

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE

The March 22, 2016, 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, Gamble, Rasmussen, and Scarboro.

Staff members present: Brazel, Feilberg, Ginnard, Osaki, Quenzer, and Smoot.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Cudaback.

Mayor Thomas noted, without objection, the excused absences of Councilmembers Davis, Kamp, and Hanford. No objections were noted.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

The following persons spoke regarding the Monroe Chamber of Commerce's new Executive Director: Mr. Mike Buse, Chamber President; and Ms. Yvonne M. Gallardo-Van Ornam, Executive Director.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes; March 15, 2016, Regular Business Meeting

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to approve the Consent Agenda; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Scarboro. On vote,
Motion carried (4-0).

NEW BUSINESS

1. AB16-036: Authorize Additional Position – Development Review Engineer

Mr. Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director, provided background information on AB16-036 and the proposed additional position – Development Review Engineer.

General discussion ensued regarding budgeting and funding of the position for the remainder of 2016 and in future years.

Councilmember Cudaback moved to authorize the addition of one FTE to the Authorized Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Employees list on page 33 of the City of Monroe 2016 Budget; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen. On vote,

Motion carried (4-0).

FINAL ACTION

1. AB16-037: Ordinance No. 002/2016, Amending MMC 20.12, Transportation Impact Fees; First and Final Reading

Mr. Feilberg provided background information on AB16-037, and the proposed ordinance amending Monroe Municipal Code 20.12, Transportation impact fees, amending the definition of development activity. Mayor Thomas noted a specific instance where this change would assist a local business, and reviewed the administrative procedure for passing an emergency ordinance.

General discussion ensued regarding the proposed amendments, budgetary impact, procedure for adopting an emergency ordinance, and follow-up actions required.

General Council consensus to proceed with the passage of the proposed emergency ordinance was noted; and Mayor Thomas stated that due to the emergency nature of the ordinance, and procedure requiring five affirmative votes for passage, the item will be placed on the April 5, 2016, agenda for potential action.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS¹

1. Presentation: 2015 Police Department Employee Awards

Deputy Police Chief Ken Ginnard presented the 2015 Police Department Employee Awards, awarding the following: the Distinguished Service Award to Sergeant Brian Johnston, for his work with the Washington State Behind the Badge Foundation; and the Chief's Award to Ms. Sherri Simonson, Administrative Manager, for her work with the implementation of the New World System. Mayor Thomas offered his congratulations and appreciations to the award recipients.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Gamble commented on the little league baseball season and events at Park Place Middle School; and thanked City Administrator Gene Brazel for his assistance with park facility access.

Councilmember Rasmussen reported on the Snohomish Health District Board of Health; information is being assembled in response to feedback/questions received from the City Council, and will be shared upon receipt.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Dave Osaki, Community Development Director, reported on estimated residential units/population increases in next five to six years, and permits in process. General discussion ensued regarding information sharing with the School Districts and the City's Land Broker; and permits in process.

Mr. Feilberg reported on the following projects: installation of hand rails in Council Chambers, and the West Columbia Street Sewer Replacement.

¹ CLERK'S NOTE: This item was addressed out of order on the agenda, due to delayed arrival of an award recipient.

1. Staff Report on Land Sales

No report was given.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pricing of Property [RCW 42.30.110(1)(c)] (10 minutes)

Mayor Thomas stated the Council would recess into an executive session for approximately 10 minutes to discuss the Pricing of Property [RCW 42.30.110(1)(c)] and read the appropriate citation into the record.

The meeting recessed into executive session at 7:35 p.m., the session was extended for an additional 10 minutes, and the meeting reconvened at 7:56 p.m.

Councilmember Cudaback moved to add an item to the agenda – Letter of Intent to Purchase Parcel 7, North Kelsey Village Monroe; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Gamble. On vote,

Motion carried (4-0).

Councilmember Cudaback moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Letter of Intent to Purchase Parcel 7, North Kelsey Village Monroe with Barber Development, LLC, and expressly authorize any further minor revisions as deemed necessary or appropriate; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Gamble. On vote,

Motion carried (4-0).

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Monroe This Week (March 18, 2016, Edition No. 11)

Mayor Thomas reported on meetings held and events attended the previous week and forthcoming items; including: attendance at a drug awareness workshop, a call for sculptors posted, the Sky to Sound Water Trail meeting, the upcoming Egg Hunt at Lake Tye Park (Saturday, March 26, 2016, 10 a.m.), Fire District No 3 and 7 merger meeting, All City Meeting (staff), and project updates.

2. Lobbyist Report (Green Light Strategies)

Mr. Brazel noted that no report was provided for this week; and a presentation from Green Light Strategies will be scheduled for a future Council Meeting to provide a wrap-up to the legislative session.

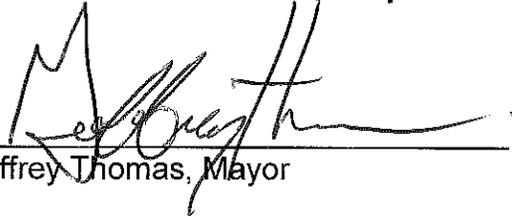
3. Draft Agenda for April 5, 2016, Regular Business Meeting

Mr. Brazel reviewed the draft agenda for the April 5, 2016, Monroe City Council Regular Business Meeting, the extended agenda, and additions/edits thereto.

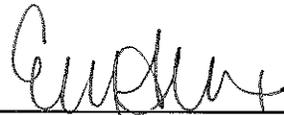
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Gamble and seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen to adjourn the meeting. On vote,
Motion carried (4-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:02 p.m.



Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor



Elizabeth M. Smoot, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Regular Business Meeting of April 5, 2016.