



# MONROE THIS WEEK

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## ALL IN FOR KIDS VIRTUAL AUCTION GALA



MARCH 26 @ 7PM  
LIVESTREAM EVENT



ONLINE AUCTION FROM MARCH 25TH  
@ 10AM TILL MARCH 27TH @ 2PM



Monroe Public Schools  
FOUNDATION

*Thank you for reading Monroe This Week.*

*This week's edition includes an announcement of the upcoming ARP funds contract workshop, details on the City's recruiting efforts for multiple positions, the application process for Human Service Awards for non-profit organizations, a reminder of the Monroe Public Schools Foundation's Auction tomorrow, opening day at the Evergreen Speedway, and a summary of the March 22 City Council Meeting.*



*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

## CITY TO HOLD ARP FUNDS CONTRACT WORKSHOP

The City of Monroe will host a virtual workshop for prospective applicants for American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) funds; the workshop will review the City's ARP contract templates, and the terms and conditions of each contract type. Contract guidelines include minimum insurance scope and amounts of coverage, records maintenance, ethics and legal compliance, and nondiscrimination and equal employment provisions.



The workshop will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 28. You can find the link for the workshop [here](#).

## CITY ACTIVELY RECRUITING FOR MULTIPLE POSITIONS

Looking to serve the community you live in?  
The City of Monroe has a few positions open:

- **Public Works Maintenance Worker II** – This position will install and maintain the City's water, sanitary sewer, storm drainage and street systems, along with preserving right-of-ways, City property, facilities, pavement markings, and traffic control devices. Will perform meter related activities, field assessments of utility installations and traffic control activities, and work on various construction projects as needed. 3 years experience in utilities system maintenance operations or a related field that provides the required skill and knowledge required.
- **Paid internships** – The selected candidates will provide varied administrative support of moderate complexity to their assigned department (IT, City Clerk, Community Development, or Public Works). The positions are expected to last 8 to 12 weeks, with a flexible start date in May or June. Enrollment in college courses or completion of a bachelor's degree is required.
- **Seasonal positions** – Openings in both Parks and Public Works departments. Typical duties for Parks positions include maintaining grounds and facilities to include mowing, raking, weeding, and janitorial duties. For Public Works positions, typical duties include mowing,



painting, traffic control, and providing support for utility maintenance activities. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age. These positions require the use of City vehicles; individuals must possess a valid Washington State driver's license and have an acceptable driving record.

Please visit our [Employment Opportunities page](#) for more information, to review the required job qualifications of each position, and to apply.

## \$100,000 AVAILABLE TO HELP RESIDENTS IN NEED

The City of Monroe is seeking proposals from non-profit service organizations to provide housing, mental/behavioral health services, and services to those with mental and physical disabilities living in Monroe. The City has allocated \$100,000 in 2022 to support these priority programs. Awards for funding will be considered through a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process. This is in addition to funding the City will award to non-profits to support human services through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP). Combining all three rounds of ARP funding and the RFP for Human Services Awards, the City is investing just under \$1.5 million to fill the gaps in our social service safety net.



#WeAreMonroeWA

If you, or someone you know, needs immediate assistance paying rent, utility bills, or meeting basic services such as food, gas, or clothing, the City has put together a flyer with a list of local service providers who can help. Look for a copy of the flyer in your April utility bill. You can also download a copy of the flyer [here](#).

## SCHOOLS FOUNDATION AUCTION THIS WEEKEND

Looking for something fun to do this weekend? Sign up for the [Monroe Public Schools Foundation Auction!](#) The auction is this weekend - starting today, March 25, until Sunday, March 27 at 2:00 p.m. It is virtual again this year - no cost to sign up and view the awesome items up for auction. There are over 225 donations, including everything from wine tasting, trips, restaurant gift cards, Husky Football tickets, Kraken club seats, Mariners tickets, Sonics and Silvertips memorabilia, an outdoor grill, a visit from Santa, and more! There's definitely something for everyone.



Funds raised support staff grants, senior scholarships, the STEM program, emergency needs, and much more. This auction directly funds these goals. Some of the schools have also donated baskets, and funds raised will go directly back to these schools. The City of Monroe has given a \$5,000 grant to the MPSF for their Classroom STEM Toolkits to thank the foundation for being

such a great community partner. These kits provide activities for ages K-12 that teach collaboration, coding, critical thinking, and problem solving. These skills build success in the classroom and out. I invite everyone to join the Monroe Public Schools Foundation, tomorrow, March 26, to hear impactful stories of the important work of the foundation, and have some fun with their virtual gala auction.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS: TOMORROW IS EVERGREEN SPEEDWAY OPENING NIGHT

Only one more day until the green flag is waved on the 2022 Season at the Evergreen Speedway! Scheduled to race are some fan favorites including Pro Late Models, Street Stocks, Hornets, Stingers, and more. Nearly all of their events run rain or shine, but they have a few race classes that need dry pavement. They watch the weather the best they can, but sometimes need to adjust the schedule minute by minute on race days. Make sure you're following their [Facebook page](#) on the day before and day of events for the latest information. It's not too late to get tickets! Visit their [website](#) to purchase today.

## MARCH 22 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

The City Council met in a Regular Business Meeting on Tuesday, March 22. The following items were discussed and acted upon during the meeting:

### Announcements/Presentations:

- Finance Director Becky Hasart and representatives of the State Auditor's office discussed the 2020 Audit Exit Conference
- Judge Jessica Ness gave the 2021 Annual Report for the Monroe Municipal Court



**Consent Agenda** – Items considered routine and approved by one vote:

- City Council Meeting Minutes for March 1 and March 8, 2022
- Accounts Payable/ACH payments through March 16, 2022
- February 2022 Payroll
- Contract with Snohomish County for a low-income household water assistance program
- Skyhawks Sports Camps Agreement
- Deed of Dedication of Arthur Lane Right of Way
- Interlocal Agreement with City of Everett for Law Enforcement Regional Training
- Lee & Associates Commercial Brokerage Services Agreement
- Ordinance 010/2022 to repeal/replace park impact fees

**New Business** – reviewed, discussed and approved the following new item:

- Conservation Futures Grant Award - Venture Pacific Property

**Final Action** – took final action to approve these follow item:

- A letter of intent with FORZA Development, LLC for the sale of Parcel No. 27060100115500.

**Mayor/Administrative Reports:**

- Deborah Knight announced that new Council photos have been hung in the City Hall lobby and posted on the web; reminded Council of the tour of the Waste Water Treatment Plant on March 29; and reviewed recommendations and priorities from the Community Human Services Advisory Board to the City Council related to housing and mental health.
- I reported on a recent meeting with the School District and that I will present *Imagine Monroe* to the Board at their April meeting.

**Staff Reports** – received reports from City staff members in the following departments:

- Community Development
- Finance
- Human Resources & Information Technology
- Human Services
- Police

## UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

The City Council will hold a workshop meeting on Tuesday, March 29, for the purpose of a tour of the City's Wastewater Treatment Plan. The City Council will next meet in a Regular Study Session Meeting on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. The meeting will be held in a hybrid format; members of the public may participate in Monroe City Council meetings both in-person at City Hall and remotely via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Participation information will be posted with the April 5 agenda, which can be accessed by clicking the button below.

# CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS



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Have a question for your Councilmembers?  
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