

**CITY OF LYNNWOOD
ORDINANCE NO. 2488**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD,
WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER OF
THE LYNNWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE CREATING A
NEIGHBORHOOD AND DEMOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY
COMMISSION AND SETTING FORTH THE DUTIES,
MEMBERSHIP, AND APPLICATION OF ADVISORY BODY
GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO; AND ALSO
PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AN EFFECTIVE DATE,
AND FOR SUMMARY PUBLICATION.**

WHEREAS, the national 2000 census provides important objective information on racial and ethnic diversity; on the aging, income, employment and standard of living of our citizens, and also on housing and places of work; and

WHEREAS, the national 2000 census shows that the City of Lynnwood is rapidly becoming a more demographically diverse community and home to people from many different cultures and countries; and

WHEREAS, the Lynnwood City Council has previously adopted Resolution No. 2002-19 supporting our citizens' efforts to participate in encouraging mutual understanding about our increasing demographic diversity in our city through a diversity project; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2002-19 stated in paragraph 6, "that upon recommendations of the citizens involved in the diversity project, the City of Lynnwood will consider and determine the nature and scope of the types of support which it can provide to most likely ensure the success of the project in our community;" and

WHEREAS, a citizens Diversity Task Force has presented to the Lynnwood City Council its report and recommendations dated February 23, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Diversity Task Force and the City of Lynnwood have been recognized by the Association for Washington Cities for its leadership in developing a diversity project; and

WHEREAS, good stewardship of our city and community means making and following through on commitments to reach out to our citizens, and ensuring that City Government and its Internal Operations, programs and services are accessible and understandable by everyone, and in helping strengthen our sense of community; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35A.11 authorizes the City Council to organize and regulate internal city operations and processes, and to define the functions, duties and authority of city officers and staff;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY LYNNWOOD DOES
HEREBY ORDAIN:**

Section 1. New Lynnwood Municipal Code Chapter and Sections. There is hereby

established in the Lynnwood Municipal Code, Chapter 2.58 entitled, "Neighborhoods & Demographic Diversity Advisory Commission." Each section herein, is a new section to be included within Chapter 2.58.

2.58.010 Created.

There is hereby created and established a Neighborhood and Demographic Diversity Advisory Commission of the city of Lynnwood composed of seven members as hereinafter provided.

2.58.020 Duties.

The commission is hereby declared to be an advisory body of the city of Lynnwood whose duties shall be to monitor demographic trends in our city and to identify and recommend to the mayor and city council ways to encourage mutual understanding among our citizens about the increasing demographic diversity of our city through, but not limited to:

1. Connecting and partnering with neighborhood, community, educational, business, and social service groups and organizations;
2. Sponsoring city-wide, neighborhood and community events, which would include opportunities for heritage and cultural events; and
3. Programs for engaging citizens and community leaders in an wholistic approach including dialogues, education, and training about diversity issues.

2.58.030 Membership appointment – Term.

Members of the commission shall be appointed to a position for a term of two years (or for fulfillment of an unexpired term). Appointees shall serve terms as follows:

- Position No. 1: Ending December 31, 2006
- Position No. 2: Ending December 31, 2006
- Position No. 3: Ending December 31, 2006
- Position No. 4: Ending December 31, 2007
- Position No. 5: Ending December 31, 2007
- Position No. 6: Ending December 31, 2007
- Position No. 7: Ending December 31, 2007

Any person may be removed from the commission by the mayor, with approval of the city council.

2.58.040 General Advisory Provisions – Compliance

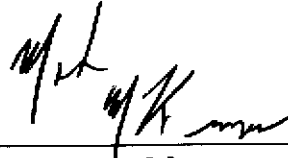
The commission structure, operations and appointments thereto, shall comply with the general provisions for advisory bodies in LMC 2.24.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date and Summary Publication. This ordinance, being an exercise of a power specifically delegated to the City legislative body, is not subject to referendum, and shall take effect January 1, 2005 and publication of an approved summary thereof consisting of the title.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Lynnwood, Washington, at its regular meeting held the 11th day of October, 2004.

SIGNED AND APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Lynnwood, Washington, this 12th day of October, 2004.



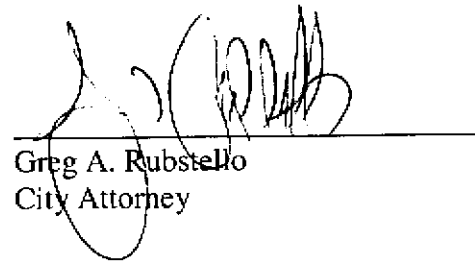
Mike McKinnon, Mayor

Attested/Authenticated by:



Michael Bailey
Finance Director

Approved As To Form
Office of the City Attorney:



Greg A. Rubstello
City Attorney