



**CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2014, 7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Keith Watson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the introduction of the roll call and the established duties of the Planning Commission.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Keith Watson, Harvey Senecal, Brian Weber, Gary Davis, Pam McCain, Jim Kuzaro and Sheri Roth
Absent: N/A
Staff: Aaron C. Nix, MPA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER WEBER TO ACCEPT THE OCTOBER 7, 2014 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SENECA. ISSUE PASSED 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments given.

WORKSESSION ITEMS

1. PUBLIC HEARING ON REPEALING SECTION 19.04 ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND REPLACING IT WITH THE PROPOSED LANGUAGE

Mr. Nix gave a brief presentation on the background of the revisions to Chapter 19.04 and fielded some questions from the Commissioners. Mr. Nix stated that he received one comment from a person of the public. It was distributed to the Planning Commissioners earlier in the day, via email and made available at the prior to the Planning Commission meeting/public hearing that evening.

Chair Watson outlined the procedures for the Public Hearing and opened the Public Hearing to anyone from the Public.

Chair Watson asked three (3) times for Public Comment and no one gave testimony with regard to the subject matter under consideration.

Chair Watson closed the Public Hearing and discussion ensued based on this topic matter.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER SENECA AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ROTH TO SEND A RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL ON REPEALING

SECTION 19.04 OF BLACK DIAMOND MUNICIPAL CODE AND REPLACING IT WITH THE REVISED LANGUAGE PROVIDED TO THE COMMISSION BY CITY STAFF. ISSUE WAS VOTED ON BY THE COMMISSION AND PASSED 6-0.

2. PUBLIC HEARING ON REPEALLING SECTIONS 16.10, 16.20 AND 16.30 OF BLACK DIAMOND MUNICIPAL CODE AND REPLACING IT WITH THE PROPOSED LANGUAGE

Mr. Nix gave a brief overview of the proposed changes to section 16.10, 16.20 and 16.30 of Black Diamond Municipal Code and the proposed new language.

Chair Watson opened the Public Hearing and called for testimony three (3) times. No Public Comments were given to the Commission. Chair Watson closed the Public Hearing and asked for discussion amongst the Planning Commission Members.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MCCAIN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBER TO SEND A RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL ON REPEALLING SECTIONS 16.10, 16.20 AND 16.30 OF BLACK DIAMOND MUNICIPAL CODE AND REPLACING IT WITH THE REVISED LANGUAGE PROVIDED TO THE COMMISSION BY CITY STAFF. ISSUE WAS VOTED ON BY THE COMMISSION AND PASSED 5-1.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion commenced with regard to the Public Participation Plan Handbook and the leaflet created by the Commission. Additional refinement is needed and will commence

DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr. Nix gave a report of the Department's current permitting activity and the pending reductions in staffing to the current Community Development Department budget proposed for 2015.

The Comprehensive Plan update was discussed with the Commission, with significant hurdles forthcoming.

Several pre-application meetings are forthcoming or have occurred in regard to future development within the City, outside of the approved Master Planned Developments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment was given

Chair Watson re-iterated that the next Planning Commission meeting was going to held on December 9, 2014 at 7:00 pm, there in Council Chambers.

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Commissioner McCain and seconded by Commissioner Weber to adjourn. The issues was voted on by the Commission and Passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Minutes Respectively Prepared By: A. Nix, CD/NR Director

Aaron C. Nix

Pamela McCain Burt
Keith Watson, Chairman

ATTEST:

Aaron C. Nix
Planning Commission Secretary