

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

The November 24, 2015, Regular Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas at 7:00 p.m.; Council Chambers, City Hall.

Councilmembers present: Cudaback, Davis, Gamble, Goering, Hanford, Kamp, and Rasmussen.

Staff members present: Feilberg, Nelson, Osaki, Quenzer, Smoot, and Warthan; City Attorney Eick.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Rasmussen.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

The following persons spoke regarding Monroe Public Schools: Ms. Deka Smith; and Ms. Nancy Truitt-Pierce.

The following persons spoke regarding AB15-208/East Monroe: Ms. Trisna Tanus; and Ms. Ashley Sellers.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of the Minutes; November 17, 2015, Regular Business Meeting

Councilmember Hanford moved to approve the Consent Agenda; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,  
Motion carried (7-0).

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. AB15-203: Discussion: 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update

Mr. Osaki provided an update on the 2015 Comprehensive Plan process and timeline, and reviewed Chapter 7 (Parks, Recreation, Open Space) and Appendix F (Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan).

General discussion ensued throughout the presentation regarding definitions of and what qualifies as a developed versus undeveloped park and open space; and use of the Cadman property.

2. AB15-204: Discussion: Solid Waste Contract/Survey Results

Ms. Dianne Nelson, Finance Director, provided background information on AB15-204, the results of a customer service survey on the City's current solid waste contract; and options for future service.

General discussion ensued regarding results of the customer service survey, utility versus franchise, non-mandatory versus mandatory service, billing administration, a vacancy policy, contingency service, and preferred option for future service.

By general agreement of the City Council, staff will proceed with option 2b (Keep Solid Waste as a utility; and negotiate a new contract with Republic Services. This could contain language for contingency service plans (labor disruptions and inclement weather). This can also include weighing the options of moving customer service and billing from the City to the solid waste vendor.), as well as other options discussed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. AB15-205: Ordinance No. 017/2015, Amending MMC 13.04, Water Regulations, and MMC 13.08, Sewer Regulations; First Reading

Mr. Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director, provided background information on AB15-205, and the proposed amendments to Monroe Municipal Code (MMC) sections 13.04, Water Regulations, and 13.08, Sewer Regulations.

General discussion ensued regarding the proposed amendments, definitions, rates, usage, and associated updates to the fees schedule.

Councilmember Hanford moved to accept as first reading Ordinance No. 017/2015, amending Monroe Municipal Code Chapter 13.04, Water Regulations, Rates and Charges, and Chapter 13.08, Sewer System Regulations; modifying the utility rate structure, providing for severability; and establishing an effective date; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Gamble. On vote,

Motion carried (7-0).

2. AB15-206: Ordinance No. 018/2015, Amending MMC 20.12, Transportation Impact Fees; First Reading

Mr. Feilberg provided background information on AB15-206, and the proposed amendments to Monroe Municipal Code (MMC) section 20.12, Transportation Impact Fees.

General discussion ensued regarding accessory dwelling units fees.

Councilmember Davis moved to accept as first reading Ordinance No. 018/2015, amending Monroe Municipal Code Chapter 20.12, Transportation Impact Fees; updating and revising the City's methodology, rate structure and schedule for imposing Transportation Impact Fees upon certain development activity; effecting various housekeeping amendments; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Gamble. On vote,

Motion carried (7-0).

**FINAL ACTION**

1. AB15-207: Resolution No. 022/2015, Establishing Parking Restrictions

Mr. Feilberg provided background information on AB15-207, and the proposed parking restrictions.

Councilmember Cudaback moved to approve Resolution No. 022/2015, establishing parking restrictions in the City of Monroe; and repealing Resolution No. 13/2015; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Kamp. On vote,

Motion carried (7-0).

2. AB15-208: Ordinance No. 015/2015, East Monroe Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment, and Ordinance No. 016/2015, East Monroe Zoning Map Amendment; Final Reading

Mr. Osaki provided background information on AB15-208, the proposed ordinances approving the East Monroe Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Zoning Map Amendment (Rezone), and a substitution Exhibit B for both ordinances.

Councilmember Goering moved to adopt Ordinance No. 015/2015, relating to comprehensive planning, amending the land use designation of certain property located north of US-2 near the eastern City limits, commonly known as the East Monroe Area, from Limited Open Space to General Commercial; adopting supportive findings; setting forth and effectuating the City's compliance approach to the Central Puget Sound Growth Management Hearings Board's Determination of Invalidity and Finding of Noncompliance in CPSGMHB Case No. 14-3-0006c; providing for severability; and fixing a time when the same shall become effective; and to include the substitution version of Exhibit B – Findings; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Davis.

General discussion ensued regarding Councilmembers' individual positions in regard to the proposed ordinance.

On vote,

Motion carried (4-3);

Councilmembers Cudaback, Gamble, and Rasmussen opposed.

Councilmember Goering moved to adopt Ordinance No 016/2015, amending zoning designations in the East Monroe Area from Limited Open Space (LOS) to General Commercial (GC); setting forth and effectuating the City's compliance approach to the Central Puget Sound Growth Management Hearings Board's Determination of Invalidity and Finding of Noncompliance in CPSGMHB Case No. 14-3-0006c; adopting supportive findings; providing for severability; and fixing a time when the same shall become effective; and to include the substitution version of Exhibit B – Findings; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Davis.

General discussion ensued regarding Councilmembers' individual positions in regard to the proposed ordinance.

On vote,

Motion carried (4-3);  
Councilmembers Cudaback, Gamble, and Rasmussen opposed.

**COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

Councilmember Goering commented on the lights in Downtown Monroe and Small Business Saturday; and wished all a happy Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Gamble wished all a happy Thanksgiving, and commented on the recent storm in Spokane, the Apple Cup football game and Lakeside associated fundraiser, and Monroe select basketball.

Councilmember Davis wished all a happy Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Kamp commented on attendance at a Downtown Monroe Association meeting the previous week, participation in putting up lights in Downtown Monroe, and wished all a happy Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Rasmussen commented on Staff's clean-up of the parks after the recent storms, wished all a happy Thanksgiving, and commented on the Apple Cup football game.

Councilmember Cudaback wished all a happy Thanksgiving, and commented on the Police and Fire Appreciation event the previous week.

Councilmember Hanford wished all a happy Thanksgiving.

**STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Mr. Osaki provided additional information on the Parks portions of the Comprehensive Plan. General discussion ensued regarding the Cadman site and annexations. Mayor Thomas and Mr. Osaki commented on a recent permitting issue at the Eagles building.

Police Chief Tim Quenzer commented on the Apple Cup football game, Police and Fire Appreciation Week, and graduation of the Citizen's Academy.

**MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

1. Monroe This Week (*November 20, 2015, Edition No. 23*)

Mayor Thomas reported on meetings held and events attended the previous week, noted upcoming events.

2. Draft Agenda for December 1, 2015, Regular Business Meetings

Mayor Thomas reviewed the draft agenda for the December 1, 2015, Monroe City Council Regular Business Meeting, the extended agenda, and additions/edits thereto. General discussion ensued regarding the potential cancellation of the December 24, 2015, Meeting, items tentatively scheduled on that agenda, upcoming lobbyist items, and the swearing-in ceremony for newly elected.

3. Snohomish Board of Health Representative

Councilmember Rasmussen reported on his conversations with current Snohomish Board of Health representative Snohomish Mayor Guzak and proposal for Councilmember Rasmussen to fill this position in 2016.

Councilmember Kamp moved to select Councilmember Jeff Rasmussen as the City's nomination for the 2016 Snohomish Board of Health representative; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Goering.

General discussion ensued regarding the opportunity and past representation in this regard.

On vote,

Motion carried (7-0).

Mayor Thomas noted that he has been contacted by Snohomish County Cities regarding a nomination to the Puget Sound Regional Council's (PSRC) Economic Development Board.

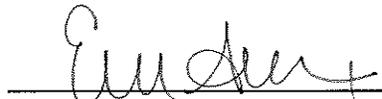
**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Kamp and seconded by Councilmember Gamble to adjourn the meeting. On vote,

Motion carried (7-0).

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:51 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 December 1, 2015.*