

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND PLEDGE

The October 8, 2019, Regular Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas at 7 p.m.; Monroe City Hall, Council Chambers.

Councilmembers present: Cudaback, Davis, Kamp¹, Rasmussen, and Scarboro.

Staff members present: Adkisson, Farrell, Feilberg, Haley, Hasart, Jolley, Peterson, and Swanson; and City Attorney Lell.

Mayor Thomas noted, without objection, the excused absence of Councilmembers Gamble and Hanford. No objections were noted.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Rasmussen.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. AB19-202: 2020 Potential Revenue Sources and Recommended Budget

Ms. Becky Hasart, Finance Director, provided background information on AB19-202, the potential 2020 revenue sources and Recommended Budget, and required public hearing.

Mayor Thomas opened the public hearing; there were no persons present wishing to speak during the public hearing.

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to close the public testimony portion of the public hearing; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Davis.
On vote,

Motion carried (5-0).

Councilmember Scarboro moved to close the public hearing; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen. On vote,

Motion carried (5-0).

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation: Monroe Senior Center - Annual Report

Mr. Jacob McGee, Executive Director, presented the Monroe Senior Center Annual Report including the following topics: mobility lifeline shuttle, funding sources, staff additions/realignments, rental revenues, annual auction, newsletters, financial summary, and services/programs.

Discussion ensued regarding the funding sources and budget revenues/expenditures.

¹ CLERK'S NOTE: Councilmember Kamp arrived at approximately 7:02 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no persons present wishing to speak during Public Comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes: September 24, 2019, Business Meeting & October 1, 2019, Study Session
2. Approval of AP Checks and ACH Payments (*Check Nos. 90433 through 90478, ACH, B&O, and PUD EFT Payments, in a total amount of \$670,754.71*)
3. Approval of Payroll Warrants and ACH Payments (*Check Nos. 36046 through 36087, Direct Deposit, and ACH AP Payments, in a total amount of \$1,324,816.54*)
4. AB19-203: Waive Council Rules of Procedure – Business Meeting/Study Session Format for Tuesday, October 15, 2019, City Council Meeting
5. AB19-204: Approve Purchase and Authorize the Mayor to Sign Right-of-Way Deed, Easements, and Associated Documentation of Parcel 4 for Chain Lake Road Phase 2a (Non-Motorized Pedestrian Path)

Councilmember Scarboro moved to approve the Consent Agenda; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,
Motion carried (5-0).

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

1. City Council Transportation/Planning, Parks & Recreation, and Public Works (P3) Committee Update

Councilmember Rasmussen reported on the items discussed at the Tuesday, September 24, 2019, City Council P3 Committee Meeting, including: Vision 2050 Interviews.

2. City Council Public Safety Committee Meeting

Councilmember Davis reported on the items discussed at the Tuesday, October 1, 2019, City Council Public Safety Committee Meeting, including: selection of 2019 Chairperson, 2019 Work Plan, Police Department Assessment, and Municipal Court Assessment.

3. Individual Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Rasmussen commented on the upcoming Monroe Rotary Meeting.

Councilmember Kamp commented on the vacant building/property located near US Highway 2 and Fryelands Boulevard; Mr. Ben Swanson, Community Development Director, provided an update on the demolition process.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Municipal Court Update

Ms. Pam Haley, Court Administrator, provided an update on the resignation of Municipal Court Judge Rozzano and Request for Qualifications to be issued to fill the vacant term.

2. Legal Update

Mr. Zach Lell, City Attorney, provided an update on the National Prescription Opiate Litigation matter, MDL No. 2804 (N.D. Ohio). Discussion ensued regarding potential downsides to participation (none at this time); and general consensus to proceed as recommended.

3. Parks and Recreation Update

Mr. Mike Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director, noted the report included in the meeting materials and provided an update on the following topics: East County Parks and Recreation District (ECPRD) bond measure, operations/parks improvement, Eagle Scout projects, Main Street gateway project, unmarked trails inspections, and online messaging.

4. Police Update

Police Chief Jeff Jolley noted the report included in the meeting materials and provided an update on the following topics: Community Outreach Team, Patrol, statistics, property crimes, quick service facilities dress requirements, MMC 9.35 (Regulation of Solicitation), National Walk to School Day, and Coffee with a Cop.

5. Public Works Update

Mr. Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director, noted the report included in the meeting materials and provided an update on the following topics: 179th Avenue repaving, Blueberry and Kelsey Street intersection improvements, Monroe Boys and Girls Club facility improvements/grants, and Madison Street grant for stormwater separation project.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. City Administrator Update

Mr. Feilberg noted the recent announcement by Governor Inslee regarding a statewide ban on flavored vaping products.

2. Mayor's Update/Monroe This Week (*October 4, 2019, Edition No. 35*)

Mayor Thomas noted the Monroe This Week included in the meeting materials; and reported on the following items: articles in the Daily Herald regarding homelessness response efforts; radio show interview regarding chronic homelessness; code enforcement issues; new Downtown Monroe sculpture dedication ceremony (tentatively

scheduled for December 7, 2019); and potential relocation of benches at Tjerne Place/Chain Lake Road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Potential Litigation [RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)] – *10 minutes*

Mayor Thomas noted the need for an executive session for approximately five minutes to discuss Potential Litigation [RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)] and read the appropriate citation into the record.

The meeting recessed into executive session at 7:50 p.m.; was extended for an additional forty minutes; and reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Rasmussen and seconded by Councilmember Kamp to adjourn the meeting. On vote,
Motion carried (5-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:35 p.m.

Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

Elizabeth M. Adkisson, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Regular Business Meeting of October 22, 2019.