



Lynnwood Civic Center



# INSIDE LYNNWOOD

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## Your Elected Officials

The Mayor and City Council serve the residents of the City of Lynnwood by setting priorities, developing policies, and adopting budgets...but they can't do it alone. There are lots of exciting things happening in the City of Lynnwood and we want you to be informed and engaged!

Your thoughts, ideas, and concerns are important. In fact, our community vision calls for *engaged citizens* and an *accountable government!* We're inviting you to get engaged and let your voice be heard to make sure that we are creating a community that we can all be proud to call home!

There are many ways to get engaged with the City:

- **Call, email or write** to the Mayor, City Council or City Staff members.
- **Attend a City Council Meeting, Board & Commission Meeting, Open House, or other Community Meeting** and provide your input.
- **Join Mayor Smith on Wednesday afternoons for a Citizen Engagement meeting.** To schedule, call 425-670-5001 or email [ljensen@lynnwoodwa.gov](mailto:ljensen@lynnwoodwa.gov).



*L-R: Councilmember Shannon Sessions, Mayor Nicola Smith, Councilmembers George Hurst, Shirley Sutton, Ian Cotton, Ruth Ross, Benjamin Goodwin, and Christine Frizzell.*

- **Sign up for Lynnwood eNews and follow us on social media** to learn what's happening in the City of Lynnwood. Sign up at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews).
- **Volunteer!** Serve on a Board or Commission, join our Public Safety volunteers, or sign up for a neighborhood park clean-up project.

No matter how you choose to participate, we welcome you and look forward to building a better Lynnwood!

**Stay Connected With Your City! Sign up for e-News: the best way to stay up-to-date on City of Lynnwood news and topics. Sign up at [www.LynnwoodWa.gov/eNews](http://www.LynnwoodWa.gov/eNews).**

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## Message from Mayor Nicola Smith

### Strategic Priorities



This is an exciting time for the City of Lynnwood! Development in and around our City Center is picking up speed, Sound Transit will begin construction of the Lynnwood Link very soon, and our community is growing and changing.

The City Council and I have been working with our Finance team to improve our City's financial health, providing us with a solid foundation. We have an adopted Community Vision and numerous adopted plans that illustrate how we want Lynnwood to be in the future. And now the question is...how do we get there?

Over the next five years we will continue to see rapid change, and the way we prepare and respond to that change, will forever impact our community. Last fall, our Executive Leadership team participated in a 10-session Change Management Course and is now in the process of developing a Five-Year Strategic Plan to further crystallize our future.

We have developed five priority areas that will help us to be laser-focused on the projects and initiatives that will set us up for success. Those priorities are:

- **Priority 1: Fulfill the community vision for the City Center and Lynnwood Link light rail**
- **Priority 2: Ensure financial stability and economic success**
- **Priority 3: Nurture operational and organizational excellence**
- **Priority 4: Be a safe, welcoming, and livable city**
- **Priority 5: Pursue and maintain collaborative relationships and partnerships**

This Five-Year Strategic Plan will include objectives and goals in support of the priority areas. All of this work will directly shape how we budget and how we align our City's resources. I look forward to sharing with you our Five-Year Strategic Plan as it develops.

## Your Elected Officials

In November of 2017, Lynnwood residents had the opportunity to vote for their Mayor and three City Council Members.

Nicola Smith was re-elected to serve Lynnwood residents for a second term. Ian Cotton and Ruth Ross were both re-elected to the City Council, and Christine Frizzell was elected to serve Lynnwood residents.

## Newly Elected Councilmember Christine Frizzell, Position #1



*I have spent the majority of my life in the Lynnwood area. I am a graduate of Meadowdale High School and my first job was at the Lynnwood Library. I earned my accounting degree at Central Washington University on the Edmonds Community College campus. I am self-employed as an accountant for the last 30 years after spending my initial work years on staff with various companies.*

*I intend to serve our community to the very best of my abilities. My roots are in Lynnwood and my passion is for Lynnwood to grow and change into the place where we are all proud to live, work and play.*

### LEARN MORE

To read Christine Frizzell's full bio or other City Council Member bios, visit [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/Government/City-Council.htm](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/Government/City-Council.htm)

## Save the Date— Mayor Smith's 2018 State of the City Address

Thursday, June 21, 8-9:30am,  
Lynnwood Convention Center





## 2018 Legislative Priorities

The City of Lynnwood is proactively engaging with our State Legislators to advocate and convey our City's legislative priorities. Many decisions that are made in Olympia have direct or indirect impacts on our City's ability to provide services to the people of Lynnwood. When our representatives know our City priorities, they are better equipped to represent our interests in Olympia.

In January, Lynnwood Officials traveled to Olympia for the Association of Washington Cities—City Action Days. During the visit, our delegation met with Lieutenant Governor Cyrus Habib, Senators Marilyn Chase and Marko Liias, and Representatives Ruth Kagi, Lillian Ortiz-Self, Strom Petersen, and Cindy Ryu. Here are examples of a few of Lynnwood's Top Legislative Priorities:

- *Fund the Sound Transit Lynnwood Link Extension.*
- *Support planning and funding solutions for chokepoint and congestion relief in alignment with transportation priorities of Lynnwood and the region such as the Poplar Way Extension Bridge over I-5.*
- *Improve and expand transportation programs through state and federal funding grants.*
- *Protect and keep the level of state-shared revenues provided to local governments.*
- *Improve the mental health system & mental health field response.*
- *Support efforts that provide appropriate funding and authority to address growing mental health, homelessness, and affordable housing crises led by cities, counties, and the Low-Income Housing Alliance.*
- *Ensure adequate funding of grant programs to enhance public health that help youth and adults live active and healthy lifestyles.*
- *Provide local government with financing tools to fund public infrastructure needed for economic development and community revitalization such as the Lynnwood City Center.*
- *Fund the state sales tax incentive and support annexation assistance programs consistent with the Growth Management Act.*



L-R: Government Relations Liaison Gina Israel, Assistant City Administrator Art Ceniza, Mayor Nicola Smith, WA State Representative Cindy Ryu, Council Vice President Shannon Sessions, Councilmember Christine Frizzell, and Councilmember Shirley Sutton.



L-R: Strategic Planner Corbitt Loch, Councilmember Christine Frizzell, Council Vice President Shannon Sessions, Lieutenant Governor Cyrus Habib, Mayor Nicola Smith, Government Relations Liaison Gina Israel, and Assistant City Administrator Art Ceniza.

The City of Lynnwood has just recently contracted with Summit Strategies Government, to serve as our federal lobbyist. Summit Strategies will continue to further represent and advocate before U.S. Congress Lynnwood's transportation and infrastructure priorities, and work closely with the Washington State Congressional delegation to advance those priorities.

### **LEARN MORE**

To see Lynnwood's full Legislative Agenda, or for more information on the City's Legislative Engagement efforts, visit [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/LegislativePriorities](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/LegislativePriorities)



# I WANT YOU To Find Me!

## AT THE EGGS-PLORE LYNNWOOD GIANT EGG HUNT

### 30 EGGS. 30 LOCATIONS. WIN PRIZES. FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

### MARCH 4—MAY 6, 2018

### [WWW.EGGSLYNNWOOD.COM](http://WWW.EGGSLYNNWOOD.COM)



## South Lynnwood Neighborhood Beautification Day

Saturday, May 12, 9am-1pm

Join the City of Lynnwood staff for an exciting and rewarding volunteer event in the South Lynnwood Neighborhood. Calling for volunteers to join with your South Lynnwood neighbors to spend a morning working in teams to take on various beautification projects in the neighborhood.

Projects may include landscaping, litter pickup, graffiti removal, sidewalk improvements, curbside pickup of household bulk items, crosswalk painting, and invasive species removal at City parks/trails.

Community groups, businesses, faith-based groups, student organizations, and families are encouraged to register to be a part of this neighborhood transformation!

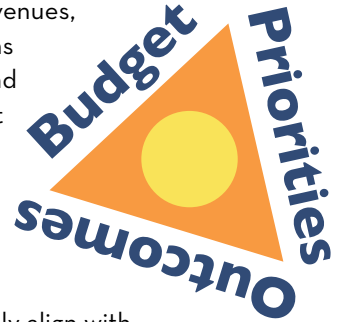
Let's work together to create a vibrant and sustainable South Lynnwood Neighborhood to live, work and play!

### REGISTER NOW

Please register at <http://bit.ly/2BrYmBH>.  
For more info, visit [www.HealthyLynnwood.com](http://www.HealthyLynnwood.com)

## Community Priorities Will Shape Budget for 2019-2020

Lynnwood strives to ensure fiscal health by maintaining ample reserves and working to keep actual expenses below budgeted amounts. Developing a City budget involves making tough choices regarding what should be funded with the limited resources available. The needs of the community always exceed available revenues, so budget allocations must be strategic and provide the greatest impact possible. Lynnwood uses a Budgeting For Outcomes (BFO) process to ensure budget decisions fully align with community expectations. As a member of the Lynnwood community, your input is needed to develop a budget aligned with what our community values.



There will be many opportunities throughout the budget process to provide your input. Be on the lookout for announcements in *Inside Lynnwood*, on our City's website, and through Lynnwood eNews.

### LEARN MORE

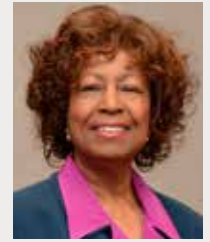
For more information: [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/Government/Budget-and-Finance.htm](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/Government/Budget-and-Finance.htm), or sign up for eNews at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews).



## Lynnwood Welcomes Five New Police Officers

We are pleased to welcome five new additions to the Lynnwood Police Department. John Garcia, Naseer Jamali, Tanner Hedlund, Frank Helm IV, and Shannon Ro (pictured left to right) are currently attending the Basic Law Enforcement Academy in Burien and are anticipated to graduate in June. With the hiring of these five police recruits, we are now fully staffed. Please help us in welcoming these new Officers to Lynnwood!

# Lynnwood City Council



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

### Connection. Community. Collaboration.

2018 is off to a great start. Your City Council hosted its first 'Council Summit' on Saturday February 10, setting an exciting tone for the coming year. This Summit marks the start of 2018 and the start of our second ever, Budgeting for Outcomes (BFO) biennial budget for our City. This forces us to consider and ponder, what it means to be a community.

Why does community matter? Several studies have come out recently, that tracked individuals over the course of decades of living. These studies all revealed something startlingly simple about those that lived long and happy lives—they were connected with their community. They knew their neighbors, they greeted people in their neighborhood, and made connections with people throughout their communities.

Which begs the question, what kind of community do we, as individuals, want to be connected to? What kind of spaces do we want to create as a collective community for gathering, sharing and building the interpersonal connections that are foundational to living long and fulfilled lives within Lynnwood?

The reason why this matters? The Budget that is aligned with this community, supports and provides the resources needed to build it. There will be multiple opportunities for you to come to Council meetings, Board and Commission meetings, and other Department meetings, to let us know how we should prioritize the budget.

So, come on by City Hall most Monday evenings (at 7pm) and say hello, reach out and email one, or all of us, and join us in collaboration to build a budget that will fund the community you choose for the next two years (2019-2020). By Connecting with us, you can join in the collaborative efforts that will ultimately align funding with the kind of Community we can all be proud of!

## Council Highlights Dec-Jan

### Proclamations & Presentations

Recognition of Outgoing Councilmember Christopher M. Boyer; Oath of Office Ceremony for Mayor Nicola Smith, and Councilmembers Ian Cotton, Christine Frizzell and Ruth Ross; Wear Red Day; Black History Month

### Resolutions

Supporting the Snohomish County Emergency Radio System Replacement

### Ordinances

2018 Salary Schedule; Calvary Annexation; Amendments to Title 17 & 21 LMC

### Interlocal Agreements (ILA) / Contracts

Waste Water Treatment Plant Pump Parts; Interlocal Agreement with Alderwood Water and Wastewater District for the 36th Ave W. Improvement Project; Interlocal Agreement with South Snohomish County Fire and Rescue RFA for City Fleet Services; Interlocal Agreement Extension with Snohomish County PUD regarding the Interurban Trail; Contract with Summit Strategies, Inc. for a Federal Lobbyist, Contract for Sewer Repair, Contract for Lift Station 12 Improvements

### Public Hearing

Miscellaneous Code Amendments to Titles 17 & 21 LMC

### Appointments

Election of Council President, Vice President and Council Liaisons



# Major Infrastructure Projects Coming Soon

Starting this spring, construction will begin on several major projects in and around Lynnwood. Although a short term inconvenience, these major infrastructure projects will greatly improve road conditions and prepare our City for the future.

During construction we'll be posting regular project updates on our City Website and sending them through Lynnwood eNews. Sign up to receive updates on the projects that matter the most to you by visiting [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/eNews).



## *Ash Way/Maple Road Flood Improvements*

This Snohomish County lead project will ease flooding in the vicinity of Maple Road and Ash Way near the Interurban Trail. This project will raise the intersection approximately 5ft and greatly improve the drainage system's capacity to reduce upstream flooding.

Ash Way and Maple Road Intersection will be closed during construction with marked detour routes. Construction begins this Spring. Sign up for project alerts from Snohomish County at [www.snohomishcountywa.gov/3677/Maple-Rd-and-Ash-Way-Lynnwood-2018](http://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/3677/Maple-Rd-and-Ash-Way-Lynnwood-2018).

## *Interurban Trail Missing Link*

This project will complete a "missing link" in the Interurban Trail by providing a continuous Class I bicycle/pedestrian corridor that is separated from traffic and/or located in the Interurban (PUD) corridor. 212th St SW will have periodic closures and marked detour routes. Construction begins this Spring.



### *36th Ave W Improvement Project*

In addition to road surface improvements, this two-mile long corridor will add sidewalks, landscape beautification, additional lanes in certain areas, bicycle lanes, a new traffic signal and Lynnwood's second roundabout. Construction begins this summer.

### *2018 Paving Program*

The City will be using chip sealing technology to preserve our roads at selected locations citywide. Construction starting in April 2018.

### *Sound Transit Early Demo*

Design of the Lynnwood Link Extension and the Lynnwood City Center station is underway. Completion of the design is expected by the end of 2018.

A community open house to review the design will be scheduled for Summer 2018. Sign up for project alerts at [www.soundtransit.org/Projects-and-Plans/Lynnwood-Link-Extension/Project-updates](http://www.soundtransit.org/Projects-and-Plans/Lynnwood-Link-Extension/Project-updates)

### *196th St SW Improvement Project*

The project will add two additional lanes, a center median, wider sidewalks, and landscape features with a boulevard appearance. It will help accommodate growth in our City Center and create an enhanced pedestrian environment. Construction will begin early 2019.

### *Sewer & Lift Station Improvements*

Lift Station 4 and 8, both located near Alderwood Mall, will have significant improvements to allow for increased capacity, as well as additional sewer mains connecting them to Lift Station 10.

Alderwood Mall Parkway and Alderwood Mall Boulevard will have periodic closures and marked detour routes. Construction begins this spring.

### **LEARN MORE**

For more information on additional public and private projects coming soon to Lynnwood, check out our interactive web map at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/MajorProjects](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/MajorProjects).





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# What's Happening *Sign up for e-news at [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/enews](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/enews)*



**Heritage Park Spring Clean** Join us for the annual Spring Clean event at Heritage Park. Volunteers will spruce up Interurban Car No. 55 and the grounds around the Wicker's Building, the Humble House and Superintendent's Cottage. Help us make this historic site shine!

*Wednesday, April 4 from 9am-3pm. Potluck lunch provided. RSVP to [mharrington@LynnwoodWA.gov](mailto:mharrington@LynnwoodWA.gov) or 425-670-5532*

**Free Recycling Event** Free recycling drop off of electronics, styrofoam and paper shredding. Support the Edmonds Community College Green Team by dropping off your old unwanted electronics. Free recycling of computers, monitors, TVs, laptops, cell phones, tables and clean Styrofoam blocks (no peanuts). Other electronics accepted for \$5 each.

*Saturday March 10, 9am-12pm, Edmonds Community College.  
 For more info visit [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/RecycleEvent](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/RecycleEvent)*

**Hero's Café** The Hero's Café is a monthly gathering for all veterans to focus on fostering positive outreach, interaction, and welfare within the neighboring community. Vets are welcome to drop in any time between 9am-1pm, last Tuesday of each month.

*Verdant Wellness Center, 4710  
 196th St SW, Lynnwood*

**Gardeners: do you need a garden?** We currently have a few garden boxes available at the Intergenerational Community Garden located at the Lynnwood Senior Center, 19000 44th Ave W.

*To learn more, contact Marielle Harrington, Healthy Communities Coordinator at 425-670-5532 or [mharrington@LynnwoodWA.gov](mailto:mharrington@LynnwoodWA.gov)*

## Connect with Lynnwood!

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**Meadowdale Playfields Grand Re-Opening** The Meadowdale Playfields renovation project is complete with all-weather turf, safety fencing and spectator seating. Join us for the grand re-opening of the Meadowdale Playfield.

*Monday, March 12, 5pm*

**Save the Date—Step Up: Moving Racial Equity Forward** Leadership Snohomish County presents for the second year the largest racial equity education event in the region. STEP UP: Moving Racial Equity Forward will convene up to 600 people from all corners of our county at the Lynnwood Convention Center to engage in essential conversations around racial equity in our communities. Ijeoma Oluo and Nate Bowling will present keynote addresses.

*April 20th, 2018 8am-5:30pm. Tickets are available at [www.leadershipsco.org](http://www.leadershipsco.org)*