

## **BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL**

### **WORK SESSION MINUTES**

**March 14, 2019**

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

#### **CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:**

Mayor Benson called the regular work session meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led us all in the Flag Salute.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Deady, Oglesbee, Edelman, Stout and Wisnoski.

**ABSENT:** None

Staff present: Barbara Kincaid, Community Development Director; Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk

#### **WORK SESSION:**

##### **1) Discussion on Adoption of the Comprehensive Plan Update**

Community Director Kincaid discussed the process that has taken place on the Comprehensive Plan Update and noted receiving an application for a comprehensive plan update for this years upcoming process.

Ms. Kincaid shared that the City Council shall consider the proposed comprehensive plan amendments and the Planning Commission's recommendation at a regularly scheduled meeting (tonight's meeting). She also shared the City Council shall also apply the criteria set forth in Section 16.10.220, as applicable, in order to make a final decision. She discussed BDMC 16.10.230(B) and noted that if city council concludes that a change in the recommendation of the planning commission is necessary, the city council shall consider whether another opportunity for public review and comment is needed before taking action. She noted this would be in the form of another public hearing. Moving forward the Council needs to decide, 1) Is this Council comfortable with the public input that has been received, or 2) Does the City Council want to hear more public comments.

Following discussion, it was decided to hold another public hearing on April 4, 2019.

Ms. Kincaid reviewed with Council staff's responses to the evaluation criteria for the proposed amendments as set forth in BDMC 16.10.220. Those responses were as follows:

BDMC 16.10.220 (A)(1) – Whether the proposed amendment(s) conform to the Growth Management Act (Chapter 36.70A RCW);

Staff response: Yes, the Department of Commerce GMA Comp Plan Update Checklist was prepared to ensure proposed amendments conform to GMA. Additionally, the draft Comp Plan was provided to Commerce for 60-day review and to the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) for comments.

BDMC 16.10.220 (A)(2) – Whether the proposed amendment(s) are consistent with and implement the city’s comprehensive plan, including the goals, policies and implementation strategies of the various elements of the plan;

Staff response: Yes, staff worked with the Planning Commission, Council, and the public to ensure the goals and policies proposed in the update accurately reflected the City’s long-range Vision. Staff reviewed the various elements of the plan for internal consistency.

BDMC 16.10.220 (A)(3) – Whether the circumstances related to the proposed amendments(s) and/or the area in which it is located have substantially changed since the adoption of the city’s comprehensive plan;

Staff response: Yes, the beginning buildout of the MPD has begun to substantially change the area since the adoption of the city’s comprehensive plan. Additionally, the 2009 Plan did adequately support the City’s vision for open space, economic development, recreation, housing diversity, and mixed-use development patterns.

BDMC 16.10.220 (A)(4) – Whether the assumptions upon which the city’s comprehensive plan is based are no longer valid, or whether new information is available which was not considered during the adoption process or any annual amendments of the city’s comprehensive plan; and

Staff response: The basic assumptions had to be re-evaluated looking at new, updated data and upon completion of this analysis were not found to be invalid.

BDMC 16.10.220 (A)(5) – Whether the proposed amendment(s) reflects current, widely held values of the residents of the city.

Staff response: Yes, the public process included public outreach in several forms, including a survey, public meetings, workshops, and a public hearing to test whether the proposed amendments generally reflect the community’s values.

There was Council discussion and consensus to do a survey for the update. Also discussed was the different types of media to use. It was suggested to have an ad hoc committee brain storm on what to put in the survey. It was noted that this could also be done with the City’s Planning Committee or at a work session.


Director Kincaid discussed the peer reviews done by other agencies and the Puget Sound Regional Council certification process.

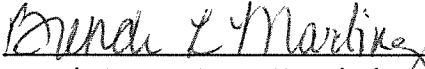
**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Edelman.  
Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

The meeting ended at 6:26 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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Carol Benson, Mayor

  
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Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk