

**CITY OF MONROE
RESOLUTION NO. 019/2018**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
MONROE, WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF
MONROE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY
BOARD

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes and supports economic growth in the City of Monroe, Washington; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the City of Monroe Comprehensive Plan in December 2015 which included the Economic Development Strategy; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Strategy identified six themes as economic development strategic priorities: to develop a thriving Downtown with vibrant "Main Street character;" provide a great place to start and grow a business; become an outdoor and adventure destination; continue growth and development; maintain Monroe's US 2 regional retail center; and be walkable, accessible, and interconnected; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved the formation of the short-term Economic Development Advisory Board in 2018, which met throughout 2018, provided input, prioritized the City's economic development plans, and presented a recommendation to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish an Economic Development Advisory Board on a more permanent basis to provide a forum for the coordination of information among entities identified as having economic development roles, recommending priorities and establishing a means to monitor progress on goals; and providing such other advice and guidance with furthering Monroe's economic development strategy.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Establishment of City of Monroe Economic Development Advisory Board.

1. Term.
 - a. The Economic Development Board shall be established for the period of time commencing September 25, 2018, and ending December 31, 2022.
 - b. Evaluation. At the end of this period of time, the organization and effectiveness of the Board shall be evaluated and the Economic Development Advisory Board may be reconvened for a longer term as determined by City Council action.

2. Membership:

- a. Seven voting members, representing a cross section of the business community, shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.
- b. Terms of appointment shall be for four years.
- c. Initial terms of appointment shall be staggered as follows:
 - i. Three positions with terms ending December 31, 2022.
 - ii. Two positions with terms ending December 31, 2021.
 - iii. Two positions with terms ending December 31, 2020.
- d. Members may be removed by the Mayor, with the approval of the City Council.

3. Composition of the Board

- a. Seven at-large members who are either City residents or owners of businesses located within the City of Monroe.
- b. The Mayor and City Administrator as non-voting members.

4. Staffing

- a. As determined by the Mayor.

5. Regular Meetings:

- a. The Board will meet on a monthly basis, at a reoccurring day and time, as established by Board action.
- b. The Board's proceedings will comply with RCW 42.30, the Open Public Meetings Act, as appropriate according to law.

6. Responsibilities

- a. Provide a communication link between the City and the business community.
- b. Advise the City on implementation of the Economic Development Work Program.
- c. Advise the City on the business perspective on a range of policy issues such as capital planning, zoning amendments, and land use policy plans.

7. Authority

- a. The Board shall be an advisory body to the Mayor and City Council.
- b. All recommendations addressing work program, policy issues, and economic development related budget issues shall be made to the Monroe City Council.

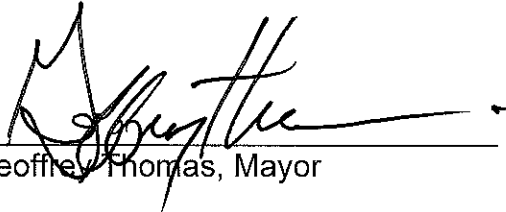
Section 2. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Monroe, at its regular meeting thereof, and APPROVED by the Mayor this 25th day of September, 2018.

Approved: September 25, 2018
Effective: September 25, 2018

CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON

(SEAL)



Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Elizabeth M. Adkisson, MMC, City Clerk



J. Zachary Lell, City Attorney