



MONROE CITY COUNCIL

Regular Business Meeting
Tuesday, July 13, 2021, 7:00 P.M.
Zoom Online Meeting Platform

Mayor
Geoffrey Thomas

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

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council meeting was both in person and virtually via Zoom. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and Proclamation 20-28 issued by Governor Jay Inslee, public meetings must still be accessible via remote means.

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present:

Rousey, Cudaback, Hanford (via Zoom), Gamble, Rasmussen (via Zoom), and Scarboro. Councilmember Davis was excused.

Staff present:

Knight, Hasart, Swanson, Warthan, Feilberg, Farrell, Jolley, Roberts, Criswell, Huebner, Christian, Haley, Marrero, Lande, Stickles, and City Attorney Lell

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Cudaback.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.1. June Payroll Approval
- 5.2. 07/13/21 AP/ACH Approval
- 5.3. Ordinance No. 006/2021 2021 Budget Amendment, Final Adoption
- 5.4. Donation and License Agreement for Lake Tye Park Public Art/Memorial
- 5.5. Award Bid WWTP CIP 1 Project
- 5.6. Acceptance of Public Assistance Grant for Flood Damage to Sky River Park
- 5.7. Contract for Services with Strategies360
- 5.8. Confirmation of Proclamation Terminating Emergency
- 5.9. Master Agreement with Department of Corrections for Offender Work Crew Projects

Motion: Move to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Scarboro moved. Councilmember Gamble seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

- 6.1. Resolution No. 007/2021 Adopting the City of Monroe Housing Action Plan

Ms. Marrero provided a brief overview on the Housing Action Plan (HAP) to include review of strategies and actions to date. A PowerPoint presentation was available if needed (attachment 1).



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Councilmember Cudaback shared she thinks the HAP is great and appreciates the assessment. Ms. Cudaback asked for more information on the land trust concept as part of Strategy 4. Staff responded. Councilmember Cudaback inquired about the difference between master planned community and the middle-income strategy. Staff responded.

Councilmember Scarboro inquired if the City would own the land under the land trust model. Staff clarified it does not have to be the City that owns the land. Mr. Scarboro asked if there is a market for this model. Staff responded. Councilmember Scarboro inquired if the City would need to create monetary incentives to get builders to build these types of housing. Staff responded.

Discussion ensued regarding what possible incentives could look like.

Councilmember Scarboro asked if the City would need to identify the incentives before adopting the HAP. Staff responded Council could wait on incentives if they chose.

Councilmember Gamble stated he is encouraged by the strategies presented. He felt approval of the resolution approves the strategies but the tactics to support the strategies would still be discussed and adopted at a later time.

Councilmember Rousey shared she felt this is well written and likes that it does not just identify multifamily housing as the only option.

Motion: Move to pass Resolution No. 007/2021 Adopting the City of Monroe Housing Action Plan. Councilmember Cudaback moved. Councilmember Gamble seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Cudaback shared she is happy to be back in the Chambers for the meeting this evening.

Councilmember Hanford expressed he is also looking forward to being in Chambers soon and he is looking forward to the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Lake Tye All Weather Fields project.

Councilmember Gamble agreed with both Councilmember Cudaback's and Councilmember Hanford's comments.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- 8.1. May 2021 Finance Report – Ms. Hasart presented the report as included in the meeting packet.
- 8.2. June 2021 Parks Department Report – Mr. Farrell presented the report as included in the meeting packet.
- 8.3. Public Works June 2021 Development Report – Mr. Roberts presented the report as included in the meeting packet.
- 8.4. Emergency Management Report – Mr. Feilberg presented information on Snohomish County COVID efforts, case counts, and extreme heat event (attachment 2).



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- 8.5. 2021 Monroe Police Department Fireworks Report – Chief Jolley presented the report as included in the meeting packet. Mayor Thomas shared fireworks will be a topic of discussion at the July 20, 2021 Study Session.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Ms. Knight reviewed the extended agenda as presented in the meeting packet. Councilmember Cudaback shared she will be present on July 20, 2021.

Ms. Knight provided an update on responses to the Imagine Monroe Survey, on the Human Services Need Assessment stakeholder interviews, on the Human Services community survey schedule, and on the Summer Concert Series. Ms. Knight commended Ms. Drews with the Chamber of Commerce and the Parks staff for the excellent Summer Concert event on Friday, July 9, 2021. Councilmember Rasmussen echoed Ms. Knight's comments regarding the Summer Concert event on Friday, July 9, 2021.

Mayor Thomas shared he attended the really great Juneteenth Festival and thanked the organizers for the wonderful event. Mayor Thomas shared the Pride Event held the end of June was well attended despite the heat. This was a great event organized by the Monroe Equity Council.

Mayor Thomas thanked staff and the City's partners for their work during the recent excessive heat event.

Mayor Thomas shared that he, Ms. Knight, and Ms. Adams recently met with the Latinx community to discuss opportunities regarding the City's American Rescue Plan Act allocation.

Mayor Thomas expressed it was nice to see everyone in person and thanked staff for setting up they hybrid meeting for this evening. The current setup is temporary and improvements to the audit/visual equipment is pending.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Thomas noted the need for an executive session and provided the following information:

The City Council will convene an executive session for the purposes of discussing pricing of property pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b), discussing property acquisition pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(c), and discussing potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for 15 minutes. The Mayor will notify the staff if the executive session has been extended and staff will notify the public. Council is anticipated to take action following the executive session. For purposes of the executive session, the Council will leave the current, publicly accessible Zoom meeting and will join a new Zoom meeting, for which the dial-in information has been separately provided to the Council Members.

The Council meeting was recessed to executive session at 7:56 p.m. for 15 minutes.

At 8:11 p.m. the executive session was extended to 8:21 p.m.

At 8:21 p.m. the executive session was extended to 8:31 p.m.

At 8:31 p.m. the executive session was extended to 8:36 p.m.

At 8:36 p.m. the executive session was extended to 8:41 p.m.



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At 8:41 p.m. the executive session was extended to 8:43 p.m.

At 8:43 p.m. the executive session was extended to 8:45 p.m.

The executive session ended at 8:45 p.m.

The Council meeting reconvened to regular session at 8:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Move to adjourn. Councilmember Gamble moved. Councilmember Scarboro seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:46 p.m.

Geoffrey Thomas (Jul 28, 2021 13:52 PDT)

Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

Rabecca R. Hasart, Interim City Clerk

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