



MONROE THIS WEEK

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Thank you for reading Monroe This Week.

This week's edition includes details on my 2022 Recommended Budget, the upcoming public hearing scheduled to consider a cable grant franchise, the Monroe Police Department's efforts to help safely dispose of medications, how to protect our stormwater systems, the new edition of the Choose Monroe magazine, and the ribbon cutting ceremony for two new local businesses.



Please contact me with any and all feedback regarding the articles below. I can be reached at GThomas@MonroeWA.gov.

Yours in Service,

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas

MAYOR'S 2022 RECOMMENDED BUDGET RELEASED

My 2022 Recommended City of Monroe Budget is now available for review on our [website](#). This document is the culmination of a significantly collaborative and inclusive process that includes our City Council, the Planning Commission, the Park Board, the Economic Development Advisory Board (EDAB), the Community Human Services Advisory Board (CHSAB), and City staff at all levels of the organization. If you would like to share your thoughts on the 2022 Recommended Budget, you may do so at the next City Council Regular Business Meeting on Tuesday, October 12 at 7:00 p.m., which can be accessed [here](#).



City of Monroe

**2022 Mayor's
Recommended
Budget**

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED TO CONSIDER GRANT OF CABLE FRANCHISE

The City will hold a Public Hearing at approximately 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 12, during the City Council Business Meeting, to take public comment on the proposed award of a 10-year franchise agreement to Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC. Award of the proposed franchise agreement will grant Comcast a nonexclusive franchise for the purpose of providing cable services, including the right to construct, operate, repair and maintain the cable system.



A public comment period will be available during the public hearing, and anyone may provide public testimony during that period. Written comments can also be submitted by emailing Becky Hasart, Finance Director/Interim City Clerk, at BHasart@MonroeWA.gov, and must be received prior to the public hearing. For additional information on the proposed franchise agreement, please contact Rich Huebner, Management Analyst, at (360) 722-1684, or by email at RHuebner@MonroeWA.gov.

The public hearing will be held via the Zoom remote meeting platform:
Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89536855135>
Call in: (253) 215-8782
Meeting ID: 895 3685 5135

SAFELY DISPOSE OF UNWANTED MEDICATION

The [Monroe Police Department](#) is accepting expired and unwanted medicines for safe disposal. [MED-Project USA](#) has a receptacle in the department's lobby located at 818 West Main Street.



ACCEPTED - Medications in any dosage form in their original container sealed in a bag. (It is recommended you use a sharpie to mark out identifying information)

NOT ACCEPTED - Herbal remedies, vitamins, supplements, cosmetics, other personal care products, compressed cylinders, aerosols, inhalers, medical devices, pet pesticide products, sharps, illicit drugs, or iodine-containing medications.

PROTECTING OUR STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE

Fall is upon us! Did you know that fallen leaves can plug storm drains, flooding our roads and harming our creeks? Too many decomposing leaves entering our streams cause unnaturally high levels of nutrients in our waterways, which is harmful to aquatic wildlife. City sweepers are in use full-time tackling the leaves during the fall and winter months; however, your help can make a big difference in keeping up with the fall debris! Collect your leaves as often as possible and place them in your yard waste container - do not pile leaves in the street as sweeping trucks cannot collect piled leaves.



For more information on how the Monroe community works to protect stormwater infrastructure and the environment, please visit our [stormwater](#) and [street-sweeping](#) pages.

NEW EDITION OF CHOOSE MONROE MAGAZINE IS HERE

The 2022 Fall/Winter Choose Monroe magazine is coming to you! City of Monroe residents, watch your mailboxes starting today. Then, grab a warm cup of coffee, cozy up on the couch, and enjoy this seasonal edition. This edition includes features on Sky Valley's Arts & Crafts Scene, Fall Fun for All, and a Sip & Stop guide to your next Stevens Pass trip. If you're not a resident, no problem! Copies will be available online, at the Monroe Visitor Center, and local businesses.



2 LOCAL BUSINESSES CELEBRATE RIBBON CUTTINGS

Two new Monroe businesses recently celebrated their ribbon cuttings. On Monday, September 20, a ribbon cutting was held at The Lounge, a beauty salon that provides lash, facial, wax, and sugaring services. Located at 20012 US-2, they are welcoming new clients.

Yesterday, Thursday, October 6, a ribbon cutting was held at **Monroe Fish and Chips**, a fast service restaurant offering fish, shrimp, and chicken strips, with side dishes including fries, clam chowder, and mac n cheese. Located at 1000 W. Main Street, Monroe Fish and Chips is open Tuesday thru Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please join me in welcoming these two new businesses to Monroe!



UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

The City Council will meet in a Regular Business Meeting on Tuesday, October 12, 2021. The meeting will be held via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Participation information will be posted with the October 12 agenda, which can be accessed by clicking the button below.

[Council Agendas/Minutes](#)

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Kevin Hanford



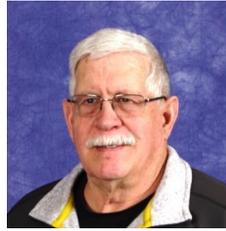
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