



CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
October 6, 2020, 6:00 PM
Zoom Virtual Meeting

1) FLAG SALUTE, CALL TO ORDER, and ROLL CALL:

Acting Chair, Commissioner Olson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioners: Jensen, Ekberg, Ambur, Olson
(Commissioner LaConte not present during roll call but joined the meeting at 6:36 p.m.)

Excused: Commissioner McCain

Unexcused: Commissioner Butt

Staff: Barbara Kincaid, Community Development Director
Carina Thornquist, Deputy City Clerk

Acting Chair Olson advised that there was an error on the Agenda which states that no public comments will be taken and is incorrect. The decision was made at the previous meeting that as of the October 6, 2020 meeting, public comments would be added back onto the Agenda.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jensen to agree that the Agenda should reflect now having Public Comments. **Motion seconded** by Commissioner Ambur. **Vote**, Motion passed 4-0.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a) *Regular meeting of September 8, 2020*

Motion was made by Commissioner Ambur to approve the September 8, 2020 minutes. **Motion seconded** by Commissioner Jensen. **Vote**, Motion passed 4-0.

3) PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Kristen Bryant from Bellevue, WA – spoke to the Commissioners

4) PUBLIC HEARINGS:

b) Amendments to BD Municipal Code Chapter 15.24 Flood Damage Prevention

Director Kincaid gave a brief overview of the proposed revisions to BDMC Chapter 15.24 Flood Damage Prevention.

Acting Chair Olson opened the Public Hearing to the public at 6:10 p.m. regarding the Amendments to BD Municipal Code Chapter 15.24 Flood Damage Prevention.

After making several announcements and no one from the public expressed their desire to speak, Acting Chair Olson said he would entertain a motion to close the Public Hearing. **Motion** was made by Commissioner Ambur to close the Public Hearing. **Motion seconded** by Commissioner Jensen. **Vote, Motion passed 4-0.** Public Hearing closed at 6:11 p.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ambur to accept the Amendments to the BD Municipal Code Chapter 15.24 Flood Damage Prevention and to forward it to the City Council for approval. **Motion seconded** by Commissioner Jensen. **Vote, Motion passed 4-0.**

c) Amendments to BD Municipal Code Chapter 19.10 Sensitive Areas

Director Kincaid gave a brief overview of the proposed revisions to BDMC Chapter 19.10, Sensitive Areas.

Acting Chair Olson opened the Public Hearing to the public at 6:15 p.m. regarding the Amendments to BD Municipal Code Chapter 19.10 Sensitive Areas.

Kristen Bryant from Bellevue – stated that the wording regarding improvement to mining was brought up at the previous meeting but does not reflect on this document that those changes were made.

After making several announcements and no other persons expressing their desire to speak, Acting Chair Olson said he would entertain a motion to close the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ambur to close the Public Hearing. **Motion seconded** by Commissioner Jensen. **Vote, Motion passed 4-0.** Public Hearing closed at 6:17 p.m.

Director Kincaid confirmed that the statement made by Ms. Bryant was accurate and it was mistakenly omitted from the document. For clarification, Ms. Kincaid reviewed with the Commissioners what was discussed regarding mine hazards and sink holes/subsidence. She “shared screen” showing BD Municipal Code 19.10 – Sensitive Areas. Ms. Kincaid and Commissioners confirmed that verbiage should be added to letter C of the 19.10.010 – Purpose section (as stated below)

C. To protect members of the public and public resources and facilities from public health or safety concerns, including injury, loss of life, or property damage due to events such as landslides, steep slope failures, erosion, seismic events, and mine hazards such as sink holes and subsidence from abandoned mine workings.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jensen to accept the Amendments to the Black Diamond Municipal Code Chapter 19.10 Sensitive areas along with the noted addition to letter C regarding mining hazards and subsidence, and to forward it to the City Council for approval. **Motion seconded** by Commissioner Ambur. **Vote, Motion passed 4-0.**

5) STUDY/WORK SESSION: none

6) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

d) Comprehensive Plan Amendment: Chapter 5 Land Use

Director Kincaid recommended moving the discussion on the Comprehensive Plan Amendment: Chapter 5 Land Use to another meeting when the entire Planning Commission is present. There was discussion regarding scheduling a Special Meeting to discuss this instead of waiting another month. Dates were discussed and everyone agreed on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 6 p.m.

Commissioner LaConte entered the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

7) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Director Kincaid stated that two (2) of the Planning Commissioners terms end on December 31, 2020 and will be opening it up to receive applications in the near future. Those two positions are: #3 (Weston Butt) and #5 (Tom Ekberg)

8) PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

9) **ADJOURN:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ambur to adjourn the meeting.
Motion seconded by Commissioner LaConte. Vote, Motion passed 5-0.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:42 p.m.

These minutes were respectively recorded by Carina Thornquist, Deputy City Clerk

ATTEST:



Pam McCain, Chairperson



Planning Commission Secretary