

**CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND**  
**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 9, 2016**

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Benson announced this work session is on the 2017-2022 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Deady, Morgan, Edelman, Pepper, Weber

**ABSENT:**

Staffs present: Seth Boettcher, Public Works Director, and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk

**WORK SESSION**

**1) 2017-2022 Six Year Transportation Plan- Mr. Boettcher**

Public Works Director Boettcher addressed issues around emails that have been received at the City in response to the Peter Rimbo's email. He distributed to Council the proposed street network and discussed the comprehensive plan, the development codes and passed out the street network that was in the comprehensive plan from 2006. He discussed the flaws he saw in the proposed network. He distributed a new spreadsheet that was prepared after the public hearing held on June 2, 2016. He noted adding safety projects which are new this year. Also new this year which can be preferential is the amount of maintenance projects that are needed in the City; he noted there is no way we get to do these projects and need assistance from preservation grants from TIB to fund these. He discussed the grant rating system for projects and there being a lot of streets that are in need of work. He further discussed Council having authority to take projects off this plan. He pointed out that this plan is not a budget document and thinking ahead to budget the City's street budget was in red so we passed the TBD. We are holding it together because we have been successful with grants, but we are still short from the street fund to do all the projects that need to be done. Temporarily the state has allowed some maintenance dollars that help.

Councilmember Morgan stated how pleased she was with the maps, it's very helpful and she was thankful for the map. She noted on one of the new maps, the lagoon on Abram Ave. She wanted to clarify that there is no longer water there.

Mr. Boettcher noted this is their base map to know where the roads are.

Councilmember Deady suggested adding language based on grant availability that would clarify on some projects that is dependent on funding availability.

Councilmember Edelman asked what projects, if any, have been submitted for grant funding.

Councilmember Deady asked about grants and money left over, and stated we are in competition with other cities.

Mr. Boettcher shared that TIB is divided by area, East and West in County areas, they do the best they can to be fair with the entire state. Our competition is with other smaller cities.

Mr. Boettcher discussed Ms. Bryant's written comments. He noted holding the public hearing open and needs to meet with the Attorney about adding a project back in and does the city need to hold another public hearing due to that change.

Councilmember Pepper asked in the last plan what is the estimate in that plan of how many were able to be completed. Mr. Boettcher noted there are twelve projects that are in process and completed within the last six years.

Mayor Benson discussed missing out on grant money for a project due to the fact our comp plan is not complete.

Mr. Boettcher distributed the proposed street network that will be in the comp plan update.

Councilmember Morgan noted why it is important to the road engineer to show the cracks and it would be really helpful in the future to have some kind of landmark that shows where those cracks are. This suggestion is for the CIP update.

Mr. Boettcher discussed the Morgan Frans statement and staff agrees with that. He also noted that Judith Carrier noticed a conflict on the website with some of the maps.

Mr. Boettcher noted Mr. Bryant's comment on the six year tip regarding the intersection alignment; he stated the City should consider moving pipeline north to go past Columbia Bank.

Councilmember Deady discussed #18 on the plan and wondered where specifically these bike lanes would be going and the need to specify for the public as to where the projects will be.

Mr. Boettcher stated would you support if we put from 169 to Jones Lake Road.

Councilmember Morgan asked on the generalized street improvement, could it be somewhere on this that says "opportunity".

Mr. Boettcher noted he will put leverage private funds.

Councilmember Pepper asked if grants come out by category, for example roundabouts.

Mr. Boettcher stated they are not typically like that. They are in broader categories of dealing with congestion, safety or preservation. He noted they are funds set aside for example for bridges, bridge replacement.

Councilmember Weber asked about grant money and there is additional grant funding left over, how can the money be utilized.

Mr. Boettcher noted if grant funds are left over, TIB will allow the extension of the existing project. However, if you hop to a new location, you need to be careful with that and you really need to stay within the confines of the project fairly close.

Councilmember Deady asked about number fourteen, she asked if this is the street going down to the skateboard park and wondered what types of site distance improvements are being proposed. She noted it being a huge safety issue.

Mr. Boettcher noted the safety concerns.

Mr. Boettcher discussed the need to have a traffic engineer come back with three options. How much are they going to cost and then having good information to make decisions.

Councilmember Morgan noted this project is related to the new school. She discussed low impact development streets. She noted that it was supposed to be maintenance free for many years.

Councilmember Deady asked about 288<sup>th</sup> and 169.

Mr. Boettcher noted this is King County.

Mr. Boettcher reviewed the changes to provide leverage for private funds or monies project one. He noted a typo on line eighteen and shows the specific right of way to be improved with more definition on from and to.

Councilmember Edelman asked if our new city Attorney says we don't have to do another public hearing, then your plan would be to bring this to council next week.

Mr. Boettcher noted we can post this information right away and get to the public, take additional public comments, and then Council could pass this if there is no issue with the advertising. If there are additional public comments, and there could be amendments.

Councilmember Edelman stated even with additional public comments period, if you get comments, we could still go ahead and preempt your resolution, the motion could be however it is written and then amended by public comments x, y and z. And then it could still pass next week.

Councilmember Deady noted questions around number eighteen on where the sidewalk extension would be.

Mr. Boettcher noted Roberts Drive phase three would take sidewalks from project number twelve. This is not a stand-alone project, it is a combined project. Project number twelve is where we address the sidewalks. Sidewalks, curb, streetlights, bringing them up to urban standards.

Councilmember Edelman discussed the Roberts Rehab number one projects.

Mr. Boettcher noted they would add more definition there.

Councilmember Weber asked if there is a way to put in an asterisk note that gives a line sentence to explain to folks about ranking order by year.

Mr. Boettcher noted he would think of ways of giving them a heads up.

Councilmember Deady noted could you perhaps put in language about projects chosen by grant availability.

Mayor Benson stated as Mr. Weber said just asterisk the projects and make a notation at the bottom that just says these projects, if funds are available, will be moved up on the list. She further stated just add some kind of disclaimer.

Mr. Boettcher noted this is primarily an issue with maintenance projects. He noted they will put it at the bottom of each page.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Weber to adjourn the meeting.

Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

The meeting ended at 7:39 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Carol Benson, Mayor

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Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk

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