

# City of Hyattsville

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## Meeting Minutes

**Monday, November 7, 2022**

**7:00 PM**

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### **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](mailto:cityclerk@hyattsville.org)**

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**1. Call to Order and Council Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

**Also Present:**

City Administrator-Tracey Douglas  
Assistant City Administrator-Jim Chandler  
City Treasurer-Ron Brooks  
Chief of Police-Jarod Towers  
Director of Public Works-Lesley Riddle  
Director of Community Services-Sandra Shepherd  
Director of Human Resources-Jay Joyner  
City Clerk-Laura Reams  
Deputy City Clerk-Nate Groenendyk  
Emergency Services Coordinator-Reggie Bagley

<b>Present:</b>	Mayor Robert Croslin Council President Joseph Solomon Council Vice-President Danny Schaible Councilmember Sam Denes Councilmember Joanne Waszczak Councilmember Ben Simasek Councilmember Edouard Haba Councilmember Daniel Peabody Councilmember Rommel Sandino Councilmember Emily Strab
<b>Absent:</b>	Councilmember Jimmy McClellan

**2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag****3. Approval of Agenda**

Councilmember Haba motioned to amend the Consent Agenda by moving items 11.g and 11.h to the Action Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Peabody. The motion to amend the Agenda passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Sandino, that the Agenda was Approved as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**4. Approval of the Minutes****4.a. Approval of the Minutes**[HCC-117-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the Council Meeting Minutes of May 16, 2022, October 3, 2022, October 17, 2022 and the Public Hearing Minutes of October 17, 2022.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [MeetingMinutes\\_May 16 2022](#)  
[MeetingMinutes\\_Oct 03 2022](#)  
[MeetingMinutes\\_Oct 17 2022](#)  
[Public Hearing Minutes\\_Oct 17 2022](#)

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Sandino, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**5. Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker**

Will Seath spoke about his support for keeping the Suffrage Point and immediate neighbors in the same ward, but would prefer them to be in Ward 2 instead of Ward 1.

Matthew Gembecki thanked the Council and staff for their support of the Hyattsville Zombie Run. It raised over \$40K for local public schools.

**6. Community Notices and Meetings**

**6.a. Main City Calendar: November 8, 2022 - November 21, 2022**[HCC-101-FY23](#)

N/A

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [City Calendar November 8, 2022 - November 21, 2022](#)

**7. Motion to Close (7:20 p.m. - 7:35 p.m.)****7.a. Motion to Close**[HCC-133-FY23](#)

I move the Mayor and Council close the Council Meeting of November 7, 2022, to consult with the City Attorney to receive legal advice.

This session will be closed under the authority of the Annotated Code of Maryland State Government General Provisions Article Section 3-305 (b)(7) consult with counsel to obtain legal advice.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Pursuant to the requirement of the Annotated Code of Maryland State Government Article 3- 104(1) (2); this statement is included in these minutes:

A closed session of the Council of the City of Hyattsville was held virtually at 7:21 p.m. on November 7, 2022.

In addition to the City Council, the following staff members were present: City Administrator Tracey Douglas, Assistant City Administrator Jim Chandler, City Attorney E.I. Cornbrooks IV, City Clerk Laura Reams, and Deputy City Clerk Nate Groenendyk.

The authority under which the session was closed was the Annotated Code of Maryland State Government General Provisions Article Section 3-305 (b)(7) consult with legal counsel to obtain legal advice.

Topics Discussed: The City Attorney provided legal advice to the Council regarding the confidentiality of Closed Sessions.

Action Taken: None.

The closed session adjourned at 7:35 p.m. on a motion made by Councilmember Denes and seconded by Councilmember Simasek. The motion to return to open session was approved, unanimously.

The open session recommenced at 7:37 p.m

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Sandino, that the Motion to Close be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**8. City Administrator Update (7:35 p.m. - 8:05 p.m.)**

City Administrator Tracey Douglass provided an update on City related news and events.

American Rescue Plan Fund Manager Patrick Paschall gave an update on the various City ARPA programs.

David Marshall provided a written comment expressing his opposition to his family's ward being changed by the redistricting process. He stated that he had trouble with the online application process for ARPA funds. Lastly, he commended the City election workers for making the election process easy.

Mr. Paschall responded to Mr. Marshall with alternative ways to apply for relief funds.

Councilmember Solomon suggested face to face bilingual meetings to improve participation in the community.

Councilmember Waszczak asked if the language regarding household effects families living at the same physical address.

Mr. Paschall responded that the City uses the IRS definition of household which does not rely upon address to define household.

**9. Proclamations**

All proclamations were approved on a single vote.

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Denes, that the Proclamations be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**9.a. Proclamation Recognizing Native American Heritage Month**[HCC-113-FY23](#)

I move that Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation to declare November 2022 as Native American Heritage Month in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [CM 1107 Native American Heritage Month 2022](#)

**9.b. Proclamation Recognizing Municipal Government Works Month**[HCC-114-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation recognizing November 2022 as Municipal Government Works Month in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [CM 1107 Municipal Government Works Month 2022](#)

**9.c. Proclamation Recognizing Veterans Day** [HCC-115-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council proclaim November 11, 2022, to be Veterans Day in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [CM 1107 Veterans Day Proclamation 2022](#)

**9.d. Proclamation Recognizing American Education Week** [HCC-116-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation in honor of American Education Week, November 13 - 19, 2022.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [CM 1107 American Education Week 2022](#)

**10. Appointments****10.a. Appointments to the Compensation Review Committee** [HCC-123-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor, with Council approval, appoint Juan Castillo (Ward 1), Melinda Baldwin (Ward 2), Bette Dickerson (Ward 2), Michael Horlick (Ward 2), Tom Wright (Ward 3), Alexi Boado (Ward 4), and Patricia Page (Ward 5) to the Compensation Review Committee.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Castillo Comp Committee Application Ward 1 redacted](#)  
[Dickerson Comp Committee Application Ward 2 redacted](#)  
[Baldwin Comp Committee Application Ward 2 redacted](#)  
[Horlick Comp Committee Application Ward 2 redacted](#)  
[Wright Comp Committee Application Ward 3 redacted](#)  
[Boado Comp Committee Application Ward 4 redacted](#)  
[Page Comp Committee Application Ward 5](#)

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Denes, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**11. Consent Items (8:05 p.m. - 8:10 p.m.)**

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.

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Simasek, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**11.a. Purchase of an Electric Trash Truck**

[HCC-34-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Potomac Truck Center for the purchase of an electric trash truck, and authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$680,000 of American Rescue Plan Act funds. The Treasurer is authorized to make the required modification to the budget to facilitate this purchase, pending legal review.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [SKM\\_C250i22101011330](#)

**11.b. Purchase of Road Salt**

[HCC-111-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Morton Salt for an expenditure not to exceed \$35,000, pending legal review. This procurement will utilize the State of Maryland blanket purchase order #001B3600124 issued September 21, 2022.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [221025 - Sate of Maryland - Road Salt PO 001B3600124](#)

**11.c. Agreement with the United States Department of Treasury**

[HCC-118-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator upon legal review to approve an agreement between the City of Hyattsville and the United States Department of Treasury. The agreement will require the Department of Treasury to reimburse the City for HPD officers who will provide additional security surrounding the Department of Treasury premises. The agreement will be for a three (3) year term.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Agt City of Hyattsville Dept of Treasury.docx](#)

**11.d. 2023 Council Regular and Budget Meeting Calendar**

[HCC-121-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt the 2023 Council Meeting Schedule and the FY-2024 Budget Meeting Schedule.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Calendar of Budget Presentations FY24 draft](#)  
[2023 Council Meeting Calendar - DRAFT](#)



**11.e. FY23 CIP Budget Amendment: Adjust FY23 DPW CIP Budget Appropriations** [HCC-124-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council amend the FY23 DPW Capital Improvements Budget and adjust budget appropriations for 3505 Hamilton Street not to exceed \$18.7 million to cover the cost of the Whiting-Turner contract previously approved by Council on April 4, 2022, in motion HCC-299-FY22.

Sponsors: City Administrator

**11.f. FY23 Special Revenues Funds Grant Budget Appropriation Amendment: FEMA COVID-19 Reimbursement Grant** [HCC-125-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council amend the FY23 Special Revenues Funds Budget to appropriate estimated COVID-19 FEMA Reimbursement Grant Funds in the amount not to exceed \$244,583 for vaccine costs and an additional amount not to exceed \$291,997 for testing site costs for a combined total of \$536,580 in estimated COVID costs that will be 100% reimbursable by FEMA for the period July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023.

Sponsors: City Administrator

**11.i. Rebuild of the engine for Trash Truck #SW67** [HCC-128-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize an increase in expenditure not to exceed (NTE) \$30,000 approved in Sept 2022 (HCC-73-FY23) to NTE \$50,000 to Beltway International Trucks for the rebuilding of the engine of the trash truck numbered SW67. This increase is to cover additional parts and labor for unknown issues discovered during the repair process.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [EST 3698552 CITY OF HYATTSVILLE](#)  
[Unit 109281 \(Inframe rebuild\)](#)

**11.j. Street Signage Replacement in University Hills** [HCC-130-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$30,000.00 to Shannon-Baum Signs for furnishing and installing street signs in the University Hills area of the City. The replacement of the street signs is the final work to be completed as part of the University Hills Street and Sidewalk projects, and will be completed under their existing rider contract with the City.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [221027 - shannonbaum - uhills sign estimate](#)

**11.k. Healthy Trees Hyattsville Program Implementation** [HCC-131-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$10,000 to Casey Trees to provide structural pruning, training, and public tree plantings as part of the implementation of the Healthy Trees Hyattsville program.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Memo DawnTaft 220829](#)

**12. Action Items (8:10 p.m. - 9:10 p.m.)**

**11.g. Small Business Emergency Relief Program Funding Increase**[HCC-126-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council allocate and authorize the expenditure of an additional \$500,000 for the Small Business Emergency Relief program using American Rescue Plan Act funds, bringing the total allocation for Small Business Relief Programs under ARPA to \$1,500,000.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Councilmember Haba expressed his desire to get a full picture of current application status before allocating the funding.

American Rescue Plan Fund Manager Patrick Paschall replied that a memo with the info requested will go out in the following week. He indicated that through the processing of the current applications, the City may approach exhausting the current funds.

Councilmember Haba suggested that the motion be brought back at the next meeting after the requested information has been provided.

Mr. Paschall noted that if the City Council does not intend to provide more funding then the City should cease its outreach efforts.

Councilmember Haba made a motion to table the motion. The motion was seconded by Council President Solomon.

Councilmember Waszczak asked for information from comparably sized cities.

Mr. Paschall responded that every community can focus efforts differently so there is not a good comparison. He added that the big picture allocations totaled around \$4.5 million.

Councilmember Haba clarified that his intent is to fund this program but wants more information to make a better decision.

Councilmember Sandino asked for more information about rejected applicants and expressed his support for the City to use an equity lens when evaluating this program moving forward to ensure the City properly supports businesses owned by persons of color.

Mr. Paschall reshared an earlier slide showing the reason for rejected applicants. He added that while the program does not collect gender and race data, it does collect location data.

Councilmember Waszczak requested that the motion be worded in a way so that the public knows exactly why the motion is being tabled.

The motion was tabled until the Council Meeting of November 21 to receive additional information included a comprehensive report to include the current level of expenditure for the program.

A motion was made by Councilmember Haba, seconded by Council President Solomon, that this agenda item be Tabled. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Waszczak, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Nay:** Denes, and Simasek

**Absent:** McClellan

**11.h. Purchase of Covid-19 Test Kits for Public Distribution**

[HCC-127-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council allocate and authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$125,000 for the purchase of COVID-19 test kits directly for public distribution, using American Rescue Plan Act funds.

Sponsors: City Administrator

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Haba, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**12.a. WSSC Water and Sewer Utility Easement**[HCC-119-FY23](#)

I move the Mayor and Council deny the request for a water and sewer utility easement along sections of the northeast quadrant of David C. Driskell Community Park and authorize the City Administrator to provide correspondence to the Washington Sanitary Sewer Commission (WSSC) notifying the agency of the City's decision.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [WSSC Easement Request](#)  
[6538Z18 Approved Sketch#1](#)  
[Memo - WSSC Public Use Easement - 2022](#)

Assistant City Administrator Jim Chandler gave background on the easement request and the City's reasoning to deny the request.

Councilmember Simasek asked for clarity about the granting of the easement and the responsible parties for repairs.

Mr. Chandler explained that the easement would extend to the owner of the land in perpetuity.

Councilmember Simasek asked if the proposed work would effect the flooding issues.

Mr. Chandler replied that it would not.

Councilmember Haba asked what the City gains by denying the request.

Mr. Chandler provided further clarification on the benefits of denying the request.

Councilmember Waszczak asked about the change in pipe size and asked if this letter gives the City and leverage with WSSC and Werrlein.

Deputy Director of Public Works Hal Metzler replied that the drainage issues are unrelated to the easement issue.

Councilmember Denes asked for clarification about emergency situations involving sewer lines.

Director of Public Works Lesley Riddle replied that WSSC would take action in an emergency, with or without permission from the City.

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Denes, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**12.b. Zoning Variance Request: V-57-22 - 3510 Lancer Drive, Hyattsville**[HCC-120-FY23](#)

I move the City Council authorize the Mayor to send correspondence to the Prince George's County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) requesting the denial of a variance request for the subject property at 3510 Lancer Drive, Hyattsville. The correspondence shall (1) cite the applicant's existing conditions which significantly exceed the maximum net lot area coverage of 35% and (2) recommend that the applicant be required to remediate the site with the incorporation of pervious materials and/or supplemental stormwater management.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Memo - V-57-22 FINAL](#)  
[V-57-22 Application and Supporting Documents](#)  
[City of Hyattsville Zoning Variance Policy Statement](#)

City Planner Taylor Robey presented the site specifications for the variance request and the City's staff rationale for opposing the request.

Council Vice-President Schaible asked for clarification regarding the ramifications for denying the variance.

Ms. Robey explained possible mitigation efforts that the property owner could take. She added that there is already a correction order in place from Prince George's County.

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Simasek, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**12.c. City of Hyattsville Ward Redistricting: Selection of Ward Boundary Map**[HCC-129-FY23](#)

I move the Mayor and Council direct the City Attorney to draft a Charter Amendment Resolution adjusting the Ward Boundaries of the City as indicated in the INSERT NAME OF MAP presented by the 2022 Redistricting Commission. I further move that the Mayor and Council schedule a Public Hearing on the proposed Charter Amendment Resolution to be held at 6 PM on Monday, December 5 2022

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [coh\\_redistricting\\_commission\\_recommendation\\_memo\\_nov2022](#)  
[Growth Conscious Map \(version 3\)](#)  
[Minimal Adjustments Map \(1\)](#)

City Clerk Laura Reams gave an overview of the redistricting process.

Staff Liaison to the Redistricting Commission Cindy Zork presented details of the two maps recommended by the commission. The two maps presented were referred to as the Minimal Adjustment Map and the Growth Conscious Map Version 3.

Councilmember Simasek made a motion to adopt the Growth Conscious Map Version 3. Council President Solomon read the official motion inserting "Growth Conscious Map Version 3" into the motion.

Councilmember Strab asked for clarification on the timing implications if the Council were to amend the maps.

Ms. Reams gave explained the negative impact a delay could have on the upcoming election.

Councilmember Denes seconded the motion.

Council President Solomon reiterated his request to move the Ward 5 boundary north of Hyatt Park and his willingness to engage in future work with the commission to create a map that he could support while keeping to an acceptable timeline.

Councilmember Denes expressed his support for Growth Conscious Map Version 2, but would be supportive of Growth Conscious Map Version 3. He added that he prefers to take the recommendations of the commission rather than debate the specifics of the map as a political body.

Council Vice-President Schaible stated his preference for the Minimal Adjustment Map.

Councilmember Strab stated her preference for the Minimal Adjustment Map.

Councilmember Haba expressed his preference for the Growth Conscious Version 3 Map.

A motion was made by Councilmember Simasek, seconded by Councilmember Denes, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion failed by the following vote:

**Aye:** Croslin, Denes, Simasek, Haba, and Peabody

**Nay:** Solomon, Schaible, Sandino, and Strab

**Absent:** McClellan

**Abstain:** Waszczak



Council Vice President Schaible made the motion to insert "Minimal Adjustments Map" into the language of the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Strab. The body voted and the motion failed.

City Clerk Laura Reams explained the process and the timing moving forward given that no map had been selected.

Redistricting Commission member Lee Dudek spoke to the work the commission has done and his concern that incorporating Council requested cut-outs may be a cause for legal concern.

Councilmember Waszczak explained her vote to abstain as a result of the conflicting feedback she had received from residents. She expressed her desire to get more feedback on the maps so that Council Members have a better understanding of what the residents want.

Redistricting Commission member Carter Ross explained the delay in the start of this process due to the delay at the federal level distributing census data and how it has compressed the commission's timeline.

Councilmember Haba urged the Council to think strongly about the two presented maps.

Councilmember Peabody expressed his concern that more maps may not provide a better result. He added that the advantage of having a commission is that the maps created by the commission do not have political input.

Councilmember Strab suggested that the Council work towards consensus without delaying until the next meeting.

Council Vice-President Schaible expressed his support for passing a map without delaying, and he added he would vote for Growth Conscious Version 3 if a second vote were taken.

Council President Solomon stated his belief that the appropriate current course of action would be to bring back the vote on the maps at a later date.

Councilmember Denes stated that he would be uncomfortable making amendments to the map in the moment prior to voting on and passing.

Mr. Ross gave a summary of the requests that Council made throughout the discussion regarding changes to future maps.

Councilmember Denes and Waszczak expressed their desire to vote again on the maps.

City Clerk Reams explained that process to bring back a vote requires a member that voted against the motion to re-make the motion.

No Councilmember made a motion, and Ms. Reams outlined the next steps for the Redistricting Commission and City staff.

A motion was made by Council Vice-President Schaible, seconded by Councilmember Strab, that this Action Item be Approved. It failed by the following vote:

- Aye:** Schaible, Simasek, and Strab
- Nay:** Croslin, Solomon, Denes, Haba, Peabody, and Sandino
- Absent:** McClellan
- Abstain:** Waszczak

**13. Discussion Items (9:10 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.)**

**13.a. Hyattsville Ordinance 2022-06: 5G Permits**

[HCC-112-FY23](#)

Discussion Only

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Final Memo - 5G Draft Ordinance](#)  
[221026 - Ordinance amending Chapter 105 - small cell - Council Draft](#)  
[221026 - Small cell regulations and application - Council draft](#)

Director of Public Works Lesley Riddle presented the background and specifics of the draft ordinance.

Councilmember Denes asked for clarification about the limit of three facilities per pole.

Ms. Riddle responded that limiting the amount of radio frequency, weight capacity, and aesthetics are factors that determine the amount of facilities per pole.

Deputy Director of Public Works Hal Metzler added that the owner of the pole is able to determine the amount of facilities per pole.

**14. Council Dialogue (9:25 p.m. - 9:35 p.m.)**

**15. Motion to Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Denes, seconded by Councilmember Sandino, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye:** Croslin, Solomon, Schaible, Denes, Waszczak, Simasek, Haba, Peabody, Sandino, and Strab
- Absent:** McClellan