

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND PLEDGE

The June 18, 2019, Regular Study Session of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas at 7 p.m.; Monroe City Hall, Council Chambers.

Councilmembers present: Cudaback, Gamble, Kamp¹, Rasmussen, and Scarboro.

Staff members present: Adkisson, Hasart, Irving, Jolley, Knight, Springer, and Swanson.

Mayor Thomas noted, without objection, the excused absence of Councilmember Hanford. No objections were noted.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Gamble.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATION

1. Proclamation: Smoke Ready Communities Day (June 19, 2019)

Mayor Thomas noted the proclamation included in the agenda packet recognizing June 19, 2019, as Smoke Ready Communities Day, drawing attention to the effects of wildfire smoke and ensuring the region is Smoke Ready in order to protect the health and safety of residents.

2. Proclamation: Speed Week (June 24-30, 2019)

Mayor Thomas read the proclamation into the record recognizing the week of June 24, through June 30, 2019, as Speed week, and encouraging Monroe's residents and businesses to celebrate Monroe's racing history by attending the exciting events being held at the Evergreen Speedway. The proclamation was presented to a representative from Evergreen Speedway.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following person spoke regarding a proposed median in the Fryelands neighborhood: Ms. Julie Statten.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

1. Individual Councilmember Updates

Councilmember Rasmussen commented on the upcoming Tri Monroe event and attendance at a tour of community development sites facilitated by Mr. Ben Swanson, Community Development Director.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS - NONE

¹ CLERK'S NOTE: Councilmember Kamp arrived at approximately 7:01 p.m.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. City Administrator Update

Ms. Knight reviewed the upcoming meetings schedule.

2. Mayor's Update/Monroe This Week (*June 14, 2019, Edition No. 21*)

Mayor Thomas noted the Monroe This Week included in the meeting materials; and reported on the following topics: #Finish522; Homelessness Policy Advisory Committee; local housing response team; groundbreaking event for the 'River's Edge' development; and meetings attended in the previous week.

Discussion ensued regarding affordable housing projects and partnership efforts within the county; and area median income (AMI).

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. AB19-138: School Safety (with Monroe School District)

Police Chief Jeff Jolley provided background information on AB19-138, school safety efforts in partnership with the Monroe School District, and the School Resources Officer (SRO) program.

Officer Springer was recognized for his years of service as School Resources Officer; Chief Jolley awarded the Chief's Distinguished Service Award and Mr. Greg Burns (Monroe School District) awarded the School District's Challenge Coin Award.

Mr. Burns, Monroe School District Safety and Risk Manager, provided information on school safety efforts in the 2018-2019 school year, including: Safety, Security, and Risk Department activities; Monroe School District-wide data (September 2018 to present); easy alert activations; security cases investigated; annual multi-agency table-top exercise; training sessions; dynamic violent intruder drill; facility updates; and new technology systems.

Discussion ensued regarding facility updates including single entry and security monitoring; classroom emergency kits; SRO program; security expansion; and data collection.

2. AB19-139: Tarragon Draft Conceptual Site Plan for Tjerne Place

Ms. Knight provided background information on AB19-139, including: property history, development of area, zoning use changes, developer interest, the draft conceptual site plan, input received from the Planning Commission, Economic Development Advisory Board, and the public; and potential subjects for additional feedback (number of buildings/units; building height; general layout and building "style;" location of residential buildings/common spaces; and location/size of retail).


Discussion ensued regarding building height/style; affordable housing versus market priced units; location/size of retail; common spaces; public input received; traffic impacts; lots proposed to be purchased; retail use restrictions; potential nearby park open space; and next steps.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Cudaback and seconded by Councilmember Kamp to adjourn the meeting. On vote,
Motion carried (5-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:12 p.m.



Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor



Elizabeth M. Adkisson, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Regular Business Meeting of June 25, 2019.