City of Black Diamond

Growth Mangement, Land Use, and Community Services Council Standing Committee Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2016

Opening

Meeting called to order after 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Pat Pepper - Present, Brian Weber - Present, Tamie Deady - Absent

Approval of Minutes

None

1) Public Comment on topics in this committee's scope or on agenda items.

- Kristen Bryant noted that Bill Bryant had sent in a letter to the Community Development Director regarding the Comprehensive Plan, and he wanted to know if they had received it.

2) Discussion of Resolution 16-1082, Authorizing the Mayor to sign a Professional Services Agreement for building department related services

- The Mayor was asked last week if this went out for bids and also if we had received a proposal from BHC. As of this morning, answer not received.
- BHC appears expensive compared to doing the work in-house, or sharing with another city.
- Until any change is formally put in place, the city should continue to use the interlocal agreement with Covington and Maple Valley. The mayor was asked the current status of this agreement, and was told it had been terminated. This action was unilateral without notifying the Council.
- Interlocal Agreements are legislative, so the Council is responsible for terminating them. The Mayor sent information that described a reason for termination of the agreement that had nothing to do with the reasons that were in the staff report. The Mayor is putting the staff in a bad situation and that isn't appropriate.
- Staff to come to the committee meeting to discuss this further. The more this is looked into, the more questions there are.
- At this time, I do not support moving this out of committee.

3) Public Comment and discussion on the City's Concurrency Ordinance

- Several questions have been put to the mayor and staff on potential changes to the Concurrency Ordinance that this committee is reviewing. Certain questions were answered, but not entirely. A discussion would be appropriate. On April 1, we requested staff to come to our April 4 or our April 13 meeting. The mayor indicated that staff was working on some technical questions related to concurrency and would not come to the meeting.

4) Discussion on Comprehensive Plan

- This committee is another avenue for public input to the Plan.
- Request was made for staff member Barbara Kincaid to provide this committee more detail on the steps for the Comprehensive Plan that will occur after the Joint Meetings are concluded.
- A comment was made that the words in the comp plan and the data don't match up.
- People can give input by taking Comprehensive Plan survey on the city website, or contact the Community Development director.

5) Discussion of Committee work program and future agendas.

Next meeting is April 27.