

BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Meeting of January 18, 2024
Hybrid Meeting Via Zoom and In-Person
Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

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, Douglass (Zoom), Smith, Mulvihill, de Leon, Jones, Page

ABSENT: None

Staff present: Xavier Mason, Finance Director; Jamey Kiblinger, Police Chief, Andrew Williamson, MDRT/Ec Dev Director; Rob Reed, IS Manager; David Linehan, City Attorney; Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager.

READING OF GUIDING PRINCIPLES

AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:

Councilmember Deady **moved** to add the Palmer Rezone 3 to the agenda for discussion with possible action; **second** Councilmember Page. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0).

Councilmember de Leon **moved** to approve the agenda as amended; **second** Councilmember Page. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember de Leon **moved** to approve the Consent Agenda; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0). The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

- 1) **Claim Checks** – January 18, 2024, Check No. 53938 through Check No. 53987 (voids 53920, 53939) and EFTs in the amount of \$467,069.68
- 2) **Payroll** – December 2023, Check No. 20365 through Check No. 20376 and ACHs

in the amount of \$567,382.75

- 3) **Minutes** – Council Meeting of January 4, 2024
- 4) **AB24-009** – Ordinance Amending the 2024 Salary Schedule

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Palmer Rezone 3– Councilmember Deady led the discussion on this item and asked Council if they would like a closed session to discuss a little further. There was Council consensus to do this.

At 7:07 p.m. Council recessed into a closed session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(2) for 10 minutes with possible action to follow.

Mayor Benson called the meeting back to order at 7:17 p.m.

Councilmember Page **moved** to deny rezone #3 and to adopt the Findings and Conclusions of the Hearing Examiner; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0).

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

COUNCIL REPORTS: None

ATTORNEY REPORT:

City Attorney Linehan commented that he will consolidate tonight's decision with the other two decisions Council made at the last meeting in an ordinance and bring back at the first meeting in February for Council official action.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue spoke to Council.

Councilmember Page reported on a Public Works item from their meeting regarding the Skatepark the cultural impact study. She also updated Council on an item on the Council Action Plan the land acknowledgement.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ATTEST:



Carol Benson, Mayor



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk