

BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Special Meeting of February 15, 2024
Hybrid Meeting Via Zoom and In-Person
Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Benson called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Douglass, Mulvihill, de Leon (Zoom), Jones, Page. (At 5:11 p.m. Councilmember de Leon entered the meeting in person. Councilmember Smith was not present during roll call and entered the meeting at 5:58 p.m.).

ABSENT: None

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

WORK SESSION:

1) Continued Discussion on Potential Levy Lid Lift

Mayor Benson welcomed everyone and introduced Martin Chaw of FCS who will be leading the discussion tonight.

Mr. Chaw reviewed the agenda in the presentation for tonight. Below are the topics/questions shared tonight:

- Q1: City property tax levy detail 10 years
- Q2: Historical LLL measures – Primary or General Election
- Q3: Estimated cost forming own Fire Dept
- Q4: Levy Rates for School Districts
- Estimated Costs with MVFD COS @ 3.0 FTEs/Shift Station 98 – No Levy Lid Lift
- MVFD COS @ 3.0 FTEs/Shift 98 - With Levy Lid Lift \$2.0M/YR starting 2025
- Fire Expenses Forecast (2025-2029)
- Levy Lid Lift Property Tax Impacts – Enumclaw School District
- Levy Lid Lift Property Tax Impacts – Tahoma School District
- Levy Lid Lift Property Tax Impacts – Home within Kent School District #415
- Levy Lid Lift Property Tax Impacts – Home within Kent School District #415 and Valley General Hospital District #1
- Questions asked that Mr. Chaw will be getting back to Council on.
- Property Tax Ordinance to dedicate funds

- Discussion on annexation and how that works. What would happen to the city owned assets, would the city have a seat on the board?
- Need to make a choice on what number for a levy lid lift and need to consider what is the Council's goal for LOS for fire service.
- Forming a work group consisting of Fire Chief, Mayor, Councilmember, Mr. Wiliamson, and Mr. Linehan to work on items that are called out in the interlocal agreement.
- Discussion on the need for more work sessions.

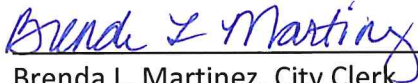
ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember de Leon. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (?-0). The meeting ended at 6:54 p.m.

ATTEST:



Carol Benson, Mayor



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk