



# MONROE THIS WEEK

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*Thank you for reading Monroe This Week.*

*This week's edition includes wishes for happy holidays and a happy New Year, details on the Imagine Monroe vision statement, the City actively recruiting for multiple positions, an update on snow preparations, the annual "Shop with a Cop" event today, and the Monroe Community Senior Center's drive-thru Christmas dinner this evening.*



*Please contact me with any and all feedback regarding the articles below. I can be reached at [GThomas@MonroeWA.gov](mailto:GThomas@MonroeWA.gov).*

*Yours in Service,*

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM MY HEART TO YOURS

Next week we enter the holiday season. While 2021 has been another difficult year for many, through it all, I have witnessed a community coming together and helping each other. Our community has grown stronger together. Through the difficult times we've faced this year, there has been a light shining through, and that is the love and support that I have witnessed throughout 2021. I am truly thankful for this wonderful community, and I thank everyone choosing to live and work in Monroe for being that light. I wish all Monroe residents a very Happy Holidays and Happy New Year.



## IMAGINE MONROE FINAL VISION STATEMENT

On Tuesday, December 14, the Monroe City Council adopted "Imagine Monroe," a vision statement that represents who and what we aspire to be today and 30 years into our future. To realize Imagine Monroe, the City will use the vision statement to prioritize projects and to develop plans, policies, budgets, and delivery of services to residents, employers, and visitors in Monroe.

Imagine Monroe was created based on feedback from over 1,000 survey responses, comments received at community events, and outreach to community advocates and diverse groups within our city. Imagine Monroe was led by a 20-person sounding board, representing people with diverse interests in our community, and people with different lived experiences. I am truly thankful for all the work, dialogue, and discernment that everyone put into developing Imagine Monroe.

### **Imagine Monroe:**

**A lively center surrounded by nature. A place of beauty and goodwill.**

**Our parks, waterways, and environment are healthy and accessible for everyone to enjoy.**

**Our historic downtown and business districts are thriving and full of locally owned businesses and locally sourced products.**

**We can find everything we need with regional connections and a variety of choices for work, housing, dining, shopping, arts, and activities.**



Friendly and responsive, we strengthen connections through gathering spaces, events, services, and community-centered infrastructure – creating a safe place for all.

In Monroe, everyone feels at home, and everyone feels they belong.

## CITY ACTIVELY RECRUITING FOR MULTIPLE POSITIONS

Looking to serve the community you live in? The City of Monroe has a few positions open, including Planning Manager, Lateral Police Officer, Parks and Recreation Admin Assistant, and Public Works Operation and Maintenance Supervisor. Please visit our [Employment Opportunities page](#) for more information, to review the required job qualifications of each position, and to apply.



## CITY PLOWS SERVICED AND READY TO GO

With winter upon us, the Public Works Department has City plows serviced and ready to go in the event of snow. A reminder that City plows will operate on priority routes first and then will work on local and neighborhood streets after clearing arterial roads. Crews will work to clear, sand and salt roadways. For more information, please visit our [Snow and Ice Removal page](#).



## ANNUAL SHOP WITH A COP EVENT

This afternoon, the [Monroe Police Department](#) will be hosting their annual "Shop with a Cop" event at Walmart from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. "Shop with a Cop" is a unique opportunity for officers and kids to spend time together for an unforgettable holiday shopping

experience. This event is sponsored by the Monroe Police Officers Association in cooperation with the Monroe Police Department and local Monroe businesses. It is funded by private charitable donations. We would like to thank [Farmgirl Candle Company](#) and Walmart for their support.



## SENIOR CENTER DRIVE-THRU CHRISTMAS DINNER

Today from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m., the [Monroe Community Senior Center](#) will be holding a drive-thru Christmas dinner with ham and all the fixings! It costs \$10 per dinner and all ages are welcome. You can reserve your dinner by calling 360-794-6359.



## UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

The City Council will next meet in a Regular Business Meeting on Tuesday, January 11, 2022. The meeting will be held via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Participation information will be posted with the January 11 agenda, which can be accessed by clicking the button below.

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