

**LYNNWOOD
CITY COUNCIL
Work Session**

Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Time: 6:00 PM

**Place: This meeting will be held electronically via
Zoom. See the City of Lynnwood website for
details.**

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- 6:00 PM **A** Comments and Questions on Memo Items
- 6:05 PM **B** Briefing - House Bill 1590 - 2019-20 Allowing the Local Sales and Use Tax for Affordable Housing to be Imposed by a Councilmanic Authority
- 6:35 PM **C** Discussion - Preliminary Budget for 2021-2022 and 2021 Property Tax Levy, If Needed
- 7:35 PM **D** Break
- 7:45 PM **E** Should Marijuana Retail Stores be Allowed in the City of Lynnwood?
- 8:30 PM **F** Mayor Comments and Questions
- 8:35 PM **G** Council President and Council Comments
- 8:40 PM **H** Executive Session, If Needed

Adjourn

Memorandums for Future Agenda Items:

Memorandums for Your Information:

FYI-1 FYI: McCrary Property Acquisition

FYI-2 Council Liaison Reports

Contact: Executive Office (425) 670-5001

CITY COUNCIL ITEM A

**CITY OF LYNNWOOD
Executive**

TITLE: Comments and Questions on Memo Items

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Leah Jensen

DOCUMENT ATTACHMENTS

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CITY COUNCIL ITEM B

**CITY OF LYNNWOOD
City Council**

TITLE: Briefing - House Bill 1590 - 2019-20 Allowing the Local Sales and Use Tax for Affordable Housing to be Imposed by a Councilmanic Authority

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Christine Frizzell, Council President

SUMMARY:

Alliance for Housing Affordability (AHA) Program Manager Chris Collier will brief Council on House Bill 1590.

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CITY COUNCIL ITEM C

CITY OF LYNNWOOD Administrative Services

TITLE: Discussion - Preliminary Budget for 2021-2022 and 2021 Property Tax Levy, If Needed

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Corbitt Loch and Sonja Springer

SUMMARY:

This agenda item provides discussion/deliberation on the Preliminary Budget for 2021-2022 and the proposed property tax levy for 2021 (if needed). All of the procedural requirements for Council action have been completed.

In order to collect property tax during 2021, the approved levy must be submitted to the Snohomish County Assessor by November 30, 2021. The legal deadline to adopt the 2021-2022 Budget is December 31, 2020, but the adopted budget calendar indicates that Council action will occur on November 23, 2020.

POLICY QUESTION(S) FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

1. Is the proposed, flat property tax levy of \$4,300,000 consistent with City Council priorities?
2. What, if any, adjustments to the Preliminary Budget are needed to ensure alignment with the Community Vision and the Strategic Plan, 2018-2022?

ACTION:

Discuss any remaining issues/questions.

BACKGROUND:

The Preliminary Budget and the proposed property tax levy have been developed over many months and have been discussed/reviewed during many Council meetings. The City Council conducted public hearings on November 9, 2020, and discussed budget issues on November 16, 2020.

In recognition of the economic hardships created by COVID-19, it is proposed that the property tax levy for 2021 remain the same as 2020: \$4,300,000. For the median-priced homes, this will result in small decrease in the City's portion of property tax (~\$1.50/year). There appears to be no opposition to this proposed levy amount.

Budgets are financial expressions of community values and priorities. COVID-19 impacts upon City revenues have been and will be considerable. This Preliminary Budget for 2021-2022 is nearly \$7 million less than the adopted budget for 2019-2020. Despite the reduction in funds available, departments will continue to pursue the priorities of the Strategic Plan, 2018-2022.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTIONS:

See attachment.

FUNDING:

No tax increases are proposed.

KEY FEATURES AND VISION ALIGNMENT:

See Preliminary Budget Book.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:

Discuss any remaining issues/questions.

DOCUMENT ATTACHMENTS

Description:	Type:
Summary of meetings and outreach	Backup Material

2021-2022 Budget – Summary of Public Outreach

January 2020	Budget calendar established by City Council resolution.
February 2020	Presentation to citizen advisory boards and commissions.
June 2020	Announcement in <i>Inside Lynnwood</i> .
July – August 2020	Utility bill insert to all utility customers (English and Spanish).
September 2020	eGov announcement (email broadcast).
September 2020	GovDelivery announcement on Facebook.
November 2020	Announcement in <i>Inside Lynnwood</i> .
Sept. – Oct. 2020	Six+ announcements in <i>Lynnwood Today</i> .
September 2020	Two publications in Daily Herald and posted at City Hall.
Ongoing	Announcement on City of Lynnwood website.

2021-2022 Budget – Summary of Public Meetings/Discussions

January 21	Approve budget calendar for 2020.
July 13	Authorization to utilize General Fund reserves
February 8	City Council Summit
February 12	Joint Boards and Commissions Meeting
September 14	Proposed Preliminary Budget issued
September 28	Public hearing on budget priorities
October 12	Mayor issued Preliminary Budget
October 19	Department budget presentations
October 21	Department budget presentations
October 26	Department budget presentations
November 2	Department budget presentations, discussion
November 9	Public hearings for budget and property tax
November 16	Discussion
November 18	Discussion (if needed)
November 23	Adoption

CITY COUNCIL ITEM D

**CITY OF LYNNWOOD
City Council**

TITLE: Break

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Christine Frizzell, Council President

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CITY COUNCIL ITEM E

CITY OF LYNNWOOD City Clerk

TITLE: Should Marijuana Retail Stores be Allowed in the City of Lynnwood?

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Council Member George Hurst

SUMMARY:

The City of Lynnwood currently has an ordinance banning marijuana retail stores within the City Limits. It has been 5 years since the ordinance was passed and since then there have been tremendous changes in regulations of marijuana stores and in the business climate of Lynnwood.

POLICY QUESTION(S) FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Should the ordinance be repealed and what regulations specific to marijuana retail stores should be considered?

ACTION:

Presentation by Josh Estes of Pacific NW Regional Strategies LLC followed by Council discussion.

BACKGROUND:

See attached document

FUNDING:

NA The City will receive sales tax and excise tax from store sales.

DOCUMENT ATTACHMENTS

Description:	Type:
Letter from John Estes	Backup Material
Press release child cancer awareness	Backup Material
Press release Realm of Calm	Backup Material
Press release community service	Backup Material
Letter to City of Everett from LSC Director	Backup Material

November 10, 2020

Re: Lynnwood Consideration of Retail Cannabis

Council Member Hurst,

My name is Josh Estes and I am a Lobbyist and Managing Partner with Pacific Northwest Regional Strategies, LLC. Along with my business partner Sean L. O Sullivan, our firm represents the legislative and community affairs interests of a number of clients in the Pacific Northwest and Snohomish County. Included in our portfolio are a number of local cannabis retail store owners.

I am reaching out to you today on behalf of these clients to check-in on the possibility of providing information or support with respect to the council's consideration and exploration of reversing the outright ban on cannabis retailers in the city that was brought forth during the September 14th, 2020 council work-session and referenced in an article that was recently published by the Everett Herald. The article mentioned your interest and introduction of the topic. We had previously spoken with you back in September about our willingness to participate in the discussion and hopefully answer some of the common questions that might arise.

As local operators with owners who reside in Snohomish County, our clients are committed to supporting local jurisdictional efforts to re-examine earlier ordinances that were established largely in part to the industry being in its infancy and not really having an understanding of some of the potential impacts to public safety and the economy.

Luckily, several years have passed since the legalization and consolidation of the medical/recreational markets. During that time, the cannabis industry has provided for considerable revenues both to the state and to the local economy. We have also seen positive benefits to local communities through partnerships with local non-profits like Leadership Snohomish County, Childstrive, Housing Hope, Mari's Place, Seattle Children's Hospital and area food banks.

One of the more common concerns by jurisdictions revisiting their codes, has been wanting to have a clear understanding of the impacts of this industry on crime and public safety. We have been directly involved with the recent decision by the City of Everett, to lift their ban on additional retail cannabis stores which was passed by the Everett Council with a vote of six to one (6-1) last month in October. The decision to reverse the ban on more stores, was carefully considered and included extensive research by the council's public safety subcommittee on the potential public safety impacts, which by Everett Police Departments own Crime Analysis Unit, found no evidence of an increase in calls for service for licensed cannabis retailers than other similar retail or business establishments.

The City Council's willingness to reengage in the conversation to consider allowing retailers into Lynnwood is a discussion that we will be following very closely, and would like to offer our perspective and experience on, if the council is interested. We have provided similar information to a number of other City Councils regarding the benefits and common concerns that this industry can bring to your community and we would be happy to do the same in Lynnwood.

Additionally, we are only a few weeks away from a grand opening and ribbon cutting at one of our client's newest locations in the Harbour Pointe Area of Mukilteo and would love to welcome you or any of your colleagues on the council for a tour of this fantastic new space. This location is a great example of the different ways that adding these shops to your community can help to drive economic growth.

The Mukilteo store is uniquely situated in the same complex as other retail stores, a Les Schwab Tire Center and is comingled with a well-established full-service carwash. We have found that experiencing a store first-hand often helps to answer many of the common questions for those new to the industry and can help you visualize the endless possibilities for future economic growth that these stores bring.

We look forward to the possibility of working with the council to answer any questions that you might have, and to address the concerns of the community while providing an opportunity for new revenue and economic growth.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions. I can be reached at josh@pnwrstrategies.com or by cell phone at(425) 622-8250.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Estes', enclosed within a circular scribble.

Joshua Estes, SHRM-CP
Managing Partner, PNWRS

Snohomish County Retail Marijuana Chain – Kushman’s Raises Awareness and Money to Fight Childhood Cancer

All proceeds (\$3700) donated to Seattle Children’s Hospital on behalf of Everett, Washington Childhood Cancer Survivor Hunter-Rose Jones (age 7) and her family.

Lynnwood/Everett/Mukilteo, WA 09/30/20 – Today at its company headquarters in Lynnwood, Kushman’s Retail Marijuana Chain announced the results of their recent “Matching Tips” fundraiser held in honor of local Everett Childhood Cancer Survivor Hunter-Rose Jones whose family has partnered with Seattle Children’s Hospital during the month of September to raise awareness to the horrific disease that is childhood cancer. September is recognized as National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and cities and towns like Everett, Mukilteo and Snohomish County often enact proclamations declaring the month as such. “Childhood Cancer Awareness shouldn’t be just one month,” said Kristina Franklin, General Manager at Kushman’s Retail Marijuana Chain. “It should be every single day,” continued Franklin.

Employee Tip Matching Raises \$2700

Kushman’s customers and staff answered the call to stop childhood cancer in its tracks by collecting a combined two-thousand and seven hundred dollars in tips at their three locations in Snohomish County. “Our customers really showed up to support this local family and our staff really came together to show their support too,” said Franklin. Everett Mayor, Cassie Franklin and the Jones Family also stopped by the event to show support and thank the staff for supporting the cause. “We’re so fortunate to still have our little girl with us today. Many aren’t so lucky. Having the support of our Mayor, local businesses like Kushman’s and the community means so much to us.” Said Jay Jones, father of Hunter Rose. “All of this effort helps fund childhood cancer research to save lives just like our Hunter,” explained Jones. The entire Kushman’s Everett Team, was able to meet the Jones family and get a photo with Mayor Franklin and the Everett Proclamation during the event. (photo attached) “Meeting Hunter Rose made it real for all of us,” said Kristina Franklin. “These Kids and their families go through a lot during treatment, and they need all the support that we can give them. I am very proud of our customers and our team.”

Another Retailer Joins the Effort

Joshua Shade, Owner of retail marijuana chain “The Kushery,” contacted the Kushman’s managers during the fundraiser to thank them for hosting the fundraiser and to let them know that he would also like to support the cause by making an additional one-thousand-dollar donation to the Jones Family and Seattle Children’s Hospital. He indicated that he had received a call from Snohomish County Council Member Jared Mead, asking him if his store was involved

in this effort after having seen an advertisement in the local Everett Herald online. "I told him that I wasn't involved in the fundraiser but would love to help out such a great cause," said Shade. "When it comes to supporting our local community, we want to be a partner and when it comes to stopping childhood cancer, it's a no brainer." Concluded Shade. The combined (single day) effort by Kushman's and The Kushery, resulted in a total donation to Seattle Children's of three-thousand and seven hundred dollars to fight childhood cancer. "This is a great example of collaboration by Snohomish County marijuana retailers," noted Councilmember Jared Mead. "It is nice to see the positive impacts that the industry is having on our economy, but it is even more encouraging to see their commitment to our community." Said Mead.

More Fundraisers Planned

Kushman's strives to be a leader in the community and regularly participates in efforts to strengthen relationships with non-profits and surrounding neighborhoods. We are a proud sponsor of the Leadership Snohomish County STEP UP for Racial Equity Conference, a strong supporter of Economic Alliance Snohomish County, Childstrive, Housing Hope and the many other amazing organizations working in Snohomish County. "Our goal is to be engaged and do more of these fundraisers in the future," said Kristina Franklin. "Efforts like this one are a win-win. At the end of the day our employees do well, morale is higher and we get to say that we helped fight childhood cancer!"

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Kushman's is a leader in cannabis retail operations and community engagement with locations in Lynnwood, Everett and Mukilteo, Washington.

The Kushery is actively engaged in the communities where they do business. They currently operate locations in Stanwood, Lake Forrest Park, South Everett (Unincorporated County), Clearview and are one of three potential retailers awaiting a location in the City of Everett.





For Immediate Release

Marijuana Retailers Clear Choice & Kushman's – Partner to Raise Awareness and Honor the Life of Charlotte Figi

Charlotte Figi inspired a CBD Movement and the push for Medical Marijuana Legalization.

Seattle, WA – 05/12/20 – In an effort to raise awareness and honor the life of an inspiration in the marijuana community, the retail chain owners of Clear Choice Cannabis and Kushman's have partnered for a May 16, 2020, day of recognition and give back to remember Charlotte Figi.

Charlotte Figi passed away on Tuesday April 7th, at the age of 13. Sources indicate that her death was likely caused by complications related to Covid-19, the disease caused by the new coronavirus.

Charlotte became a symbol of the CBD movement which led to the eventual legalization of marijuana in the mainstream and now recognized as an essential service in states like Washington during the Covid-19 Pandemic. From a young age, Charlotte suffered from severe seizures caused by a rare condition known as Dravet Syndrome. While not expected to live beyond her first decade, her courageous fight and use of cannabinoid therapies became a story of inspiration and advocacy for the legalization of cannabis to fight children's seizures.

"It is because of the Figi family and Charlotte's will to fight that we are where we are today, said Kristina Franklin, General Manager for Kushman's." We really want our industry and the thousands of patients and customers who now have access to our products to understand what got us here in the first place," said Franklin.

Raising Awareness

In honor of Charlotte, retail chains Clear Choice Cannabis and Kushman's have each pledged to donate five-thousand dollars to the Realm of Caring Foundation. The Realm of Caring is a non-profit organization whose mission is to empower you to take control of your health and enhance your quality of life by providing cannabinoid research initiatives in addition to educational programs and services. Their Care Team guides clients on their journey with cannabis therapies, assisting with dosing information and finding quality products. Currently, there is no cost to be a Realm of Caring client.

“The Realm of Caring is an organization that continues the fight that was in large part inspired by brave fighters like Charlotte and her family. We are confident that her message and what her family stands for will not be lost in this rapidly growing industry,” said Chad Ritter, Partner of Clear Choice Cannabis. “We are honored to be in a position to give back, and we value the collaboration with Kushman’s to recognize Charlotte,” continued Ritter.

Matching Tips

In addition to the ten-thousand-dollar combined contributions to the Realm of Caring, each of the respective chain’s five locations have decided to provide a Tip-Match Donation to the Realm of Caring. This tip matching will take place this Saturday, May 16, 2020 at all of the retailers’ locations in Bremerton, Tacoma, Everett, Mukilteo and Lynnwood. “Please spread the word. We want people to know that this event is going on and to come show appreciation. We really are here largely because of the fight and will of this courageous little girl,” said Franklin.

Discount on CBD Products

All locations will also be offering a twenty percent discount on all CBD products for the day. “The CBD market owes a lot to the Figi family, and we want to make sure that our customers are aware of those contributions when they are purchasing our products,” said Ritter. “If a discount means that one more customer is drawn in and has the opportunity to learn about the Realm of Caring and Charlotte, then we are doing right by her name, continued Ritter.

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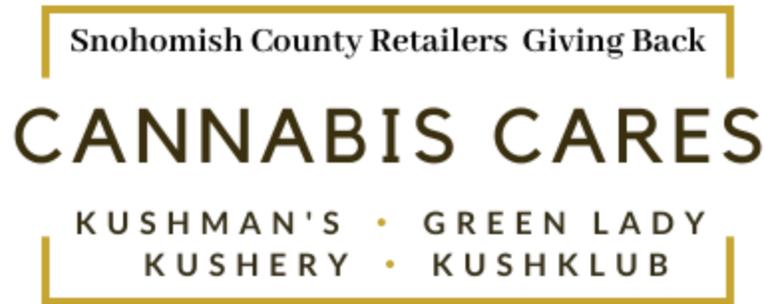
Clear Choice Cannabis and Kushman’s are leaders in retail cannabis operations and community engagement with locations in Bremerton, Tacoma, Everett, Lynnwood and Mukilteo.

Additional Information: Press Only

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Snohomish County Retail Marijuana Chains – Partner to Give Back in Light of Covid-19

Essential Retailers Demonstrate A Commitment to Community #CannabisCares

Snohomish County, WA – 05/08/20 – During a recent Zoom Video Conference Call, the Retail Marijuana Store Chain Owners of Green Lady Marijuana, Kushman’s, KushKlub and The Kushery announced their ongoing collaboration and support of the Snohomish County Community. The group has been working together during the World Wide Pandemic to find ways to support the community, first responders, their employees and the general public in an effort to give back and reduce the spread of COVID-19.

This collaboration between competitors was established early on and started with the sharing of best practices for social distancing between retail owners. It quickly turned into a discussion on how each of them could work collectively to give back.

“Recognizing and anticipating the needs of the community during a Global Pandemic is not something that we have ever faced, but we knew that we needed to do something to help,” said Mike Redman of Green Lady Marijuana in Lynnwood.

Since partnering together, their collaborative efforts have resulted in more than \$15,000 dollars in contributions to local food pantries, nonprofits, ordering food from local small businesses to feed their employees and first responders and most recently, receiving a shipment of 15,000 FDA Certified surgical masks of which a significant portion will be donated to First Responders and Organizations in need right here in Snohomish County.

Cannabis as an “Essential Service”

Marijuana retailers were included as an essential service under the Governor’s executive stay home orders, and during such time many have seen a steady increase in customer sales which has resulted in these opportunities to give back. In addition to the economic benefit that these stores provide to the local and state economy, they provide products to many patients who rely on them to live a productive life. “Allowing our stores to stay open, has a direct benefit to the community and we take this responsibility very seriously. We are proud to be in a position to help support those in need and to keep some revenues flowing into the budget to eventually help our governments get back to a strong financial position,” added Redman.

Retailers are ready to help!

With the COVID-19 social distancing measures likely to extend well into the future, these retail chain owners understand that the needs of the community will be increased for some time. “We want our community to thrive, and we are not going anywhere,” said Henok Abraha, Owner of KushKlub.” He went on to add, “While the needs are obviously greater than what we can provide alone, we want the community to know that we are here and we are ready to help.”

Like many in the marijuana and retail industries, our stores are closely following all of the required guidelines and directives from the federal government, state and local health departments and elected officials. “At the end of the day, we want our customers, our vendors, and our employees to go home safe, and stay home as much as they can. It might just save a life,” said Josh Shade, owner of The Kushery.

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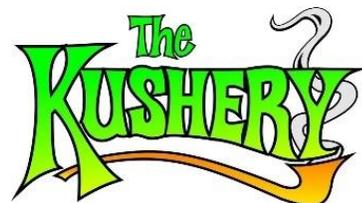
Green Lady Marijuana, Kushman’s, The Kushery and KushKlub are leaders in retail cannabis operations and community engagement with locations in Olympia, Lake Forrest Park, Lynnwood, Clearview, Stanwood, Everett and Mukilteo.

Additional Information: Press Only

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Business Advocacy and City Council Agenda Items

Kathy Coffey <kathyc@leadershipsc.org>

Tue 7/30/2019 8:58 AM

To: Cassie Franklin <cfranklin@everettwa.gov>

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Dear Mayor Franklin and the Everett City Council,

I am writing this letter after becoming aware of current conversations around the intrinsic value of marijuana retail stores in our City. I have recently had the chance to work with one of the newest locations located in the city and a couple more that are hoping to do business here in the future. Working with these business owners, I have been able to offer pathways through Leadership Snohomish County programs for them to learn more about our county and become even more civically engaged.

We have recently discussed Veteran's scholarships for leaders in the community and received support from these owners for this population to grow their leadership skills and network. Each year, LSC also works with businesses on a project to create a social responsibility plan. Most businesses want to live their value in the community and do service, but often do not know where to begin. We have a class project this year that is in response to one of the local marijuana businesses wanting to engage in community education and service and has asked to be a candidate for a project to help them do so.

We have also had management from these stores interview for class positions with a sincere desire to make a difference. I see tremendous opportunities for community support and enrichment through respectful dialogue and opportunities to partner without judgement. I have enjoyed working with each person I have had the opportunity to connect with. Our county, community and this city have a unique opportunity to demonstrate our ability to interact with a dedicated group of responsible business owners that value a collaborative approach to our collective futures. I look forward to working with them in the future, and I appreciate you taking the time to revisit the issue before you.

As a side note, should it make any difference. I have 30 years of sobriety. My intent is not as an advocate for the stores or products. I have used products for medicinal purposes with the CBD. I am writing, as an advocate of businesses that want to invest and make a difference in the community.

Please let me know if you have any questions about my experience with the community investment level of these businesses.

I do not have the addresses of the City County members. I would appreciate it if you could pass this on as appropriate.

Thanks for your time,

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Kathy Coffey
Executive Director, Leadership Snohomish County
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Learn how to Connect and Lead - How We Create Community with my TEDx talk.



Preliminary Research Summary- Marijuana Retail Stores

11/18/20

Where we are now- City of Lynnwood

Initiative 502 was passed by the state of Washington in 2012.

In 2014 a public hearing was held, and a temporary ordinance was adopted to prohibit marijuana sales and production within the city of Lynnwood for 6 months.

- 4 more 6-month extensions took place in 2014 and 2015
- During these discussions, several marijuana lobbyists and business owners were given the opportunity to share information with the council.
 - Several members of the public spoke out for the prohibition extension.

In June of 2015, Ordinance 3136 passed on June 15, 2015 prohibits 1) retail sales, production, and processing of marijuana and/or marijuana-infuse products and 2) medical marijuana collective gardens.

In 2019, Regulations for the City Center Zones was amended to prohibit these activities within the City Center (Ordinance 3336; May 13, 2019).

SOURCE: City Council Minutes Records, 2014-2020.

Tax Revenue***

One benefit cited for allowing marijuana operations is the tax revenue collected from retail sales. This revenue is collected by the state and then a portion is redistributed back to the cities and counties who do not prohibit these businesses.

- The amount distributed back to local governments is determined by the legislature. The current two-year budget calls for \$15,000,000 (3.9%) of the \$395,000,000 collected from sales and licensing is distributed to local governments.
- The amount passed back to each city and county is calculated based on a combination of 1) population and 2) \$ retail sales. Then 50% is given to the city and 50% is given to the county.
- As an example, below are the annual distributions to neighboring communities with similar populations who do not prohibit these businesses:
 - Longview \$91,000
 - Mt. Vernon \$65,000
 - Edmonds \$71,000
 - Issaquah \$77,000
- *Note: Local governments are not permitted to impose an additional tax on these businesses.*

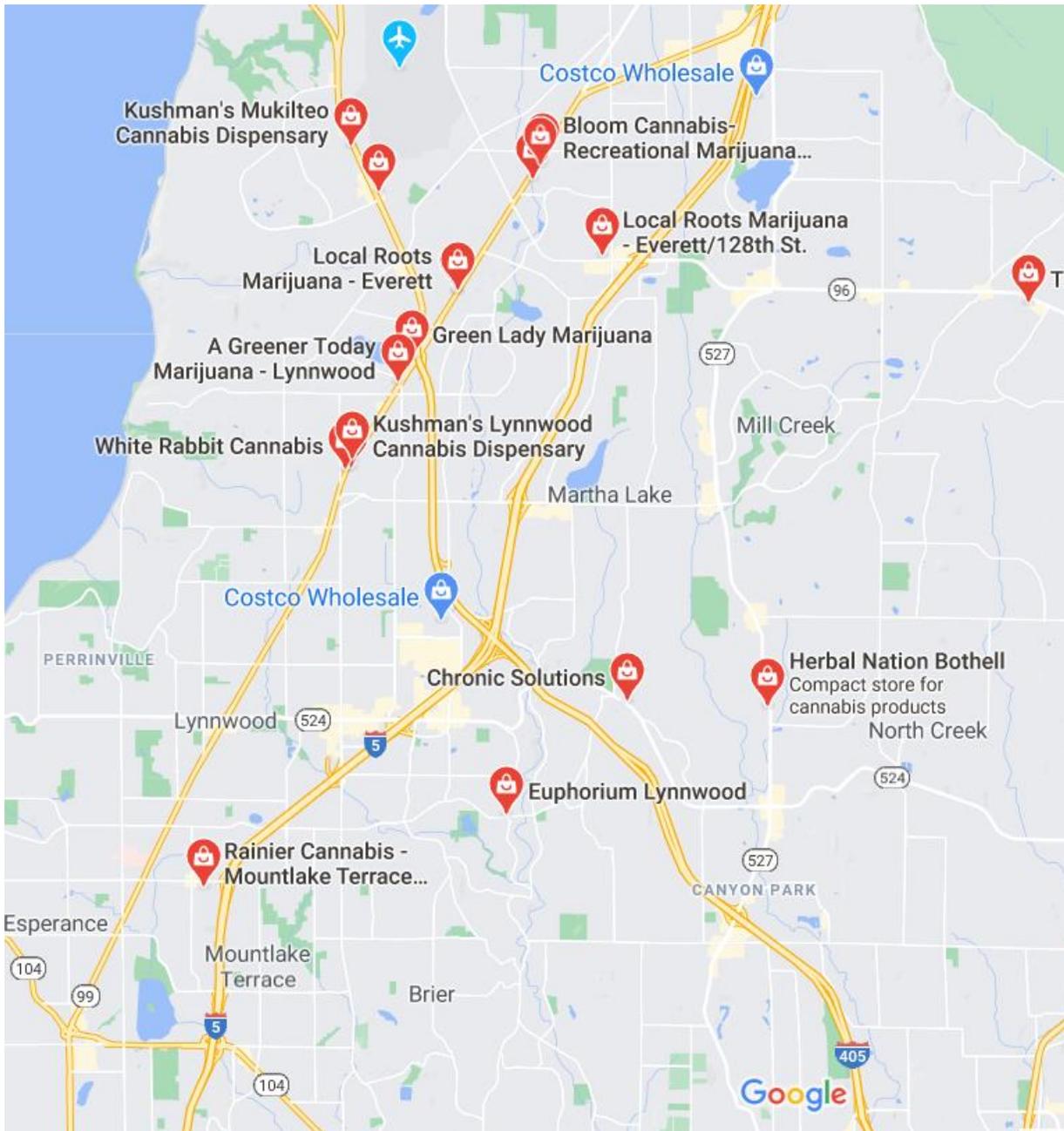
Another question was whether it was a risk given that federal banks would not support these operations.

- Doing business in cash is still an important issue for marijuana businesses, but there are several state-chartered banks and credit unions providing banking services. The percentage of retailers with bank accounts is very high.

**** SOURCE: Chief Financial Officer Jim Morgan, Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board, November 2020*

Accessibility for Lynnwood residents **

Currently there are 16 Cannabis retailers within a 6-mile area of Lynnwood city hall.



SOURCE: GOOGLE MAPS, 2020

Washington City Options*

Minimum Buffer Distance RCW 69.50.331(8) requires licensed marijuana producers, processors or retailers to be located at least 1,000 feet from the following entities:

- Elementary or secondary school; Playground; Recreation center or facility; Childcare center; Public park; Public transit center; Library; or any game arcade (where admission is not restricted to persons age 21 or older).

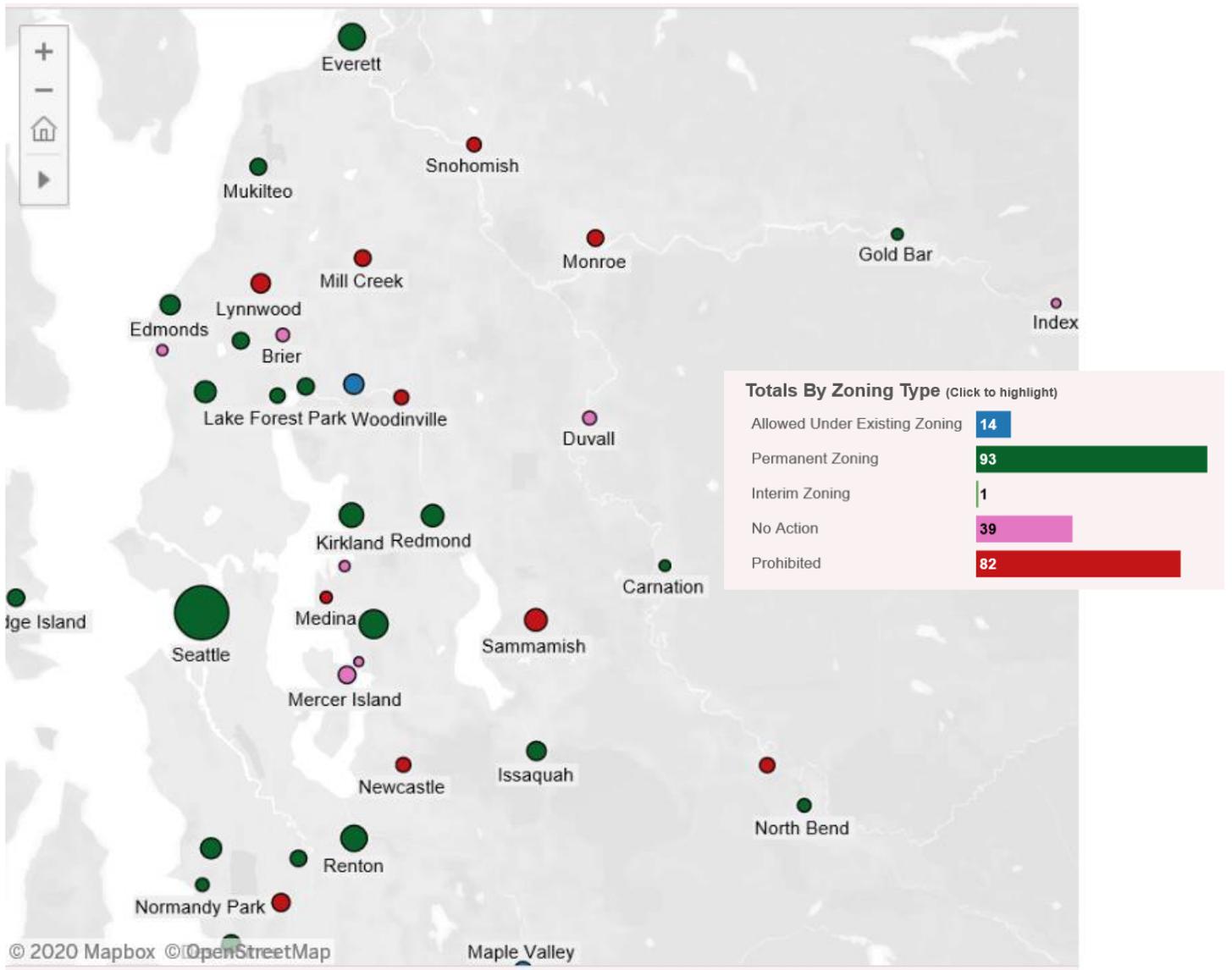
Local governments may reduce the 1,000 feet buffer to 100 feet around all entities except elementary and secondary schools, and public playgrounds by enacting an ordinance authorizing the distance reduction. See RCW 69.50.331(8)(b).

Options for regulations include:

1. **Reduce Buffer Zones** i.e. Shelton Municipal Code Sec. 20.72.020 – Reduces buffers to 500 feet for researchers, processors, and producers (not retailers) for childcare centers, arcades, libraries, public parks, public transit centers, and rec. facilities. Keeps 1,000-foot buffer for other entities (schools, etc.).
2. **Allow Medical Marijuana Cooperatives** i.e. Tacoma Amended (2016) – Provides that cooperatives must be operated in a manner that is clearly secondary to the primary use of the property as a residence so as to not affect the character of the neighborhood. Cooperatives shall not generate nuisances such as traffic, on street parking, noise, etc.
3. **Prohibit Medical Marijuana Cooperatives** i.e. Anacortes Ordinance (2016)– Amends municipal code prohibiting marijuana cooperatives in all city zones and replaces Ordinance No. 2985 (2016) which extended a moratorium on marijuana cooperatives. Allow Marijuana Businesses in Appropriate Zoning Districts Below are examples of ordinances that establish permanent zoning regulations for state-licensed marijuana
4. **Limit Number of Retail Marijuana Businesses** i.e. Everett Ordinance (2016) – Limits the number of retail marijuana stores allowed in the city to a maximum of five.
5. **Adopt a Moratorium on Marijuana Businesses** i.e. Eatonville Ordinance (2018) – Imposed a moratorium on the production, processing, or retail sale of recreational marijuana. Expired August 26, 2018.
6. **Prohibit Marijuana Businesses** i.e. Leavenworth Municipal Code– Provides that every business licensee must comply with all federal, state, and city statutes, laws, regulations, and ordinances relating to the business premises and the conduct of the business thereon.

Note: Local governments cannot regulate these businesses using a referendum.

Below is a snapshot of where each nearby city stands. Out of 281 cities, 84 (30%) prohibit marijuana sales and production. Residents interested in purchasing can go to Everett, Mukilteo, Edmonds, or Lake Forest. *



* SOURCE: Municipal Research & Service Center (MRSC), 2020.

CITY COUNCIL ITEM F

**CITY OF LYNNWOOD
Executive**

TITLE: Mayor Comments and Questions

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Mayor Smith

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CITY COUNCIL ITEM G

**CITY OF LYNNWOOD
City Council**

TITLE: Council President and Council Comments

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Christine Frizzell, Council President

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CITY COUNCIL ITEM H

**CITY OF LYNNWOOD
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TITLE: Executive Session, If Needed

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Leah Jensen

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CITY COUNCIL ITEM FYI-1
CITY OF LYNNWOOD
Parks, Recreation, & Cultural Arts

TITLE: FYI: McCrary Property Acquisition

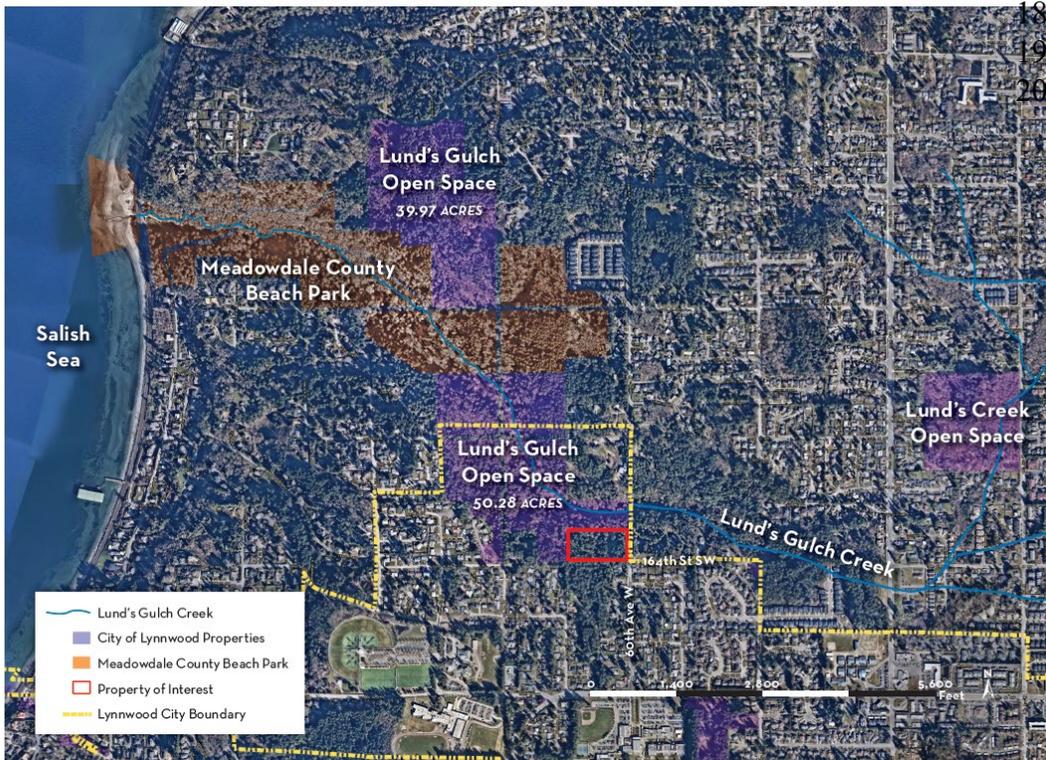
DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Lynn D. Sordel, Sarah Olson

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FYI Memo Regarding McCrary Property Acquisition	Memo

1 DATE: November 10, 2020
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 3 TO: City Council
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 5 FROM: Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Director Sordel
 6 Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Deputy Director Olson
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 8 RE: McCrary Property Acquisition
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10 Staff are excited to announce the successful acquisition of a 4.45-acre parcel of
 11 undeveloped and forested land within the City of Lynnwood, at the intersection
 12 of 164th Street SW and 60th Ave W (see vicinity map below). The property
 13 borders city-owned open space to the north and west and is contiguous to the
 14 90.25 acres of Lund’s Gulch open space that the City of Lynnwood and the
 15 Brackett’s Landing Foundation have acquired since 1996 with Snohomish County
 16 Conservation Futures funds.
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**Lund’s Gulch: McCrary Property Acquisition
 Vicinity Map**



21 Staff identified this corner parcel as a strategic acquisition opportunity to
22 increase the protected area for Lund’s Gulch Creek and provide a key access
23 point for future trail development to connect to the existing trails within Lund’s
24 Gulch Open Space.

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26 The property, purchased more than forty years ago by the McCrary family, had
27 been passed down to brothers, AR & Frank. AR’s interest passed to his wife,
28 Bonnie, after he passed. Both Bonnie and Frank were aging and wished to see
29 the property remain preserved as open space and in 2018, they approached the
30 City as willing sellers. Unfortunately, Mr. McCrary passed earlier this year but his
31 niece (who since received her mother’s interest) remained committed to
32 realizing the intent to preserve this important open space in Lynnwood.

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34 The McCrary’s generously offered to discount the selling price to \$100,000 and
35 donate the remaining value (a \$139,300 property value reduction) as part of a
36 match towards a Snohomish County Conservation Futures Program (SCCFP)
37 grant application. The City obligated a \$20,000 cash match. The SCCFP funds
38 land acquisition through an application, evaluation, and competitive selection
39 process. The City made a successful application to the County’s grant program in
40 2019 and executed an Interlocal Agreement in January of 2020.

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42 Staff used the City’s Real Estate roster to hire a buyer’s agent to assist with due
43 diligence and executing a purchase and sale agreement. The City officially closed
44 on the property on November 13th [projected as of the date of this memo]. As a
45 condition of the Interlocal Agreement, we will also execute a conservation
46 easement with the County on this property.

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48 Staff extend gratitude the McCrary family and Snohomish County for making this
49 acquisition within reach and possible.

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CITY COUNCIL ITEM FYI-2

CITY OF LYNNWOOD City Clerk

TITLE: Council Liaison Reports

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Lisa Harrison

SUMMARY:

Council member liaison reports from Council member Ross, Council Vice President Sessions and Council President Frizzell. Providing in writing to save time for budget deliberation and other issues. Reports to be sent out prior to meeting, not included in this agenda packet.

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Council Member Liaison Report for November 18, 2020

Christine Frizzell

Not much happening that Council does not already know about:

Board of Health – Wear a Mask, Stay Home, Stay Safe

Finance – Keep on Eye on Sales Tax Revenues

Housing Policy Committee – Report given 11.16.20, Handoff to Housing Action Plan

Shannon Sessions

City Council Liaison Report Nov. 18, 2020

I continue to serve as the Vice President of the Council for 2020. This leadership position requires an increase of commitment on the City Council during typical years, let alone during this unprecedented 2020. While an extra load and heavy decisions, it's a privilege to support and advocate for our whole council with administration, directors and community in this position.

History and Heritage:

As you can see in the attached photo below, our new, beautiful mural by artist Gabrielle Abbott for the South Lynnwood Park is about complete.



While many things have been set on hold due to Covid19, including all the summer Heritage days and the popular Cookies with Santa in December have been cancelled, this board continues to move forward. We are in process of updating the city's historical site tour program brochure and the Heritage Park brochure.

The cottage along with the Veterans museum were briefly open with safety protocols.

- Love of Lynnwood iconic sculpture is still moving forward and will be placed outside the Lynnwood Convention Center and hopefully we'll be able to have a ribbon cutting on Valentine's day.

- We have named and the historical trolley and painted the name “Walter V. Shannon” on the side of the trolley. We look forward a time in near future to be able to celebrate this with a ribbon cutting and press releases.

Veterans: I’m the unofficial liaison to our official Veteran groups.

We were able to celebrate Veterans Day 2020 virtually this year with the traditional ceremony (big thanks to city staff Misty Burton-Burke for all her talent and work on this) and we also taped four interviews with different Veterans regarding their opinion and experience with Covid19. If you haven’t yet, catch these out on our city’s Facebook page.

There was also a safe Veterans drive-thru Dessert on 11 Nov at the NEW location for the Hero’s Cafe: We implemented social distancing.

- Gary Walderman said, “ I would like to honor and thank Myra Rintamaki, her Gold Star Mom's team--our November Sponsor of this event; Donald Lachman, and his Home Depot team, Donna Padilla and her team for making these desserts, and Karin Butler, CEO at Hunniwater by Hunni Co. Edmonds for their superior efforts to make this event happen. So, come to our new Heroes' Cafe location between 1-3pm and get a Drive through dessert, a limited number of gifts from Home Depot will be handed out, and a beverage donated by Karin Butler. The new location of the New Life Church rear parking lot is at 6519 188th St SW, Lynnwood, WA 98037. You can also say hello to some friends you haven't seen in a long while as you drive through. “
- Edmonds College also uploaded a touching Virtual Veterans Day ceremony you can find on their website at www.edmonds.edu/veterans
- Free Veteran's Meals were safely distributed on 6 Nov: I would like to pass on a whole-hearted thank you to Mary-Anne Grafton, Director, Lynnwood Senior Center, Janet Sigler Organizer, Lynnwood Councilwoman Julieta Altamirano-Crosby, her staff/volunteers for passing out 150 delicious meals and Salute to Service pins to local veterans. “A great time was had by all and there is nothing better than saluting a veteran for their unselfish service to our country. Thank you!” said Gary Walderman.

Disability Board:

Council member Jim Smith and I serve on the Leoff I Disability Board: The Law Enforcement Officers' and Firefighters' Plan (LEOFF) 1 Disability Board reviews and approves all eligible disability and medical claims submitted by active and retired Police and Fire LEOFF 1 members in accordance with RCW 41.26, WAC 415-105, and the City of Lynnwood LEOFF 1 Disability Board Policies and Procedures. It is a pleasure and honor to continue to serve on this board.

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