

**MONROE CITY COUNCIL**  
Regular Business Meeting  
February 2, 2016, 7:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, City Hall  
806 W Main Street, Monroe, WA 98272

**AGENDA**

Call To Order

Roll Call

Pledge Of Allegiance

1. Councilmember Rasmussen

Comments From Citizens

[This time is set aside for members of the audience to speak to the City Council on any issue related to the City of Monroe; except any quasi-judicial matter subject to a public hearing. **Please sign in prior to the meeting; testimony is limited to 5 minutes per speaker.**]

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes; January 26, 2016, Regular Business Meeting

Documents: [20160202 CA1 MCC Minutes 20160126.pdf](#)

2. Approval of AP Checks and ACH Payments

Documents: [20160202 CA2 AP Checks - ACH Payments.pdf](#)

Unfinished Business

1. AB16-014: Discussion: Impact Fee Deferral System [ESB 5923]

Documents: [AB16-014\\_Discussion\\_ImpactFeeDeferralSystem.pdf](#)

New Business

1. AB16-015: Discussion: 2016 Work Program

Documents: [AB16-015\\_Discussion\\_2016WorkProgram.pdf](#)

Councilmember Reports

1. City Council Finance & Human Resources Committee

Staff/ Department Reports

Mayor/ Administrative Reports

1. Monroe This Week (January 29, 2016, Edition No. 4)

Documents: [20160202 MR1 Monroe This Week Edition 4.pdf](#)

2. Lobbyist Report (Green Light Strategies)

Documents: [20160202 MR2 Lobbyist Report\\_Green Light Strategies.pdf](#)

3. Draft Agenda for February 9, 2016, Regular Business Meeting

Executive Session

*If needed.*

Adjournment

Majority vote to extend past 10:00 p.m.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY ADD AND TAKE ACTION ON OTHER ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THIS  
AGENDA

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360-794-7400. Please allow 48 hours advance notice.

**CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE**

The January 26, 2016, Regular Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas at 7:03 p.m.; Council Chambers, City Hall.

Councilmembers present: Cudaback, Davis, Gamble, Hanford, Rasmussen, and Scarboro.

Staff members present: Brazel, Farrell, Feilberg, Nelson, Osaki, Quenzer, Smoot, and Warthan.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Cudaback.

Mayor Thomas noted, without objection, the excused absence of Councilmember Kamp. No objections were noted.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

There were no persons present wishing to address City Council.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of the Minutes; January 19, 2016, Regular Business Meeting

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to approve the Consent Agenda; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,  
Motion carried (6-0).

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. AB16-013: Discussion: Strategic Financial Planning

Mayor Thomas presented background information on AB16-013 and strategic financial planning for the next five years. Staff provided information on proposed level of service increases and corresponding staffing levels.

General discussion ensued regarding the proposed level of service increases and proposed positions thereto [Accountant, Deputy City Clerk, Code Enforcement Official, Permit Tech, Parks Supervisor/Maintenance Worker/Seasonal Workers, and Police Officers (2)]; succession planning for Finance Director retirement in 2017; level of service/staffing options other than presented (part time/consultant options/etc.); parking enforcement; operations and maintenance costs; revenues; and the potential for volunteer assistance.

Mayor Thomas stated this will be a reoccurring item for the next month or so; follow-up information, operations and maintenance, and revenues will be discussed at meetings in February 2016.

**COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

Councilmember Scarboro reported on attendance at the Community Transit Meeting.

Councilmember Gamble reported on attendance at the Snohomish County Cities Meeting the previous week.

Councilmember Rasmussen reported on attendance at the Snohomish County Cities Meeting the previous week.

Councilmember Cudaback reported on attendance at the Community Transit Meeting, and being named as an alternate to the Board; and attendance at the East Monroe GMHB Hearing.

Councilmember Hanford reported on the showing of a free movie at Galaxy Theaters sponsored by the theater and the Monroe Community Coalition – *Paper Tigers*, Monday, February 22, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

**STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Mr. Mike Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director, reported on the upcoming Jayme Biendl Memorial 5K Walk/Run at Lake Tye Park (Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 10am); and attendance at the Parks Risk Management School.

Mr. Dave Osaki, Community Development Director, reported on the East Monroe GMHB Hearing, Park Place Middle School renovations, and upcoming meetings and training sessions.

Police Chief Tim Quenzer reported on the recent arrest of a School District employee for embezzlement of PTA funds.

**MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

1. Monroe This Week (*January 22, 2016, Edition No. 3*)

Mayor Thomas reported on meetings held and events attended the previous week, including the Snohomish County Cities Meeting, ribbon cutting ceremony for the Elite Academy, opening day of Tractor Supply, the upcoming AWC City Actions Days, and meetings regarding SR522.

2. Lobbyist Report (*Green Light Strategies*)

Mr. Brazel noted information in the agenda packet provided by Green Light Strategies, the City's Lobbying Firm, regarding proposed bills of interest to the City, and a listing of the bills currently being monitored. City Council agreed to oppose HB6115.

3. Draft Agenda for February 2, 2016, Regular Business Meeting

Mr. Brazel reviewed the draft agenda for the February 2, 2016, Monroe City Council Regular Business Meeting, the extended agenda, and additions/edits thereto.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Hanford and seconded by Councilmember Gamble to adjourn the meeting. On vote,  
Motion carried (6-0).

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:10 p.m.**

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Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

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Elizabeth M. Smoot, MMC, City Clerk

*Minutes approved at the Regular Business Meeting of February 2, 2016.*

# COUNCIL AP CHECKS AND ACH PAYMENTS 1/19/16 - 2/3/16

<b>accela</b>		
transactions		\$1,191.82
Total Paid to <b>accela</b>		\$1,191.82
<b>AmTest</b>		
WWTP testing		\$285.00
Total Paid to <b>AmTest</b>		\$285.00
<b>assocpet</b>		
Police vehicle fuel - Bldg H		\$1,124.14
PW vehicle fuel		\$1,124.12
Total Paid to <b>assocpet</b>		\$2,248.26
<b>assocsc</b>		
Mayor/Coucil 2016 membership dues		\$200.00
Total Paid to <b>assocsc</b>		\$200.00
<b>assocwc</b>		
2016 Annual Membership		\$955.00
Total Paid to <b>assocwc</b>		\$955.00
<b>bnsf5170</b>		
RR crossing damages		\$1,210.64
Total Paid to <b>bnsf5170</b>		\$1,210.64
<b>brazel</b>		
G Brazel - AWC Conference - Olympia per diem		\$71.19
Total Paid to <b>brazel</b>		\$71.19
<b>cannconn</b>		
refund business license		\$50.00
Total Paid to <b>cannconn</b>		\$50.00
<b>cityevtu</b>		
water purchased for resale		\$90,796.90
Total Paid to <b>cityevtu</b>		\$90,796.90
<b>comcate</b>		
monthly maint-Monroe connection		\$409.77
Total Paid to <b>comcate</b>		\$409.77
<b>deptheal</b>		
system plan review		\$3,705.00
Total Paid to <b>deptheal</b>		\$3,705.00
<b>depliv</b>		
Qtr 4 2015 Volunteer L&I		\$10.52
Total Paid to <b>depliv</b>		\$10.52
<b>depttrnw</b>		
signal maintenance		\$635.16

Total Paid to <b>depttrnw</b>	\$635.16
<b>doppsm</b>	
Interpreting services	\$108.70
Total Paid to <b>doppsm</b>	\$108.70
<b>empsecui</b>	
4th qtr 2015 unemployment	\$5,976.00
Total Paid to <b>empsecui</b>	\$5,976.00
<b>fergent</b>	
meter gun	\$355.36
Total Paid to <b>fergent</b>	\$355.36
<b>fron2951</b>	
FRONTIER - PW phone lines	\$61.82
Total Paid to <b>fron2951</b>	\$61.82
<b>greenl</b>	
Lobbying fees 12/16-1/16/16	\$3,800.00
Total Paid to <b>greenl</b>	\$3,800.00
<b>healtequ</b>	
HSA monthly payment	\$56.05
Total Paid to <b>healtequ</b>	\$56.05
<b>ibrahams</b>	
Interpreting services	\$115.39
Total Paid to <b>ibrahams</b>	\$115.39
<b>ims</b>	
pavement condition survey	\$1,875.00
Total Paid to <b>ims</b>	\$1,875.00
<b>inlanden</b>	
mag hydroxide	\$9,882.02
Total Paid to <b>inlanden</b>	\$9,882.02
<b>mayes</b>	
Tjerne Place Ext	\$1,197.00
Total Paid to <b>mayes</b>	\$1,197.00
<b>moncham1</b>	
Wayfinding signage	\$720.41
Total Paid to <b>moncham1</b>	\$720.41
<b>ncmachin</b>	
Hwy 2 lights - equipment rental	\$710.95
Total Paid to <b>ncmachin</b>	\$710.95
<b>ogden</b>	
professional services through 12/31/15	\$34,451.96
Total Paid to <b>ogden</b>	\$34,451.96

<b>paxmand</b>	
payment of reimbursement agreement fees	\$8,229.90
payment of reimbursement agreement fees - 5% Administrative fee	(\$411.45)
Total Paid to <b>paxmand</b>	\$7,818.45
<b>placem</b>	
M Place training mileage	\$21.92
Total Paid to <b>placem</b>	\$21.92
<b>pud1100</b>	
PUD - 16410 177th Ave SE	\$256.58
PUD - 512 S Sams St	\$19,654.41
PUD - 806 W Main St A	\$2,202.85
Total Paid to <b>pud1100</b>	\$22,113.84
<b>qualcoat</b>	
SCADA repairs	\$775.00
Total Paid to <b>qualcoat</b>	\$775.00
<b>ryanasso</b>	
P Baker PIO Boot Camp	\$595.00
Total Paid to <b>ryanasso</b>	\$595.00
<b>scark</b>	
K Scarboro - AWC Conference - Olympia per diem	\$71.19
Total Paid to <b>scark</b>	\$71.19
<b>scaud</b>	
voter registration	\$16,414.53
Total Paid to <b>scaud</b>	\$16,414.53
<b>scfoa</b>	
C Hurst / R Howard / D Nelson / E Smoot SCCFOA 2016 dues	\$100.00
C Hurst / R Howard / D Nelson / E Smoot SCCFOA meeting	\$72.00
Total Paid to <b>scfoa</b>	\$172.00
<b>scpds</b>	
4th qtr 2015 ROW permit	\$82.40
Total Paid to <b>scpds</b>	\$82.40
<b>sentinel</b>	
electronic home monitoring	\$195.73
Total Paid to <b>sentinel</b>	\$195.73
<b>sjunlim</b>	
W2s & 1099s	\$104.87
Total Paid to <b>sjunlim</b>	\$104.87
<b>snocosh</b>	
inmate medical billing	\$75.50
Total Paid to <b>snocosh</b>	\$75.50

<b>snopac91</b>		
access assessment		\$488.98
dispatch services		\$21,849.62
managed laptop program		\$1,923.91
Total Paid to <b>snopac91</b>		\$24,262.51
<b>snosocb</b>		
jail billing		\$43,892.75
Total Paid to <b>snosocb</b>		\$43,892.75
<b>staaudit</b>		
2014 audit		\$16,426.60
Total Paid to <b>staaudit</b>		\$16,426.60
<b>staplesb</b>		
report covers		\$32.44
Total Paid to <b>staplesb</b>		\$32.44
<b>utunderg</b>		
locates		\$49.02
Total Paid to <b>utunderg</b>		\$49.02
	Grand Total	\$294,183.67



# MONROE CITY COUNCIL

## Agenda Bill No. 16-014

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<i>Discussion: Impact Fee Deferral System [ESB 5923]</i>
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DATE:	DEPT:	CONTACT:	PRESENTER:	ITEM:
02/02/2016	Community Development	Dave Osaki Rick Karns	Dave Osaki	<b>Unfinished Business #1</b>

**Discussion:** 09/15/2015; 10/20/2015; 01/12/2016

**Attachments:** 1. Letter from Monroe School District  
2. RCW 82.02.050

**REQUESTED ACTION:** Council discussion and questions to staff for additional research. Issue will be brought back to Council for direction after staff outreach and committee discussion. At the February 2, 2016, meeting, staff will discuss:

1. **Limits on annual deferrals per applicant.**  
State law allows a local government to cap annual deferral for an applicant to twenty per year.
2. **Deferral time period:**  
Law allows deferral to occur until
  - A. Final inspection;
  - B. Issuance of the certificate of occupancy or equivalent certification; and/or
  - C. The closing of the first sale of the property.
3. **Administrative fees**  
Law allows the local government to assess reasonable administrative fees to implement the deferral program.
4. **When to implement**  
Law requires implementation by September 1, 2016, but could be implemented sooner if the ordinance is in place.
5. **Public Process**  
Use the Planning Commission code amendment process.

### DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND

The 2015 Legislature enacted ESB 5923, which requires counties, cities, and towns to adopt a deferral system for the collection of impact fees for new single-family detached and attached residential construction. The deadline to implement a single family fee deferral program is September 1, 2016.

Under the new law, counties, cities, and towns must adopt a deferral system for the collection of impact fees that, upon developer request, delays payment until the time of either:

1. Final inspection;
2. Issuance of the certificate of occupancy or equivalent certification; and/or
3. The closing of the first sale of the property.

Other provisions of the new law include:

- The term of deferral may not exceed eighteen months from the date of issuance of the building permit.

- The amount of impact fees that may be deferred is determined by the fees in effect at the time the applicant applies for a deferral.
- Deferral of impact fees can be limited to the first twenty single-family residential building permits, annually, per applicant.
- An applicant seeking a deferral must grant and record a lien against the property in favor of the municipality in the amount of the deferred impact fee.
- Municipalities may collect reasonable administrative fees from applicants seeking a deferral.
- To limit the “spin-off LLC” issue, “applicant” is defined to include “an entity that controls the applicant, is controlled by the applicant, or is under common control with the applicant.”
- Municipalities and school districts are authorized to institute foreclosure proceedings if impact fees are not paid.
- The City must provide data to the Department of Commerce for an annual report, beginning December 1, 2018, on the payment and collection of impact fees.

Even though there are currently no school impact fees at this time, the Monroe School District has requested to be included in the discussion of impact fee deferrals. Other impact fees the City collects include traffic and parks.

Another key stakeholder that was involved in the advocating for the State legislation is the development community. Outreach to the development community will occur through this process.

As requested, staff reached out to adjacent communities. So far, only the City of Marysville has implemented a deferral program (they have had deferrals since at least 2012). Marysville ties its fee deferral program to final inspection (for single family dwellings). Snohomish County did implement a deferral program during the great recession; however, it sunset in 2012. That program deferred fee payment to closing. Only four homes utilized the program during the 3-4 years the deferral program was in effect.

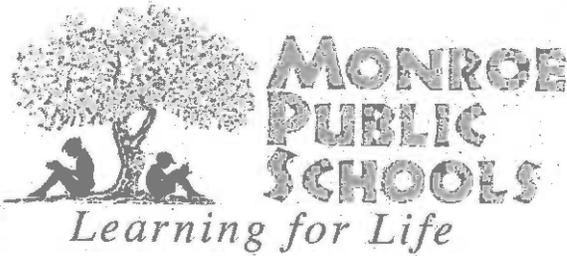
## **IMPACT – BUDGET**

The legislation provides that local governments may collect reasonable administrative fees to cover costs of implementing the program. Some initial cost estimates would include \$33.00 to file the lien and staff time to handle liens and track payments. (The law states that the property owner, at his/her own expense, is responsible for recording the lien release).

## **TIME CONSTRAINTS**

The impact fee deferral system must be in place by September 1, 2016. Tentative Schedule:

02/02/2016	City Council Discussion
02/xx/2016	Outreach to School Districts and Development Community
02/xx/2016	P4 Committee Discussion
03/07/2016	City Council Direction
03/28/2016	Planning Commission Workshop
04/11/2016	Planning Commission Workshop
05/09/2016	Planning Commission Public Hearing
05/23/2016	Planning Commission Recommendation
06/07/2016	First Reading
06/14/2016	Ordinance Adopted
06/21/2016	Ordinance Published
06/26/2016	Ordinance Effective
07/01/2016	Impact deferrals start



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*Superintendent*  
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July 20, 2015

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas  
City of Monroe  
806 W. Main St.  
Monroe, WA 98272

Dear Mayor Thomas:

As you may know, the Legislature enacted a bill in the 2015 Session that provides developers with the limited option of deferring impact fee payments (ESB 5923). In the upcoming months, we would like to work with the City on implementation issues. The new law outlines a specific role for school districts as the City develops the deferral process.

The new law limits the number of deferrals that each applicant can receive for single-family detached or attached dwelling units. By July 1, 2016, cities and counties must have in place a program that allows the collection of impact fees at one of three possible points in time: 1) final inspection; 2) issuance of the certificate of occupancy; or 3) closing. Deferrals may not exceed 18 months from the date of building permit issuance. In order to receive a deferral, an applicant must record a lien on the property.

As the City reviews the deferral process and works on amendments to the City Code, we would like to encourage the City to set the date of collection either at the time of final inspection or when the certificate of occupancy is issued. These points of collection are still within the City's control and will ensure the payment of impact fees. Because our District serves several/the City/cities and the County, we are encouraging all of our jurisdictions to adopt the same process. This will promote consistency and predictability among the programs.

In addition to the date of collection, we look forward to working with you regarding the question of whether more than 20 deferrals per applicant should be authorized. We welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss these issues. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "F. Smith", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Dr. Fredrika Smith  
Superintendent

cc: Grace T. Yuan, K&L Gates

**RCW 82.02.050****Impact fees—Intent—Limitations. (Effective until September 1, 2016.)**

(1) It is the intent of the legislature:

- (a) To ensure that adequate facilities are available to serve new growth and development;
- (b) To promote orderly growth and development by establishing standards by which counties, cities, and towns may require, by ordinance, that new growth and development pay a proportionate share of the cost of new facilities needed to serve new growth and development; and
- (c) To ensure that impact fees are imposed through established procedures and criteria so that specific developments do not pay arbitrary fees or duplicative fees for the same impact.

(2) Counties, cities, and towns that are required or choose to plan under RCW **36.70A.040** are authorized to impose impact fees on development activity as part of the financing for public facilities, provided that the financing for system improvements to serve new development must provide for a balance between impact fees and other sources of public funds and cannot rely solely on impact fees.

(3) The impact fees:

- (a) Shall only be imposed for system improvements that are reasonably related to the new development;
- (b) Shall not exceed a proportionate share of the costs of system improvements that are reasonably related to the new development; and
- (c) Shall be used for system improvements that will reasonably benefit the new development.

(4) Impact fees may be collected and spent only for the public facilities defined in RCW **82.02.090** which are addressed by a capital facilities plan element of a comprehensive land use plan adopted pursuant to the provisions of RCW **36.70A.070** or the provisions for comprehensive plan adoption contained in chapter **36.70**, 35.63, or **35A.63** RCW. After the date a county, city, or town is required to adopt its development regulations under chapter **36.70A** RCW, continued authorization to collect and expend impact fees shall be contingent on the county, city, or town adopting or revising a comprehensive plan in compliance with RCW **36.70A.070**, and on the capital facilities plan identifying:

- (a) Deficiencies in public facilities serving existing development and the means by which existing deficiencies will be eliminated within a reasonable period of time;
- (b) Additional demands placed on existing public facilities by new development; and
- (c) Additional public facility improvements required to serve new development.

If the capital facilities plan of the county, city, or town is complete other than for the inclusion of those elements which are the responsibility of a special district, the county, city, or town may impose impact fees to address those public facility needs for which the county, city, or town is responsible.

[1994 c 257 § 24; 1993 sp.s. c 6 § 6; 1990 1st ex.s. c 17 § 43.]

**NOTES:**

**Severability—1994 c 257:** See note following RCW **36.70A.270**.

**Effective date—1993 sp.s. c 6:** See note following RCW **36.70A.040**.

**Severability—Part, section headings not law—1990 1st ex.s. c 17:** See RCW **36.70A.900** and **36.70A.901**.

SEPA: RCW **43.21C.065**.

## RCW 82.02.050

### Impact fees—Intent—Limitations. (*Effective September 1, 2016.*)

(1) It is the intent of the legislature:

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- (b) To promote orderly growth and development by establishing standards by which counties, cities, and towns may require, by ordinance, that new growth and development pay a proportionate share of the cost of new facilities needed to serve new growth and development; and
- (c) To ensure that impact fees are imposed through established procedures and criteria so that specific developments do not pay arbitrary fees or duplicative fees for the same impact.

(2) Counties, cities, and towns that are required or choose to plan under RCW **36.70A.040** are authorized to impose impact fees on development activity as part of the financing for public facilities, provided that the financing for system improvements to serve new development must provide for a balance between impact fees and other sources of public funds and cannot rely solely on impact fees.

(3)(a)(i) Counties, cities, and towns collecting impact fees must, by September 1, 2016, adopt and maintain a system for the deferred collection of impact fees for single-family detached and attached residential construction. The deferral system must include a process by which an applicant for a building permit for a single-family detached or attached residence may request a deferral of the full impact fee payment. The deferral system offered by a county, city, or town under this subsection (3) must include one or more of the following options:

- (A) Deferring collection of the impact fee payment until final inspection;
- (B) Deferring collection of the impact fee payment until certificate of occupancy or equivalent certification; or
- (C) Deferring collection of the impact fee payment until the time of closing of the first sale of the property occurring after the issuance of the applicable building permit.

(ii) Counties, cities, and towns utilizing the deferral process required by this subsection (3)(a) may withhold certification of final inspection, certificate of occupancy, or equivalent certification until the impact fees have been paid in full.

(iii) The amount of impact fees that may be deferred under this subsection (3) must be determined by the fees in effect at the time the applicant applies for a deferral.

(iv) Unless an agreement to the contrary is reached between the buyer and seller, the payment of impact fees due at closing of a sale must be made from the seller's proceeds. In the absence of an agreement to the contrary, the seller bears strict liability for the payment of the impact fees.

(b) The term of an impact fee deferral under this subsection (3) may not exceed eighteen months from the date of building permit issuance.

(c) Except as may otherwise be authorized in accordance with (f) of this subsection (3), an applicant seeking a deferral under this subsection (3) must grant and record a deferred impact fee lien against the property in favor of the county, city, or town in the amount of the deferred impact fee. The deferred impact fee lien, which must include the legal description, tax account number, and address of the property, must also be:

- (i) In a form approved by the county, city, or town;
- (ii) Signed by all owners of the property, with all signatures acknowledged as required for a deed, and recorded in the county where the property is located;
- (iii) Binding on all successors in title after the recordation; and
- (iv) Junior and subordinate to one mortgage for the purpose of construction upon the same real property granted by the person who applied for the deferral of impact fees.

(d)(i) If impact fees are not paid in accordance with a deferral authorized by this subsection (3), and in accordance with the term provisions established in (b) of this subsection (3), the county, city, or town may institute foreclosure proceedings in accordance with chapter **61.12** RCW.

(ii) If the county, city, or town does not institute foreclosure proceedings for unpaid school impact fees within forty-five days after receiving notice from a school district requesting that it do so, the district may institute foreclosure proceedings with respect to the unpaid impact fees.

(e)(i) Upon receipt of final payment of all deferred impact fees for a property, the county, city, or town must execute a release of deferred impact fee lien for the property. The property owner at the time of the release, at his or her expense, is responsible for recording the lien release.

(ii) The extinguishment of a deferred impact fee lien by the foreclosure of a lien having priority does not affect the obligation to pay the impact fees as a condition of final inspection, certificate of occupancy, or equivalent certification, or at the time of closing of the first sale.

(f) A county, city, or town with an impact fee deferral process on or before April 1, 2015, is exempt from the requirements of this subsection (3) if the deferral process delays all impact fees and remains in effect after September 1, 2016.

(g)(i) Each applicant for a single-family residential construction permit, in accordance with his or her contractor registration number or other unique identification number, is entitled to annually receive deferrals under this subsection (3) for the first twenty single-family residential construction building permits per county, city, or town. A county, city, or town, however, may elect, by ordinance, to defer more than twenty single-family residential construction building permits for an applicant. If the county, city, or town collects impact fees on behalf of one or more school districts for which the collection of impact fees could be delayed, the county, city, or town must consult with the district or districts about the additional deferrals. A county, city, or town considering additional deferrals must give substantial weight to recommendations of each applicable school district regarding the number of additional deferrals. If the county, city, or town disagrees with the recommendations of one or more school districts, the county, city, or town must provide the district or districts with a written rationale for its decision.

(ii) For purposes of this subsection (3)(g), an "applicant" includes an entity that controls the applicant, is controlled by the applicant, or is under common control with the applicant.

(h) Counties, cities, and towns may collect reasonable administrative fees to implement this subsection (3) from permit applicants who are seeking to delay the payment of impact fees under this subsection (3).

(i) In accordance with RCW **44.28.812** and **43.31.980**, counties, cities, and towns must cooperate with and provide requested data, materials, and assistance to the department of commerce and the joint legislative audit and review committee.

(4) The impact fees:

(a) Shall only be imposed for system improvements that are reasonably related to the new development;

(b) Shall not exceed a proportionate share of the costs of system improvements that are reasonably related to the new development; and

(c) Shall be used for system improvements that will reasonably benefit the new development.

(5)(a) Impact fees may be collected and spent only for the public facilities defined in RCW **82.02.090** which are addressed by a capital facilities plan element of a comprehensive land use plan adopted pursuant to the provisions of RCW **36.70A.070** or the provisions for comprehensive plan adoption contained in chapter **36.70**, 35.63, or **35A.63** RCW. After the date a county, city, or town is required to adopt its development regulations under chapter **36.70A** RCW, continued authorization to collect and expend impact fees is contingent on the county, city, or town adopting or revising a comprehensive plan in compliance with RCW **36.70A.070**, and on the capital facilities

plan identifying:

(i) Deficiencies in public facilities serving existing development and the means by which existing deficiencies will be eliminated within a reasonable period of time;

(ii) Additional demands placed on existing public facilities by new development; and

(iii) Additional public facility improvements required to serve new development.

(b) If the capital facilities plan of the county, city, or town is complete other than for the inclusion of those elements which are the responsibility of a special district, the county, city, or town may impose impact fees to address those public facility needs for which the county, city, or town is responsible.

[2015 c 241 § 1; 1994 c 257 § 24; 1993 sp.s. c 6 § 6; 1990 1st ex.s. c 17 § 43.]

## NOTES:

**Effective date—2015 c 241:** See note following RCW [44.28.812](#).

**Severability—1994 c 257:** See note following RCW [36.70A.270](#).

**Effective date—1993 sp.s. c 6:** See note following RCW [36.70A.040](#).

**Severability—Part, section headings not law—1990 1st ex.s. c 17:** See RCW [36.70A.900](#) and [36.70A.901](#).

*SEPA: RCW [43.21C.065](#).*



# MONROE CITY COUNCIL

## Agenda Bill No. 16-015

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<i>Discussion: 2016 Work Program</i>
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<b>DATE:</b>	<b>DEPT:</b>	<b>CONTACT:</b>	<b>PRESENTER:</b>	<b>ITEM:</b>
02/02/2016	Administration	Gene Brazel	Mayor Thomas Gene Brazel	<b>New Business #1</b>

**Discussion:** 02/02/2016

**Attachments:** 1. City of Monroe 2016 Work Program

<b>REQUESTED ACTION:</b> Review and discussion.
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### **DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND**

The Mayor and Staff have prepared a listing of all projects on the horizon for action/completion in 2016. The City of Monroe 2016 Work Program is presented for City Council's review and discussion.

### **IMPACT – BUDGET**

N/A

### **TIME CONSTRAINTS**

N/A

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

## **MAYOR'S 2016 ACTION PLAN**

### **Development**

- Streamline permit process (implements Policy 081)
- Update Monroe Municipal Code (implements Policy 014, 013, 014)
- Sign Code Enforcement (implements Policy 002)

### **Economic Development**

- Assist with Main Street Program (implements Policy 058)
- Market North Kelsey Property
- Promote Monroe
- Evaluate Downtown Parking
- Implement Downtown Mini Grant Program

### **Infrastructure**

- Transportation (TIP, TBD)
- Water, Sewer, & Stormwater Improvements
- Parks Improvements (CIP)

### **Intergovernmental Relations**

- Expand lobbying efforts at regional & state level
- Collaborate with communities in the Sky/Sno Valley
- Increase the Mayor and City Council's representation on regional committees and organizations to more effectively advocate for Monroe interests

### **Government Operations**

- Improve Operating Efficiencies
- Campus Plan
- Continue to Improve Community Outreach/Communication
- Evaluate Court Operations

### **Finance**

- Evaluate level of service delivery and Admin support
- Evaluate sustainable funding sources
- Evaluate 5 yr. budget forecast
- Evaluate sustainable funding for Capital Projects
  - Streets & Sidewalks
  - Parks
  - City Campus
  - Other

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

## **Community Development Work Plan**

- Process mandated 2016 Building Code update for City Council action.
  - May 17, 2016 - Presentation to Council.
  - June 7, 2016 - First Reading of Ordinance.
  - June 14, 2016 - Adoption of Ordinance.
  
- Review Code Enforcement code and procedures (possible code amendment).
  - Q3 2016 - Draft Ordinance.
  - Q4 2016 - City Council Discussion.
  
- Amend city regulations to streamline and improve permit processes.
  - February 2016 - Stakeholder meeting.
  - March 2016 - Draft Ordinance.
  - April 2016 - Stakeholder meeting.
  - May-June 2016 - Ordinance revision.
  - Q3 2016 - Planning Commission.
  - Q4 2016 - City Council.
  
- Review and revise permit related information materials to achieve exceptional regulatory predictability for the public.
  - Currently occurring.
  - Q2 2016 - Ongoing feedback from development community.
  - Q2-Q3 2016 - updates/revisions.
  
- Expand planning and development information on the City website.
  - April 1, 2016 - Initial materials on website (update at least quarterly thereafter)
  
- Implement the 2015-2035 Comprehensive Plan through Monroe Municipal Code amendments.
  - On-going throughout 2016.
  - Planning Commission will deal with this at virtually every meeting in 2016.
  
- Work towards the establishment of a self-sustaining Main Street Program in 2017.
  - February 1, 2016 - Issue request for consultant proposals.
  - March 2016 - Consultant approval.
  - April-September 2016 - Consultant work/recommendations
  
- Develop & implement a sign code enforcement education program.
  - Q3 2016.
  
- Annual Comprehensive Plan Amendment Process
  - May-June 2016 - Solicit Applications.
  - Q3 2016 - Council public hearing on docket.
  - Q4 - Planning Commission review and hearing.

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

## **Municipal Court Work Plan**

- Implement new video court for in-custody defendants.
  - Save law enforcement time/expense of transporting inmates to and from court for non-trial hearings.
  - Use court time more efficiently.
    - Starts February 2016.
  
- Reorganize court calendar to better serve the public and reduce in-court wait times.
  - Schedule non-attorney infraction hearings to Tuesday mornings.
  - Contested infraction hearing with attorneys will be heard on Wednesday afternoons before the in-custody video court.
    - Ongoing.
  
- Select alternative court/community court program to best address community safety and reduce recidivism.
  - Review numerous alternative court programs to determine which would be most beneficial to Monroe.
  - Seek alternative funding to establish alternative court program.
    - Q3 2016.
  
- Assist City with negotiations for inter-local agreement with cities seeking court services from Monroe Municipal Court.
  - Provide information regarding alternative levels of services that can be provided by this court.
  - Assist in determining reasonable fees for services from the court.
    - Q3 2016.
  
- Prepare to integrate other cities into Court schedule if/when City is able to successfully negotiate inter-local agreement.
  - Address staffing requirements for increased caseloads.
  - Establish appropriate records area for new city cases.
    - Q3 2016.

## **Public Works Work Plan**

- Capital Improvement Projects:
  - WWTP Phase II Energy Conservation
    - February 16, 2016 - Council authorization
    - June 2016 - Construction begins
    - May 2017 - Project completion
    - June 2017 - Project acceptance
  - Tjerne Place Extension (TIB)
    - August 2016 - Project completion
    - August 2016 - Project acceptance
    - November 2016 - Retainage release

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

- 179th Ave Sidewalk
  - May 24, 2016 - Award Bid
  - September 2016 - Project completion
  - November 2016 - Project acceptance
  - January 2017 - Retainage release
- W. Main St Sidewalk (TIB)
  - May 24, 2016 - Award Bid
  - September 2016 - Project completion
  - October 2016 - Project acceptance
  - January 2017 - Retainage release
- Columbia/Elizabeth Watermain Replacement
  - March 15, 2016 - Award Bid
  - June 2016 - Project completion
  - July 2016 - Project acceptance
  - October 2017 - Retainage release
- Powell St Sewer Replacement
  - May 24, 2016 - Award Bid
  - September 2016 - Project completion
  - October 2016 - Project acceptance
  - January 2017 - Retainage release
- Rivmont Watermain Replacement
  - May 24, 2016 - Award Bid
  - September 2016 - Project completion
  - October 2016 - Project acceptance
  - January 2017 - Retainage release
- 182nd/154th Watermain Replacement
  - Q3 2016 - Project complete
- 179th Pedestrian Rail Crossing
  - August 2016 - Railroad easement decision
  - March 1, 2017 - Authorize bid
  - May 24, 2017 - Award Bid
  - September 2017 - Project completion
  - October 2017 - Project acceptance
  - January 2018 - Retainage release
- Fryelands Pedestrian Rail Crossing
  - August 2016 - Railroad easement decision
  - March 1, 2017 - Authorize bid
  - May 24, 2017 - Award Bid
  - September 2017 - Project completion
  - October 2017 - Project acceptance
  - January 2018 - Retainage release
- Woods Creek Road Phase I
  - May 24, 2016 - Award Bid
  - September 2016 - Project completion
  - October 2016 - Project acceptance
  - January 2017 - Retainage release

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

- Road Rehabilitation Projects (TBD):
  - 2016 Overlays: Chain Lake Rd (TIB), Fryelands Blvd (TIB), West Columbia, Elizabeth
    - July 2016 - Project start
    - August 2016 - Project completion
  - 2016 Chip Seals: S Madison, Ann St, 181st Ave
    - July 2016 - Project start
    - August 2016 - Project completion
  - 2016 Fog Seals: 143<sup>rd</sup> St, 152<sup>nd</sup> St, 161<sup>st</sup> St, 173<sup>rd</sup> Ave, 197, Ave, Ferry Ave, Mtn View Rd, Sawyer St, Sykes Dr, Tatty Ave, Van Ave
    - June 7, 2016 - Award Bid
    - July 2016 - Project completion
    - August 2016 - Project acceptance
    - November 2017 - Retainage release
- Civic Campus Planning:
  - February 16, 2016
- Update Public Works Design & Construction Standards:
  - Q3 2016 - Council review
- Update Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan
  - April 12, 2016 - Council adoption

## **Parks Work Plan**

- Wake Park
- Skate Park improvements
- Lake Tye Building Upgrade (Design, Construction, etc....)
- Cadman Pit Master Plan
- Ball Field Safety Netting/Fencing
- Fairfield Park Entry Re-alignment
- Mini grants → Art → “Artwork Policy” (Look at “advertise”)

## **Grants**

- Execute State RCO WWRP grant award: Skate Park Improvements
- Execute Monroe LTAC grant awards: Pro Tour Event, Tri-Monroe Event, Destination Brochures
- Execute Snohomish County LTAC grant award: Tourism Promotion Street Banners
- Execute Snohomish County REET grant? (award-TBD): Downtown Public Art
- Administer new Monroe mini-grants program: Downtown Public Art, Downtown Events

Events for the 2016 year will resemble 2015, with the return of the Pro Wake Tour. H3O will begin developments at Lake Tye Park and Parks will be coordinating the joint scheduling/maintenance of the ballfield(s) at Monroe High School.

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

## **Police Department Work Plan**

- Develop & implement parking education and enforcement.
- Five-Year Strategic Plan – July 1, 2016.

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

## **APPENDIX**

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

## **VISION STATEMENT**

Monroe is a community in transition, changing from a small rural town into a city of regional significance. While doing so, the City and its residents are committed to managing change in ways that maintain or improve Monroe's character and quality, working for and embracing changes that:

- Improves downtown's role as a focal point of the community, providing diverse commercial, dining, cultural, entertainment, and housing options,
- Improves the city's highway commercial districts, boosting their commercial diversity, attractiveness, regional draw and walkability
- Appreciates the incredible potential the Skykomish River and shoreline areas play in improving local recreational, economic, and tourist opportunities
- Keeps the city and its neighborhoods vital, safe, and attractive
- Help make Monroe easier to navigate
- Boosts the efficiency of services and infrastructure
- Helps make Monroe a place where people of all demographics can find a welcoming place to live
- Keeps Monroe geographically compact, enabling development opportunities where services already exist in the Urban Growth Area

Through hard work, wise investments and strategies that make the most of its best qualities, Monroe will maintain and improve its livability and environmental quality, making it a desirable place to live, work, visit, and play.

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

## **CITY OF MONROE GOALS**

**Goal 1: Establish and maintain a safe, secure environment in Monroe for residents, businesses, and visitors.**

*Maintaining public safety and protecting property underpin nearly all governmental activities. This goal articulates Monroe's pledge to promote high standards in police and fire protection, maintain safe public facilities and infrastructure, and strive to minimize risk to life and property.*

**Goal 2: Manage Monroe's environment and natural resources, supporting the health, safety, welfare, recreational needs, and economic well-being of current and future generations.**

*Clean water and air, access to healthy food supplies, and responsible waste disposal are essential components of urban life. This goal focuses on conserving Monroe's natural resources, serving current and future needs. Monroe's natural setting, seen in undeveloped shoreline areas, hillsides, mountain views and surrounding agricultural lands is one of its most valuable assets.*

**Goal 3: Grow as a regional center and destination, providing employment opportunities while sustaining a balanced, diverse, resilient economy for Monroe.**

*Residents understand the need to maintain economic diversity while capitalizing on all of Monroe's assets. This goal works to build a diverse and balanced economic base, improve quality of life and commercial assets, and promote fiscal health.*

**Goal 4: Provide for and appropriately locate the types, quality, and quantities of development in Monroe to assure land use compatibility, enhance neighborhood character, and facilitate the City's long-term sustainability.**

*While the City can't drive growth, it can influence the type and character of development patterns. Residents prize the overall scale and feel of Monroe. This goal works to keep the community safe, active, and compatible with Monroe's character.*

**Goal 5: Provide for a wide range of housing types for all Monroe residents.**

*Monroe is a diverse community with a wide range of incomes and housing needs. This goal works to provide an equally diverse range of housing options.*

# **CITY OF MONROE 2016 WORK PROGRAM**

**Goal 6: Provide and promote both utility and transportation infrastructures that coincide with need, growth, and long-term objectives.**

*All cities require functional, resilient utility and street networks providing for the flow of services, people and materials. This goal works to realize a more connected Monroe, improve crossing conditions at major arterials, and other measures supporting the type of infrastructure that Monroe needs as part of its future.*

**Goal 7: Provide parks and civic facilities, recreational opportunities, and arts and cultural activities on pace with need, growth and long-term objectives.**

*Monroe residents value their parks, recreational services, arts and cultural activities, and wish to retain or improve these qualities as the community grows. This goal directs the City to consider parks and recreational needs, the arts, and cultural activities in related plans and actions, including land use decisions, regulatory requirements and budgeting.*

**Goal 8: Establish downtown Monroe as a thriving commercial, civic, and residential area.**

*A thriving downtown enhances the value and function of the entire City. Downtown should represent much of Monroe's civic identity. Making downtown vital requires supporting its numerous and necessary operations including a strong commercial and retail base, community services, public spaces and housing options. This goal highlights the importance of a healthy downtown.*



# MONROE THIS WEEK

Edition 4 January 29, 2016



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**Appointment Openings**

*No Openings At This Time*

**Job Openings**

*Engineering Administrative Specialist*

**Events this Week**

- 1/31 Officer Jayme Biendl Memorial Run, Sky River Park, 10AM*
- 02/02 City Council Finance & Human Resources Committee Meeting, City Hall, 6PM*
- City Council Meeting, Council Chambers, City Hall, 7PM*

From the Office of Mayor Thomas

To highlight some of the things going on in our community, I am writing this weekly city update, "Monroe This Week. If you have any suggestions or questions regarding "Monroe This Week" or the stories below, please contact me at GThomas@MonroeWa.gov.

Yours in Service,

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas

## Be In The Know!

### SR522 Update

Over the course of this week, Councilmembers, staff, and I continued working on the issue of funding and finishing SR-522.

On Tuesday, January 26, 2016, our City Administrator Gene Brazel and I met with the Snohomish County Committee for Improved Transportation (SCCIT) group. This group, which consists of local governments, non-profits, and businesses, discussed transportation projects that were not included in the 2015 Connecting Washington legislation. At the top of our conversation was SR-522. SCCIT and its member organizations continue to support our community in securing funding to finish SR-522

On Thursday, January 28, 2016, Mayor Pro Tem Cudaback, Councilmember Scarboro, staff, our lobbyists, and I met with our legislators in Olympia. Senator Pearson and Representatives Kristiansen and Scott have been actively working on SR-522. They appreciated the over fifty businesses and non-profits that have signed our request for support and the comments they have received from constituents. I look forward to reporting more information as the session continues. Thank you to everyone who has continued to support funding and finishing SR-522.

**City of Monroe  
Year-to-Date Comparisons**

*The following are year-to-date comparisons*

**Sales Tax Revenues**

'14 to 12/31/14: \$3,617,210

'15 to 12/31/15: \$4,064,056

**UP \$446,846 or 12.35%**

**Real Estate Excise Tax**

'14 to 12/31/14: \$494,082

'15 to 12/31/15: \$775,207

**UP \$281,125 or 56.90%**

**Lodging Tax Revenues**

'14 to 12/31/14: \$65,661

'15 to 12/31/15: \$70,274

**UP \$4,613 or 7.03%**

**Business License Fees**

'14 to 12/31/14: \$48,049

'15 to 12/31/15: \$48,886

**UP \$836 or 1.74%**

**Building Permit Revenues**

'14 to 12/31/14: \$180,017

'15 to 12/31/15: \$311,092

**UP \$131,075 or 72.81%**

**Planning Fee Revenues**

'14 to 12/31/14: \$50,595

'15 to 12/31/15: \$61,665

**UP \$11,070 or 21.88%**

**New House Permits**

'14 to 12/31/14: 17

'15 to 12/31/15: 60

**UP 43 units or 253%**

**Multi-Family Permits (# units)**

'14 to 12/31/14: 46 units

'15 to 12/31/15: 4 units

**DOWN 40 units or -91.3%**

**Building Division Inspections**

'14 to 12/31/14: 1,548

'15 to 11/30/15: 1,713

**UP 165 or 10.7%**

**(SR522 Update continued)**

On Friday, January 29, 2016, I will be meeting with a representative of the Governor's Office to report on the status of our request. Lastly, in the next two weeks, Mayor Pro Tem Cudaback and I will be meeting with County Executive Somers to discuss funding and finishing SR-522.

Tuesday, February 2, 2016, Councilmember Gamble and I will head to Olympia again, to advocate for SR-522. We will be meeting with legislators and stakeholders. The meeting is being organized by the Economic Alliance of Snohomish County.

**Other Legislative Issues**

This session is not just about SR-522. In addition to SR-522, Councilmembers, staff, our lobbyists, and I are continuing to work with our legislators on a capital request for funding for synthetic turf fields at Lake Tye, increasing the cap on funding for the Main Street Program statewide, and coordinating with the City on connecting 191<sup>st</sup> through the undeveloped US-2 right-of-way. We are also continuing to track proposed bills.

**LTAC Grant Award**

Thank you to the Snohomish County Executive and Council for approving a Snohomish County Hotel/Motel Tax Fund grant award of \$9,600 for tourism-branded street banners for Monroe! Staff from the Parks and Recreation Department applied for the grant last summer. The grant award will be used to design, purchase and install approximately seventy street pole banners for the historic downtown and North Kelsey shopping, lodging and restaurant retail areas in Monroe. As part of the grant conditions, City staff will work with the Snohomish County Tourism Bureau in the design guidelines for the banners that will reflect a visual integration of the Bureau's long-range tourism development and marketing strategy. The branding elements of the banners will be consistent, yet individual banners will display distinct categories of tourism-related themes. This cross-promotion marketing approach will help introduce hidden assets in our community and bring together our historic downtown, the North Kelsey shopping area and the Evergreen State Fairgrounds as tourist destinations in Snohomish County. Existing and new events held in the greater Monroe area will benefit from the tourism imagery which the banners will display, as well as area restaurants, lodging and shopping districts. Again, a big THANK YOU goes out to Snohomish County for this grant award!

### **Elite Training Academy Ribbon Cutting**

Congratulation to Coach Michael Bumpus and his wife, Jen, on opening the Elite Training Academy in downtown Monroe!!! It was a pleasure being part of this ribbon cutting and Monroe thanks you! We are excited to have you as part of our downtown community

## ***Council Updates!***

### **Financial Planning**

At Tuesday's Council meeting, we opened a discussion with Councilmembers about levels of service to our community. We discussed a variety of operational services (for example: code enforcement, park maintenance, permitting, and administrative support) and their associated costs that Council could consider in a 2017 Budget. Our next conversations will be related to capital projects and revenues. We will continue the conversation over the next couple of months and are requesting Council's direction by late May/early June 2016. Council may consider a range of alternatives from maintaining the status quo to expanding some of these services. Following Council's direction, City Staff and I will begin developing the 2017 Proposed Budget, which will be presented to Council in October 2016. Council will consider amending and approving the proposed budget between October and December 2016.



# City of Monroe

Legislative Update (1/28/16)

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**Requested Action:** Throughout the legislative session, Green Light Strategies will provide the City with regular reports of legislative activity affecting the City. At the end of each update, we provide a list of bills we are tracking during the Legislative Session. Each week, as new legislation is introduced, new bills are added to the list. In particular, please note legislation discussed in the **AWC/City Legislative Priorities/Issues** section to see important issues under consideration. Please review the bills, confirm the City's position and provide direction.

## CITY OF MONROE 2016 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

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**Lake Tye Park Athletic Fields:** We met with Rep. DeBolt (Ranking Member of the House Capital Budget Committee) to discuss the project and identify the best path to potentially obtain funding for the athletic fields in a supplemental capital budget with limited funds available. Mayor Thomas, Mayor Pro Tem Cudaback and Councilmember Scarborough met with Rep. Scott while in town for AWC's Legislative Conference to address her questions, and the City is updating the capital budget request for Lake Tye Park, for her submittal in the House.

**SR 522:** The SR-522 Coalition is raising the profile of project completion and gaining traction to address the challenges to obtain funding and allow funds already allocated to be used for widening. The City has built a coalition of more than 50 organizations, and continues to grow every day. We met with Sen. Pearson and Rep. Kristiansen while in town for AWC's Legislative Conference. The 39<sup>th</sup> Legislative delegation has a long history of successfully funding the first four phases of this project and remains steadfastly committed to helping fund the remaining two phases, while also reiterating the need for Snohomish County and others to be part of the solution. Working together with the 1<sup>st</sup> Legislative delegation, we will request a budget proviso in the supplemental transportation budget to allow allocated funds to be used for widening SR-522.

## 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION UPDATE

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Legislators continue to grapple with education and corrections issues. Legislators are not expecting to finish the work required to fix the way Washington pays for public schools during this legislative session. The remaining issues focus on the state's overreliance on local school-tax levies and the related issue of how to pay teachers with mostly state dollars. In the McCleary decision, the court found that the way Washington pays for public schools is unconstitutional, because state funding for basic education is not ample or equitable across the state. Local school levies are at the heart of that inequity, and most agree it's the most complicated piece of the school funding puzzle. Legislators have proposed a plan this year, but it does not answer the

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question of where the money will come from to complete the work. Also, I-1366, which required the Legislature to put a measure on the ballot this upcoming election to amend the constitution to require a 2/3 approval of any tax votes or reduce the state sales tax, was recently ruled unconstitutional. This is one less challenge the 2016 Legislature will have to tackle. Meanwhile, the Legislature continues to meet in committees and hold hearings on bills. Bills must pass out of policy committees by February 5<sup>th</sup> to meet the first legislative cutoff deadline.

### STATE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGETS

The House and Senate budget committees are drafting budget proposals for necessary changes to the biennial budgets passed last year. Capital budget funding requests are due by February 16. During the 2014 session, the Legislature did not pass a supplemental capital budget. Yet, with the damage from the wildfires and the need to address federal pressure to create more mental health facilities, most expect a capital budget to pass this year. The capital budget funds projected to be available this year are about \$84 million for the state.

### AWC/CITY LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES/ISSUES

AWC welcomed over 300 city officials from across the state for the City Action Days conference in Olympia. *Monroe was well-represented with Mayor Thomas, Mayor Pro Tem Cudaback and Councilmember Scarborough in Olympia to meet with our legislative delegation and discuss the City's Legislative Priorities.*

**Marijuana/Cities Regulatory Limitations:** [HB 1438](#), limiting cities' ability to prohibit the production, processing and sale of marijuana in their communities by requiring any such prohibition only by public vote, is being considered for floor action by the Rules Committee. *(MONROE: OPPOSE; AWC: OPPOSE)*

**Water and Sewer Utility Taxes:** [SB 6115](#), capping city utility tax rates on water and sewer at six percent unless the rate is first approved by a majority of the voters, was heard in committee and awaits executive action. *(MONROE: OPPOSE; AWC: OPPOSE)*

**Liquor Revenue Legislation:** [HB 2438](#) and [SB 6425](#) implement a phased approach for increasing liquor revenue distributions to local governments. The bills remove the cap that was put on liquor profit revenues in 2012, restoring the 50/50 sharing relationship of this revenue stream between the state and local governments. Both bills were heard in committee and await further action. *(MONROE: MONITOR; AWC: SUPPORT)*

**Public Records:** [HB 2576](#), regarding public records requests to local agencies, was heard in committee and awaits executive action. *(MONROE: MONITOR; AWC: SUPPORT)*



## 2016 BILL TRACKING

Bill	Title	Status	Sponsor	Position
<a href="#">SHB 1438</a>	Marijuana, prohibiting/vote	H Rules R	<a href="#">Sawyer</a>	Oppose
<a href="#">HB 1517</a>	Liquor revenue distribution	H Approps	<a href="#">Reykdal</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 1582</a>	Traffic violation penalties	H Trans	<a href="#">Fey</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SHB 1605</a>	Fire protection/benefit chrg	H Finance	<a href="#">Peterson</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SHB 1684</a>	Public records, charges for	H Rules R	<a href="#">Takko</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">2SHB 1745</a>	Voting rights	H 2nd Reading	<a href="#">Moscoso</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 1802</a>	Long-range planning costs	H Local Govt	<a href="#">Fitzgibbon</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2097</a>	Ltd jurisdiction courts/fees	H Rules R	<a href="#">Kirby</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SHB 2146</a>	Public works requirements	H Cap Budget	<a href="#">Kilduff</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2290</a>	Public record request limits	H State Governme	<a href="#">MacEwen</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2310</a>	Fire prevention/2016	H Ag & Nat Res	<a href="#">Van De Wege</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2321</a>	Fire authority formation	H Finance	<a href="#">Stokesbary</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SHB 2348</a>	Local fireworks ordinances	H Rules R	<a href="#">Hawkins</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2353</a>	OPMA civil penalties	H Rules R	<a href="#">Hunt, S.</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2358</a>	Water-sewer districts	H Rules R	<a href="#">Kochmar</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2362</a>	Recordings/law enf., etc.	H Rules R	<a href="#">Hansen</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2376</a>	Operating sup budget 2016	H Approps	<a href="#">Dunshee</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2377</a>	Schools/GMA	H Local Govt	<a href="#">Taylor</a>	Monitor

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<a href="#">HB 2380</a>	Supplemental capital budget	H Cap Budget	<a href="#">Tharinger</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2395</a>	Condominium conversion fee	H Comm Dev, Hous	<a href="#">McBride</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2397</a>	Housing demolitions fee	H Comm Dev, Hous	<a href="#">McBride</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2438</a>	Excess liquor revenue dist.	H Commerce & Gam	<a href="#">Nealey</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2442</a>	Affordable housing zones	H Comm Dev, Hous	<a href="#">Appleton</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2460</a>	Firearms/public places	H Judiciary	<a href="#">Walkinshaw</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2486</a>	Environmental statutes	H Environment	<a href="#">Fitzgibbon</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2509</a>	Wildlife and recreation prg.	H Cap Budget	<a href="#">Tharinger</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2544</a>	Affordable housing/prop. tax	H Comm Dev, Hous	<a href="#">Frame</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2565</a>	Local sales & use tx changes	H Finance	<a href="#">Vick</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2576</a>	Local agency public records	H Local Govt	<a href="#">McBride</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2583</a>	Local creative districts	H Comm Dev, Hous	<a href="#">McBride</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2647</a>	Tax foreclosed prop./housing	H Comm Dev, Hous	<a href="#">Jinkins</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2688</a>	Historic building rehab. tax	H Comm Dev, Hous	<a href="#">Pettigrew</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2689</a>	Historic building preserv.	H Comm Dev, Hous	<a href="#">Pettigrew</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2708</a>	Fire district formation	H Local Govt	<a href="#">Appleton</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2732</a>	Fire district annexations	H State Governme	<a href="#">Peterson</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2741</a>	State & local fiscal agents	H Bus & Fin Svcs	<a href="#">Kuderer</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2764</a>	Public defense fund distrib.	H Approps	<a href="#">Jinkins</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2788</a>	Municipal water rights	H Ag & Nat Res	<a href="#">Shea</a>	Monitor



<a href="#">HB 2816</a>	Trans. benefit district tax	H Trans	<a href="#">Muri</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">HB 2864</a>	Trans. benefit tax increase	H Trans	<a href="#">Hunt, S.</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 5896</a>	Liquor revenue distribution	S Ways & Means	<a href="#">Fraser</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6031</a>	Public works contractors/DES	S GovtOp&Sec	<a href="#">Chase</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6100</a>	Economic gardening pilot pr.	S Ways & Means	<a href="#">Chase</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6115</a>	Water, sewerage businesses	S GovtOp&Sec	<a href="#">Chase</a>	Oppose
<a href="#">SB 6129</a>	District-based elections	S GovtOp&Sec	<a href="#">Roach</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6147</a>	Water-sewer districts	S Rules 2	<a href="#">Roach</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6150</a>	Water pollution loans/term	S Rules 2	<a href="#">Honeyford</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6159</a>	Counties/independent counsel	S Law & Justice	<a href="#">Dammeier</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6171</a>	OPMA civil penalties	S Rules 2	<a href="#">Roach</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6183</a>	Local school district levies	S EL/K-12	<a href="#">McAuliffe</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6201</a>	Supplemental capital budget	S Ways & Means	<a href="#">Honeyford</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6204</a>	Fire authority formation	S GovtOp&Sec	<a href="#">Roach</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6211</a>	Nonprofit homeownership dev.	S Ways & Means	<a href="#">Dammeier</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6239</a>	Affordable housing/prop. tax	S HumSer/MenHIth	<a href="#">Fain</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6247</a>	On-site sewage system fees	S Ways & Means	<a href="#">Angel</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6315</a>	Local gov. modernization	S GovtOp&Sec	<a href="#">Roach</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6387</a>	Fire district formation	S GovtOp&Sec	<a href="#">Roach</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6420</a>	Land capacity review & eval.	S GovtOp&Sec	<a href="#">Roach</a>	Monitor



<a href="#">SB 6422</a>	Affordable housing	S HumSer/MenHIth	<a href="#">Miloscia</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6425</a>	Excess liquor revenue dist.	S Ways & Means	<a href="#">Hewitt</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6426</a>	School siting	S GovtOp&Sec	<a href="#">Conway</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6508</a>	Public works assist. loans	S GovtOp&Sec	<a href="#">Chase</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6567</a>	State route number 2 trestle	S Transportation	<a href="#">Hobbs</a>	Monitor
<a href="#">SB 6570</a>	Toxic pollution cleanup	S Energy, Environ	<a href="#">Ericksen</a>	Monitor