

**CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION MINUTES
April 24, 2012**

The Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was held on April 24, 2012, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robert Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Councilpersons present: Goering, Cudaback, Williams, Kamp, Davis, Gamble and Hanford.

Staff present: Brazel, Feilberg, Warthan, Nelson, Quenzer, Sax, Popelka, and Martinson.

City Attorney Zach Lell was not present.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Douglas Wilson, 17034 Allison Street SE, Monroe, addressed Council in opposition to the wake board park and distributed a letter to Council members.

Mitch Ruth, 14405 Autumns Avenue, Monroe, addressed Council in opposition to the East Monroe land use amendment.

Chad McCammon, 21624 Calhoun Road, Monroe, addressed Council in opposition to the East Monroe land use amendment.

Jeff Rasmussen, 16655 150th Street SE, Monroe, suggested using the airport property for the proposed wakeboard park.

BUSINESS & ACTION ITEMS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

1. Confirm Mayor's Appointments/Two New Ethics Board Members

Mayor Zimmerman explained that, after six interviews for the two remaining vacancies on the Ethics Board, they had selected Michol Phillips and Trevor Thompson as the finalists.

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Michol Phillips to the City of Monroe Board of Ethics. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Kamp, to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Trevor Thompson to the City of Monroe Board of Ethics. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. Roosevelt Ridge Proposed Zoning Regulation/2nd Public Hearing:**
 - A. Citizen Testimony**
 - B. Ordinance Adopting Zoning Regulations/Roosevelt Ridge/2nd & Final Reading**

Planning and Permit Manager Popelka gave a brief introduction and presentation explaining the proposed zoning changes in Roosevelt Ridge and the benefits to annexation into the City.

Mayor Zimmerman commented that this annexation would help the City correct the deficit in the buildable lands report.

Mayor Zimmerman opened the public hearing.

Selma McNamara, 12908 178th Drive SE, Snohomish, addressed Council in opposition to the proposed annexation.

Ray Waltenbaugh, 13126 178th Drive SE, Snohomish, addressed Council in opposition to the proposed annexation.

Scott Cheneweth, 13206 178th Drive SE, Snohomish, is opposed to the rezone and annexation into the City.

Derick Brice, 17109 125th SE, Monroe, is opposed to the annexation and expressed concerns on the impact to the area with additional traffic that would be created.

Valeria Ray, 13025 178th Drive SE, Snohomish, asked clarifying questions; but, didn't state her position.

Bridgette Jones, 12527 173rd Avenue, Snohomish, is opposed to the zoning change and annexation.

Dennis McNamara, 12908 178th Drive SE, Snohomish, opposed to the annexation, questioned how eligible voters are determined, when there are vacant homes in the area.

The motion was made by Councilperson Hanford and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to close the public testimony portion of the public hearing. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

After clarifying questions and discussion, the motion was made by Councilperson Hanford and seconded by Councilperson Goering, to accept as second and final reading Ordinance #010/2012 establishing proposed zoning classifications in

Roosevelt Ridge of UR9600 Urban Residential and UR6000 Urban Residential.

The full title of the ordinance being: *An ordinance of the City of Monroe, Washington establishing proposed zoning classifications in the Roosevelt Ridge area for UR9600 Urban Residential and UR6000 Urban Residential and fixing a time when the same shall become effective.* On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

The motion was made by Councilperson Hanford and seconded by Councilperson Gamble, to close the public hearing. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

FINAL ACTION

1. Ordinance/ Transportation Benefit District/2nd & Final Reading

Public Works Director Feilberg gave a brief overview.

The motion was made by Councilperson Kamp and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to accept as second and final reading Ordinance #009/2012, establishing the Monroe Transportation Benefit District.

The full title was read into the record by City Administrator Brazel: *An ordinance of the City of Monroe, Washington amending the Monroe City Code to enact a new Chapter 12.40 Monroe Transportation Benefit District, establishing a Transportation Benefit District, specifying the boundaries for the Transportation Benefit District, specifying the transportation improvements to be funded, specifying the maintenance and preservation of existing transportation improvements, and fixing a time when the same shall become effective.*

Mayor Zimmerman explained the additional proposed projects for which the method of funding would be determined by public vote.

After discussion, the motion was on the floor to adopt Ordinance #009/2012. On vote,

Motion carried 7.0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Moratorium on Cannabis Collective Gardens

Planning & Permit Manager Popelka gave a brief history and introduction on the topic, explaining why the moratorium should be extended.

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to schedule a public hearing for May 15, 2012, and direct staff to prepare an ordinance to renew the moratorium on the establishment of medical cannabis collective gardens for an additional six months.

After clarifying questions, the motion was on the floor to schedule the public hearing and direct staff to prepare an ordinance to extend the moratorium. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

2. Comprehensive Plan Amendments

FirstAir Field:

Council Cudaback recused herself, as her employer is located in the area affected. She departed Council Chambers at 8:30. p.m.

Councilpersons Williams, Gamble, and Hanford all explained that they live in the area, but had no financial interest. They all remained in Council Chambers.

Planning & Permit Manager Popelka gave a brief overview explaining the text changes in the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element.

Cudaback returned to Council Chambers at 8:35 p.m.

North Kelsey:

Planning & Permit Manager Popelka gave a brief introduction explaining the proposed changes to the Comprehensive Plan pertaining to the North Kelsey Development Plan and the Downtown Plan. The Planning Commission had voted unanimously to recommend approval.

Discussion ensued.

East Monroe:

Planning & Permit Manager Popelka gave a brief overview and explained the language amendment and potential benefits and impacts.

Economic Development Manager Sax explained that the Planning Commission vote was tied, deferring this decision to Council without a recommendation from them. He further explained that this would be a land use change and rezone and include the "Gateway" concept.

Discussion ensued; no action was expected, as the first reading of the ordinance would be on May 1, 2012.

The motion was made by Councilperson Kamp and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to extend the meeting past 10:00 p.m.

Dianne explained the Liquor Revenue Impact Report that she had handed out to Council.

Mayor Zimmerman reported that there would be an Economic Forum this weekend at the Fairgrounds, as well as a barbeque cook-off. The annual Fishing Derby would be held at Lake Tye on Saturday morning.

STUDY SESSION TOPICS:

1. Draft Agenda/May 1, 2012

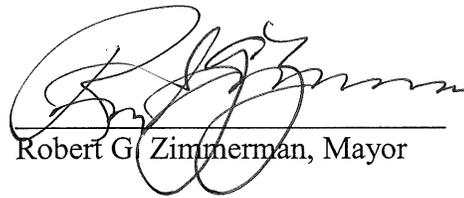
City Administrator Brazel presented the draft agenda for May 1, 2012.

He also reminded Council of the School District/Special Council meeting on April 30th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:09 p.m.



Robert G. Zimmerman, Mayor



Eadye Martinson, Deputy City Clerk