

**City of Black Diamond/City of Covington/City of Maple Valley  
City Council Special Joint Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, May 27, 2015**

The Joint Meeting of the City Councils for the cities of Black Diamond, Covington and Maple Valley was called to order at Covington City Hall Council Chambers, 16720 SE 271<sup>st</sup> Street, Covington, Washington, Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., with Covington Mayor Margaret Harto presiding.

**BLACK DIAMOND COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Carol Benson, Mayor Pro Tem Tamie Deady, Craig Goodwin, Janie Edelman, Erika Morgan, and Ron Taylor.

**BLACK DIAMOND STAFF PRESENT:**

Seth Boettcher, Public Works Director; and Brenda Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager

**COVINGTON COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Margaret Harto, Joe Cimaomo, Mark Lanza, Marlla Mhoon, Jim Scott, and Sean Smith.

**COVINGTON COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Wagner.

**COVINGTON STAFF PRESENT:**

Regan Bolli, City Manager; Scott Thomas, Parks & Recreation Director; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Victoria Throm, Personnel & Human Services Analyst; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Pat Patterson, Recreation Manager; Noreen Beaufrere, Personnel Manager; Robert Meyers, Building Official; Rachel Bahl, Aquatics Supervisor; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

**MAPLE VALLEY COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Bill Allison, Deputy Mayor Sean Kelly, Layne Barnes, Noel Gerken, Linda Johnson, Dana Parnello, and Erin Weaver.

**MAPLE VALLEY STAFF PRESENT:**

David Johnston, City Manager; Greg Brown, Parks & Recreation Director; Dorothy Stickney, Executive Assistant; Steve Clark, Public Works & Community Development Director; and Shaunna Lee Rice, City Clerk.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor Harto called the 8<sup>th</sup> annual joint meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by First Class Scout Alex Keifer from Troop 711 and First Class Scout Marcus Cuccia from Troop 945.

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

Mayor Harto introduced new Covington City Manager Regan Bolli. The councils and staff of the three cities then each introduced themselves.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Mayor Harto called for approval of the agenda.

There was a motion and a second to approve the agenda. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor.

**OPENING REMARKS – MAYOR HARTO:**

Mayor Harto welcomed all attendees and introduced King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn.

**ITEMS FOR JOINT COUNCIL DISCUSSION:**

1. King County Council Update from Councilmember Reagan Dunn.

King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn provided an update.

2. Update on Current and Future Projects.

Covington City Manager Regan Bolli, Maple Valley City Manager David Johnston, and Black Diamond Public Works Director Seth Boettcher and Mayor Carol Benson gave the report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and staff provided responses.

3. Parks and Trails Presentation.

Maple Valley Parks & Recreation Director Greg Brown, Covington Parks & Recreation Director Scott Thomas, and Black Diamond Public Works Director Seth Boettcher gave the report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and staff provided responses.

4. Update on Both Interlocal Agreements.

Covington Public Works Director Don Vondran and Covington Community Development Director Richard Hart gave the report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments.

Mayor Harto recessed the meeting for a five minute break and then re-adjourned.

5. Human Services Report.

Cheryl Hanson, Director of the Black Diamond Community Center; Mark Pursley, Director of the Greater Maple Valley Community Center; and Victoria Throm, Covington Personnel & Human Services Analyst, gave the report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions; and Ms. Hanson, Mr. Pursley, Ms. Throm, and Mayor Harto provided responses.

All three councils concurred that it would be beneficial for the three cities to explore opportunities for collaboration.

6. Decision to Dissolve Southeast Area Transportation Solutions (SEATS).

Covington City Manager Regan Bolli gave the report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments and discussed.

All three councils concurred to dissolve SEATS.

**COUNCIL CLOSING REMARKS:**


Mayor Harto invited all councilmembers to proceed around the room to provide remarks regarding the meeting.

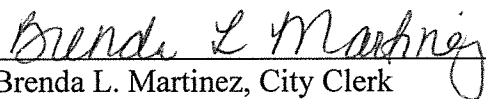
Mayor Harto closed by thanking everyone for their attendance.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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Carol Benson, Mayor

  
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Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk