



MONROE CITY COUNCIL

Regular Study Session
Tuesday, August 18, 2020, 7:00 P.M.
Zoom Online Meeting Platform

Mayor
Geoffrey Thomas

Councilmembers
*Ed Davis, Mayor Pro Tem;
Patsy Cudaback; Kevin Hanford;
Jason Gamble, Jeff Rasmussen;
Kirk Scarboro, & Heather Rousey*

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council meeting was held virtually via Zoom. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and Proclamation 20-28.8 issued by Governor Jay Inslee, in-person attendance is not permitted at this time.

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present:
Davis, Cudaback, Hanford, Gamble, Scarboro, and Rousey

Mayor Thomas noted the excused absence of Councilmember Rasmussen. No objections were noted.

Staff present:
Pfister, Knight, Feilberg, Swanson, Adams, Hasart, Huebner, and Christian

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Davis

PRESENTATION

Mayor Thomas requested to amend the agenda to include a presentation to issue a proclamation.

Councilmember Cudaback moved to add a proclamation from the Mayor commemorating the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment, guaranteeing women the right to vote. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rousey. On vote, motion carried 6-0

Mayor Thomas issued a [proclamation](#) recognizing August 18, 2020 as the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution; and introduced Karen Crowley with The League of Women Voters of Snohomish County, who said a few words and thanked Mayor Thomas for issuing the proclamation. Councilmember Hanford thanked Ms. Crowley for speaking.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This time is set aside for members of the public to speak to the City Council on any issue related to the City of Monroe; except any quasi-judicial matter subject to a public hearing. Three minutes will be allowed per speaker.

There were no comments from the public.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

There were no staff/department reports.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Cudaback thanked the unknown source for their garbage clean-up efforts behind Wal-Mart.

Councilmember Hanford reported that he would be absent from the September 1 council meeting. Mayor Thomas noted that the September 1 meeting had previously been cancelled.

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MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. City Administrator Update (D. Knight)

Deborah Knight, City Administrator, reported on the following topics:

- Extended agenda
- Kudos from resident regarding the city's finance bill-pay webpage
- Kudos from the state auditor's office to Finance Director Becky Hasart for her assistance during the most recent audit

2. Mayor's Update

Mayor Thomas reported on the following topics:

- Meeting at St. Mary's of the Valley last Thursday
- Upcoming first meeting of the Community Human Services Advisory Board (CHSAB)
- Upcoming meeting with the Monroe Equity Council
- Success story provided by Judge Ness in latest issue of Monroe This Week

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. AB20-125: FCS Group Introduction to Planning Cost of Service Study (B. Swanson)

Ben Swanson, Community Development Director, provided background information on AB20-125; reviewed previous committee discussion; and introduces Matt Hobson with FCS Group.

Mr. Hobson shared a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the following topics:

- Key study steps
- What costs can be recovered
- Study timeline
- Summary of results
- Finance Committee's feedback
- Proposed cost recovery policy

Discussion ensued related to the following topics: comparative cities; and reducing cost to taxpayers.

Mr. Swanson reviewed next steps and noted that the recommended rate models will be presented to Council at the August 25 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Gamble and seconded by Councilmember Scarboro to adjourn the meeting. On vote, motion carried 6-0.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:40 p.m.

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Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

Gina Pfister, Deputy City Clerk

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