



**MONROE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Transportation/Planning, Public Works, Parks & Recreation**  
**and Public Safety Committee Meeting**  
Monday, April 14, 2014, 2 P.M.  
Council Chamber, City Hall

## **MINUTES**

### **I. Call to Order**

A regular meeting of the City of Monroe Transportation/Planning, Public Works, Parks & Recreation and Public Safety Committee was held on April 14, 2014, in the Council Chamber of City Hall. Chairperson Cudaback called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

Council Present: Councilmembers Patsy Cudaback and Ed Davis.

Staff Present: Gene R. Brazel, City Administrator; Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director; Dianne Nelson, Finance Director

Citizens Present: None

### **II. Approval of Minutes (March 10, 2014)**

The March 10, 2014, Transportation/Planning, Public Works, Parks & Recreation and Public Safety Committee Meeting minutes were approved.

### **III. Unfinished Business**

#### **A. 2014 Committee Work Plan**

The Committee members reviewed the items/timeline, including the following:

- Street Funding (2015 Budget and beyond) – April > Ongoing
- Mandatory garbage and recycling – April > Ongoing
- Removal of pedestrian bulbs at Frank Wagner – April > May
- On-street ADA parking spaces/policy - May
- ADA access requirements for city rights-of-way/plan - May
- Overweight vehicle permits - May
- Review of MMC re transitional/low-income housing benefits - June
- 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update - Ongoing
- Planning Projects Update - Ongoing
- 2014 Parks Projects Updates - Ongoing
- Washington State Legislators Updates
- Centennial Trail Extension (Snohomish to Monroe)

Councilmember Davis will report out on this item at the April 15, 2014, regular business meeting; and present to the full Council for consideration.

#### **B. Street Funding**

Discussion ensued regarding Street Maintenance Funding, currently being addressed by the Transportation Benefit District; and funding options for Capital Street Funding.

Councilmember Cudaback requested the preparation of Capital Street Funding options and presented to the committee for review at the May 12, 2014, meeting. The committee reviewed capital projects included in the Comprehensive Plan, and current updates thereto.

#### C. 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update

Discussion ensued regarding the transportation-focused 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update meeting; and feedback received, including comments regarding raising speed limits, freight traffic, pedestrian options, pedestrian overpass at Hwy 2, roads around fairgrounds and downtown traffic flow.

Mr. Feilberg stated the next Comprehensive Plan Update meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 1, 2014, with a focus on parks; and the consultant agreements for the utility systems plans update, also a part of the Comprehensive Plan Update, will be presented with a forthcoming budget amendment.

### **IV. New Business**

#### A. Mandatory Garbage and Recycling

Discussion ensued regarding the ending of the current garbage/recycling contract (August 2017) and the options available for future service; including discussion on franchise versus utility, mandatory garbage/recycling options, customer service levels, services provided by the vendor, and timeline for negotiations (2015/2016). Councilmember Cudaback requested a comparison be prepared of the franchise and utility options.

#### B. Removal of Pedestrian Bulbs at Frank Wagner

Mr. Feilberg presented background information on the Pedestrian Bulbs, improvements made since installation, issues associated with bulbs, removal options, pedestrians/bicyclists usage and future options for bicycle lanes.

Discussion ensued regarding the options and correspondence with the School District in this regard. Councilmembers requested the removal options be presented at the May committee meeting.

#### C. DRAFT Invitation Letter to Legislators

General discussion ensued regarding the draft letter/format; and sending to Representative Kristiansen and Senator Pearson, with a few meeting options. In addition, legislators will also be invited to attend a full Council Meeting, if more convenient.

### **V. Other – none.**

**VI. Next Committee Meeting** (Monday, May 12, 2014, 2pm)

Councilmember Cudaback reviewed items for the May 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

**VII. Adjournment**

The Committee Meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m.