## **RESOLUTION NO. 24-1614**

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A COMMITTEE TO EXPLORE ANNEXATION OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND INTO MOUNTAIN VIEW FIRE AND RESCUE FOR FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

**Whereas**, the City Council of Black Diamond, Washington, has been diligently exploring options regarding public safety for more than nine months; and

**Whereas**, as part of the due diligence process, it is imperative to consider annexation; and

**Whereas**, the City of Black Diamond and Mountain View Fire and Rescue share a commitment to serving the citizens of Black Diamond with efficiency, effectiveness, and fiscal responsibility; and

Whereas, collaboration between the City of Black Diamond and Mountain View Fire and Rescue is essential for the betterment of the community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Black Diamond, Washington, that a committee shall be created to explore annexation possibilities between the City of Black Diamond and Mountain View Fire and Rescue.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the committee shall be composed of the following members:

- Two council members appointed by the City Council of Black Diamond.
- Two fire commissioners appointed by Mountain View Fire and Rescue.
- Four administrative representatives, two from the City of Black Diamond and two from Mountain View Fire and Rescue.

## BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall be tasked with:

- Conducting an analysis of the potential benefits and challenges of annexation.
- Developing recommendations for the Black Diamond City Council and Mountain View Fire and Rescue Board of Commissioners.
- Reporting back to a joint meeting of the Black Diamond City Council and the Mountain View Fire and Rescue Board of Commissioners by June 30, 2024.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the committee shall convene regular meetings and provide progress reports to the respective governing bodies.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the committee shall operate in accordance with applicable open public meeting laws, regulations, and policies governing annexation procedures.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, WASHINGTON, AT A REGULAR MEETING THEROF, THIS  $4^{\text{TH}}$  DAY OF APRIL, 2024

CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND:	
Carac Denson	
Carol Benson, Mayor	
Attest:	
Brenda I. Martinez, City Clerk	