

ORDINANCE NO. 08-880

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, KING COUNTY WASHINGTON ADDING NEW CHAPTER 1.06 TO THE BLACK DIAMOND MUNICIPAL CODE, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS.

WHEREAS, by necessity, many ordinances, statutes, resolutions, and other directives adopted by the City of Black Diamond often state their goals in very general terms; and

WHEREAS, policies and procedures are often needed to provide city employees with specific direction on how a particular ordinance, statute, resolution or other directive should be implemented within city government; and

WHEREAS, adopting official, written administrative regulations that provide direction to city employees on how a given ordinance, statute, resolution or other directive should be implemented greatly enhances the City's ability to ensure that the City's laws and policies are implemented in a way that achieves the desired goals; and

WHEREAS, adopting official, written administrative regulations will also improve the quality of the services the City is able to provide to members of our community by ensuring a consistent approach by city staff in implementing and enforcing laws and policies; and

WHEREAS, adopting official, written administrative regulations will also improve consistency and fairness in determining whether a particular action should be deemed acceptable or unacceptable to the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. A new chapter 1.06 is hereby added to the Black Diamond Municipal Code and it shall read as follows:

Chapter 1.06 City Administrative Regulations

Sections:

1.06.010 Administrative Regulations Authorized

SECTION 2. A new section 1.06.010 is hereby added to the Black Diamond Municipal Code and it shall read as follows:

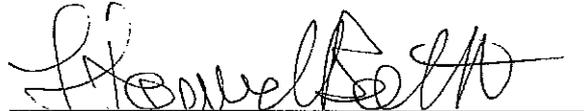
The City of Black Diamond is hereby authorized to adopt and implement a set of administrative regulations for the purpose of ensuring that the ordinances, resolutions, and policies passed by the mayor and the city council are effectively implemented within city government, as well as any other applicable state or federal laws or regulations. The regulations may also contain other rules or procedures necessary for the efficient functioning of city government. These administrative regulations shall be drafted by the mayor or the mayor's designee, or by the city administrator under the direction of the mayor as provided in BDMC 2.10.020, and shall be revised and updated as needed from time to time.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five days after its passage, approval, posting and publication as provided by law. A summary of this Ordinance may be published in lieu of publishing the Ordinance in its entirety.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this Ordinance is determined to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in force and effect.

Introduced the 4th day of December, 2008.

Passed by a majority of the City Council at a meeting held on the 4th day of December, 2008.



Mayor Howard Botts

Attest:



Brenda L. Streepy, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Loren D. Combs, City Attorney

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