

Police and Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Logistics

Meeting Details		Meeting Key Participants	
Date:	March 13, 2024	Committee Members:	Council/Liaison:
Time:	7:00PM - 8:30PM	Chairperson, Julia Dezelski, Ward 1	Chief of Police, Jarod Towers
Location:	ZOOM Virtual Meeting (registration info below)	Vice-Chair, Bob Kantor, Ward 2	Deputy Chief of Police, Laura Lanham
		Secretary, Robert R. Riddle, Ward 2	Council Member Emily Strab, Ward 2
		Committee Member, Taylor Wilder, Ward 2	
		Committee Member, Julio Gomez, Ward 2	
		Committee Member, Jerome Brown, Ward 3	
		Committee Member, Patricia Page, Ward 5	

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Agenda

Topic	Lead	Description
Call to Order	Chairperson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll Call of Committee Members: Quorum? Approval of Agenda Approval of February 21, 2023 Meeting Minutes
Public Comment	Public Attendees	Community attendees may address the Committee for up to two minutes/person. The Committee reserves the right to either address those comments or to defer further discussion to a future meeting.
General Discussion	Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Objectives and Purpose of the Committee – review and comment (please refer to the PPSAC Worksheet at the end of this agenda) Recruitment Plans and Goals – review strategies Status of the Subcommittees (Outreach and Policy) – who, what, how Public Safety Community concerns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> recent situation of individual canvassing for funds resources for homeless at city or county levels youth engagement – in light of recent shooting involving youth; the new Community Youth Center
HVL Police Dept Updates	Chief Towers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on the Police Communications Project Requested update on efforts to curb drug trafficking
Adjournment	Chairperson	Next Meeting: April 10, 2024

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COMMITTEE WORKSHEET

Hyattsville Police and Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Committee

Mission Statement: The City of Hyattsville Police and Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Committee (PPSCAC) is established to promote civic participation and provide advisement and relevant feedback to the Mayor, City Council, and City Administration on issues related to community policing and public safety, including but not limited to policies and procedures, throughout the City.

PPSCAC Objectives:

- Provide a venue for residents to assist in developing public awareness campaigns on issues of public safety;
- Provide an opportunity for residents to assist in the dissemination of information to communities on the roles, responsibilities and on-going activities of the Hyattsville City Police Department (HCPD) and other public safety agencies of the City Hyattsville as requested;
- Provide an opportunity for residents to assist in the solicitation of views from its members' neighborhoods in order to advise the City Administrator, Chief of Police (as requested), Mayor, and City Council on issues and concerns that, in general, impact the wellbeing of residents, business owners and guests.

PPSCAC Scope: The work associated with Hyattsville Policing and Public Safety Advisory Citizen's Committee shall include but not be limited to:

1. Provide an opportunity for residents to assist in improving the public's knowledge and understanding of the roles and responsibilities of members of the City of Hyattsville's public safety agencies;
2. Provide an opportunity to strengthen citizen and resident familiarity with the Hyattsville public safety agencies by promoting its responsiveness, innovation and importance to the safety and well-being of the community;
3. Provide feedback from a community perspective on crime trends, fear of crime and strategies to address public safety concerns;
4. Coordinating regular reporting and presentations from external policing partners and enforcement organizations (Prince George's County, Maryland Park Police, Metro Transit Police, etc) on issues of public health and safety, and crime trends.
5. Advise council and make recommendations on issues related to public safety throughout the City
6. Advise council on educating the community about public safety issues, concerns, and programs
7. Advise council on public safety policies and practices (e.g., best practices)
8. Advise council on facilitating/increasing community involvement in and awareness of public safety
9. Advise council on improving and promoting cooperation and coordination between the community and public safety agencies
10. Work with residents and advise council on methods of strengthening and promoting Hyattsville's community policing model
11. Advise council on methods for developing partnerships within communities to serve residents' interests with a focus on reducing crime and fear/perception of crime such as establishing and/or growing neighborhood watch programs
12. Establish a forum where residents feel comfortable sharing concerns on health, safety, and policing with residents and community leaders with the intent of providing back to the Mayor and council on methods addressing such concerns