



MONROE CITY COUNCIL

Business Meeting
Tuesday, January 25, 2022 7:00 P.M.
Zoom Online Meeting Platform

MINUTES

Mayor
Geoffrey Thomas

Councilmembers
Jason Gamble, Mayor Pro Tem;
Kevin Hanford; Ed Davis,
Heather Fulcher, Kirk Scarboro,
Tami 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 7:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Hanford, Davis, Scarboro, Fulcher, Kinney, Fisher, and Gamble (7:15 p.m.)

Staff present:

Knight, Hasart, Warthan, Piland, Roberts, Ladwig, Jolley, Bailey, Farrell, Huebner, Peterson, Criswell, Christian, Marrero, Gathman, Wycoff, City Attorney Lell, and City Attorney Miner

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Fulcher.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

4.1 – Proclamation – National Black History Month

Mayor Thomas read a proclamation recognizing February 2022 as National Black History Month.

5. PUBLIC HEARING

5.1 - Public Hearing: Ordinance 003/2022: Granting a 5-year nonexclusive telecommunications franchise to Astound Broadband LLC; First Reading

Rich Huebner, Management Analyst, introduced Emily Miner, City Attorney, who provided the staff report which reviewed highlights of the proposed franchise agreement.

7:10 p.m. Mayor Thomas opened the public hearing.

There was no public testimony.

Motion: Councilmember Hanford moved to close the public testimony portion of the public hearing. Councilmember Kinney seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion: Councilmember Scarboro moved to close the public hearing. Councilmember Hanford seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

7:11 p.m. Public Hearing closed.

Motion: Councilmember Hanford moved to accept as first reading Ordinance No. 003/2022, granting a nonexclusive telecommunications franchise to Astound Broadband for a period of five (5) years, and forward to the February 8, 2022 business meeting for a second reading. Councilmember Davis seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

7. FINAL ACTION

7.1 - Ordinance No.002/2022, an Ordinance of the City of Monroe Adopting the Monroe Woodlands Annexation

Anita Marrero, Senior Planner, introduced this item and gave a summary of the January 11, 2022 public hearing including comments and responses.

Motion: *Councilmember Hanford moved to adopt Ordinance No. 002/2022, annexing the property commonly known as the Monroe Woodlands Annexation Area; acknowledging and requiring that the annexation area shall be designated (R7) – Residential 7 Dwelling Units per Acre on the City’s Zoning Map and Medium Density SFR on the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map; requiring that the properties in the annexation area be assessed and taxed at the same rate and on the same basis as other property within the City of Monroe; adopting supportive findings; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.. Councilmember Fulcher seconded. Motion passed 6-0.*

Councilmember Gamble joined the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

After the agenda item 7.1, it was brought to the attention of the Mayor and City Council that the public access link included with the meeting agenda was inoperable, effectively preventing interested members of the public from accessing the meeting in real time as required per current state law. After a brief recess to evaluate the issue, the Council adjourned the meeting without taking action on the remaining agenda items. All business items for listed on the January 25, 2022 meeting agenda were forwarded to a future meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:31 p.m.



Geoffrey Thomas (Feb 9, 2022 11:07 PST)

Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor



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

Jodi Wycoff, City Clerk

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