



MONROE THIS WEEK

November 15, 2024



Each November for the past 24 years, the [Monroe Police Department](#) and [Snohomish Regional Fire & Rescue](#) have been graciously honored by the community as part of Police & Fire Appreciation Week. At the [Nov. 19 City Council meeting](#), a proclamation declaring Nov. 17-23, 2024 as Police & Fire Appreciation Week will be issued, inviting the community to show their appreciation for all public safety personnel who serve Monroe. A popular way community members show support is to display

posters are available at the [Monroe Chamber of Commerce](#) Visitor and Welcome Center located at 125 S. Lewis St., Monroe WA 98272 or can be downloaded by [clicking this link](#).



Our public safety personnel recognize that they are not alone in keeping Monroe safe as they rely on the community to call 9-1-1 when there is danger to people and property, seek assistance in crime prevention, and engage with us in problem-solving. Thank you for your continued support.

This week's issue features:

- *Monroe Police present crime prevention to Chamber of Commerce*
- *Knocking Out Knotweed*
- *Advisory Board Vacancies*
- *Annual Business Survey*

Please reach out to me with what may be on your mind about and for Monroe. I can be contacted at GThomas@MonroeWA.gov.

Yours in Service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Thomas'.

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas

POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS CRIME PREVENTION INFORMATION TO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

On Nov. 12, Police Chief Jeffrey Jolley along with our Community Service Officers joined the Chamber of Commerce at their monthly luncheon. Our team shared important updates on departmental initiatives and

discussed crime prevention measures that businesses can implement to reduce their risk. If you are a business owner interested in learning more about crime prevention, please reach out to our Community Service Officers as CSO@monroewa.gov.

Thank you to the Monroe Chamber of Commerce for hosting us and all the other work you do for and with Monroe.



KNOCK OUT KNOTWEED



In September, Sound Salmon Solutions was contracted to address knotweed throughout the city. Knotweed is a designated noxious weed required to be removed when identified. It's highly invasive, easily re-roots itself, and quickly chokes out native plant species along riverbanks. Crews applied herbicides to target the invasive plants located along the shoreline of Skykomish River, Sky River Park, and in the public right-of-way on 177th Ave

SE and Chain Lake Road. We hope to continue knocking out knotweed by extending the program into next year.

If you believe you have knotweed on your private property, please visit [Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board's website](#) to learn how to properly remove it and dispose of it or contact [Snohomish County's Noxious Weed Control Board](#) at 425-312-0569.

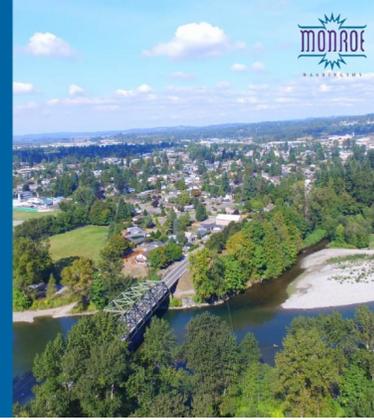
VOLUNTEER ADVISORY BOARD VACANCIES, APPLY TODAY

Serving on a city volunteer advisory board is a unique way of supporting your community. It's an opportunity to share your insights and experiences to help shape Monroe's

future. City commissions, boards and committees advise the Mayor and City Council on issues and priorities within their distinct purposes established by city code. We have open positions on the following advisory boards. Click on the link to learn more about the responsibilities and [submit an application](#) to our cityclerk@monroewa.gov.

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- [Planning Commission](#)
- [Park Board](#)
- [Economic Development Advisory Board](#)
- [Salary Commission](#)
- [Ethics Board](#)
- [LEOFF-1 Disability Board](#)

I will be conducting brief interviews with applicants in late November and early December. I will then be forwarding recommendations to the City Council for their confirmation. Please consider joining the City as a board, commission, or committee member.

ANNUAL BUSINESS SURVEY FOR MONROE BUSINESS OWNERS ONLINE THRU NOV. 27



Our [Economic Development Office](#) has launched its annual survey seeking input from Monroe business owners and managers about their outlook on future growth, workforce stability, adequacy of space, and economic development focus areas. Monroe businesses are encouraged to complete the [online survey](#) by Wed. Nov. 27. Responses give us a valuable insight into the overall business climate in Monroe. Please reach out to Patrick Doherty, Economic Development Coordinator at 360-631-0050 or

pdoherty@monroewa.gov should you need resources to help your business grow and thrive.

UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

The next City Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 7 p.m. Second reading and adoption of the ordinances adopting the Biennial Budget and the 2025 Property Tax levy are currently scheduled for this meeting. To view the meeting agenda, click the button below. City Council meetings are re-broadcasted on the [City's YouTube Channel \(@MonroeWA\)](#). To learn how to provide public comment to the Mayor and City Council, click [here](#).

Council Agendas/Minutes



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





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