



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.

Thank you!

Yours in Service,

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas



MAYOR HAPPENINGS

Choose Monroe Magazine

At Tuesday, February 20, 2018, City Council Meeting, Council approved a contract with Philips Publishing for a Choose Monroe magazine. The Choose Monroe magazine will serve as a visitor information guide to promote Monroe to visitors and tourists to help make them aware of services, events, activities, and destinations that make Monroe special. It will be distributed locally and in surrounding areas to encourage visitors and tourists to come see what Monroe has to offer. Thank you to the Monroe City Council for your support!

Mayor

Geoffrey Thomas

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Councilmembers

Jason Gamble, Mayor Pro Tem

Patsy Cudaback

Kevin Hanford

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Jim Kamp

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COUNCIL HAPPENINGS

The Tuesday, February 27, 2018, Monroe City Council Study Session Meeting agenda items include: a Presentation: City of Monroe Investment Information, Railroad Quiet Zones, and Streamline Sales Tax/Marketplace Fairness. For more information about the City Council agenda and additional items, visit www.monroewa.gov. The MCC P4 Committee will discuss Garbage Contract and Traffic Revisions.

EVENT HAPPENINGS

02/24	<i>UNW Model Train Show & Swap Meet, Evergreen</i>
02/25	<i>Fairgrounds, 10AM-4PM</i>
02/27	<i>MCC P4 Committee Meeting, City Hall, Council Chambers, 6PM</i>
	<i>City Council Study Session Meeting, City Hall, Council Chambers, 7PM</i>

Appointment Openings

LTAC Member (Hotelier)

Ethics Boardmember (3)

Salary Commissioner

www.monroewa.gov/vacancies

Job Openings

Lateral Police Officer

www.monroewa.gov/jobs

City of Monroe
Year-to-Date Comparisons

Sales Tax Revenues

'17 to 01/31/17: \$371,743

'18 to 01/31/18: \$385,886

UP \$14,143 or 3.80%

Real Estate Excise Tax

'17 to 01/31/17: \$59,971

'18 to 01/31/18: \$103,435

UP \$43,464 or 72.47%

Lodging Tax Revenues

'17 to 01/31/17: \$4,581

'18 to 01/31/18: \$4,878

Up \$297 or 6.48%

Business License Fees

'17 to 01/31/17: \$4,108

'18 to 01/31/18: \$4,554

UP \$446 or 10.85%

Building Permit Revenues

'17 to 01/31/17: \$39,220

'18 to 01/31/18: \$41,962

UP \$2,742 or 6.99%

Planning Fee Revenues

'17 to 01/31/17: \$625

'18 to 01/31/18: \$175

DOWN \$450 or -72%

CITY HAPPENINGS

Passport Day

The City of Monroe's Finance Department will be hosting a "Passport Day" on Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Monroe City Hall. If you are interested in applying for your passport, but can't come during the week, here's your chance. Applications will be processed on a first come, first serve basis and the doors will be closed at 1 p.m. to insure that all accepted applications will get to the post office in time, so plan to come early. If you have any questions regarding passport applications, visit our web site at www.monroewa.gov under Government Services or call us at 360-794-7400.

CALL-FOR-SCULPTORS: DOWNTOWN OUTDOOR SCULPTURE!

The City of Monroe is seeking submissions for an outdoor sculpture, which may be interactive, to be installed on the public sidewalk along Main Street between Blakely Street and Ferry Avenue within the newly-renovated Downtown Plaza Area. The proposal should express a connection to the City of Monroe, the character of the specific display location, and reflect the City's diversity. Artists are strongly encouraged to visit the actual installation site.

The deadline for entries is March 30, 2018, by 4:00pm. Artist selection will be notified by Friday, May 4, 2018 and artist installation will need to occur no later than December 21, 2018.

For information regarding eligibility, specifications, selection process, submittal of materials and selection criteria, please visit www.monroewa.gov.