



**MONROE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Transportation/Planning, Public Works, Parks & Recreation**  
**and Public Safety Committee Meeting**  
Monday, February 9, 2015, 4 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 February 9, 2015, in the Council Chamber of City Hall. 2014 Chairperson Cudaback called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Council Present: Councilmembers Patsy Cudaback, Ed Davis, and Jeff Rasmussen.  
Staff Present: Gene R. Brazel, City Administrator; Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director; and Mike Farrell, Parks & Recreation Director  
Citizens Present: Una Wirkebau-Hartt, Executive Director, Monroe Chamber of Commerce

**II. Approval of Minutes (December 8, 2014)**

The December 8, 2014, Transportation/Planning, Public Works, Parks & Recreation and Public Safety Committee Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

**III. New Business**

A. Selection of 2015 Committee Chairperson

Councilmember Rasmussen expressed interest in the position of 2015 Committee Chairperson. Councilmember Cudaback moved to select Councilmember Rasmussen as the 2015 P4 Committee Chairperson; the motion was seconded, and approved unanimously.

B. Snohomish County Fairgrounds Master Plan

General discussion ensued regarding the January 16, 2015, special meeting of the Snohomish County Council Operations Committee regarding the Fairgrounds Master Plan, conducted by the Snohomish County Parks & Recreation Department. Main points of the presentation by Snohomish County Parks & Recreation Director Tom Teigen and Fairgrounds Director Hal Gausman included: long-term and short-term plans for the fairgrounds referencing edge development/definition that is friendly to the surrounding community; development of a pedestrian/bike corridor across the US 2 frontage; interest in future development options of the airport property; and sound and other impacts on the surrounding neighborhoods. The prospect of a convention center located in Monroe was also mentioned. The recommendation was made to reschedule the upcoming presentation by Mr. Teigen and Mr. Gausman for the March 10, 2015, Council meeting to a later date, to allow more time to review the fairgrounds plan information before the presentation.

## **IV. Unfinished Business**

### **A. Downtown Parking**

Mr. Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director, stated that the Monroe City Council passed a temporary resolution to add 24-hour parking restrictions in the downtown and allotting for fifteen minute parking spaces. The temporary resolution expiration date was noted as the February 25, 2015. Ms. Una Wirkebau-Hartt, Executive Director, Monroe Chamber of Commerce, opened discussion on the temporary time limits; including resident and business feedback, noted advantages and disadvantages of parking restrictions versus unlimited parking, and potential parking enforcement options. Discussion continued regarding parallel parking versus angled parking or a combination of parallel and angled parking.

General consensus of the Committee was made to recommend to the full Council to allow the temporary resolution to expire, and to present the findings of the parking experiment for further consideration.

### **B. Traffic Calming Tools/ Criteria**

The Traffic Calming Tools/ Criteria item was moved to the March 9, 2015, Committee Meeting.

## **V. Other**

### **A. 2015 Work Plan**

Councilmember Cudaback reviewed outstanding items on the 2014 Work Plan in addition to items that had been previously completed.

General discussion ensued regarding outstanding items. Councilmember Cudaback mentioned the Centennial Trail Extension (Snohomish to Monroe). Parks & Recreation Director Mike Farrell spoke about the Community Transit modifications concerning the Village Way Loop.

## **VI. Next Committee Meeting (March, 9, 2015)**

## **VII. Adjournment**

The Committee Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.