



**Monroe Council Agenda
Regular Meeting of Council
June 11, 2024 – 6:30 PM
233 South Main Street, Monroe, Ohio**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Approval of the Minutes

Council Minutes of May 28 and June 3, 2024

Visitors

Committee Reports

Public Works Committee

Finance Committee

Administrative Liaison Committee

Technology Committee

Public Involvement Committee

Public Safety Committee

Old Business

Emergency Ordinance No. 2024-16. An Ordinance amending Exhibit "A" of Emergency Ordinance No. 2024-15 to provide for a waiver of certain water tap-in fees as reimbursement for a portion of the installation of a water main and declaring an emergency.

New Business

Resolution No. 34-2024. A Resolution adopting a Downtown Master Plan.

Sponsor: Tom Smith

Strategic Priority:

Background: Within the Advance Monroe 2040 Comprehensive Plan there are three key focus areas. Two of the three focus areas are included within the Downtown Master Plan (DMP). They include: 1) the need for a Downtown Plan; and 2) a design strategy for the Duke Area Substation. On April 10, 2023, the City issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to prepare a DMP. Eleven land use planning and architecture firms responded with their qualifications and planned approach to public engagement, public amenities, and guidance for future development and redevelopment. From those eleven firms, five were selected for an interview. The interviewing panel consisting of staff and members of the Historic Preservation Commission interviewed the five firms and selected KZF Design to prepare and create the DMP.



In September 2023, a Downtown Steering Committee was formed to obtain citizen input and assist KZF Design with direction, planning, and guidance for the DMP. A major function of this planning process was public engagement and stakeholder involvement. The Steering Committee and KZF Design held four open house meetings to solicit public input, present status updates, and introduce proposals for the plan. The open house meetings were held on:

1. October 19, 2023, at City Hall;
2. October 30, 2023, at The Monroe Lending Library;
3. February 19, 2024, at Monroe High School; and
4. March 11, 2024, at City Hall.

On April 29, 2023, KZF Design presented the final version of the DMP to the Downtown Steering Committee. The Downtown Steering Committee, in a vote of 5-1, moved to recommend the DMP to City Council for adoption.

Administrative Reports

Executive Session - to consider the purchase of property for public purposes and the employment of a public employee.

Adjournment