



MONROE THIS WEEK

September 25, 2015



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Appointment Openings

Salary Commission

Job Openings

Entry-Level Police Officer
Experienced Police Officer (Lateral)
Operations & Maintenance 2

Events this Week

- 10/1-** *Just Between Friends*
- 10/4** *Children's Consignment Event, Evergreen Fairgrounds, 10AM-2PM*
- 10/6** *City Council Meeting, City Hall, Council Chambers, 7PM*
- 10/7** *Homelessness in Monroe Panel Discussion, Monroe Library, 6PM*

From the Office of Mayor Thomas

To highlight some of the things going on in our community, I am writing this weekly city update, "Monroe This Week." If you have any suggestions or questions regarding "Monroe This Week" or the stories below, please contact me at GThomas@MonroeWa.gov.

Yours in Service,

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas

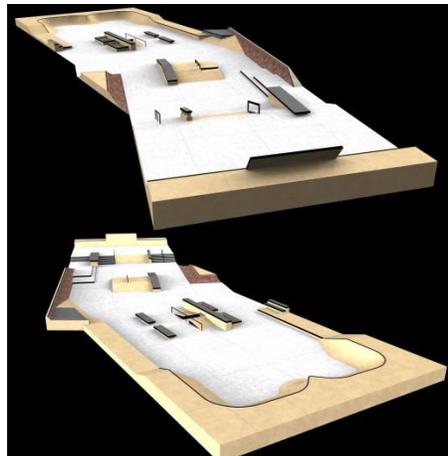
Be In The Know!

Welcome Planning Commissioner Jay Bull!

At its last meeting, Councilmembers confirmed my appointment of Jay Bull to Monroe's Planning Commission. Commissioner Bull has lived in Monroe for nearly twenty years, has volunteered as a coach and in his homeowners association, and works as a corporate financial officer. He will be serving the remainder of a vacant term which expires on December 31, 2016.

Skate Park Grant Update!

The Monroe City Council has authorized the execution of the state grant project agreement for the Lake Tye Skate Park Improvement project. Construction documents and specifications have been designed by contracted design firm Grindline, Inc. and construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2016.



**City of Monroe
Year to Date Comparisons**

*The following are year to date
comparisons of a few*

Sales Tax Revenues
'14 to 8/31/14: \$2,371,142
'15 to 8/31/15: \$2,640,028
UP \$268,886 or 11.34%

Real Estate Excise Tax
'14 to 8/31/14: \$261,698
'15 to 8/31/15: \$423,399
UP \$161,701 or 61.79%

Lodging Tax Revenues
'14 to 8/31/14: \$34,918
'15 to 8/31/15: \$37,731
UP \$2,813 or 8.06%

Business License Fees
'14 to 8/31/14: \$31,598
'15 to 8/31/15: \$32,307
UP \$709 or 2.24%

Building Permit Revenues
'14 to 8/31/14: \$123,539
'15 to 8/31/15: \$210,118
UP \$86,579 or 70.08%

Planning Fee Revenues
'14 to 8/31/14: \$23,230
'15 to 8/31/15: \$56,490
UP \$33,260 or 143.18%

New House Permits
'14 to 8/31/14: 8
'15 to 8/31/15: 39
UP 31 units or 387%

Multi-Family Permits (# units)
'14 to 8/31/14: 44 units
'15 to 8/31/15: 4 units
DOWN 40 units or -91%

Building Division Inspections
'14 to 8/31/14: 1,073
'15 to 8/31/15: 1,202
UP 129 or 12.0%

City Council Updates!

Wakeboard Park Update

H3O is reviewing a draft addendum to the existing agreement with the City for the Cable Wakeboard Park at Lake Tye. It is expected that H3O will submit comments on the addendum to City staff during the week of September 28th. The City Council may discuss and consider the addendum at the October 6th Council Meeting.

Next Council Meeting

As it is the fifth Tuesday of the month, the City Council does not meet, so there will be no meeting on Tuesday, September 29th. The next City Council Regular Business Meeting will be held on October 6th.

Project Updates!

Tjerne Place Extension Update

The contractor continues to dig away at the earth as the Tjerne Place SE road extension takes on more of its final shape. Another week of good weather would get the rough shape of the roadway established. The contractor will then transition to utility work while continuing to form, pour and complete the concrete retaining walls near the Emerald City Athletic Club.

