



CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND
PLANNING COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
May 13, 2025, 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Sauskojus called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Kelley Sauskojus
Commissioner Jeff Todd – entered the meeting at 6:42 p.m.
Commissioner Grifan Cayce
Commissioner Pam McCain
Position #5 - Vacant
Commissioner Heather Asante

Excused: Chair/Commissioner Carol Morgan

Staff: Interim Community Development Director, Andrew Williamson
Senior Planner, Jill Kuzaro
Public Works Director, Scott Hanis
IT Staff, Jake Kapsandy
City Attorney, David Linehan
Deputy City Clerk, Carina Thornquist

Guests: Wayne Carlson, AHBL
Nicole Stickney, AHBL

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Kristen Bryant from Bellevue spoke to Commissioners.

PUBLIC HEARING - None

STUDY/WORK SESSION – None

Prior to unfinished business, Andy Williamson reported that Commissioner Wynsten Larsen resigned from the Planning Commission since they will be moving out of area.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -

1) 2024 – 2044 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update

Vice Chair Sauskojus turned the meeting over to Interim Director Williamson who gave introductions of guests who are attending tonight. He introduced Wayne Carlson and Nicole Stickney from AHBL who will be sharing information on the housing element. Also, he introduced David Linehan from Madrona Law who is the attorney representing the city. Interim Director Williamson explained what would be covered tonight and what the expectations are for the Commission. The highlights of items that were covered were:

- Explanation of the color changes on the maps to differentiate between each section more clearly.
- AHBL passed out an ERRATA sheet which Mr. Carlson and Ms. Stickney went through item by item and gave explanations.
- There was a suggestion to put in the newsletter a “blurb” or QR code for citizens which would suggest “go here for more info on city projects” which received much acceptance by the Commissioners.

Extensive back-and-forth discussion between the Commissioners, Interim Director Williamson, Mr. Carlson, Ms. Stickney and Attorney Linehan took place.

Further main points that were discussed:

- Land Use Element.
- Purchase of the in-city forest land is complete.
- Housing Element.
- Housing targets, forecasts and capacity.
- Table 6.6 referencing emergency housing.

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- Transportation Element.
- Capital Facilities.
- Population and demographics.
- Other facilities.
- Travel forecasting.

There was an abundance of back-and-forth discussion between the Commissioners, Interim Director Williamson, Mr. Carlson, Ms. Stickney and Attorney Linehan.

Commissioner McCain made a **motion** to move the Comprehensive Plan along with the maps and Errata sheets to City Council for approval. **No second. Motion dies and Failed.**

Commissioner Asante made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting and come back when more information can be provided by staff and come back for a meeting in two weeks on Tuesday, May 27, 2025. With further clarification of what information is requested, staff shall provide all the Commissioners with new, larger, colored 2019 FLUM and Zoning Map along with the revised Comprehensive Plan which includes the ERRATA sheets in place. **Seconded** by Commissioner Todd. **Vote.** 4 – 1 (McCain). **Passed.** Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

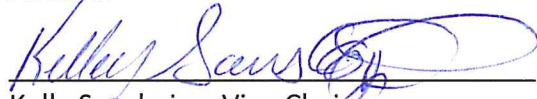
NEW BUSINESS - None

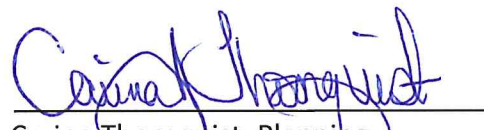
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

These minutes were respectively recorded by Carina Thornquist, Deputy City Clerk

ATTEST:


Kelly Sauskojus, Vice Chairperson


Carina Thornquist, Planning
Commission Secretary