

## File a Formal Complaint - Robbin Taylor

Xltxyz reported 3 days ago (Mon, 1 Aug at 1:40 PM) via Portal Meta

I have received information sent out by the group Save Black Diamond. This group is operating as a PAC as is shown by the attached mailer. This mailer was a two-sided glossy page which cost \$0.94 to mail. They conduct ongoing outreach and request for donations, but they are listed as "inactive" (see attached). This group also has a website [www.saveblackdiamond.net](http://www.saveblackdiamond.net), where they sell t-shirts and request donations.

I contacted the PDC a few weeks ago regarding this group and information was emailed to me about a group that registered with the PDC under the name Save Black Diamond, then a few days later amended their name to Friends of Black Diamond (see attached). It does not appear that the two groups are the same and since the name "Save Black Diamond" was already taken the second group had to change to Friends of Black Diamond.

The Save Black Diamond group appears to be paying a political consultant, Brian Derdowski who owns Public Interest Associates, and most of these payments may be coming from one source but there is no way for anyone to look at their books.

I am hoping you will investigate this group and cause them to open their books so concerned citizens of Black Diamond can have access to Save Black Diamond's books. I have also sent a complaint to the Dept of Revenue regarding Save Black Diamond, Brian Derdowski and Public Interest Associates...none of which are registered with the State of Washington. My contact at the DOR is Janelle Guerra 425-656-5131.

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### 3 Attachments

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 <b>PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION</b> 711 CAPITOL WAY RM 208 PO BOX 40008 OLYMPIA WA 98504-0008 (360) 783-1111 Toll Free 1-877-801-2528		<b>Political Committee Registration</b>		<b>C1PC</b> (11/10)	OCT -6 2011 Public Disclosure Commission
Committee Name (Show entire official name.) Save Black Diamond PAC			Acronym: <b>SBD PAC</b> Telephone: (360) 886-7662		
Mailing Address 24321 Morgan St.			Fax: ( )		
City Black Diamond		County LWA		Zip + 4 98010	
E-mail: <b>stcolette@hwi.com</b>					
NEW OR AMENDED REGISTRATION? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEW. Complete entire form. <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDS previous report. Complete entire form.		COMMITTEE STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing (On-going; not established in anticipation of any particular campaign election.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>2011</b> election year only. Date of general or special election: <b>11/8/11</b> (Year)			
1. What is the purpose or description of the committee? <input type="checkbox"/> Bona Fide Political Party Committee - official state or county central committee or legislative district committee. If you are not supporting the entire party ticket, attach a list of the names of the candidates you support. <input type="checkbox"/> Ballot Committee - Initiative, Bond, Levy, Recall, etc. Name or description of ballot measure: Ballot Number FOR AGAINST <input type="checkbox"/> FOR <input type="checkbox"/> AGAINST <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Political Committee - PAC, caucus committee, political club, etc. If committee is related or affiliated with a business, association, union or similar entity, specify name:					
For single election-year only committees (not continuing committees): Is the committee supporting or opposing (a) one or more candidates? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, attach a list of each candidate's name, office sought and political party affiliation. (b) the entire ticket of a political party? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, identify the party:					
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3. How much do you plan to spend during this entire election campaign, including the primary and general elections? Based on that estimate, choose one of the reporting options below. (If your committee status is continuing, estimate spending on a calendar year basis.) If no box is checked you are obligated to use Full Reporting. See instruction manuals for information about reports required and changing reporting options. <input type="checkbox"/> MINI REPORTING Mini Reporting is selected. No more than \$5,000 will be raised or spent and no more than \$500 in the aggregate will be accepted from any one contributor. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FULL REPORTING Full Reporting is selected. The frequent, detailed campaign reports mandated by law will be filed as required.					
4. Campaign Manager's or Media Contact's Name and Address Rebecca Sullivan 24321 Morgan St. Black Diamond WA 98010			Telephone Number: (206) 300-2802		
5. Treasurer's Name and Address. Does treasurer perform only ministerial functions? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> See WAC 690-05-243 and next page for details. List deputy treasurers on attached sheet. Gerabine Sullivan 24321 Morgan St. Black Diamond WA 98010			Daytime Telephone Number: (360) 886-7662		
6. Persons who perform only ministerial functions on behalf of this committee and on behalf of candidates or other political committees. List name, title, and address of these persons. See WAC 390-05-243 and next page for details. <input type="checkbox"/> Continued on attached sheet.					
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9. Campaign books must be open to the public by appointment between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. during the eight days before the election, except Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. In the space below, provide contact information for scheduling an appointment and the address where the inspection will take place. It is not acceptable to provide a post office box or an out-of-area address. Street Address, Room Number, City where campaign books will be available for inspection 24321 Morgan St. Black Diamond, WA 98010					
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From Save Black Diamond PAC

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			Date Oct. 7, 2011		

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**!** Online annual report filing for profit corporations and LLCs will be **unavailable from May 25 to June 5**. Be sure to file your annual report before that time! [Read more...](#)  
[\(/corps/BLS-Online-Reporting-Unavailable-May-25-to-June-5.aspx\)](http://corps/BLS-Online-Reporting-Unavailable-May-25-to-June-5.aspx)

**SAVE BLACK DIAMOND**

UBI Number	603086038
Category	REG
Profit/Nonprofit	Nonprofit
Active/Inactive	Inactive
State Of Incorporation	WA
WA Filing Date	02/09/2011
Expiration Date	02/28/2013
Inactive Date	06/03/2013
Duration	Perpetual
<b>Registered Agent Information</b>	
Agent Name	SAVE BLACK DIAMOND
Address	24321 MORGAN ST
City	BLACK DIAMOND
State	WA
ZIP	98010
<b>Special Address Information</b>	
Address	
City	
State	
Zip	

**Governing Persons**

Title	Name	Address
Director	STEARK, MONICA	22516 SE 300TH ST BLACK DIAMOND, WA 98010
President	Bryant, Kristen	1036 139th Place NE, #C-4 Bellevue, WA 98005
Secretary	SULLIVAN, REBECCA	24321 MORGAN ST BLACK DIAMOND, WA 98010

# NEWS BULLETIN

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## Report Vindicates City Council Actions:

At the June 16 City Council Meeting, former Supreme Court Justice Phil Talmadge confirmed the Council's authority to conduct meetings in accordance with its own rules without interference from the Mayor.

In a sharply worded opinion letter that was just released to the public, Justice Talmadge and his colleague former Snohomish County Deputy Prosecutor Tom Fitzpatrick stated:



Phil Talmadge, Attorney and Former Washington State Supreme Court Justice spoke at the City Council Meeting on June 16

**"There is no doubt that under this provision (RCW 35A.11.020), the Council has the power to organize and regulate its internal affairs and agendas."**

The full text of the Talmadge thirteen page opinion letter can be found here:  
<http://www.saveblackdiamond.net/City.html>

### The Tide is Turning

The Talmadge Fitzpatrick Report came as part of a rising tide of public reaction to the Mayor's months-long pattern of obstruction. By refusing to legally notice the Council's Meetings and Agendas the Mayor has violated her legal duties. By abusing her power as chair of the Council's Meetings, the Mayor has denied the rights of Councilmembers to conduct business. Despite this, Councilmembers Morgan, Weber and Pepper

have continued to defend the public's right to have a truly accountable City Hall.

**Call the Black Diamond Citizen Hotline to find out about upcoming meetings. Reform City Hall: (253) 234-7838**

**Email Save Black Diamond with your ideas and concerns: [saveblackdiamond@gmail.com](mailto:saveblackdiamond@gmail.com)**

### Dead-Enders Subvert Voter's Will:

Last year 70% of the voters elected a New Majority to reform City Hall and control and manage the massive Yarrow Bay/Crown developments. But this year, those who lost the election have resorted to harassment and false accusations in order to slow down the work of the City Council. The Mayor has fueled this antagonism, and as a result the public interest has been subverted.

### Getting the Word Out:

People were shocked when the Mayor mailed out her propaganda in city water bills at ratepayer's expense. The Mayor also controls the City's website and has flooded it with her attorneys' false and misleading memos. Bulletins like this one help, but nothing beats people talking to people.

**Please Flip this card over for a chronology of facts that you can share with your neighbors →**

# Your Council is Being Obstructed by the Mayor, Her Attorneys and Staff

## January:

Mayor illegally removes items from the Council's Agenda and refuses to issue notices for Special Meetings.  
Mayor directs city attorney to attack the Council about its revised Rules of Procedure. Attorney notifies the City's Insurance Provider with false and misleading information.

## February:

Council begins conducting committee meetings but Mayor refuses to allow staff to attend.  
Councilmembers ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ spend personal funds for Open Government attorney to review the Council's Committee structure. Attorney finds that they comply with law, but Mayor ignores her.  
Councilmember Edelman's husband files frivolous lawsuit against Council Rules.

## March:

Mayor unreasonably restricts access to staff; discriminates against New Reform Majority Councilmembers.  
Mayor illegally cancels Inter-local Agreement with the Cities of Maple Valley and Covington.  
Mayor uses city funds for the city attorney to write her letter to the editor attacking the Council. Mayor puts her political propaganda into city water bills, shocking residents at the abuse of public funds.

## April:

Councilmembers Morgan and Pepper spend personal funds to defend the City Council's Rules against the Edelman lawsuit when city attorney fails to defend them. Lawsuit is withdrawn.  
Council votes to end the City Attorney contract. City Attorney and Mayor literally shout at Council Meeting in protest. Later, former Supreme Court Justice Talmadge confirms authority of Council to fire the attorney.

## May:

Mayor threatens to expel Councilmembers from Chambers for attempting to make motions she opposes.  
Mayor's illegal manipulation of the Council's agenda continues to obstruct the Council's work.

## June:

Mayor orders removal of Council President Pepper as she is attempting to make a motion.\* The New Majority Councilmembers walk out in protest of the Mayor's illegal action.  
For the 7<sup>th</sup> time in a row, Mayor refuses to issue public notice of Council's requested agenda, in violation of RCW 35A.11.020 and 35A.12.160.

\*The Mayor told the media "One of them has to go". If successful, the Mayor's Machiavellian manipulations to remove a Councilmember would give her a tie breaking vote as well as the ability to appoint a more compliant Councilmember and a majority to rubber stamp her proposals.

## Despite the Obstructions, the New Majority is Standing Up for the People:

- The Council has fired the attorney who led the effort last year to excuse the Massive Yarrow Bay/Crown Developments from tens of millions of dollars in development impact fees.
- The Council is scrutinizing the City's future transportation plans despite Mayor's pressure to go along with staff's simple pro-development recommendations.
- The Council is reforming how the City contracts and pays its bills.
- The Council is examining every piece of legislation to a degree never before seen in our City.