

City of Hyattsville

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Summary Regular Meeting

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Monday, May 15, 2023

7:00 PM

Virtual

City Council

Robert S. Croslin, Mayor
Joseph Solomon, Council President, Ward 5
Danny Schaible, Council Vice President, Ward 2
Sam Denes, Ward 1
Joanne Waszczak, Ward 1
Emily Strab, Ward 2
Ben Simasek, Ward 3
Jimmy McClellan, Ward 3
Edouard Haba, Ward 4
Daniel Peabody, Ward 4
Rommel Sandino, Ward 5

ADMINISTRATION

Tracey E. Douglas, City Administrator
Laura Reams, City Clerk, 301-985-5009, cityclerk@hyattsville.org

WELCOME TO THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING!
Your participation at this public meeting is valued and appreciated.

AGENDA/PACKET: The Agenda/Packet is available for review at the Hyattsville Municipal Building and online at www.hyattsville.org prior to the scheduled meeting (generally available no later than the Friday prior to the scheduled Monday meeting). Please note, times given for agenda items are estimates only. Matters other than those indicated on the agenda may also be considered at Council discretion.

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1. **Call to Order and Council Roll Call** **The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Approval of Agenda** **Approved, Unanimous**
4. **Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker**
5. **Community Notices and Meetings**
 - 5.a. **Main City Calendar: May 16, 2023 - June 5, 2023** [HCC-389-FY23](#)
N/A
Sponsors: City Administrator
Department: City Clerk
Attachments: [City Calendar May 15, 2023 - June 5, 2023](#)
6. **City Administrator Update (7:20 p.m. - 7:40 p.m.)**
7. **Presentations (7:40 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.)**

7.a. WMATA Better Bus Network Redesign [HCC-379-FY23](#)

Presentation on the WMATA Better Bus Network Redesign program.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Public Works

Attachments: [BBNR City of Hyattsville](#)

7.b. 2023 Biennial Election - Presentation of Results [HCC-396-FY23](#)

Presentation Only

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

8. Proclamations

Approved, Unanimous

8.a. Proclamation Recognizing National Peace Officers Memorial Day and National Police Week [HCC-387-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation recognizing May 14 through May 20, 2023 as National Police Week and May 15, 2023 as Peace Officers Memorial Day in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [CM 05015 National Police Week and Peace Officers' Memorial Day 2023](#)

8.b. Proclamation of National Public Works Week [HCC-388-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation recognizing the week of May 21 through May 27, 2023, to be Public Works Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [CM 0515 National Public Works Week 2023](#)

9. Appointments

Approved, Unimous

9.a. Appointment to the Hyattsville Environment Committee[HCC-394-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Janet Nackoney (Ward 2) to the Hyattsville Environment Committee for a term of two (2) years to expire May 31, 2025.

Sponsors: Haba and Simasek

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [Janet Nackoney Re-appointment May 15 redac](#)

10. Consent Items (8:15 p.m. - 8:20 p.m.)**Approved, Unanimous**

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine in nature, and are approved in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless the Mayor/Council request specific items be removed from the Consent agenda for separate action.

10.a. ARPA: Housing Manager position[HCC-378-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the use of American Rescue Act funds in an amount not to exceed \$135,000 over the course of 18 months to hire a Housing Manager who will manage the City's affordable housing policies and programs and implement the City's Housing Action Agenda.

Sponsors: Waszczak and Simasek

Department: Community & Economic Development

**10.b. Zoning Variance Request: V-76-22 - 6117 42nd Avenue, Hyattsville
(RECONSIDERATION 2)**[HCC-385-FY23](#)

I move the City Council authorize the Mayor to send correspondence to the Board of Zoning Appeals in support V-76-22 for the subject property at 6117 42nd Avenue, Hyattsville. The purpose of the zoning variance request is to validate existing conditions of side yard width and front yard depth and allow an excess in lot coverage to enable the approval of a building permit to allow for the construction of a one-story addition on an existing residential dwelling unit.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Community & Economic Development

Attachments: [V-76-22 Site Plan 05.08.23](#)
[V-76-22 BZA referral 04.18.23](#)
[V-76-22 Application](#)

10.c. Disbursement of Ward 3 Discretionary Funds[HCC-392-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the disbursement of \$367.32 of Ward 3 FY23 discretionary funds to Councilmember Ben Simasek as reimbursement for the April 29, 2023 Ward 3 Check-In and Candidate Meet & Greet.

Sponsors: Simasek and McClellan

Attachments: [4-27-23 Receipt Cocineros](#)
[4-27-23 Receipt Mezeh](#)

10.d. Disbursement of Ward 2 Discretionary Funds[HCC-393-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the disbursement of \$149.90 of Ward 2 FY23 discretionary funds to pay for the Zoom account for the free Hyattsville Community Yoga class.

Sponsors: Strab and Schaible

Department: Legislative

10.e. Acceptance of the Certified Results for the 2023 Biennial Election[HCC-395-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council accept the certified election results from the Board of Supervisors of Elections for the 2023 Biennial Election held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. This certification is provided for under Section C4-11 of the Hyattsville City Charter.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [Certified Return Sheet 2023](#)

11. Action Items (8:20 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.)**11.a. Hyattsville Ordinance 2023-02: Fiscal Year 2024 Budget (Introduction)**[HCC-386-FY23](#)

Approved, (Yes:9/No:2)

I move the Mayor and Council introduce Hyattsville Ordinance 2023-02, an ordinance adopting an annual budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, for the general purpose, fixing the tax rates for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023; authorizing collection of taxes herein levied, and appropriating funds for the fiscal year (INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING).

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Finance

Attachments: [University Town Center Special Tax Report \(2023\) 5-10-2023](#)
[Hyattsville Ordinance 2023-01 Fiscal Year 2024 Budget DRAFT 5-12-2023](#)

11.b. Proclamation Recognizing the Results of the 2023 Hyattsville Youth Vote [HCC-390-FY23](#)
Approved, Unanimous

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation recognizing the unsettled debate among the youth of Hyattsville regarding the correct categorization of hot dogs.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [CM 0515 Youth Vote 2023](#)

12. Council Dialogue (9:00 p.m. - 9:10 p.m.)

13. Motion to Adjourn **The meeting adjourned at 9:59 p.m. Approved, Unanimous.**

Attest: June 7, 2023



Laura Reams, City Clerk