



**Development Services Committee Minutes
May 17, 2023**

Police Court Campus, 1805 Continental Place

Councilmember Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present

Mayor Boudreau

Councilmembers: Brocksmith, Carías, Hudson, Molenaar, and Morales

Staff Present: City Attorney Rogerson, Special Projects Manager
Donovan, and City Clerk Jensen, Code Enforcement Officer
Marker, and Human Resources Director Keator

Citizens: 0

1. Approval of April 19, 2023 minutes

**Councilmember Morales moved to approve the
April 19, 2023 minutes. Motion seconded by
Councilmember Hulst. Motion carried 5-0**

2. Best Western, College Way: Mayor Boudreau briefly discussed opportunities for this site that included affordable housing goals. Council requested continued conversation with court appointed receivership.
3. Blake Decision: Mr. Rogerson provided an update on the Blake Decision, which addresses drug possession and public drug use. The "Blake Fix", Senate Bill 5536 becomes effective July 1st. and makes knowing possession or use of a controlled or counterfeit substance a gross misdemeanor and knowing possession or use of a legend drug without a prescription a misdemeanor. Penalties, court options, including referral, diversion, treatment, and other services were discussed.
4. Miscellaneous/For the good of the order
 - Mayor Boudreau provided an update of the Development Services Department.

- Mayor Boudreau discussed barbed wire fence regulations and code enforcement actions as well as policies and potential code updates. Code enforcement actions will be paused until code revisions are addressed.
 - Councilmember Brocksmith spoke about a property purchase by Community Action and 1590 funding. A representative from Community Action will be invited to speak at a future Development Services Committee meeting about the purchase and to provide an update of Cascade Landing.
5. Executive Session: The meeting convened into Executive Session at 6:45 pm for a period of 15 minutes to discuss with legal counsel matters related to agency enforcement actions, litigation or potential litigation to which the City, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the City pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). And to discuss matters related to Collective Bargaining. No action will be taken following the session.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Becky Jensen
City Clerk