

**CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

October 23, 2014

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

Mayor Gordon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Morgan, Benson and Councilmember Taylor (by phone).

ABSENT: Councilmember Edelman (excused).

Staff present: Mayene Miller, Finance Director; Aaron Nix, Community Development/Natural Resources Director and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Gordon announced an Executive Session at 6:00:55 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4) with no action to follow the Executive Session, which was expected to last approximately 30 minutes.

Mayor Gordon called for a 15 minute extension to the Executive Session.

The regular meeting was called back to order at 6:51:23 p.m.

WORK SESSION:

2015 Preliminary Budget – Ms. Miller

Finance Director Miller distributed to Council additional packet material. She then addressed questions posted from Council during the last Work Session which were the Court personnel salaries and the KC Fire Inspection fee. She noted that both of these areas have been reduced and the savings from these reductions has been reapplied to support the police reserves program for six-months and the additional monies to the legal services budget. She discussed how the legal dollars are distributed in the general fund or general legal services, employment issues, union negotiations, public disclosure review and misc. lawsuits.

Councilmember Taylor disconnected from the meeting at 7:01:06 p.m.

Ms. Miller reviewed with Council the pages from the handout and discussed the six year forecast she prepared based on different scenarios. She also highlighted the sales tax graph from the years 2006 through 2009.

Mayor Gordon announced we are now on to item #3 a Work Session on the Comprehensive Plan Update Options.

Comprehensive Plan Update Options – Mr. Nix

Community Development/Natural Resources Director Nix reported that in the packet material is a memo that outlines what is needed for the Comprehensive Plan Update. He noted that he did not include information regarding the transportation element and handed out that information to Council tonight.

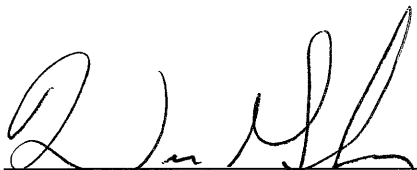
Ms. Miller reviewed with Council the budget she prepared that outlined the funding and its sources for the Comprehensive Plan update.

Mr. Nix stated that based on the scope it will take about 12 months to get through the process and he will be planning to fast track this as much as possible as the deadline is June 30, 2015. He noted he is trying to do without an EIS and use the addendum to the previous one. Mr. Nix informed Council that he would like to bring forward at the next meeting a contract to get the process started.

There was consensus for Mr. Nix to move forward with this.

ADJOURNMENT:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Benson and **seconded** by Councilmember Dedy to adjourn the Work Session meeting. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (3-0). The Work Session ended at 7:54:46 p.m.



Dave Gordon, Mayor

ATTEST:



Rachel Pitzel, Deputy City Clerk