

# **Blaine Tourism Advisory Committee**

# **MINUTES**

City Hall Council Chambers, 435 Martin Street, Suite 4000 www.ci.blaine.wa.us (360) 332-8311 Wednesday, July 22, 2020

## Called to order at 8:03 AM

**Roll Call**: Eric Davidson, Bob Boule, Debby farmer (absent), Louise Mugar, Liz Thorton (absent), Nicole Newton, Sukhwant Singh Gill (absent), Sandy Baker (absent) and Annette Bagley.

**Staff Present**: Alex Wenger, Economic Development and Tourism Coordinator; Stacie Pratschner, Community Services Development Director; Allison Tompkins, Community Planner I.

### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS (none)**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- CDS Department gave an update on G & H St. Plaza dining areas and Emergency Order E020-08, waiving zoning restrictions on plaza use. Board members asked questions following the presentation;
- A presentation on the WSDOT application to use portions of Peace Portal parking lane for outdoor dining was provided. Board members asked questions following the presentation and there was general discussion;
- CDS staff gave an update on Blaine by the Sea website launch and Blaine by the Sea social media presence. Board members asked questions and had a discussion following the presentation;
- CDS staff presented on an upcoming project for a downtown scavenger hunt along Peace Portal Drive. Board members asked questions following the presentation;
- The CDS Department updated board members on the Blaine Welcome Center management services contract. Board members asked questions and had a discussion following the presentation.
- The Committee discussed the proposed BTAC grant schedule and was in general agreement moving forward as recommended by the CDS Department. Board members asked questions and had a discussion;
- The Committee reviewed the meeting schedule for remainder of 2020, and there was general agreement one additional meeting may be required to complete review of the BTAC grants.

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Adjourned 9:17 AM.