

City Council of Hyattsville, Maryland

SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIONS

City Council Regular Meeting
Monday, January 19, 2021 at 7:30 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 Tuesday, January 19, 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.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public comment may be made using the e-comment feature at www.hyattsville.org/meetings or by emailing cityclerk@hyattsville.org. All electronic comments must be submitted by 5:30 PM on January 19, 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_BjN6KRILTFmNT5Aoket4yQ

1. **Call to Order and Council Roll Call – *Interim Mayor Kevin Ward called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.; all Councilmembers were present.***
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Approval of Agenda – *APPROVED, AS AMENDED, UNANIMOUS***

AMENDMENT

ADD a moment of silence for the passing of Dr. John Moylan, Principal Emeritus of DeMatha High School and Maryland Senator President Mike Miller.

4. **Approval of the Minutes**

4.a) Approval of the Minutes – ***APPROVED, UNANIMOUS***

[HCC-200-FY21](#)

Sponsor: At the request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[Minutes Dec 21, 2020 CM FINAL](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the minutes of the Council Meeting of December 21, 2020.

5. **Public Comment (7:40 p.m. – 7:50 p.m.) Limit 2 minutes per speaker**
6. **City Administrator Update (7:50 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)**

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7. Proclamations (8:00 p.m. - 8:05 p.m.)

7.a) Proclamation Honoring Candace B. Hollingsworth – **APPROVED, UNANIMOUS** [HCC-192-FY21](#)

Sponsor: At the request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[CM 0119 Honoring Candace Hollingsworth](#)

I move that the interim Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation honoring Candace B. Hollingsworth for her years of service and dedication to the City of Hyattsville as Councilmember and Mayor.

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

8.a) Comcate Inc. Licensing Agreement – **APPROVED, UNANIMOUS** [HCC-189-FY21](#)

Sponsor: At the request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[Memo - Comcate Inc Services Agreement - 2021](#)

I move the City Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a one (1) year extension of services agreement with Comcate Inc., 144 Linden Street, Oakland, CA 94607, at a cost not to exceed \$13,344.66, upon the legal review of the City Attorney.

8.b) Memorandum of Understanding with Prince George's County for Replacement of the Traffic Signal at Adelphi Road and Wells Boulevard – **APPROVED, UNANIMOUS** [HCC-190-FY21](#)

Sponsor: At the request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[Hyattsville MoU](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Prince George's County for the replacement of the traffic signal at Adelphi Road and Wells Boulevard and authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$125,000.00 for the City's portion of the costs.

8.c) Letter of Support for Prince George's Board of Education Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) and Committing Prince George's County Public Schools to 100% Clean Energy – **APPROVED, UNANIMOUS** [HCC-202-FY21](#)

Sponsor: Schaible

Co-Sponsor(s): Suiter, Solomon, Simasek

[Supporting Doc CCAP Resolution Schaible](#)

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I move that the Council authorize Interim Mayor Ward to send a letter of support to the Prince George's County Board of Education entitled "Support of Adoption of a Resolution Committing to 100% Clean Energy Schools and Implementation of a Focus Workgroup" prior to the Board of Education's vote on February 11, 2021.

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

9.a) Hyattsville Charter Amendment Resolution 2021-01: Close of Candidate Registration (Introduction & Adoption) – **APPROVED, UNANIMOUS** [HCC-193-FY21](#)

Sponsor: At the request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[Charter Sec 4-8 Changing Candidate Registration Time 1.4.20](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt Hyattsville Charter Amendment Resolution 2021-01, a Resolution amending Article IV of the City of Hyattsville's Charter to alter the last day candidates for office may register for an election (INTRODUCTION & ADOPTION).

9.b) Hyattsville Ordinance 2021-01: Close of Candidate Registration (Introduction) – **APPROVED, UNANIMOUS** [HCC-194-FY21](#)

Sponsor: At the request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[Charter Sec 4-8 Changing Candidate Registration Time 1.4.20](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council introduce Hyattsville Ordinance 2021-01, an ordinance whereby the City Council amends Chapter 8 of the Hyattsville Code to change the day by which candidates for office are required to register as candidates (INTRODUCTION).

9.c) FY21 Budget Amendment: City Election 2021 – **APPROVED, UNANIMOUS** [HCC-195-FY21](#)

Sponsor: At the request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[Memo for Election 2021 Budget Amendment](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize an FY21 budget amendment in the amount of \$45,000 for the Board of Elections budget to be appropriated as follows: \$4,000 Ads & Notices, \$25,500 Equipment Rental, \$9,750 Postage, \$3,000 Contracted Services and \$2,750 for miscellaneous expenses.

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9.d) Award of Contract for Mail Vendor - Election 2021 – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS
HCC-196-FY21

Sponsor: At the request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[Memo for Recommendation Fort Orange Press](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Fort Orange Press for the printing and mailing of ballot packets and ballots for the May 2021 City Election at a cost not to exceed \$31,000. The agreement will be effective upon the review and approval by the City Attorney.

9.e) Resolution 2021-01, Condemning the Actions of the Individuals Responsible for the Events which Took Place at the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021. – APPROVED, UNANIMOUS
HCC-199-FY21

Sponsor: Solomon

Co-Sponsor(s): Ward, Suiter

[1.12.21 Resolution regarding January 6, 2021 Capitol FINAL](#)

I move the Mayor and Council adopt Hyattsville Resolution 2021-01, a Resolution condemning the actions of the individuals responsible for the events which took place at the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021.

9.f) Authorizing letter to the Maryland State General Assembly regarding the attack on the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021 – APPROVED, AS AMENDED, UNANIMOUS
HCC-203-FY21

Sponsor: Solomon

Co-Sponsor(s): Spell Wolf, Simasek, Peabody, Ward, Suiter

I move the Mayor and Council authorize Interim Mayor Kevin Ward to send a letter to the Maryland State General Assembly regarding the attack on the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. The letter shall communicate the following items:

- Calls on MGA to provide legislative action to empower the MD AG and State's Attorneys greater capacity to protect Maryland communities from domestic terror. Any additional powers granted to the MD Attorney General or State's Attorneys should be crafted in a manner that fosters trust within Black, Latinx, Indigenous, and LGBTQ populations, rather than increasing the surveillance and over-policing of such populations.
- Requests A commission/task force to plan greater coordination between State resources and local agencies in responding to the threat of domestic terror within Maryland municipalities. This includes an analysis of the actions on Jan 6 and the development of a detailed response and coordination plan.

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- Requests A commission to determine the extent and pervasiveness of biased or extremist views held by law enforcement officers within the State of Maryland and provide recommendations on corrective actions.
- A commitment to great public awareness and data sharing through reports and analysis on the current status of the threat of domestic terrorism in the State of Maryland.

10. Discussion Items (9:10 p.m. - 9:35 p.m.)

10.a) Purchase of BolaWrap Devices and Cartridges

[HCC-197-FY21](#)

Sponsor: Solomon

Co-Sponsor(s): Ward, Spell Wolf, Simasek, Schaible, Peabody, Haba

[BolaWrap 1 \(002\)](#)

[Bolawrap2 \(002\)](#)

[BolaWrap Pictures](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the expenditure in the amount of \$12,039 to East Coast Tactical for the purchase of 10 BolaWrap devices and 90 cartridges to be divided between each squad and our Emergency Response Team. The funding source for this purchase is the speed camera special revenue fund.

I further move that, upon procurement, the Hyattsville City Police Department move swiftly to adequately train and staff members of each squad and the Emergency Response Team on the appropriate use and deployment of the BolaWrap Device.

10.b) Recommended Revisions to City Committee Procedures

[HCC-198-FY21](#)

Sponsor: At the request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[Committees Presentation 019120](#)

[City of Hyattsville Handbook for Committees FINAL](#)

[Apendix A - Committee Descriptions and Worksheets](#)

For discussion.

11. Council Dialogue (9:35 p.m. - 9:45 p.m.)

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12. Community Notices and Meetings

12.a) Main City Calendar January 20 - February 1, 2021

[HCC-201-FY21](#)

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Co-Sponsor(s): N/A

[Main City Calendar Jan 20 - Feb 1 2021 FINAL](#)

13. Motion to Adjourn – *The meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.*

ATTEST:

January 20, 2021



Laura Reams, City Clerk



Sean Corcoran, Deputy City Clerk