

**BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MINUTES
December 8, 2022
Hybrid Meeting – In Person and Zoom**

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Benson called the regular work session meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and led us all in the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Douglass, Smith, Mulvihill (Zoom), de Leon, O'Donnell, Page.

PRESENT: Commissioners, Saukojus (Zoom), Syversen (Zoom), McCain, Morgan, Olson

ABSENT: Commissioner Jensen and Commissioner Wheatfall

Staff present: Mona Davis, Community Development Director (Zoom); Rob Reed, Jake Kapsandy IT Department; Carina Thornquist, Deputy City Clerk

WORK SESSION:

1) Draft of New Sign Regulations in Black Diamond Municipal Code 18.82 Code Amendment

Mayor Benson introduced and turned the meeting over to Community Development Director Mona Davis. Ms. Davis gave an overview of what to expect discussing sign code in the City of Black Diamond followed by Chair Olson elaborating on the overview.

Extensive back and forth discussion took place between the Councilmembers, Commissioners and Director Davis with main topics from the Business Coalition listed below:

- Document that is easy to understand
- No additional hidden fees; something straightforward
- Allows for promotion
- Businesses to be spotlighted

Continued discussion took place as well as questions for Director Davis. Finally, the Councilmembers shared what direction they thought the city should look like moving forward; priorities are listed below:

- Sign standards
- Cohesiveness

- Nuance approach
- Phased consistency
- Consistent architectural design
- Modest approach
- Gateway corridor as a whole
- Historical

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember de Leon **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** by Councilmember Smith. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0). The meeting ended at 7:28 p.m.

ATTEST:



Carol Benson, Mayor

Carina Thornquist, Deputy City Clerk