

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

The October 25, 2016, Regular Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Geoffrey Thomas at 7:04 p.m.; Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Scarboro.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

1. ~~Presentation: Snohomish County Executive Somers~~

Mayor Thomas noted the cancellation of the presentation of Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

There were no persons present wishing to address the City Council.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** *(added at the time of the meeting)*

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

Mayor Thomas stated the Council would recess into 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 7:06 p.m., was extended for an additional 5 minutes, and reconvened at 7:23 p.m.*

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of the Minutes; October 18, 2016, Regular Business Meeting
2. AB16-142: Accept Project/Begin Lien Period - Rivmont Watermain Replacement Project
3. AB16-143: Ordinance No. 018/2016, Converting Two Year At-Large Council Position to Four Year Position; Final Reading

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

City Clerk Elizabeth Smoot read Ordinance No. 018/2016 into the record.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. AB16-144: Discussion: MMC 2.26, Term Limits

City Administrator Gene Brazel provided background information on AB16-144 and options regarding term limits for elected officials.

General discussion ensued regarding: potential elimination of, or amendments to, Monroe Municipal Code 2.26, Term Limits for Elected Officials; the 2011 advisory vote regarding term limits; limiting number of terms versus the number of years served; consideration of holding another advisory vote regarding elimination/amendment to MMC 2.26 (timing/costs/voter turnout); and holding public hearings to gather citizen input on potential elimination/amendment.

Councilmember Cudaback moved to have the Mayor direct staff to develop an ordinance to repeal term limits (*and to hold two public hearings prior to consideration of the ordinance*); the motion was seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen. On vote,

Motion carried (5-1);  
Councilmember Kamp opposed.

**FINAL ACTION**

1. AB16-141: Ordinance No. 017/2016, Setting 2017 Property Tax Levy; Final Reading

Ms. Dianne Nelson, Finance Director, provided background information on AB16-141, the proposed ordinance setting the 2017 Property Tax Levy, and additional information provided in the packet regarding estimated 2017 Taxes.

Councilmember Cudaback thanked Ms. Nelson for the additional information; as requested at the October 18, 2016, Council Meeting.

Councilmember Cudaback moved to adopt Ordinance No. 017/2016, fixing the amount of taxes to be levied by the City for the calendar year 2017; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen. On vote,  
Motion carried (6-0).

**COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

1. Individual Reports

Councilmember Gamble commented on Monroe High School Homecoming, Monroe Public Schools Foundations grant applications reviewed, and stated he will be absent from the November 1, and November 15, 2016, Council Meetings.

Councilmember Kamp commented on attendance at the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Regional Meeting and topics discussed including the 2017 Legislative Priorities.

Councilmember Rasmussen commented on attendance at a Downtown Monroe Neighborhood meeting and the World Series of Baseball.

Councilmember Cudaback thanked the Council for the discussion on term limits.

Councilmember Scarboro commented on discussions with business owners in the downtown area regarding homelessness and panhandling.

**STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

1. Individual Reports

Mr. Mike Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director, reported on the following topics: projects planned at Lake Tye Park (2017) and Sky River Park (2018), and the Veteran's Memorial Dedication Ceremony to be held Saturday, November 5, 2016, 11:30 a.m.<sup>1</sup>

Mr. Dave Osaki, Community Development Director, reported on the following topics: pre application meetings, Planning Commission review of low impact development code amendments, and open Senior Planner position.

Mr. Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director, reported on the following topics: the 179<sup>th</sup> Street sidewalk project and Downtown Monroe electrical outlet locks.

Police Chief Tim Quenzer reported on the following topics: public appreciation received for the Monroe Police Department, beds in Monroe for homeless, and a potentially solved case regarding a recent string of burglaries.

12. Staff Report on Land Sales Update

Mr. Brazel noted the upcoming expiration of the land brokerage contract and potential to extend. Reaffirmation of the extension was agreed to by general consensus of the City Council.

**MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Mr. Brazel reported on attendance at a SCCIT meeting.

1. Monroe This Week (*October 21, 2016, Edition No. 40*)

Mayor Thomas noted the inclusion of Monroe This Week, Edition No. 40, in the agenda packet, and reported on the following items: Red Ribbon Week events, letter received from the Mayors of Snohomish County regarding the Snohomish Health District per

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<sup>1</sup> CLERK'S NOTE: Ceremony start time amended to 11:00 a.m.

capita funding request, downtown sculpture access, homelessness and beds available for treatment, and code review.

2. Draft Agenda for November 1, 2016, Regular Business Meeting

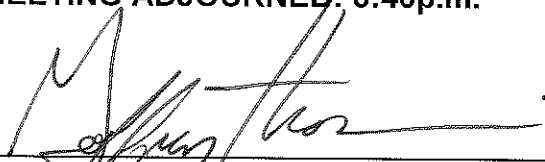
Mr. Brazel reviewed the draft agenda for the November 1, 2016, Monroe City Council Regular Business Meeting, the extended agenda, and additions/edits thereto.

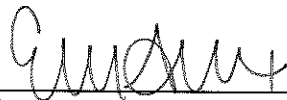
**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Motion carried (6-0).

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:46p.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 November 1, 2016.*