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Housing Repair Programs

On June 19th, 2014 the Black Diamond City Council approved of an inter-local agreement with King County Community Development Block Grant group that will provide the City with access to various King County programs to help low income and the homeless in Black Diamond. Grant and Loan funds are available for low income homeowners in Black Diamond. Funding is available for necessary basic quality of life repairs to your home such as replacing your roof, repairing plumbing or access improvements for the disabled. Funding is available as grants or loans. For more information please call 206-263-9095 or visit King County’s web page at: http://www.kingcounty.gov/socialservices/Housing/ServicesAndPrograms/Services/HousingRepair.aspx

Come by City Hall to pick up informational flyers.

Two Birds, One Stone...

Have you ever taken out two birds using only one stone? It seems like it would be pretty tough. No, we’re not asking you to try to do that here. We should probably be nice to birds. But have you ever used water and conserved it at the same time? It’s possible!

In the summer, it’s always nice to have a green lawn and a clean car. So normally we turn on some sprinklers to water the lawn and, to pass the time, we get another hose and start to wash the car in the driveway. The lawn gets a good drink of water and we get a clean car. Sounds like a good use of time. But where does the wash water from washing your car go?

Typically, when we wash our cars, the wash water runs off our property; but where does it go after it leaves our property? It will usually run downhill to the nearest catch basin, get into the stormwater system, then goes directly into our creeks and lakes. The chemicals in the soaps (even the “natural” good soaps) pollute our creeks and lakes. There are soaps out there that may minimize the effects, but there’s a better way that is better for the environment and that can save you money.

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On Friday, June 13, 2014, forty-seven 5th grade students at Black Diamond Elementary School came together one final time to be recognized as D.A.R.E. graduates. The students were led into the gymnasium by Buckley Firefighter Jon Crain who has played the bagpipes for the D.A.R.E. graduations in Black Diamond for the last five years. With the entire student body and over 100 family members and friends in attendance, the 5th grade students crossed over to middle school having successfully completed the ten week D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program. Former Black Diamond Elementary School student Griffin Invie-Johnson returned to the school as a High School Sophomore. Invie-Johnson shared a recent encounter with drugs and alcohol, and how he used what he learned in the D.A.R.E. program to safely navigate his way through this incident.

### Shoreline Master Program Approved by the Washington State Department of Ecology

The Department of Ecology sent notice to the City of Black Diamond on June 10, 2014 informing the City that the Department had approved the City’s Shoreline Master Program. Under State Law, the new Shoreline Master Program went into effect on June 24, 2014. The major changes that City residents can expect with the new regulations include:

- A change in Shoreline designations from the generic “Rural” designation given to all of Lake Sawyer in the mid 70’s to 5 new classifications that meet State Law including:
  - Shoreline Residential
  - Shoreline Residential Limited
  - Urban Conservancy
  - Natural
  - Aquatic

- An increase in the Shoreline setback for new residential structures from 20’ to 50’, but with an ability to reduce this down to 30’, utilizing a setback reduction list of activities that help improve habitat and/or water quality on Lake Sawyer. Constrained lots may get some additional flexibility based on their lot dimensions under the new program.

- The potential establishment of a shoreline mitigation bank that would help provide for habitat and water quality improvements to the City’s Regional Park at the South end of Lake Sawyer.

The newly adopted Shoreline Master Program and supporting materials can be found on the City’s website at [www.ci.blackdiamond.wa.us](http://www.ci.blackdiamond.wa.us) under Departments and the Natural Resources section of the webpage. Staff is working on some helpful guidelines as it pertains to the new program and should have something published in the very near future. Please stay tuned to our website and please call with any additional questions at 360.886.5700.
Two Birds, One Stone (continued from front page)…

Instead of the driveway, pull your car onto the lawn. Leave the sprinklers off and get washing. The water will go right onto your lawn (watering it) and won’t travel down the road to the catch basin. If the water does get off your lawn, at least it has used the lawn as a natural filter to pull out some of the harmful chemicals. This way, you’re able to water your lawn, wash your car, and, as an added benefit, save money (using water and conserving it at the same time) - two birds, one stone! Of course we all know that, after you wash your car, you will be a target of the birds. So it might be good to hold onto a stone, just in case you need to take a couple birds out…

Recently Adopted Ordinances…

★ Ordinance No. 14-1027, relating to Land use and zoning, adopting findings of fact to support a six-month moratorium on he acceptance of applications for new development with the MPD district, exempting certain property and applications


Ordinance No. 14-1029, amending the City’s Shoreline Master Program and repealing Chapter 19.08 of the Black Diamond Municipal Code

Public Health of Seattle and King County - Beat the Heat

It’s officially summer and the National Weather Service predicts it will be an unusually hot one for King County.

The danger for heat-related illnesses rises when:
★ outside temperatures are very high, or
★ there is a combination of high temperatures and high humidity, and
★ there is little or no cooling for several nights in a row.

Public Health – Seattle & King County will push out heat warning messages through the media, social media, and to community partners whenever we receive a forecast for dangerously hot weather. We also want you to have key messages and sample social media posts now so that you can help prepare members of the community for this summer (see below).

For more information:

Extremely hot weather can cause sickness or even death.
Who is at highest risk for heat-related illness:
★ Older adults
★ Young children
★ People with mental illness and chronic diseases
★ Athletes who exercise outdoors

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- Outdoor workers
- People experiencing homelessness

During very hot weather:
- Check on at-risk friends, family and neighbors twice a day.
- Stay cool. Spend time in air-conditioned buildings and avoid direct contact with the sun. Many cities in King County will offer cooling centers for those who need them.
- Stay hydrated. Drink plenty of water and don’t wait until you’re thirsty to drink more.
- Never leave infants, children or pets in a parked car, even if the windows are cracked open.
- Watch for signs of heat exhaustion or heat stroke. Seek medical care immediately if you know someone who experiences symptoms.

Signs of heat exhaustion:
- Heavy sweating
- Weakness
- Cold, pale, and clammy skin
- Weak pulse
- Fainting
- Vomiting

Signs of heat stroke:
- High body temp (103° F or higher)
- Hot, dry skin
- Rapid and strong pulse
- Possible unconsciousness

When outside temperatures are very high, the danger for heat-related illnesses rises. People’s bodies are not able to cool themselves quickly enough, and they overheat. In severe instances, people can suffer heat stroke, which can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not provided. Older adults, young children, and people with mental illness and chronic diseases are at highest risk for heat-related illness. But even young and healthy individuals can suffer in heat if they participate in strenuous physical activities during hot weather. For information on how to stay cool and safe, visit the King County website: http://www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/personal/beattheheat.aspx

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**REMINDER:**

When filling out your checks for payment
PLEASE write checks payable to:

The City Of Black Diamond.

(Our Bank will not accept any abbreviations or different versions)

Thank you!

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HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE 4TH OF JULY!
8.04.100 Dates and times common fireworks may be sold or discharged.

A. No common fireworks shall be sold within the city except from twelve noon on the twenty-eighth day of June to eleven fifty-nine p.m. on the fourth day of July.

B. No common fireworks shall be discharged within the city except between the hours of nine a.m. and twelve midnight on the fourth day of July of each year.

(Ord. 697 § 1, 2000: Ord. 294 § 10, 1984)
Monthly meetings for City Council are held the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. Work Sessions / Town Hall Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month starting at 6 p.m. Planning Commission meetings are held on the first Tuesday after the first Council meeting at 7 p.m. of each month (unless otherwise noted). Please contact the Clerks office for more information (360)886-5700 or check out the City Clerks webpage at www.ci.blackdiamond.wa.us/Depts/Clerk to view meeting materials.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS
25510 LAWSON STREET
JUL 3 - CANCELLED
JUL 8 - 7 p.m. (Special Joint Council/Planning Commission Meeting) AUG 15 - 10 a.m.
JUL 10 - 6 p.m. (Work Session & Town Hall Meeting) JUL 16 - 12 p.m.
JUL 17 - 7 p.m. AUG 6 - 12 p.m.
JUL 24 - 7 p.m. (Special Council Meeting) JUL 16 - 12 p.m.
JUL 10 - 6 p.m. (Work Session & Town Hall Meeting)
JUL 21 - 7 p.m.

PARKS/CEMETERY COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
JUL 17 - 10 a.m.
AUG 15 - 10 a.m.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
JUL 8 - 12 p.m.
JUL 16 - 12 p.m.
AUG 6 - 12 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
JUL 11 - 10:30 a.m.
AUG 8 - 10:30 a.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION
25510 LAWSON STREET
JUL 8 - 7 p.m.
AUG 12 - 7 p.m.

FINANCE/BUDGET COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
JUL 17 and JUL 31 - 4 p.m.
AUG 14 and AUG 28 - 4 p.m.

PLANNING/COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE
24301 ROBERTS DRIVE
JUL 8 - 7 p.m.
AUG 12 - 4 p.m.

ALL COUNCIL/COMMISSION MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. ALL COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE TENTATIVE AND HELD IN THE PUBLIC WORKS CONFERENCE ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ON THE AGENDA. CHECK WEBSITE FOR ANY CHANGES.

CITY HALL
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POLICE DEPARTMENT
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(253) 631-1012
Non-Emergency No: (360) 886-0022
Fax: (360) 886-2901

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25510 Lawson Street
(360) 886-7784
Fax: (360) 886-5354

*OFFICE HOURS MONDAY—THURSDAY 8:30 a.m. — 5 p.m.
*OPEN EVERY 2ND AND 4TH FRIDAY FOR 1/2 DAY 8:30 a.m. — NOON

FIRE DEPT. DISTRICT #44
(253) 735-0284

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