STANDARDS DEVIATION
SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST

The Public Works Standards represent appropriate practice under most conditions, based on past experience in the City of Black Diamond and other jurisdictions. They are intended to provide facilities that are safe and appropriate for use in the City of Black Diamond. Situations will arise where alternatives to these standards may better accommodate existing conditions, overcome adverse topography, or allow for more cost effective solutions without adversely affecting safety, operations, maintenance, or aesthetics.

GENERAL SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Requests for deviations from these Standards will be considered by the City Engineer. Such requests must be submitted to include supporting information demonstrating compliance with the following criteria:

1. The deviation will achieve the intended result with a comparable or superior design and quality of improvement; and
2. The deviation will not adversely affect safety or operations; and
3. The deviation will not adversely affect maintenance and its associated costs; and
4. The deviation will not adversely affect the aesthetic appearance; and
5. The deviation will not impact future expansion, development or redevelopment.

Please submit two (2) copies of drawings, a narrative and any other supporting documentation for the deviation request.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS

A) It is recognized that the need for and timing of a deviation request may not be predictable. Requests should be submitted as soon as the need becomes known. No request will be considered until an application for a permit or other approval has been submitted. Known deviation requests that affect lot yield or scope of development must be decided prior to any public hearing or official decision on the application. This is important for public notice and participation in the decision process.

B) Deviations that affect engineering design, to the extent they are known, are recommended to be submitted for decision prior to submittal of construction plans. This will prevent wasted effort in the preparation of plans with nonstandard features that cannot be approved.

C) The City Engineer is the final authority on all deviation requests. The City Engineer reserves the right to direct or deny a deviation from these Standards at any time in the interest of public health, safety and welfare.