

**CITY COUNCIL  
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES  
August 16, 2011**

The Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was held on August 16, 2011, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robert Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilpersons present: Balk, Cudaback, Tuttle, Kamp, Williams, Stima, and Goering.

Councilpersons Balk, Williams, and Cudaback arrived in Chambers at 7:02 p.m. (from the sub-committee meeting).

Staff present: Brazel, Feilberg, Quenzer, Smith, Farrell, Nelson, and Martinson.

City Attorney Zach Lell was also present.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

Rosie Tatel, 146969 174<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Monroe, addressed Council about the fence near the Fairgrounds and the need for a sidewalk there for bicyclists and wheelchair users. She had already spoken to the Department of Transportation (DOT), and the DOT doesn't want to add sidewalks to the area. The walkway is there, but a post needs to be moved. She is willing to donate her personal funds to help get a wider sidewalk in that area.

Mayor Zimmerman stated that he will have staff contact DOT to get more information.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Williams, to approve the Consent Agenda. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

Items approved: 1A) and 1B) were rescheduled to 9/6/11; 2) Bills (Vouchers #80235 – 80308) in the amount of \$562,655.97; 3) Appoint Lodging Tax Advisory Committee members for 2012; 4) Ordinance Amending SEPA Regulations MMC 20.04/2<sup>nd</sup> and Final Reading.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Appoint Pro-Con Statement Committee Members for the Voter Pamphlet for November 8, 2011 Ballot Measures**

City Administrator Brazel explained that we were required to advertise for volunteers for the Pro-Con statements for the November ballot measures. After advertising, the City received responses from interested parties, which are listed in the coversheet.

Councilperson Goering asked if Council members were allowed to be on any of the committees, as he would like to be on the "Pro" committee for term limits.

City Attorney Lell stated that, after discussions with the Public Disclosure Commission, it is permissible, as long as public officials didn't use any City resources. E-mailing the statement to the City through the City server, should be OK.

Mayor Zimmerman and Councilperson Kamp both stated that they would like to be on the Pro Committee for the sales tax increase for criminal justice.

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Stima, to appoint Jeff Frye, Veronica Weikel Rood, Robert Zimmerman, and Jim Kamp to the Pro Committee and Mitch Ruth to the Con Committee for the Sales and Use Tax Increase for the Criminal Justice Purposes ballot measure. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

After a question about the process, it was explained that the Snohomish County Auditor's office would contact the committee members after they received the list of appointments from the City.

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Kamp, to appoint Kurt Goering Pro committee and Jeff Frye, Mitch Ruth, and Eadye Martinson to the Con Committee for the Advisory Vote on Term Limits for Local Elected Officials ballot measure.

Councilperson Cudaback stated that she would like to be on the Con Committee. The motion was amended to include Patsy Cudaback on the Con Committee. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

The motion was made by Councilperson Stima and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback to appoint Eadye Martinson to the Pro Committee and Chad Minnick, Tim Eyman and Veronica Weikel Rood to the Con Committee for the Advisory Vote on Continuation of Traffic Safety Camera Program ballot measure. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

### **Introduction: Request for Proposals – Enterprise Recreation Facility at Lake Tye Park**

Parks and Recreation Director Mike Farrell gave a brief overview, explaining that Council had seen a conceptual proposal for a Wakeboard park. The 2007 branding plan recommends adopting a sports theme for the City, which is supported by the Parks Plan. He requested that Council direct staff to advertise for a Request for Proposals for a park enterprise in keeping with the sports theme.

The motion was made by Councilperson Williams and seconded by Councilperson Kamp, to direct Staff to prepare a Request for Proposals for an Enterprise Recreation Facility at Lake Tye Park for approval on 8/23/2011.

After discussion and comments, the motion was on the floor to instruct staff to prepare a Request for Proposals for an Enterprise Recreation Facility at Lake Tye Park. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

**Request to Place Flags Downtown**

Public Works Director Brad Feilberg explained that they had a request from *Friday Night Lights*, a consortium of downtown businesses, that wanted to fly flags in support of the Bearcats on Friday nights. He introduced Jan Meade from *Friday Night Lights*. City code states that it requires Council's authorization to fly the flags. She explained their plan and stated that they are also asking that citizens show their support by wearing orange and black on Fridays.

After stating that he would like this to be voted on tonight, the motion was made by Councilperson Williams and seconded by Councilperson Tuttle, to approve the arrangement and installation of flags by *Friday Night Lights*.

After discussion, the motion on the floor to approve *Friday Night Lights* installing flags on Friday nights. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Executive Session: Potential Litigation**

Mayor Zimmerman explained that there was a need to go into executive session for purposes of discussing potential or pending litigation for approximately 20 minutes. City Attorney Lell explained that the purpose of the executive session was for discussing potential litigation with legal counsel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). There may be action following the executive session

MEETING RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:43 p.m.  
MEETING RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION: 8:23 p.m.

**FINAL ACTION**

**Resolution declaring the City Council's Intent to Call for a Nonbinding Advisory Vote Prior to Installing Any Additional Cameras Under the City's Automated Traffic Safety Camera Program**

This item will be moved to later date.

**Resolution Amending Council Rules of Procedure**

City Administrator Brazel gave a brief overview outlining the changes discussed by Council.

The motion was made by Councilperson Williams and seconded by Councilperson Goering to adopt Resolution #2011/017 amending Council Rules of Procedure.

After discussion, the motion was on the floor to adopt resolution amending Council Rules of Procedure. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

**MAYOR/COUNCIL/ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF REPORTS**

Councilperson Goering reported that the Council Transportation Committee had determined that Option #2 was the best for Monroe on the Community Transit proposed route alternatives. They suggested that the City should state their support in the form of a resolution. Council consensus was to direct staff to bring a resolution back to them for adoption.

Public Works Director Feilberg reported that the DOT had stated that Monroe is one area where they will put in a single vehicle-charging station that will charge a car in 20-30 minutes. It will be installed by the end of November. No council approval is needed. They are looking for space that would give people cover and something to do for 20-30 minutes.

Parks & Recreation Director Farrell reported on the June and July Parks Department events. There was a recording from "Versus" show that highlighted Monroe's wakeboard event. The triathlon would be this weekend, along with the Spin-A-Thon fundraiser, and the Annual Car Show. The *Summer Nights* series was successful, with 200 people attending the *Despicable Me* movie; *Secretariat* is scheduled for Friday.

**Draft Agenda/August 23, 2011 Study Session**

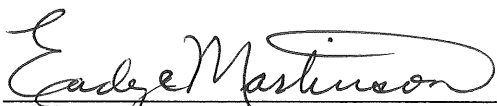
City Administrator Brazel presented the draft agenda for August 23, 2011. The resolution to support Alternate #2 transit route changes was added.

Councilperson Balk brought to Council's attention that *Accept Public Works Project/South Kelsey Street 2010 Utility Relocation Project and Begin the 45-Day Lien Period* was on the September 6<sup>th</sup> agenda.

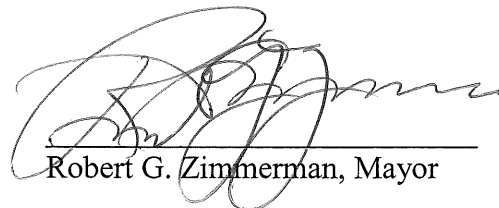
There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Kamp, to adjourn the meeting. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:40 p.m.



Eadye Martinson, Deputy City Clerk



Robert G. Zimmerman, Mayor