

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE

The February 3, 2015, Regular Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Geoffrey Thomas at 7:03 p.m.; Council Chambers, City Hall.

Councilmembers present: Cudaback, Davis, Gamble¹, Goering, Kamp², Hanford, and Rasmussen.

Staff members present: Brazel, Feilberg, Quenzer, Roberts, and Smoot; City Attorney Lell³.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Goering.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. AB15-021: Public Hearing: Resolution No. 003/2015, Declaring Certain Property as Surplus and Authorizing Its Disposition (Public Utilities and Police Equipment)

Mr. Jakeh Roberts, Public Works Manager, provided background information on the proposed resolution, and required public hearing.

Mayor Thomas opened the public hearing for citizen testimony. There were no persons present wishing to address City Council on this topic.

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to close the public testimony portion of the public hearing; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (5-0).

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to close the public hearing; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (5-0).

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to approve Resolution No. 003/2015, declaring certain real property as surplus and authorizing its disposition; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (5-0).

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

There were no persons present wishing to address City Council.

¹ CLERK'S NOTE: Councilmember Gamble arrived at approximately 7:06 p.m. during the Consent Agenda.

² CLERK'S NOTE: Councilmember Kamp arrived at approximately 7:07 p.m. during the Consent Agenda.

³ CLERK'S NOTE: Attorney Lell arrived at approximately 7:06 p.m. during the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes; January 27, 2015, Regular Business Meeting
2. Approval of AP Checks and ACH Payments [*Check Nos. 85600 through 85645 in an amount of \$105,942.34, and ACH Payments in an amount of \$409,494.78; for a total amount of \$515,437.12*]
3. AB15-022: Authorize Mayor to Sign 2015 Skyhawks Sports Camps Agreement
4. AB15-023: Authorize Mayor Pro-Tem to Sign Snohomish County CDBG Grant Agreement for the 179th Avenue Sidewalks & Stormwater Improvements Project

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to approve the Consent Agenda; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Goering.

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to amend the main motion to pull Consent Agenda Item No. 4, and approve Consent Agenda Item Nos. 1 through 3; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Goering. On vote,
Motion carried (6-0).

On vote, Main Motion, as amended, carried (6-0).

Mayor Thomas noted a conflict of interest, and exited the Chambers for discussion and the vote on Consent Agenda Item No. 4.

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to approve the Consent Agenda Item No. 4; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,
Motion carried (7-0).

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion: 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update

Mr. Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director/Acting Planning Manager, provided background information on the 2015 Comprehensive Plan, and process for reviewing the proposed Goals and Policies – Each week the Planning Commission will review items and propose changes/recommendations to the City Council on specific goals/policies; Staff will provide documents to Council one week ahead of planned discussion. Documents for the Tuesday, February 10, 2015, Meeting were distributed.

General discussion ensued regarding the review process; goals and policies; and Planning Commission compensation.

2. AB15-024: Resolution No. 004/2015, Amending Council Rules of Procedure

Mr. Zach Lell, Ogden Murphy Wallace, City Attorney, provided background information on an appeal received which would come before City Council for action; and proposed amendments to the Council Rules of Procedure, adding Section 12 – Appeals before Council, procedures for certain appeals held before City Council.

General discussion ensued regarding the pending appeal (Gamble ADU – Impact Fees Appeal), past appeals heard by the City Council, closed versus open record proceedings, burden of proof, appeal procedures for Land Use Actions, the proposed procedures for additional procedures not already addressed in the Monroe Municipal Code, and utilizing ‘de novo’ standards.

Councilmember Gamble (Appellant in the pending appeal), disclosed prior contact with Councilmembers Goering and Cudaback regarding this appeal, and the proposed amendments to the Council Rules of Procedure.

Councilmember Goering moved to approve Resolution No. 004/2015, amending Council Rules of Procedure adopted by Resolution No. 2013/025, with an amendment to strike the language of Subsection 12.5.1 as presented, and insert “Standards. The City Council may grant the appeal, grant the appeal with modifications, or deny the appeal. The Council’s review shall be de novo, and no presumption of validity shall attach to the challenged administrative decision;” the motion was seconded by Councilmember Hanford. On vote,

Motion carried (7-0).

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mayor Thomas stated that without objection, Staff Report No. 1 would be addressed as the next item on the agenda. No objections were noted.

1. Land Sales Update

Ms. Jane Lanford, Newmark Grubb Knight Frank, provided a Property Update and Market Overview/Update; including the following items: City Well PSA; Parcel Nos. 6 and 7; Irwin PSA; Parcel No. 8; and Tract 999.

Councilmembers reviewed a map of the North Kelsey area; and general discussion ensued regarding federal grants that may be available to assist with the clean-up of Tract 999.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Goering commented on the Superbowl; and upcoming sport seasons.

Councilmember Gamble commented on baseball, and the beginning of the Little League season.

Councilmember Rasmussen commented on the upcoming race season; and Community Transit Proposed Route 271, and inclusion of the Village Way Loop. If approved by the CT Board, the Mayor will send a ‘thank you’ note on behalf of the City.

Councilmember Cudaback commented on the Superbowl.

Councilmember Hanford commented on the Superbowl.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

2. H3O Contract Update

Mr. Gene Brazel, City Administrator, provided an update on the H3O Contract, and meeting with the owners. Topics of discussion included: creation of an action plan, potential to create project phases, and payment plan to come into compliance with the contract.

General discussion ensued regarding the contractual payment schedule; the potential project phasing, building to be constructed as part of contract, and status of permits related to the project.

3. City App Update

Mr. Feilberg provided an update on the City Mobile App "Choose Monroe," currently the host company is meeting with local business owners and non-profits; and the estimated 'go-live' date is March 1, 2015.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Thomas reported on events attended the previous Friday related to the Superbowl; and the forthcoming Community Transit Meeting regarding proposed routes.

Mr. Brazel reported on a party interested in a North Kelsey property.

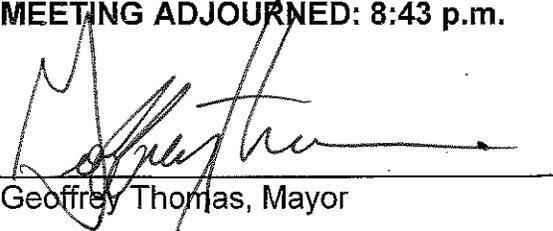
1. Draft Agendas for the February 10, 2015, Regular Business Meeting

Administrator Brazel reviewed the draft agenda for the February 10, 2015, Regular Business Meeting; and the extended agenda. General discussion ensued regarding agenda items; and upcoming Council absences.

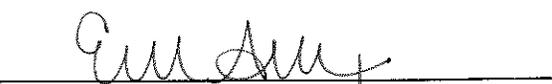
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Goering and seconded by Councilmember Gamble to adjourn the meeting. On vote,
Motion carried (7-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:43 p.m.



Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor



Elizabeth M. Smoot, CMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Regular Business Meeting of February 10, 2015.