

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

August 1, 2013

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

Mayor Olness called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Edelman, Goodwin and Benson.

ABSENT: Councilmember Taylor (excused).

Staff present: Seth Boettcher, Public Works Director; Mark Hoppen, City Administrator; Chris Bacha, City Attorney and Brenda L. Martinez, Asst. City Admin. /City Clerk.

Mayor Olness welcomed everyone and noted there are two topics for discussion that evening 1) CIP Top Priorities and 2) Transportation Benefit District (TBD)

2014-2019 Capital Improvement Plan Top Five Priorities

Councilmember Goodwin noted he used the following criteria when selecting his top five priorities; 1) with long term benefit; 2) should not demand any requirement for General Fund for ongoing support for funding. His top five in no particular order:

1. W2- Reservoir Painting and Maintenance
2. First five years of a 10 year plan for asbestos pipe replacement
3. D2-North Commercial & State Route 169 Stormwater Treatment Plan
4. P2- Ginder Creek Trail Restoration
5. Fire Engine Replacement (F1 & F2)

Councilmember Benson's top five:

1. D2 – North Commercial & State Route 169 Stormwater Treatment Plan
2. W2- Reservoir Painting and Maintenance
3. T6 – Rock Creek Bridge
4. F1 & F2 – Fire Engine Replacement
5. First five years of a 10 year plan for asbestos pipe replacement

Councilmember Deady' top five:

1. W2- Reservoir Painting and Maintenance
2. D2-North Commercial & State Route 169 Stormwater Treatment Plan
3. P2- Ginder Creek Trail Restoration
4. F1, F2 & F3 – Fire Engine and Aid Car Replacement
5. L3- Police Radio Replacement

Councilmember Edelman's top five:

1. P1 & P2 – Lake Sawyer boat Launch Park Improvements/Ginder Creek Trail Restoration

2. W2- Reservoir Painting and Maintenance
Councilmember Edelman stated she is very comfortable with Mr. Goodwin's list.

It was Council's consensus to make these the top priorities for staff:

1. W2- Reservoir Painting and Maintenance
2. 10 year plan for asbestos pipe replacement
3. D2-North Commercial & State Route 169 Stormwater Treatment Plan
4. P2- Ginder Creek Trail Restoration
5. F1 & F2 – Fire Engine Replacement
6. T6 – Rock Creek Bridge
7. L3- Police Radio Replacement

Transportation Benefit District (TBD)

Public Works Director Boettcher reported on the needs and benefits of a Transportation Benefit District which will aid in helping keep our streets in good condition; discussed revenue streams of other cities to the street fund; discussed the projects proposed; district is proposed at the level of our surrounding cities we would be adding \$135,024 from the General Fund.

City Attorney Bacha explained that in 2007 the Legislature amended the TBD statute to authorize the imposition of vehicle fees and transportation impact fees without a public vote. In 2010, the Legislature amended the TBD again to clarify project eligibility, the use of impact fees, and sales tax expenditures, and make TBD governance more flexible. He gave an overview of the following:

- What are Transportation Benefit District
- Background
- Why is it necessary to create a separate and independent taxing districts
- Why is it important for the TBD and city council to function separately
- How is a TBD created
- Notice and Hearing requirements
- Contents of the Ordinance
- What improvements may be funded
- What if the City Council or the TBD wants to fund projects not included in the notice and the enabling ordinance
- What if the City Council or the TBD want to fund projects with revenue authority not included in the notice and the enabling ordinance
- What if the district boundaries will be different for a project to be added
- What revenue options do TBDs have
- On-going District obligations
- Are TBD revenues required to be spend as they are collected
- When does the TBD start receiving funds

Councilmember Goodwin expressed the need to educate them and does not understand why this is before Council tonight.

Councilmember Benson doesn't feel good about this since they just raised the utility rates.

Councilmember Edelman doesn't understand what the rush is.

It was Council's consensus to put this off until next year.

ADJOURNMENT:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Deady to adjourn the meeting. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

The workstudy ended at 6:32 p.m.

ATTEST:



Rebecca Olness, Mayor



Rachel Pitzel, Deputy City Clerk