

# City of Hyattsville

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## Agenda Regular Meeting

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**Monday, June 7, 2021**

**12:00 PM**

**Virtual**

## City Council

**Kevin Ward, Interim Mayor, Ward 1**  
**Carrianna Suiter, Council Vice President, Ward 3**

**Bart Lawrence, Ward 1**

**Robert S. Croslin, Ward 2**

**Danny Schaible, Ward 2**

**Ben Simasek, Ward 3**

**Edouard Haba, Ward 4**

**Daniel Peabody, Ward 4**

**Joseph Solomon, Ward 5**

**Erica Spell Wolf, Ward 5**

## **ADMINISTRATION**

**Tracey E. Douglas, City Administrator**

**Laura Reams, City Clerk, 301-985-5009, [cityclerk@hyattsville.org](mailto: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](http://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****2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag****3. Approval of Agenda****4. Approval of the Minutes****4.a) Approval of the Minutes**[\*\*HCC-370-FY21\*\*](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the minutes for the Council meetings of March 24, 2021, April 5, 2021, and the Public Hearing of April 5, 2021.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Attachments:** [Minutes Mar 24 2021 CM FINAL](#)

[Minutes Apr 5 2021 CM FINAL](#)

[Minutes Apr 5 2021 PH FINAL](#)

**5. Public Comment (12:10 p.m. – 12:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker****6. Appointments (12:20 p.m. - 12:25 p.m.)**

**6.a) Appointment to the Shade Tree Board [HCC-352-FY21](#)**

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of Gloria Felix-Thompson to the Shade Tree Board for a term of three (3) years to expire on June 7, 2024.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Attachments:** [Gloria Felix-Thompson redac](#)

**7. Consent Items (12:25 p.m. - 12:35 p.m.)****7.a) Purchase of Vehicles for Police Department [HCC-344-FY21](#)**

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the Police Department to purchase two (2) vehicles from Hertricht Fleet Services and upfitting equipment from Global Public Safety together in an amount not to exceed of \$107,000.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Finance

**Attachments:** [City of Hyattsville FY21 Police Car Purchase and Equipment Quote Designated UnMarked Car 5-18-2021](#)  
[City of Hyattsville FY21 Police Car Purchase and Equipment Quote Designated Marked Car 5-18-2021](#)

**7.b) Lease Finance Funding of Vehicles and Related Equipment for Police Department [HCC-346-FY21](#)**

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a lease finance agreement with Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$107,00.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Finance

**Attachments:** [City of Hyattsville, MD Quote 052421 \(2 police vehicles & equip\) \(1\)](#)

**7.c) FY21 General Fund Budget Adjustments and Transfer of Appropriations [HCC-347-FY21](#)**

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the Treasurer to amend the FY21 General Fund Budget by adjusting and transferring available budget appropriations in various line-items and between departments and within previously approved FY21 General Fund Expenditures of \$20.7 million to address year-end operational expenditures before June 30, 2021.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Finance

**Attachments:** [Final FY21 Budget Ordinance 3-16-2021](#)

**7.d) Purchase of Two Commercial Buses for Senior Services Program** [HCC-348-FY21](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator, as part of its executed agreement with the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), to purchase two (2) wheelchair accessible buses from Sonny Merryman in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Finance

**Attachments:** [COG & City of Hyattsville Final Agreement 21-043 HVL-COG Vehicle FE \(1\)](#)  
[Signed 5.21.21 COH VOrder #1](#)  
[Signed 5.21.21 COH VOrder #2](#)  
[Signed 5.21.21 COHBusFloorPlan \(1\)](#)

**7.e) Acceptance of the Chesapeake Bay Trust Stormwater Stewardship Grant** [HCC-349-FY21](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to accept and appropriate the Stormwater Stewardship Grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust in the amount of \$36,702 for a green alleyway design using permeable pavers to serve as a pilot project that can be replicated.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Public Works

**Attachments:** [18996](#)

**7.f) Acceptance of the Chesapeake & Atlantic Coastal Bays Trust Fund Grant** [HCC-351-FY21](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to accept the Chesapeake & Atlantic Coastal Bays Trust Fund Grant, administered by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, in an amount of \$170,000 for the construction of a submerged gravel wetland at the intersection of 42nd Ave and Charles Armentrout Drive. In addition, the treasurer is authorized to appropriate the funds accordingly to meet the requirements of the grant.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Public Works

**Attachments:** [14-21-2922 TRF RE 05-13-2021-1](#)

**7.g) Portland Loo Installation Design Support [HCC-353-FY21](#)**

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$25,000 to Johnson, Mirmiran, & Thompson (JMT) to provide design support for the installation of two (2) Portland Loo restrooms under their existing contract.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Public Works

**Attachments:** [scan\\_ryan\\_2021-05-26-07-51-40](#)

**7.h) Resolution 2021-04: Maryland DHCD Community Legacy FY2022 Application [HCC-355-FY21](#)**

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt Hyattsville Resolution 2021-04, a Resolution of the City of Hyattsville, Maryland in support of the City's application to the State of Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for grant funding to support the City's Commercial Façade Improvement Program to be further described in the Community Legacy application.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Community & Economic Development

**Attachments:** [Resolution 2021-04 Community Legacy Application](#)

**7.i) Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail MOU: Pedestrian Lighting and Fence Maintenance [HCC-356-FY21](#)**

I move the City Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) for the costs of pedestrian trail lighting, up to, but not exceeding, \$165,000 and the maintenance of fencing for the Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail (RIATT) Project, subject to review for legal sufficiency by the City Attorney.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Community & Economic Development

**Attachments:** [Memo - RIATT MOU - June 2021](#)

**7.j) Maryland DHCD - SGIF Grant Extension Request** [HCC-357-FY21](#)

I move the City Council authorize the Mayor and City Administrator to execute amendments to the City's Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund (SGIF) agreements with the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for the purpose of funding demolition and site development activities to support the redevelopment of 5324-5334 Baltimore Avenue, Hyattsville.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Community & Economic Development

**Attachments:** [Memo - Maryland DHCD SGIF Grant Extension](#)  
[Canvas - DHCD Grant Extension Request](#)  
[SGIF NCSEDF Resolution](#)  
[Hyattsville Resolution 2018-03 SGIF](#)

**7.k) Federalist Pig Restaurant - Detailed Site Plan (DSP-19072)** [HCC-363-FY21](#)

I move the City Council authorize the Mayor to provide correspondence to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) in support of Detailed Site Plan (DSP) 19072 and the applicant's proposed departures from design standards. Additionally, the City requests the applicant consider Black artists for the creation of the finalized mural on the north wall of the building and prioritize local individuals in the hiring process as a further investment in the City of Hyattsville and its residents.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Community & Economic Development

**Attachments:** [Action Memo - Federalist Pig - 06.07.21](#)  
[Fed Pig Action - Supplemental Materials](#)

**7.l) Hyattsville Ordinance 2021-03, Revisions to Chapter 114 - Article VIII** [HCC-364-FY21](#)

I move the Mayor and Council adopt Ordinance 2021-03, an ordinance whereby the City Council amends the City of Hyattsville Code to decrease the maximum penalty for nonpayment of parking fines to no more than one- and one-half (1.5) times the value of the original fine after thirty days of nonpayment (SECOND READING & ADOPTION).

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Attachments:** [HO 2021-03 Parking Fines](#)

**7.m) FY21 Council Discretionary Fund Expenditure: Ward 3**[HCC-367-FY21](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the donation of Ward 3 discretionary funds in the amount of \$1,700 to support Hyattsville residents who are the first in their family to attend college. The funds shall be donated to First Generation College Bound (FGCB) with the stipulation that the full amount be allocated directly to program enrollees who are residents of the City of Hyattsville.

**Sponsors:** Simasek and Suiter

**Department:** City Clerk

**7.n) FY21 Council Discretionary Fund Expenditures: Ward 1**[HCC-368-FY21](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City's Treasurer to disburse Ward 1 discretionary funds to the following organizations in the associated amounts:

- Hyattsville Elementary School PTA (Zombie Run): \$600
- Hyattsville Middle School PTSO: \$600
- SoHy Coop (event/music funding): \$500

**Sponsors:** Ward and Lawrence

**Department:** City Clerk

**8. Action Items (12:35 p.m. - 1:05 p.m.)**



**8.a) Clay Property Request for Rezoning (CSP-20007)**[HCC-362-FY21](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council send the following correspondence to the Prince George's County District Council regarding CSP-20007 for the Clay Property:

The City of Hyattsville does not support the applicant's request for rezoning all 12.87 acres of the Clay Property from R-80 to R-20 through CSP-20007.

Given the environmental and historical significance of this parcel, upzoning without mandating adequate onsite forest conservation as well as measures to ensure appropriate transitions in density and height and to mitigate adverse impacts on surrounding residential communities and historic resources would conflict with several key policies of the Prince George's Plaza Transit District Development Plan (TDDP) and Countywide Green Infrastructure Plan.

Expanding access to wooded parkland and preserving historic specimen trees on the Clay Property would not only mitigate the impacts of deforestation on habitat loss, water quality degradation, and flooding exacerbated by climate change; it would substantially improve the quality of life for current and future Hyattsville residents.

Should the County approve the rezoning request for the Clay Property, the City of Hyattsville believes the following measures would better align the Conceptual Site Plan (CSP) with City and County goals as expressed through the TDDP and Green Infrastructure Plan:

1. The County shall require that at least four (4) total acres of conserved forest on the site, including the buffer for the Ash Hill Historic site, be dedicated as park land.
2. The County shall require the applicant to configure the site boundaries and egress so as to save the 13 Specimen trees evaluated in fair or good condition on the eastern, southeastern, and southwestern edges of the property (numbered 5, 6, 7, 8, 1, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29).
3. The District Council shall accept the applicant's proffer for 10% of units to be "moderately priced" in the range of 60% to 80% of AMI and this condition shall be applied for a minimum of 30 years.
4. The property shall consist of a mix of single-family attached and detached homes.
5. Prior to a subdivision application, the property owner shall explore with Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) the feasibility of connecting the Clay Property to Adelphi Road for vehicular access by extending the Northwestern High School bus entrance to Dean Drive.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Community & Economic Development

**Attachments:** [CSP-20007 - Clay Property - Action Memo - 6.3.2021](#)  
[CSP CSP-20007 - Revised Concept - June 2021](#)  
[City Council June 7 - Clay Property Documents](#)

**8.b) Hyattsville Resolution 2021-05: A Resolution establishing David C. Driskell Community Park** [HCC-365-FY21](#)

I move the Mayor and Council adopt Hyattsville Resolution 2021-05, a Resolution establishing David C. Driskell Community Park.

**Sponsors:** Ward, Spell Wolf, Simasek, Schaible, Solomon, Croslin, Peabody and Suiter

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [Hyattsville Resolution 2021-05: David C. Driskell Community Park](#)

**8.c) Hyattsville Ordinance 2021-04: Amending the City Code for the naming of David C. Driskell Community Park** [HCC-366-FY21](#)

I move the Mayor and Council introduce Hyattsville Ordinance 2021-04, an Ordinance whereby the City Council amends the City of Hyattsville Code to strike any reference to “Magruder Park” and replace it with “David C. Driskell Community Park.” (FIRST READING).

**Sponsors:** Ward, Spell Wolf, Simasek, Schaible, Solomon, Croslin, Peabody and Suiter

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [HO 2021-04 David C. Driskell Community Park](#)

**9. Council Dialogue (1:05 p.m. - 1:20 p.m.)**

**10. Motion to Adjourn**