



MONROE THIS WEEK

June 14, 2024



As Mayor I formally recognize historic and significant commemorations through **proclamations** that support Monroe's multi-aspirational Vision Statement - **Imagine Monroe**.

One aspiration is that our community be a “safe place, where everyone feels at home, and everyone feels they belong.” My **proclamation recognizes Juneteenth** (June 19th) as a day to remember when the United States began to formerly expand the promises of life, liberty, justice, and freedom to include Black and African Americans. Juneteenth dates to the late 1860s following the Emancipation Proclamation of 1863 and is the oldest known celebration commemorating the end of the enslavement of Black and African Americans. I encourage you to participate in the **Juneteenth event**, hosted by the Monroe Equity Community, on Saturday, June 15 at Sky River Park from 12 to 4 p.m. as an opportunity to learn more about the importance of Juneteenth.



City administrative offices will be closed in observance of Juneteenth on Wednesday, June 19.

In another proclamation, I encourage the community to recognize the volunteer efforts of Amateur Radio Operators during the week of June 17-23, Amateur Radio Week. These radio operators can communicate across town, around the world, and even in space without the internet or cell phones. Monroe is fortunate to be supported by the Snohomish County Auxiliary Communication Service who ham operators serve a vital role in disaster communications. Join the **Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club on June 22-23 for Field Day** at Lake Tye Park to learn more about the amazing talent of our local ham operators.

On a personal note, Happy Father's Day.

Thank you for catching up on city news in Monroe This Week Please contact me at **GThomas@monroewa.gov** with what's on your mind about Monroe.

Yours in Service,



Mayor Geoffrey Thomas

U.S. FLAG RETIREMENT PROGRAM

Flag Day is a holiday celebrated in the United States on June 14 which commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on the same date in 1777. The Monroe Police Department reminds us that soiled, torn, worn, or otherwise unfit flags can be dropped off at its lobby (818 W. Main Street) or the Monroe Parks & Recreation Offices (769 Village Way) any time throughout the year. (NOTE: The Police Lobby will be **temporarily closed** due to construction activities associated with the **Municipal Campus Improvement Project.**)



All flags received by the City will be donated to local Veterans of Foreign Wars and/or American Legion organizations. These groups will ensure the respectful destruction of the flags. For any further inquiries, please contact the Monroe Police Department at 360-794-6300 or email Officer Van Eaton at **SVanEaton@MonroeWA.gov**.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ELOISA RODRIGUEZ FOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM COMPLETION

I join Police Chief Jolley, his command staff, and the department in

congratulating Executive Assistant Eloisa Rodriguez on her graduation from the Snohomish County Signature Leadership Program. The Signature Program is a 9-month immersive program that challenges participants to explore societal systems and to cultivate leadership skills that foster greater understanding of communities and how leaders can serve those communities. Participants honed their skills, identified local challenges, and learned how to engage community members for real positive, sustainable change that promotes community stability and growth. We are proud of Eloisa's achievement, her commitment to the City of Monroe, and her public service to the Monroe community.

(Pictured below left to right: Commander Ryan, Chief Jolley, Eloisa Rodriguez and Deputy Chief Irving)



COMMUTE TRIP REDUCTION SECOND ONLINE OPEN HOUSE, JUNE 17-JULY 19

Thanks to everyone who participated in the initial online Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) survey hosted by **Community Transit** in April-May. Your input has helped to inform updates to Monroe's CTR plan and we're seeking more feedback on proposed changes to the plan.



Please visit the **second online** Open House between June 17 and July 19 to comment on Monroe's draft updated plan. Proposed updates to our CTR Plan will be presented to the City Council next year.

POLICE DEPARTMENT LOBBY TEMPORARILY CLOSED STARTING JUNE 24

Beginning Monday, June 24, the **Police Department** lobby will be closed due to the construction activities to build **Monroe Municipal Court**, as part of the **Municipal Campus Improvement Project**. The lobby closure may be necessary for up to two months. Many Police Department services are available online or by contacting the department via email (pdrecords@monroewa.gov) or by phone (360-794-6300). Thanks for your understanding and patience.



Please report emergencies by dialing 9-1-1 or 425-407-3970. For non-emergencies, call 425-407-3999.

CONSTRUCTION ALERT: DICKINSON STREET UTILITY REPLACEMENT BEGINS JUNE 24

Construction on Dickinson Street to replace the existing water main, extend the sewer main and add a storm drainage system to alleviate water ponding issues begins Monday, June 24. The existing roadway pavement will be removed during the utility work and then replaced with a new asphalt surface. The existing sidewalk will also be reconstructed. Dickinson Street will be closed to traffic except local access for the duration of the project. Construction is expected to be completed at the end of August. Visit the [project website](#) for updates.



FREE SUMMER CONCERTS AT LAKE TYE, FRIDAYS IN JULY

We are excited to again partner with the **Monroe Chamber of Commerce** in presenting **Music in the Park**, a free summer concert series held every Friday in July at Lake Tye Park. From pop to disco and rock to country, this series is a crowd pleaser. In addition to great tunes, come enjoy food, concessions, and a



taste of Monroe's local breweries.

Food trucks and beer garden opens at 6 p.m.; music starts at 7 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and dancing shoes! Be sure to arrive early as parking fills up as fast as your tummy will.

Mark your calendars for the following performances

July 5 - BroHamM (Pop/R&B)

July 12 - The Machine (70's Disco)

July 19 - Highway 9 (Country)

July 26 - Hair Nation (80's Rock)

Check the [City's website](#) for food and beverage vendors participating each week.

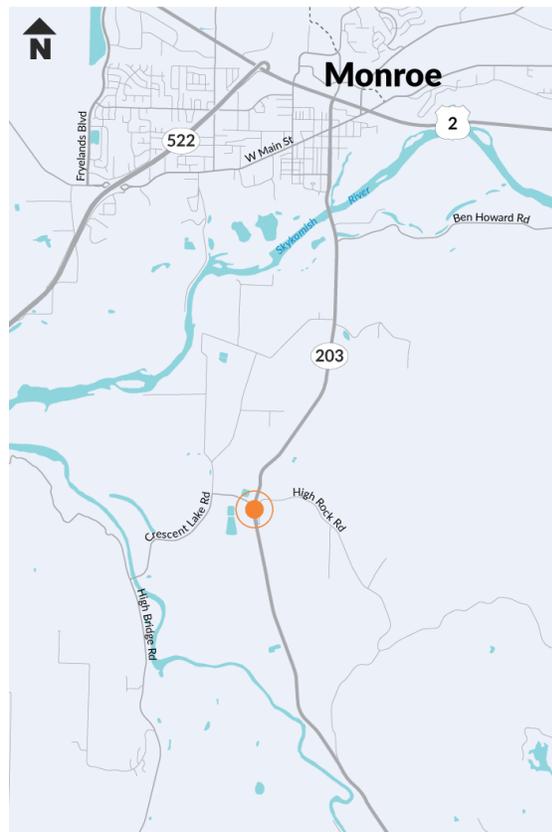
More great summer events are coming your way. Check our 2024 Events Brochure, look for the June edition of Choose Monroe at the end of this month, or visit ChooseMonroe.com.

JUNE 21-25 CLOSURE OF SR203 FOR ROUNDABOUT CONSTRUCTION

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has a planned four-day closure of SR 203 to complete **construction of the roundabout** at the intersection of High Rock Road and 203rd Street SE. The closure is tentatively scheduled from 9 p.m. Friday, June 21, through 4 a.m. Tuesday, June 25, between south of Tualco Road and north of Northeast Woodinville-Duvall Road. This work is weather dependent and may be rescheduled. Local access will be allowed for residents. For through traffic on SR 203, separate detours for trucks and cars will be in place during the four-day closure.

SR 203 continues to be reduced to a single lane with flaggers alternating traffic between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. nightly Mondays through Thursdays through the morning of Friday June 14.

WSDOT offers this educational video on [how travelers will navigate this roundabout](#) when it is completed.



The next City Council Study Session is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 2024. To view the meeting agenda, click the button below. City Council meetings are re-broadcasted on the [City's YouTube Channel \(@MonroeWA\)](#).

Council Agendas/Minutes

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS



Councilmember
Kevin Hanford



Councilmember
Jacob Walker



Councilmember
Jason Gamble



Councilmember
Kirk Scarboro



Councilmember
Heather Fulcher



Councilmember
Tami Beaumont



Councilmember
Kyle Fisher

Have a question for your Councilmembers?
Contact them at Councilmembers@MonroeWA.gov



City of Monroe | (360) 794-7400 | 806 West Main Street | Monroe, WA 98272 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email marketing for free today!