

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE

The December 16, 2014, Regular Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Geoffrey Thomas at 7:01 p.m.; Council Chambers, City Hall.

Councilmembers present: Cudaback, Davis, Gamble, Goering, Kamp ¹, and Rasmussen.

Staff members present: Farrell, Feilberg, Lande, Nelson, Quenzer, Smoot, and Warthan; City Attorney Lell.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Cudaback.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Monroe Chamber of Commerce

Ms. Una Wirkebau-Hartt, Executive Director, Monroe Chamber of Commerce, presented an overview of Chamber activities over the previous months; and updated the City Council on the upcoming Polar Plunge at Lake Tye.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

The following persons spoke regarding AB14-184/Marijuana Buffers: Dolly Leisten.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes; December 9, 2014, Regular Business Meeting
2. Approval of AP Checks and ACH Payments
3. AB14-181: Accept Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Grant (CMAQ) for the Woods Creek Road Phase 1 Project
4. AB14-182: Accept the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) Grant for Main Street, Tester Road Roundabout to 17428 Main Street Project and Authorize the Mayor to Sign Agreement
5. AB14-183: Authorize Mayor to Sign Funding Authorization No. 2 Pertaining to the WWTP Energy Conservation Project

Councilmember Goering pulled Consent Agenda Item No. 5.

Councilmember Goering moved to approve Consent Agenda item nos. 1 through 4; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Kamp. On vote, Motion carried (6-0).

Councilmember Goering queried the funding source for Consent Agenda item No. 5. Mr. John Lande, WWTP Manager, provided response (the project's contingency fund).

¹ CLERK'S NOTE: Councilmember Kamp arrived at 7:17 p.m. during Announcements/Presentations No. 1.

Councilmember Goering moved to approve Consent Agenda item No. 1; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,
Motion carried (6-0).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. AB14-184: Discussion: Marijuana Buffers

Mr. Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director/Acting Planning Director, provided background information on proposed additional marijuana buffers; presented visual representations of how the buffers affect zoning; and also proposed the option of a ban.

General discussion ensued regarding the proposed additional buffers (private parks and churches); current regulations on marijuana-related businesses; and a potential ban. Council requested staff proceed with the next steps for the proposed additional marijuana buffers. Mr. Feilberg stated the proposed additions will be vetted through the Planning Commission in February 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

1. AB14-185: Approval of Resolution No. 026/2014, Amending Fixed Assets Policy and Small & Attractive Items Policy

Mr. Dianne Nelson, Finance Director, provided background information on the proposed resolution, and amendments to the Fixed Assets Policy and adoption of a Small and Attractive Items Policy. These changes are in response to State Auditor recommendations; and utilizing model policies thereto.

Councilmember Goering moved to approve Resolution No. 026/2014, amending the City's Fixed Assets Policy and adopting a Small Items Policy for accounting and tracking procedures; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Kamp. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

2. AB14-186: Authorize Mayor to Sign Police Guild Contract

Mr. Ben Warthan, Human Resources Manager, provided background information on the proposed Police Guild contracts.

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with the Monroe Police Officer's Guild; and expressly authorize further minor revisions as deemed necessary or appropriate; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Davis. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

EXECUTIVE SESSION *(added at the time of the meeting)*

1. Potential Litigation: RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) – 10 Minutes

Mayor Thomas stated that the Council would recess into Executive Session to discuss the Potential Litigation [RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)] for approximately 10 minutes; and read the appropriate citation into the record.

The meeting recessed into executive session at 7:58 p.m.; and was extended for an additional 25 minutes. The meeting reconvened at 8:23 p.m.

3. AB14-187: Authorize Mayor to Sign 2015 Public Defender Services Contract

Mr. Gene Brazel, City Administrator, provided background information on the proposed 2015 Public Defender Services Contract.

Councilmember Kamp moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract for indigent defense services with Baker, Lewis, Schwisow & Laws, PLLC in substantially the form presented; and expressly authorize further minor revisions as deemed necessary or appropriate; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

4. AB14-188: Authorize Mayor to Sign Addendum to Contract for Prosecution Services

Police Chief Tim Quenzer provided background information on the proposed addendum to the contract for Prosecution Services, which will extend the contract through December 31, 2017.

Councilmember Davis moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the 2015-2017 Addendum to the Contract for Prosecution Services with the Law Offices of Zachor & Thomas, Inc., P.S.; and expressly authorize further minor revisions as deemed necessary or appropriate; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

FINAL ACTION

1. AB14-189: Ordinance No. 022/2014 Amending Holzerland Rezone; Final Reading

City Attorney Zach Lell read a series of statements relating to the Appearance of Fairness Doctrine into the record. There were no conflicts noted by Councilmembers; nor any public objections. Mr. Feilberg provided background information on the proposed ordinance; first reading was accepted on December 9, 2014.

Councilmember Gamble moved to adopt Ordinance No. 022/2014, amending zoning designations in the Holzerland Rezone Area from Urban Residential - 9600 (UR 9600) to Urban Residential - 6000 (UR 6000); setting forth findings; providing for severability; and fixing a time when the same shall become effective; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Goering. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

2. AB14-190: Ordinance No. 023/2014 re School Impact Fees; First & Final Reading
Mr. Feilberg provided background information on changes to the Monroe and Snohomish School District Capital Facilities Plans and the proposed ordinance addressing these changes.

Councilmember Gamble moved to waive Council Rules of Procedure requiring two readings of an ordinance; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

Councilmember Gamble moved to adopt Ordinance No. 023/2014, amending Chapter 20.07 MMC, School Impact Fee Mitigation Program; imposing a temporary moratorium upon the City's collection and transfer of School Impact Fees; providing for severability; establishing an automatic sunset date; and fixing a time when the same shall become effective; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

3. AB14-191: Approval of Resolution No. 027/2014, Setting 2015 Fees

Mr. Feilberg provided information on the proposed resolution and 2015 fees; and noted a proposed amendment to account for Ordinance No. 023/2014, as just adopted.

Councilmember Gamble moved to approve Resolution No. 027/2014, establishing fees, fines, penalties, interest and charges for 2015, with an amendment to Schedule A, School Impact Fee Concurrency per Unit, making all fees in this section \$0.00, per Ordinance No. 023/2014; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Kamp. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Goering commented on University of Washington Women's Volleyball.

Councilmember Gamble wished all 'happy holidays.'

Councilmember Davis wished all 'happy holidays' and a 'happy new year.'

Councilmember Kamp wished all 'happy holidays;' and commented on his attendance at the Lewis Street Open House event.

Councilmember Rasmussen wished all 'happy holidays' and a 'happy new year.'

Councilmember Cudaback wished all 'happy holidays;' and thanked staff for their work in 2014.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Mike Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director, noted the departmental report provided in the Council Agenda Packet.

Mr. Feilberg noted the Community Development Director Job was posted the previous week; provided an update on construction projects; and reported on the Lewis Street project open house.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

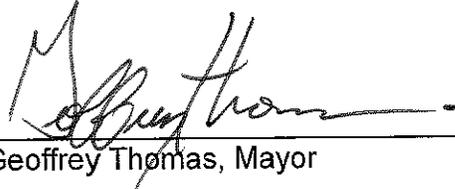
Administrator Brazel noted the arrival of the new planters for the downtown area; thanked staff, the City Council, and the Mayor for all of their work in 2014; and wished all 'happy holidays.'

Mayor Thomas reported on Judge Rozzano's Robe Ceremony; a walk of the downtown area; a purchase and sale agreement with Select Homes; and thanked staff and Council for their work in 2014.

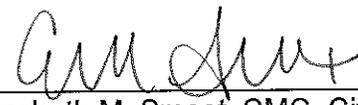
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Kamp and seconded by Councilmember Gamble to adjourn the meeting. On vote,
Motion carried (6-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:44 p.m.



Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor



Elizabeth M. Smoot, CMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Regular Business Meeting of January 6, 2015.