



# MONROE THIS WEEK

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## GREETINGS FROM MAYOR THOMAS

*Hello! Thank you for reading my weekly newsletter. I am grateful to serve the Monroe community and look forward to hearing from you. If you have any suggestions, questions, or comments for "Monroe This Week" or the articles included, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at [gthomas@monroewa.gov](mailto:gthomas@monroewa.gov). Thank you!*

*Yours in Service,*

*Mayor Geoffrey Thomas*



## Mayor Happenings

### SR 522 Support

Over the course of several weeks, the City has asked our partners, stakeholders, and organizations to write letters of support for the next phase of SR522. We have received 17 letters so far! THANK YOU to Senator Palumbo (Leg. Dist. 1), Senator Pearson, Rep. Kloba, Rep. Stanford, Snohomish County, Economic Alliance of Snohomish County, Snohomish County Committee for Improved Transportation, King-Snohomish County Master's Builders Association, Community Transit, Everett Community College, Republic Services, Fire Commissioner Woolery, Monroe Police Department, Monroe School District, Downtown Monroe Association, and Monroe Chamber of Commerce. Thank you for your support and work towards improvements to SR522!!



### SR522 Open House

I am pleased to announce that the City of Monroe will host WSDOT in an SR522 presentation at Monroe High School on March 8th from 7PM – 8:30PM. This will be an opportunity for you to talk with engineering staff from Washington State Department of Transportation and to learn about different options to construct the remaining phases of SR522. All are welcome to attend this meeting! Hope to see you there!

## EVENT HAPPENINGS

03/07	City Council Finance/HR Committee Mtg, City Hall, 6PM City Council Regular Business Meeting, City Hall, Council Chambers, 7PM
03/07	Elementary Kindergarten Information Night, District Wide, 6:30PM
03/08	SR 522 WSDOT Presentation, Monroe High School. 7-8:30PM
03/11	Downtown Monroe Clean-up, Dolloff Key Building, 4-5:30PM
03/11	Monroe School District Job Fair, Monroe High School, 9AM-1PM MHS Sports Medicine Run, Lake Tye, 9AM Adult Dodgeball Tournament, Monroe Boys and Girls Club, 10AM-2PM

### Mayor

Geoffrey Thomas

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### Councilmembers

Jeff Rasmussen, Mayor Pro Tem

Kirk Scarboro

Patsy Cudaback

Kevin Hanford

Ed Davis

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## City of Monroe

### Year-to-Date Comparisons

#### Sales Tax Revenues

'16 to 02/28/16: \$791,353

'17 to 02/28/17: \$869,788

**UP \$78,434 or 9.91%**

#### Real Estate Excise Tax

'16 to 02/28/16: \$149,811

'17 to 02/28/17: \$150,585

**UP \$774 or 0.52%**

#### Lodging Tax Revenues

'16 to 02/28/16: \$9,511

'17 to 02/28/17: \$8,592

**Down \$919 or -9.66%**

#### Business License Fees

'16 to 02/28/16: \$8,946

'17 to 02/28/17: \$8,150

**DOWN \$796 or -8.90%**

#### Building Permit Revenues

'16 to 02/28/16: \$39,717

'17 to 02/28/17: \$80,735

**UP \$41,017 or 103.27%**

#### Planning Fee Revenues

'16 to 02/28/16: \$5,975

'17 to 02/28/17: \$2,325

**DOWN \$3,650 or -61.09%**

#### New House Permits

'16 to 02/28/16: 7

'17 to 02/28/17: 11

**UP 4 units or 57.14%**

#### Multi-Family Permits (# units)

'16 to 02/28/16: 2

'17 to 02/28/17: 0

**DOWN 2 units or -100.0%**

#### Building Division Inspections

'16 to 02/28/16: 266

'17 to 02/28/17: 473

**UP 207 or 77.82%**

## 30 Years of Service Award

At the Tuesday, February 28, 2017, Council Meeting, our Public Works Director, Brad Feilberg, was recognized for over 30 years of service to the City of Monroe! In his 30 years, Brad has served as an interim Community Development Director, interim Finance Director, Operations Director, Engineering Director, City Engineer, and Assistant City Engineer. Thank you for your dedication and service to the City!!



## Monroe Police Department Awards

At the Tuesday, February 28, 2017, Council Meeting, the Monroe Police Department handed out their 2016 department awards. Congratulations to the 2016 Award Winners!

- Officer of the Year - Officer Scott Kornish
- Life Saving Awards – Sergeant Rick Dunn and Officers Scott Kornish, Craig Robertson, Devin Tucker and Tim Walker.

Thank you for your hard work and excellent service to the Community!

## Flag Disposal Services

The Monroe Police Department would like to extend the opportunity for anyone to bring a United States flag that is soiled, torn, worn or otherwise not able to be displayed to the Monroe Police Department. The United States Flag Code states, "The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem of display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning." Officer Shaun Van Eaton will oversee the acceptance, folding and donation of these flags to local area Veterans of Foreign War and American Legion. Officer Van Eaton is also available to meet with anyone bringing a flag in to have them participate in the proper folding of these flags. For more information, contact the Monroe Police Department at 360-794-6300.



## COUNCIL HAPPENINGS

On the Tuesday, March 7, 2017, City Council Meeting, upcoming agenda items include a discussion of Blueberry Lane/N. Kelsey Street Potential Traffic Revisions, and Term Limits.

#### Appointment Openings

Planning Commissioner

Salary Commissioner

Ethics Boardmember (3)

[www.monroewa.gov/vacancies](http://www.monroewa.gov/vacancies)

#### Job Openings

Engineering Administrative

Specialist

Lateral Police Officer

[www.monroewa.gov/jobs](http://www.monroewa.gov/jobs)

## EVENT HAPPENINGS

### Movie schedule for Movies Under the Moon is out!

Come out to Lake Tye Park on select Friday evenings in August and enjoy Movies Under the Moon! These free events are sponsored by Republic Services, City of Monroe, Monroe Arts Council, Monroe Concert Band, Monroe Family YMCA & Monroe Boys & Girls Club.

- Friday, August 4: **The Lego Batman Movie**
- Friday, August 11: **Sing**
- Friday, August 18: **The Jungle Book**
- Friday, August 25: **Rogue One: A Star Wars Story**

### New Playground for Lake Tye Park!

The Monroe City Council authorized 2017 Parks Capital Improvement Project (CIP) funding for replacement of the 20-year old playground at Lake Tye Park, which is a listed project in the Park Plan. The playground has outlived its service life, replacement parts were becoming non-existent, and features were dated and lacking the inclusive, challenge and motion elements that the playground industry of today offers. A presentation of an exciting new design was made to the Park Board and invited public on February 23, 2017, at Fryelands Elementary School. After the presentation, the Park Board recommended that the Monroe City Council approve purchase of the equipment as designed for the park. The Monroe City Council will consider approval at the next scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2017. This exciting new park project is anticipated to be completed before the end of May 2017.



### East County Spring Job Fair

On Thursday, March 30, 2017, the East County Spring Job Fair will be held at the Monroe Boys and Girls Club. The job fair will run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring your resume, dress the part, and come talk to over 50 employers who are offering part-time and full-time positions. For more information, click [here!](#)

### Monroe School District Job Fair

The Monroe School District is hosting its first event Job Fair to reach a wide audience of potential employees to work as teachers, substitute teachers, classified staff, and bus drivers. Come out to Monroe High School on March 11, 2017 to learn more about the opportunities the Monroe School District has. The job fair runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### 2017-2018 Monroe School District Kindergarten Information Night and Registration

Parents and guardians are invited to attend one of the informational meetings that will be held district-wide on Tuesday, March 7 at 6:30 p.m. These meetings will be hosted by each school's principal and include a discussion about curriculum as well as a walk-through of the registration process.

Meetings will be held at each of the locations listed below:

- Chain Lake Elementary, 12125 Chain Lake Road Snohomish, 360-804-3100
- Frank Wagner Elementary, 115 Dickinson Road Monroe, 360-804-3200
- Fryelands Elementary, 15286 Fryelands Boulevard Monroe, 360-804-3400
- Maltby Elementary, 9700 - 212th Street SE Snohomish, 360-804-3500
- Salem Woods Elementary, 12802 Wagner Road Monroe, 360-804-3600