, September 7, 10am-2pm

Join us on Saturday, September 7 for the 4th annual Fair on 44th, Lynnwood's Health & Safety Community Block Party. We're closing down the street from the Fire Station to the Police Station and hosting a block party!



- **SHRED** up to 3 grocery bags of your household's sensitive documents for free on-site shredding!
- **DONATE** food to the Foundation for Edmonds School District's Nourishing Network!
- **EXPLORE** vehicles on-site for tours & pictures with Fire Trucks, Ambulances, Police & SWAT Vehicles, Community Transit, Vactor Trucks, Support Seven, Mary's Bubble Tow Truck, Tractors, and more!
- **SEE** demonstrations from Police K-9 and Motorcycle Units, disaster preparedness tips & skills, fitness & exercise demos, and more!
- **ENJOY** lunch or a delicious snack from a local food truck!
- **LEARN** what's happening in the City of Lynnwood—new development, construction projects, Light Rail, and more!
- **GET** information on health insurance coverage, dental care, blood pressure checks, health & wellness programs, and more!
- **TEST** your skills in the kids bicycle rodeo, get fitted for and take home a free bike helmet!
- **PLAY** games, craft projects, other fun activities for the whole family, and smile for the photo booth!
- **FIND** Clark the Shark roaming around being silly!

**FAIR**  
ON 44TH



## Message from Mayor Nicola Smith

*Thank You for Being Engaged!*



Over the past several months our city staff have been connecting with community members and partners on a wide variety of topics. We've had a full line-up of summer events such as Meet Me at the Park, Sandlot Cinemas, Afro Latino Festival and Shakespeare in the Park, just to name a few. We've just launched the South Lynnwood Neighborhood Plan and our staff continues to do extensive outreach and engagement

with community members to understand the wants and needs of the neighborhood as we prepare for the future.

Earlier this year we launched a Website Redevelopment Project and we appreciate the many community members that have given their thoughts and input to help guide the future of our website. We're also thankful for those that participated in the recent Human Services Needs Assessment Survey as we gather important data about our community.

Our City Council has been keenly focused on affordable housing and the opportunities that we have as a city to ensure a wide variety of housing options and services for everyone. Council recently hosted a round table of area residents and service providers to provide their thoughts and input on this topic. I have been honored to serve as the co-chair, alongside County Executive Dave Somers, of HART–The Housing Affordability Regional Taskforce. This group is looking at housing affordability from a county-wide perspective, addressing this important topic as a collective community.

The impact of our Cops & Clergy group continues to grow, and our police officers and faith leaders are working alongside one another to support community members in need, and strengthening this network of engaged and caring individuals.

We appreciate the many, many community members that are connected and engaged, giving us their thoughts, feedback, and suggestions as we address the many issues and opportunities we have as a city. It takes all of us working together to create a city that we can all be proud of!

Want to get connected but you don't know how? There are several ways that you can get informed and give your voice to important topics that shape our community. Sign up to receive email updates at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews), follow us on social media, visit our website at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov), join us for community events and meetings, or even contact any of our city staff members. We can't wait to connect with you!

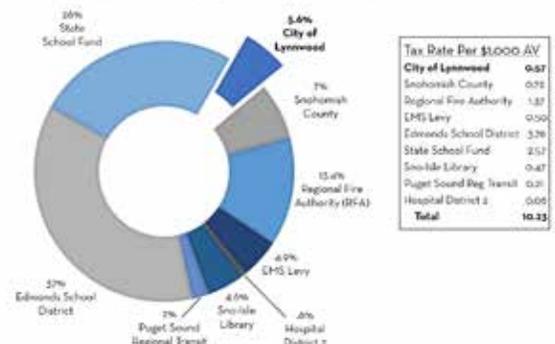
## Your Taxes

Do you ever wonder where your tax dollars go? Here is a quick summary that breaks down how your property tax and sales tax dollars are distributed.

The 2019 City of Lynnwood property tax levy rate is \$0.57 per \$1,000 of assessed value (AV), which is just a portion of your property taxes collected by the County. From the chart below, you'll see that 5.6% of your property tax bill goes to the City to fund your city services such as police, roads, parks, planning, etc.

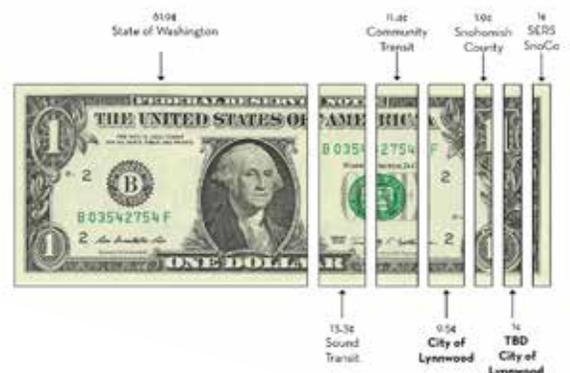
After the formation of the South County Fire Regional Fire Authority, the City's general property tax levy rate was reduced from \$1.73 per \$1,000 AV to \$0.57 per \$1,000 AV as the City was no longer providing fire and emergency medical services.

A quick summary of where your property tax dollars go  
2019 City of Lynnwood Property Tax Levy Rate = 0.57 per \$1,000 Assessed Value



The 2019 City of Lynnwood sales tax rate is currently 10.5%. Below is a breakdown of where your sales tax dollars go. Of every \$1.00 of sales tax collected, the City receives 9.5 cents. Additionally, the Transportation Benefit District of the City of Lynnwood receives 1 cent for every \$1.00, which was approved by Lynnwood voters in 2016. The TBD also collects \$40 car tab fees which, in addition to the sales tax, goes to fund transportation projects such as paving, chip sealing, sidewalks, traffic enhancements and other capital projects.

A quick summary of where your sales tax dollars go  
2019 City of Lynnwood Sales Tax Rate = 10.5% Effective April 1, 2019



# Community Disaster Preparedness: *Creating a Disaster Resilient Community*

Disasters may strike at any time, usually with little or no warning. The 4.6 magnitude earthquake that many felt during the early morning hours of July 12 may have served as a wakeup call. In our region, we could experience earthquakes, power outages, storms, volcanic activity, severe weather, hazardous material releases, and other emergencies. These disasters have the potential to severely damage our transportation corridors, disrupt lines of communications, and keep first responders very busy.

The City of Lynnwood is taking steps to ensure that our first responders can quickly and safely respond to a variety of emergencies. We have a robust Emergency Operations Center staffed with dedicated employees that receive on-going emergency management training. However, in the event of a major disaster, first responders may not be able to reach you for several days...are you prepared?

We can't predict when disaster will happen, but if we prepare together, as a city, and as a community, we will create community resiliency and navigate through whatever mother nature brings!

**ARE YOU PREPARED?** Families, businesses, and community organizations can and should take steps to prepare for disasters:

- **Make a kit** of emergency supplies: gather food, water, medications and supplies for you and your family (don't forget your pets) for 3-7 days. [www.ready.gov/build-a-kit](http://www.ready.gov/build-a-kit)
- **Make a plan** for what you will do in an emergency: Develop a family communications plan, figure out what you will do in case you need to shelter-in-place, what you will do if you need to get away, and be sure to know emergency plans at school and work. [www.ready.gov/make-a-plan](http://www.ready.gov/make-a-plan) has some great tools to help you get started.
- **Participate in a disaster training workshop** such as Map Your Neighborhood or Community Emergency Response Team training (CERT). For more information visit [www.SnohomishCountyWA.gov/DEM](http://www.SnohomishCountyWA.gov/DEM).
- **Follow us on Twitter** to receive updates during an emergency @Lynnwood @LynnwoodPD @LynnwoodStreets and @SouthSnoFire or sign up for Lynnwood eNews at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews)

## Eagle Scout Project Brings Peace to Lynnwood

As part of an International Peace Pole project, Eagle Scout Jim Osburn, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Lynnwood, coordinated the efforts to have nine Peace Poles crafted and installed throughout the City of Lynnwood. On June 26, a ribbon cutting ceremony was held to celebrate the new art installations.

Each Peace Pole includes the message "May Peace Prevail on Earth" which is also translated into several different languages. Each site's

host had the opportunity to select languages that were meaningful and appropriate for the particular site.

Peace Poles are dedicated as monuments to harmony and can be seen all over the world. They will become a gathering place on



Eagle Scout Jim Osburn, along with Mayor Nicola Smith and Peace Pole site sponsors, cut a ribbon outside of City Hall to commemorate the installation of nine Peace Poles throughout Lynnwood.

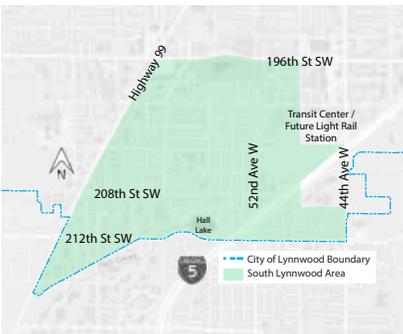
September 21, International Day of Peace, as community members are invited to come together at noon for a minute of silence and peacebuilding. To see a listing of all the Peace Pole locations, visit [www.DiscoverLynnwood.com](http://www.DiscoverLynnwood.com).





## South Lynnwood Neighborhood Plan

As Lynnwood anticipates growth and development with the opening of Lynnwood Link light rail in 2024, the South Lynnwood neighborhood is facing significant opportunities and challenges. To prepare for future growth and changes, and assist the South Lynnwood communities in this time of transition, the



South Lynnwood is a diverse residential and commercial neighborhood generally bounded by 196th St. SW to the north, Highway 99 to the west, and I-5 and the shared boundary with Mountlake Terrace on the east and south.

opportunities for business growth, improve access to buses and accessible and active transportation, and create a model for effective and equitable growth throughout Lynnwood.

Your voice matters! To ensure that this Neighborhood Plan represents the diverse perspectives of the neighborhood, the City wants to understand your goals and hopes for the future of South Lynnwood.

### LEARN MORE

To get involved and learn more about the South Lynnwood Neighborhood Plan, please contact Ashley Winchell, Interim Planning Manager at [awinchell@LynnwoodWA.gov](mailto:awinchell@LynnwoodWA.gov), or visit the Community Development booth at the Fair on 44th on September 7!



## Bringing Energy Efficiency to the Streets

In early July, Mayor Smith and the Lynnwood City Council recognized our Traffic Division, led by Traffic Engineer Paul Coffelt (front center) for their efforts to earn a \$62,000 PUD rebate check. Lead Traffic Signal Technician Mike Thomas (front right) and Traffic Signal Technician Bill Alcayaga (front left) have been switching out Lynnwood street lights to new energy efficient LED fixtures that qualified the city for PUD's rebate program.



Terence Calhoun, Information Technology Systems Engineer (front right) was joined by Mayor Nicola Smith and Interim IT Director Will Cena, as he was presented the 2018 Honoring Excellence Employee Award.

## Honoring Excellence... and A Great Deal More!

The City of Lynnwood is seeking nominations for Residents, Employees and Businesses that are Excellent...and a great deal more. Do you know someone who inspires, demonstrates integrity, someone who goes the extra mile? Now is your chance to help them get recognized for their contributions to our community!

**Who Qualifies?** Any City employee, resident or business who demonstrates excellence is eligible for the *Excellence...and a great deal more Award*.

Nomination forms can be found online or at Lynnwood City Hall. All nominations are due by Friday, September 13, 2019. For more information visit [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/ExcellenceAwards](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/ExcellenceAwards) or contact Beth Morris at 425-670-5011 or [bmorris@LynnwoodWA.gov](mailto:bmorris@LynnwoodWA.gov).

# Lynnwood City Council



*Pictured L-R: Council President Benjamin Goodwin, Council Vice President Christine Frizzell, Ian Cotton, George Hurst, Ruth Ross, Shannon Sessions and Shirley Sutton.*

City Council Work Sessions are held the 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays of the month and the third Wednesdays from 7-10pm. Council Business Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month from 7-10pm at the City Hall Council Chambers, 19100 - 44th Avenue West, Lynnwood. Council Business Meetings are broadcast on Comcast Channel 21 and FIOS/ Frontier Channel 38, on Wednesdays at 7:30pm and Sundays at 7:00am and 2:00pm. Contact Beth Morris, Council Executive Assistant at 425-670-5011 or bmorris@LynnwoodWA.gov for more information.

## Council Corner: We Need You!

As we transition from summer to fall, it's a good time to remember that Lynnwood has weathered 60 years of changing seasons. We have grown from an intersection, to a thriving system of roads, sidewalks, paths and trails. We have changed from being an agricultural hub for chickens and egg production to having a major regional mall, tall buildings, and a robust economy. Our parks and green spaces are no longer taken for granted but are honored for the respite and recreation that we very much need in our present lives and families.

With the next 60 years ahead of us, and learning from past victories as well as mistakes, we must not operate in isolation. We want to reach out to the residents of Lynnwood to help manage our future. We also want to connect with neighboring cities in a regional strategy of planning and action. What we do in Lynnwood affects cities and communities around us.

Your City Council is committed to being a Regional Model. We cannot do this merely with the seven of us. We need you, the members of our community, to let us know what is important to you. If you live, work or play in Lynnwood, we need to hear from you! Sign up for email updates, visit the City's website, consider visiting us at a Council Business Meeting, or send us an email through the City website.

We invite you to explore the vision of the vast number of projects surrounding us. Spend time in our parks or at the Recreation Center. Volunteer at our Police or Fire Station 15 and discover all they do to keep our city safe. We encourage you to find a new appreciation for all that makes Lynnwood a great deal more.

## Council Highlights Feb-Apr

### Proclamations

Bike Everywhere Month (May); Historic Preservation Month (May); Arts Education Month (May); Parks and Recreation Volunteers; International Water Safety Day, LGBT Pride Month (June); Parks and Recreation Month (July)

### Ordinances

City Center Updates; Ordinance Approving a Development Agreement for the Lynnwood Place Phase 2 Project; 2019 Salary Schedule Updates; Amending LMC 2.22; Development Agreement Code Amendment

### Interlocal Agreements (ILA) / Contracts

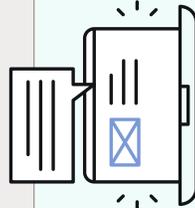
Teamsters Local 763; Consultant Contract Supplement 196th St SW Improvements; Construction Contract Award Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations 4 & 8 Improvements; Contract Supplement Scriber Creek Trail Improvements; Contract Award On-Call Real Estate Services; Real Estate Purchase Agreements for 196th St SW Improvements; Consultant Contract Supplement Lynnwood Multimodal Transportation Planning; Construction Contract Award 2022 Pavement Preservation & Rehabilitation program - 2019 Overlay and Curb Ramp Project; Contract Amendment Public Defender Services; Consultant Contract Supplement Beech Road Improvements Project; Consultant Supplemental Contract Wastewater Treatment Plant Building Repairs

### Public Hearing

City Center Updates; Ordinance Approving a Development Agreement for the Lynnwood Place Phase 2 Project; Development Agreement Code Amendment

### Appointments

Arts Commissioner Barry Miller; Human Services Commissioner Vanessa Villavicencio; Hearing Examiner



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## BECOME A LYNNWOOD PARK CHAMPION TODAY!

Do you or your family live near a Lynnwood park?

Like to play basketball or soccer?

Use playgrounds, trails, or picnic areas?

Parks are critical for healthy thriving communities and we want to hear about how YOU are getting to and using parks. As a **Park Champion**, you will map your walk and complete a short park survey of one or more of our Lynnwood Parks.

This is an opportunity to provide your feedback on getting to your neighborhood park safely and share about your park experience!

To learn more and become a **PARK CHAMPION**, visit [connect.lynnwoodwa.gov](http://connect.lynnwoodwa.gov).



# Artist

# Opportunities

Gallery at City Hall (apply by Sept 30)

Youth Gallery at Rec Center (Sept 30)

+ other  
art  
projects



# LynnwoodArts.org



# MAJOR PROJECTS

Construction season is in full swing and several major projects in and around Lynnwood may impact your daily commute. These major infrastructure projects will greatly improve road conditions and prepare our City for future growth.

## *Lynnwood Link Extension Project*

Construction of the future Link light rail Lynnwood City Center Station is underway! The Lynnwood Transit Center is one of the busiest transit hubs in our region. Every day thousands of commuters use the transit center to get to and from work. Sound Transit will be conducting a vast majority of their work during week days, however some work will require full street closures and night/weekend work in order to minimize impacts to commuters, businesses and residents during commuting and business hours.

Sound Transit has a strong commitment to providing community outreach and will provide advanced notification of any night work activities before they begin. Sound Transit will also be conducting door-to-door outreach efforts to residents and businesses in the immediate vicinity. Sound Transit's community outreach team is available 24-hours a day and has direct contact with the contractors performing the work. For any issues, please contact the 24-hour construction hotline at 1-888-298-2395.

For more information on the Lynnwood City Center Station visit Sound Transit's online open house at [SoundTransit.org/LLE](http://SoundTransit.org/LLE). For questions about construction please contact the 24-hour construction hotline: 1-888-298-2395

## *36th Ave W Improvement Project*

Construction continues at a good pace. This project includes improved subgrade and pavement surface, continuous ADA-compliant sidewalks and curb ramps, and improvements to transit stops including bus pullouts.

Two significant features of the project include a new signalize traffic intersection at Maple Road/179th St SW, and a new roundabout at 172nd St SW as well as replanting of native vegetation; and a public art feature. Project completion anticipated for early Spring 2020.

## **STAY INFORMED**

During construction we'll be posting regular project updates on our City website, Lynnwood eNews and Twitter. Sign up for Lynnwood eNews at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews), follow us on Twitter @LynnwoodStreets and @Lynnwood, and visit [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/MajorProjects](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/MajorProjects)





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## Free Natural Yard Care Workshops

The City of Lynnwood will be holding two free workshops in September to promote natural yard care/green-gardening practices that make yards easier to maintain and healthier for kids, pets, and the environment.

### September 21st, 10am-12pm, Wilcox Park:

Learn about pruning and tree care, using compost and mulch, and a hands-on demo of how to use a lawn dethatcher.

### September 28th, 10am-12pm, Lynndale Park:

Learn strategies to create a better, healthier lawn while using less fertilizer, water and pesticides. Additional topics include moss and mole solutions, and a hands-on demo of how to use a lawn aerator.

*For questions contact Stormwater Technician Cameron Coronado at 425-670-5245 or email [ccoronado@LynnwoodWA.gov](mailto:ccoronado@LynnwoodWA.gov)*

## Foundation For Edmonds School District Celebrate Schools 5K—Monster Mad Dash

Join us on Saturday, October 5, 2019, 8am at Alderwood Mall for the Monster Mad Dash run/walk. This event is stroller and pet-friendly, there will be costume contests and a Battle of the Bands. All proceeds benefit the Foundation for Edmonds School District.

*For more info or to register, visit [www.FoundationESD.org](http://www.FoundationESD.org)*



## Spook and Splash Family Halloween Event

Delight in a night of spooktacular fun! Bring the family in their Halloween costumes to our family-friendly event for goblins big and small who seek a not-so-scary but oh-so-fun activity for Halloween. Activities will include carnival games, crafts, food, trick or treating in the Candyland Forest and a splash in the pool! (Swim is scheduled from 8-10pm)

*ALL AGES, Oct 26 Sat 7-10pm \$6/person, Lynnwood Recreation Center*



## Lynnwood University

There's still time to register for the next session of Lynnwood University! Join us Thursday evenings from 6:30-9pm, September 12-October 10.

Lynnwood University is a great program for all residents. It doesn't matter if you are new to Lynnwood or have lived here all your life. If you are a student, a retiree, a business owner, or anyone in between, you are sure to learn new information and have a great time!

*For more information or to register, visit [LynnwoodWA.gov/LynnwoodUniversity](http://LynnwoodWA.gov/LynnwoodUniversity) or call 425-670-5023*

## Connect with Lynnwood!



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