

**CITY OF MONROE  
ORDINANCE NO. 010/2023**

AN INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.04 MMC COUNCIL MEETINGS AND CHAPTER 4.10 MMC GENERAL PROVISIONS; DESIGNATING TEMPORARY REGULAR MEETING LOCATIONS FOR THE MONROE CITY COUNCIL AND ALL CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES DURING THE PENDENCY OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN AUTOMATIC SUNSET.

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WHEREAS, pursuant Chapter 2.04 and Chapter 4.10 of the Monroe Municipal Code (MMC), the City has established Monroe City Hall as the default location for meetings of the Monroe City Council and for the City's numerous boards, commissions and committees; and

WHEREAS, the City's pending municipal campus improvement project will necessitate the temporary relocation of the City's operations, including meetings of the City Council and the City's boards, commissions and committees, to alternative locations until such project is completed; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adopt interim amendments to Chapter 2.04 MMC and Chapter 4.10 MMC in order to designate temporary meeting locations for the City Council and the City's boards, commissions and committees during the pendency of the municipal campus improvement project;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment of MMC 2.04.020. Section 2.04.020 of the Monroe Municipal Code is hereby amended to provide in its entirety as follows:

**2.04.020 Place of meeting.**

The physical place of meetings of the city council shall be ~~in the City Hall~~ the Monroe School District Administration Building located at 14692 179<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Monroe, Washington 98272, except as expressly provided in a special meeting notice. It is the general policy of the city that, whenever feasible, virtual attendance by the public at meetings of the city council shall also be available via telephonic and/or other electronic methods, the connection information for which shall be provided to the public at the time of publication of the meeting agenda or as otherwise required by law. The specific standards and procedures for such virtual attendance may be further defined in the city council's rules of procedure.

Section 2. Amendment of MMC 4.10.070. Subsection 4.10.070(A) of the Monroe Municipal Code is hereby amended to provide in its entirety as follows:

A. City board, commission, and committee meetings shall be held regularly at a designated time at City Hall in the Parks and Public Works Building located at 769 Village Way, Monroe, Washington 98272 ~~or as otherwise provided by ordinance or rules of procedure.~~ The chair or majority of the board, commission, or committee may call a special meeting to be held at the same or a different location. All meetings shall be open to the public, unless otherwise provided by ordinance or enacting resolution, as applicable. All meetings shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 42.30 RCW as applicable. Whenever feasible, virtual attendance at meetings of boards, commissions, and committees shall also be available to the public via telephonic and other electronic methods, the connection information of which shall be provided to the public at time of publication of the meeting agenda.

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Section 3. Legislative Intent; Superseding Effect. It is the express intent of the Monroe City Council that the amended meeting locations set forth in Section 1 and Section 2 of this ordinance shall supersede: (i) any and all inconsistent provisions of the MMC, and (ii) any and all inconsistent provisions of any rule, order, or protocol adopted by or for any City of Monroe board, commission, or committee.

Section 4. Direction. Notwithstanding Section 3 above, all City of Monroe boards, commissions, and committees are hereby directed to take appropriate action to amend or otherwise revise their respective rules, orders, and/or protocols, as applicable, as necessary to ensure consistency with the provisions of this ordinance.

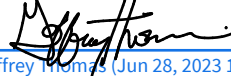
Section 5. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 6. Effective Date; Sunset. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days from and after its passage and approval and publication as required by law. This ordinance shall automatically expire two (2) years from its effective date unless repealed earlier or extended by appropriate action of the City Council. Unless otherwise expressly provided by the City Council, upon the expiration or repeal of this ordinance the MMC provisions amended in Sections 1 and 2 hereof shall revert automatically to their pre-amendment content.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Monroe,  
at a regular meeting held this 27th day of June, 2023.

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CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON:



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Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:



[Jodi Wycoff \(Jun 29, 2023 09:24 PDT\)](#)

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Jodi Wycoff, City Clerk



[Zach Lell \(Jun 28, 2023 09:31 PDT\)](#)

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J. Zachary Lell, City Attorney











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