



# MONROE THIS WEEK

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## GREETINGS FROM MAYOR THOMAS

Hello! Thank you for reading Monroe This Week. Learn what is happening and has happened during the week. If you have any suggestions, questions, or comments for "Monroe This Week" or the articles included, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Thank you!  
Yours in Service,

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas



## MAYOR HAPPENINGS

### Homeless Policy Advisory Committee

The issue of homelessness continues to be a pressing and highly visible public health, safety and welfare concern for the City of Monroe and the Monroe community. While the City has taken numerous steps to address homelessness in the last two years, there may be additional actions and best practices the city could implement. The Mayor and City Council desire to establish an ad hoc committee to provide a forum to evaluate new ideas and offer advisory recommendations to the Mayor and City Council. This last Tuesday, the City Council moved forward with a proposal to form a Homelessness Policy Advisory Committee. A final decision to form the committee is expected next week. This committee will be open to residents, businesses, faith community, and service providers in Monroe. Members shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council. Applications will be available next week on our website or in person at City Hall. We look forward to working with the community to seek solutions regarding issues related to homelessness.

### Embedded Social Worker

Beginning February 6th & 7th, Social Worker Elisa Delgado will be transitioning her days with the Community Outreach Team to Wednesdays and Thursdays. This change will allow her more flexibility to work with our Municipal Court, City Attorney and Public Defender. Additionally, this schedule will allow access to Take the Next Step's drop-in center on Wednesdays for further contacts. Thank you to the Monroe Police Department for your continued efforts with the embedded social worker.

### Mayor

Geoffrey Thomas

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### Councilmembers

Kevin Hanford, Mayor Pro Tem

Patsy Cudaback

Ed Davis

Jason Gamble

Jim Kamp

Jeff Rasmussen

Kirk Scarboro

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## EVENT HAPPENINGS

01/22	City Hall Closed, MLK Jr. Day
01/22	City Council P4 Committee Meeting, Council Conference Room, 6:00PM  City Council Regular Business Meeting, City Hall, Council Chambers, 7PM
01/27	Jayme Biendl Memorial Run, Sky River Park, 10AM

### City of Monroe Boards & Commissions Openings

- Ethics Boardmember (4)
- LTAC Member (Hotelier)
- Salary Commissioner

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

### Job Openings

- Lateral Police Officer
- Senior Planner (Parks)

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

**City of Monroe**  
**Year-to-Date Comparisons**

Sales Tax Revenues

'17 to 12/31/17: \$5,202,980  
'18 to 12/31/18: \$5,227,287  
**UP \$24,307 or 0.46%**

Real Estate Excise Tax

'17 to 12/31/17: \$1,621,391  
'18 to 12/31/18: \$1,333,345  
**DOWN \$288,046 or -17.76%**

Lodging Tax Revenues

'17 to 12/31/17: \$83,861  
'18 to 12/31/18: \$88,063  
**UP \$4,203 or 5.01%**

Business License Fees

'17 to 12/31/17: \$50,642  
'18 to 12/31/18: \$49,949  
**DOWN \$693 or 1.36%**

Building Permit Revenues

'17 to 12/31/17: \$617,823  
'18 to 12/31/18: \$752,468  
**UP \$135,445 or 21.95%**

Planning Fee Revenues

'17 to 12/31/17: \$41,041  
'18 to 12/31/18: \$61,285  
**UP \$20,244 or 49.32%**

SFR Permits YTD

'17 to 12/31/17: 138  
'18 to 12/31/18: 190

Multi-Family Permits (#units)

'17 to 12/31/17: 24  
'18 to 12/31/18: 0

Inspections YTD

'17 to 12/31/17: 3,001  
'18 to 12/31/18: 2,466

**CITY HAPPENINGS**

**Coffee with a Cop**

Vinnacio's at 14751 N Kelsey Street in Monroe will be hosting Coffee With A Cop on Tuesday, January 22nd from 8 am to 10 am. The public is invited to come and meet Chief Jolley and members of the police department. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Safety Message**

Although we have had some sunny weather the last few days, we are still in the midst of winter and this time of year we see a spike in fire calls. Be fire smart and remember to keep a 3-foot parameter around any heat source. Always plug heat-producing appliances directly into the wall outlet, but only plug one appliance into a wall outlet at a time. Additionally, make sure your home has properly working smoke detectors and close your bedroom doors before you go to bed at night.

**COUNCIL HAPPENINGS**

The Tuesday, January 22, 2019, City Council Regular Business Meeting includes the following items: Public Hearing - Street Vacation (continued); Projects; ILA for Embedded Social Worker; SHD BOD Representative; Resolution: Homeless Policy Advisory Committee Creation; and Department Reports. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. at Monroe City Hall, Council Chambers; and always includes a Public Comments portion of the agenda for your input and feedback. See you then!

Have a question for your Councilmembers?  
Contact them at [councilmembers@monroewa.gov](mailto:councilmembers@monroewa.gov)!!



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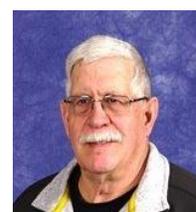
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