

# City Council of Hyattsville, Maryland

## **SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIONS**

City Council Regular Meeting  
Monday, June 7, 2021 at 12:00 PM

### Meeting Notice:

As we continue to take precautions due to the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic, the Hyattsville City Council will hold its meeting on Monday, June 7, 2021 remotely via video conference. The Council meeting will be conducted entirely remotely; there will be no in-person meeting attendance.

The meeting will be broadcast live on cable television channel 71 (Comcast), channel 12 (Verizon), and available via live stream at [www.hyattsville.org/meetings](http://www.hyattsville.org/meetings).

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public comment may be made using the e-comment feature at [www.hyattsville.org/meetings](http://www.hyattsville.org/meetings) or by emailing [cityclerk@hyattsville.org](mailto:cityclerk@hyattsville.org). All electronic comments must be submitted by 10 AM on June 7, 2021. Comments received will be read by City staff during the public comment portion of the meeting.

Members of the public who wish to attend the virtual Council meeting must register in advance using the link below.

[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_DL74li15Tp2y6YgolFdN7w](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DL74li15Tp2y6YgolFdN7w)

1. **Call to Order and Council Roll Call – *The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. Ward 5 Councilmember Erica Spell Wolf departed at 1:00 p.m.***
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Approval of Agenda – *APPROVED, AS AMENDED, UNANIMOUS***

### AMENDMENTS:

**ADD** HCC-373-FY21, Item 7.o), to Consent Agenda: Ward 2 Discretionary Funds  
**STRIKE** language in HCC-362-FY21, Item 8.a): “all 12.87 acres of”.

4. **Approval of the Minutes**

**4.a) Approval of the Minutes – *APPROVED, UNANIMOUS***  
**[HCC-370-FY21](#)**

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

[Minutes Mar 24 2021 CM FINAL](#)

[Minutes Apr 5 2021 CM FINAL](#)

[Minutes Apr 5 2021 PH FINAL](#)

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.

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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 – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-352-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

[Gloria Felix-Thompson redac](#)

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.

7. **Consent Items (12:25 p.m. - 12:35 p.m.)**

**7.a) Purchase of Vehicles for Police Department – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-344-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

[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](#)

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.

**7.b) Lease Finance Funding of Vehicles and Related Equipment for Police Department –**

**APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-346-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

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

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 \$107,000.

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**7.c) FY21 General Fund Budget Adjustments and Transfer of Appropriations – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-347-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

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

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.

**7.d) Purchase of Two Commercial Buses for Senior Services Program – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-348-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

[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 \(1\)](#)

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.

**7.e) Acceptance of the Chesapeake Bay Trust Stormwater Stewardship Grant – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-349-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

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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.

**7.f) Acceptance of the Chesapeake & Atlantic Coastal Bays Trust Fund Grant – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-351-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

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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.

### **7.g) Portland Loo Installation Design Support – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-353-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

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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.

### **7.h) Resolution 2021-04: Maryland DHCD Community Legacy FY2022 Application – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-355-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

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

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.

### **7.i) Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail MOU: Pedestrian Lighting and Fence Maintenance – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-356-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

[Memo - RIATT MOU - June 2021](#)

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.

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### **7.j) Maryland DHCD - SGIF Grant Extension Request – *APPROVED, UNANIMOUS*** **HCC-357-FY21**

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

[Memo - Maryland DHCD SGIF Grant Extension](#)

[Canvas - DHCD Grant Extension Request](#)

[SGIF NCSEDF Resolution](#)

[Hyattsville Resolution 2018-03 SGIF](#)

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.

### **7.k) Federalist Pig Restaurant - Detailed Site Plan (DSP-19072) – *APPROVED, UNANIMOUS*** **HCC-363-FY21**

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

[Action Memo - Federalist Pig - 06.07.21](#)

[Fed Pig Action - Supplemental Materials](#)

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.

### **7.l) Hyattsville Ordinance 2021-03, Revisions to Chapter 114 - Article VIII – *APPROVED, UNANIMOUS*** **HCC-364-FY21**

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

[HO 2021-03 Parking Fines](#)

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).

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### **7.m) FY21 Council Discretionary Fund Expenditure: Ward 3 – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-367-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** Suiter

**Co-Sponsor(s):** Simasek

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.

### **7.n) FY21 Council Discretionary Fund Expenditures: Ward 1 – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-368-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** Ward

**Co-Sponsor(s):** Lawrence

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

### **7.o) Ward 2 Discretionary Funds – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

[HCC-373-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** Croslin

**Co-Sponsor:** Schaible

I move that the Council approve the use of the balance of Ward 2 discretionary funds to aid people who need first aid mental health training.

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

### **8.a) Clay Property Request for Rezoning (CSP-20007) – APPROVED, AS AMENDED, 7-2.**

[HCC-362-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** At the Request of the City Administrator

**Co-Sponsor(s):** N/A

[CSP-20007 - Clay Property - Action Memo - 6.3.2021](#)

[CSP CSP-20007 - Revised Concept - June 2021](#)

[City Council June 7 - Clay Property Documents](#)

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:

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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 **public** 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. **It is the City's preference that the maximum allotment possible be as close to the 60% AMI range.**
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.

### **8.b) Hyattsville Resolution 2021-05: A Resolution establishing David C. Driskell Community Park**

**– APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**

**[HCC-365-FY21](#)**

**Sponsor:** Ward

**Co-Sponsor(s):** Spell Wolf, Simasek, Schaible, Solomon, Croslin, Peabody, Suiter

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

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

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**8.c) Hyattsville Ordinance 2021-04: Amending the City Code for the naming of David C. Driskell Community Park – *APPROVED, UNANIMOUS***

[HCC-366-FY21](#)

**Sponsor:** Ward

**Co-Sponsor(s):** Spell Wolf, Simasek, Schaible, Solomon, Croslin, Peabody, Suiter

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

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).

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

10. **Motion to Adjourn – *APPROVED, UNANIMOUS; the meeting adjourned at 1:32 p.m.***

**ATTEST:**

June 8, 2021



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Laura Reams, City Clerk



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Sean Corcoran, Deputy City Clerk