

**CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND
CITY COUNCIL
WORKSTUDY NOTES**

November 5, 2008

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

Mayor Botts called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Botts, Councilmembers Hanson, Bowie, Boston, Olness and Mulvihill.

ABSENT:

Staff present: Dan Dal Santo, Utilities Supervisor; Andy Williamson, Economic Development Director; Loren D. Combs, City Attorney and Brenda L. Streepy, City Clerk.

Guests Present: Chris Kemp, Nestle Waters

Nestle Presentation on Potential Economic and Traffic Impacts

Chris Kemp, proposed Factory Manager for the Black Diamond bottling plant spoke concerning the preliminary Economic and Fiscal Benefits Assessment and Traffic Impact studies in regards to locating a water bottling facility in Black Diamond. Mr. Kemp explained that the studies focused on vehicular trip generation estimates, analysis on how such a facility will affect the City's local tax base, potential economic benefits in terms of increased jobs and wages, and any potential economic costs to the community.

Key Topics/Points of Discussion

- Economic and Fiscal Benefit Analysis
- Facility Characteristics
- Operational and Environmental Considerations
- Impacts to Local Economy
- Impacts to Local Tax Revenues
- Potential Impacts to City from Proposed Plant
- Daily Trip Generation
- Peak Hour Trip Generation

Mayor Botts suggested to Mr. Kemp that Nestle hold an Open House sometime in December to answer any questions that residents might have. Mr. Kemp was agreeable to this and noted that one would be scheduled.

Councilmember Olness asked that Nestle notice the open house in the local newspaper so citizens are aware of this event and can plan accordingly.

Mayor Botts asked the audience if they had any questions to ask Nestle.

Audience member asked where Nestle is planning on getting the water from. Mr. Kemp replied from the City's springs.

Audience member asked how much water would Nestle need. Mr. Kemp explained the plant would need between 250 to 300 gallons of water a minute.

Councilmember Hanson commented that Nestle would not be taking all the City's water supply as the City has the Tacoma water supply source and eventually the spring water and Tacoma water will be mixed as development happens.

Audience member asked Council to take into consideration keeping the spring water for the City.

Audience member wondered where the location of the plant will be. Mr. Kemp explained the company is looking into a few possible locations.

Audience member asked how big of an area will Nestle need for the plant. Mr. Kemp responded between 25 to 30 acres.

Audience member expressed she enjoys drinking the Black Diamond water that is provided to her now and wonders how we can guarantee in the future she will be able to drink the water and be satisfied as she hears Tacoma water does not taste great.

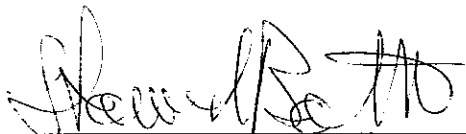
Councilmember Bowie responded that as development happens the City will eventually be on Tacoma water.


Mayor Botts stated that he and staff were directed by Council to look into the Nestle venture and agreed that it is hard to look at selling this water to Nestle, but hopes the company will have a town meeting soon to answer public questions.

ADJOURNMENT:

The workstudy ended at 8:03 p.m.

ATTEST:


Howard Botts, Mayor


Brenda L. Streepy, City Clerk