

BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Meeting of October 7, 2021
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Benson called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led us all in the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Oglesbee, Wisnoski, Mulvihill, de Leon, and Page. (Councilmember O'Donnell was not present during roll call and joined the meeting at 7:02 p.m.)

ABSENT: None

Staff present: Mona Davis, Community Development Director; Seth Boettcher, Public Works Director; Jamey Kiblinger, Police Chief; David Linehan, City Attorney; and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager.

AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:

Councilmember de Leon **moved** to approve the agenda; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0).

APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adopt the Consent Agenda; **second** Councilmember Mulvihill. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0). The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

- 1) **Claim Checks** – October 7, 2021, Check No. 50475 through 50521 in the amount of \$484,166.75
- 2) **Minutes** –Work Session of September 9, 2021, Special Council Meeting of September 16, 2021, Council Meeting of September 16, 2021

Councilmember O'Donnell joined the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 3) **AB21-061** – Ordinance Adding to the Black Diamond Municipal Code a New Chapter 3.80 Entitled Transportation Impact Fees

Public Works Director Boettcher reported to Council on this item and discussed having a public hearing on August 19. He noted that comments were received and considered, however did not see any reason for a change to the ordinance. He stated that Parametrix, reviewed the comments and made some changes to add clarity to their document, but no substantive changes were made to the report or numbers that were used. He discussed that in the proposed ordinance there is a need for Council discussion for a few items. He noted there being three purpose statements that relate to items in the body of the document where Council direction is needed. 1) low income, 2) early learning facilities, and 3) accessory dwelling units.

There was discussion regarding the exemptions and consensus was that Council wanted more time to hear and learn about the proposed exemptions. It was noted that the ordinance could be adopted tonight without those exemptions, and they could be discussed and added at a later date.

Councilmember Mulvihill **moved** to adopt Ordinance No. 21-1165 adding a new Chapter 3.80 to the Black Diamond Municipal Code, entitled Transportation Impact Fees, and adopting the Parametrix rate study, excluding items G, H, I; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0).

Mayor Benson discussed possible meeting dates to further discuss the exemptions and there was consensus to hold a special meeting at 5:30 p.m. on November 18th.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire – Chief Smith reported that they are experiencing normal call volumes during this reporting time frame and that 10 calls were in Ten Trails. He announced that October is National Fire Prevention month. He stated the proposed date for the new fire truck to be put in service is October 29th and Councilmembers will be notified of the “push in” ceremony. He inquired about any trunk or treats going on for Halloween.

MAYOR’S REPORT:

Mayor Benson reported attending the Coalition of Small Police Agencies training on the Power of Leadership and noted it being a really good training on how to treat people. She attended the SEAL TC meeting where WSDOT gave an update on funding for Hwy 18. She also attended the PROS plan meeting, South Valley Mayor’s meeting, goodbye event for Erica Dial of the Chamber, and the SCTBd meeting.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember O'Donnell reported attending the PROS plan community meeting and thanked Ms. Davis for facilitating this as they are important for the public. He shared takeaways from the meeting and discussed city assets. He expressed that City's website is awful and is not to the standards of a municipality and it needs to be a top priority to get it fixed. He thanked Chief Smith for his reports.

Councilmember Page reported attending the Maple Valley Black Diamond Chamber meeting at the lodge and attended the going away event for Erica Dial of the Chamber. She welcomed the new director of the Chamber and shared being excited to work with her. She also reported attending her committee meetings and the special meeting regarding the budget. She attended Public Safety Committee meeting and thanked Judge Swain for grant funding for therapeutic court in Black Diamond. She also thanked Mayor Benson for pausing tonight to find a date to further explore the exemptions discussed for the transportation impact fee.

Councilmember Deady shared that the Ironman went great and Tough Mudder was a popular event, although she did hear they started before 7 a.m. and the night music was loud. She announced that the Black Diamond Eagles and Antique Store will be doing a Trunk or Treat, and the Community Center will be helping. She congratulated Keith Watson for his park dedication at Ten Trails. She reported attending the PROS plan meeting and noted it being a really good meeting and stated we need to work on parking issues for our parks so people can get there safely. She reminded everyone to congratulate Keith if they see him.

Councilmember Oglesbee reported attending the park dedication for Keith Watson at Ten Trails and noted it being a great event. She was not able to attend her Safety Committee meeting and thanked Councilmember de Leon for attending in her absence. She noted appreciating everyone out there and for people to continue supporting small businesses

Councilmember Wisnoski noted it is fire prevention month and reminded everyone to check the batteries in their smoke detectors. He shared that one of his best trainings was called "Give 'em the Pickle" about giving your customer what they need. He announced that Make a Difference Day is on October 23rd, and he is finalizing the list of projects and volunteers. He discussed that he is still trying to find out how to do a community garden in Black Diamond and the need to hold a business owner town hall for all businesses. He also congratulated Keith Watson on the park dedication and noted Mr. Watson being very surprised. He reminded everyone that it's getting dark earlier and to go slow in the community.

Councilmember Mulvihill reported being back and thanked Mayor Benson for excusing her at the last work session. She also thanked Councilmember Page for taking over the duties of the bike rodeo and thanked Councilmembers Oglesbee and Deady for helping to make the event a success and Sgt. Sharif too. She reported attending her committee meeting and meeting with City Clerk Martinez to get caught up on what she missed while she was gone. She also met with Director Davis where they discussed the PROS plan and loves

seeing that the thermometer is up and expressed the need to get a QR code up to help people with donating.

Councilmember de Leon also appreciated taking a pause to work out a time to meet again on the transportation impact fee ordinance and thanked Mayor Benson for this. She commented on the need to keep an eye on the discussion regarding our legislative priorities as things will be slowly picking up. She noted in the past we have worked with other neighboring cities and AWC and the conversations about how directly they can be helpful for Black Diamond. She appreciated getting the opportunity to sit in at the public safety meeting and how to retool some of the public safety related legislation and appreciated hearing about the therapeutic court. She noted being able to attend all her committee meetings and the work session and was able to attend some of the Ironman. She shared that the Lake Sawyer Park Foundation had a clean up in the park and noted there being more to be done. She was recently made aware of some grant opportunities and will send it to the Mayor, May, and Andy. She encouraged people to get tested for COVID even if they think it is just a cold.

ATTORNEY REPORT: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

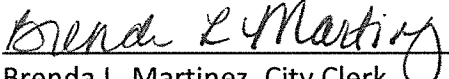
ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Wisnoski **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Page. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0). The meeting ended at 8:22 p.m.

ATTEST:



Carol Benson, Mayor



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk