

CITY OF MONROE
ORDINANCE NO. 007/2025

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 4.40 MMC LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AUTHORIZING THE LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND RULES GOVERNING THE COMMITTEE'S CONSIDERATION OF LODGING TAX REVENUE PROPOSALS TO THE MONROE CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 67.28.1817 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and Chapter 4.40 of the Monroe Municipal Code (MMC), the City Council has established a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee provides recommendations and comments to City Council on the imposition and use of lodging tax revenues in the City of Monroe, Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee has expressed a desire to utilize a more formal set of criteria for evaluating and recommending lodging tax award proposals; and

WHEREAS, the Monroe City Council wishes to amend Chapter 4.40 MMC in order to allow the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee to recommend rules to the City Council governing the Committee's consideration of lodging tax award proposals, including the establishment of criteria for evaluating and recommending lodging tax award proposals;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment of Chapter 4.40 MMC. Chapter 4.40 of the Monroe Municipal Code is hereby amended by the addition of a new Section 4.40.045 to provide in its entirety as follows:

4.40.045 Rules.

The lodging tax advisory committee may from time to time promulgate rules governing the committee's consideration of proposals under this chapter. Without limitation, such rules may include establishing supplemental criteria for the use of lodging tax revenue; qualifications for applicants; and procedures for the application for use of lodging tax revenue, as well as the committee's consideration and recommendation process. Any such rules shall be consistent with applicable state law and local ordinance and shall be submitted for approval by the city council before taking effect.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days from and after its passage and approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Monroe, at a regular meeting held this 20th day of May, 2025.

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Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

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