RESOLUTION NO. 2014 - 10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT AN INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT PLAN GUIDING THE VEGETATION CONTROL ACTIVITIES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Lynnwood, as part of its Community Vision established in 2009, is committed to building a healthy and sustainable environment with safe and walkable interconnecting residential and commercial neighborhoods, and be responsive to the wants and needs of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Public Works Department to efficiently develop, manage and operate the physical infrastructure that is the foundation of the City’s health, safety, and welfare while enhancing the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, RCW 17.15 defines "Integrated Pest Management" as a coordinated decision-making and action process that uses the most appropriate control methods and strategies in an environmentally and economically sound manner to meet agency objectives; and

WHEREAS, RCW 17.21, the Washington Pesticide Application Act, declares that the application and the control of the use of various pesticides is important and vital to the maintenance of a high level of public health and welfare both immediate and future, and is hereby declared to be affected with the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the City’s NPDES Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit requires the City to implement practices, policies and procedures to reduce stormwater impacts associated with runoff from all lands owned or maintained by the City, which include vegetation management and application of herbicides; and

WHEREAS, amongst other duties, the Public Works Department is responsible for servicing and maintaining 32 stormwater ponds, 50 stormwater detention facilities, 38,700 lineal feet of grass swales, 16,800 lineal feet of open streams, 9,000 lineal feet of stormwater...
ditches, 295 lane miles of streets and 205 miles of sidewalks and paved shoulders in Lynnwood; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that uncontrolled vegetation may create a nuisance, threaten the public health and safety, or damage vital infrastructure and therefore needs to be controlled; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department endeavors to adopt a well-reasoned policy to guide its vegetation management activities using the most appropriate methods available; and

WHEREAS, the City will ensure compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD, WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

The Public Works Department of the City of Lynnwood may begin implementation of the “Vegetation Control Integrated Pest Management Plan, City of Lynnwood Public Works Department, Streets and Stormwater Division, 2014.”

EFFECTIVE DATE. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage thereof.

RESOLVED this 24th day of March, 2014.

APPROVED

Nicola Smith, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATE:

Lorenzo Hines Jr., Finance Director