



MONROE CITY COUNCIL

Regular Study Session Meeting
Tuesday, February 1, 2022, 7:00 P.M.
Zoom Online Meeting Platform

MINUTES

Mayor
Geoffrey Thomas

Councilmembers
Jason Gamble, Mayor Pro Tem;
Kevin Hanford; Ed Davis
Kirk Scarboro; Heather Fulcher,
Tammy Kinney & Kyle Fisher

The City Council meeting was held virtually via Zoom. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and Proclamation 20-28 issued by Governor Jay Inslee, in-person meetings are not being held at this time.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Gamble, Fulcher, Davis, Hanford, Scarboro, and Kinney.
Councilmember Fisher was excused.

Staff present: Knight, Hasart, Swanson, Piland, Roberts, Ladwig, Bailey, Farrell, Huebner, Peterson, Christian, Gardner, Klinkers, and Wycoff

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Kinney.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Scarboro reported that he attended the recent VFW Pancake Breakfast event.

Councilmember Gamble asked if there was Council support to request staff to bring forward a discussion on the lighting at Lake Tye Park. There was Council support, and this topic will be brought to a future meeting.

6. MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

6.1 – Extended Agenda

Deborah Knight, City Administrator, reviewed the extended agenda as presented in the meeting packet.

6.2 – City Administrator Report

Ms. Knight said that the community meeting for the North Hill Park design had good attendance and thanked staff for putting the presentation together. Ms. Knight gave a legislative on HB1025 (sales tax for park O&M) and HB1782 (requiring cities to allow duplexes, tri-plexes and fourplexes in zones allowing single-family homes or adopt minimum density equivalent).

6.3 – Mayor's Report

Mayor Thomas did not have a report.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1 – Powell Street Reconstruction Presentation

Scott Peterson, Interim City Engineer, presented the Powell Street Reconstruction project including a summary of community engagement related to the project and design alternatives and requested Council feedback. After discussion, there was Council consensus to move forward with preferred alternative as presented. Mr. Peterson then reviewed next steps for the project.

7.2 – Park Impact Fee

Ben Swanson, Parks & Recreation Planning & Capital Projects Manager, introduced this item and provided a summary of the Finance & Human Resources Committee's previous reviews of the Park Impact Fee, including committee members' concerns related to some of the multi-family fees.

Becky Hasart, Finance Director, provided a presentation to review what Park Impact Fees are, why they are needed, and the formulas used to generate the proposed fees.

Ms. Hasart reviewed two options for proposed fees and requested Council's feedback on which option to bring back for adoption. The first option is the maximum allowable; and the second option shows a reduction in the duplex and 2-4 unit (aka. "missing middle" fees. "Missing middle" housing is identified in the City's Housing Action Plan (HAP) as housing that primarily includes single-family attached housing with two or more units or other housing bridging a gap between single family and more intensive multifamily housing.

After discussion, Council requested that staff adjust the fees for the "missing middle" by comparing to neighboring city's fees for similar housing rather than a straight percentage.

8. 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 purpose of discussing pricing of property pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) for 10 minutes.**

8:16 p.m. - City Council went into executive session for 10 minutes.

In attendance at executive session: Mayor Thomas, Councilmembers Gamble, Fulcher, Davis, Hanford, Scarboro, and Kinney, City Administrator Deborah Knight, and Community Development Director, Lance Bailey.

8:26 p.m. - the executive session was extended in increments for a total of 20 minutes.

8:46 p.m. - the Council meeting reconvened.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and no objection, Mayor Thomas adjourned the meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:46 p.m.


Geoffrey Thomas (Feb 9, 2022 11:06 PST)

Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor


Jodi Wycoff (Feb 9, 2022 17:33 PST)

Jodi Wycoff, City Clerk

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