

RESOLUTION NO. 17-1204

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
BLACK DIAMOND, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON
OPPOSING THE OPENING OF THE JOHN HENRY MINE**

WHEREAS, the federal government is currently reviewing a permit for coal mining to be located on private land just outside of the City of Black Diamond; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Coast Coal Co. seeks to mine 85,000 to 90,000 tons of coal per year over six years at this site; and

WHEREAS, mining may have adverse environmental impacts and may increase hazardous greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the mining activity, increased traffic may result in and around the City; and

WHEREAS, King County has likewise vowed to oppose the mining permit; and


WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it would not be in the best interest of the City to support the re-opening of the John Henry Mine based on the probable adverse effects on the health, welfare, and safety of City residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Opposition to the Opening of the John Henry Mine. The Black Diamond City Council hereby opposes the opening of the John Henry Mine for the reasons set forth above.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, WASHINGTON, AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF, THIS 7th DAY OF DECEMBER 2017.

CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND:



Carol Benson, Mayor

Attest:



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk