

City of Hyattsville

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

6:30 PM

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Virtual

City Council Public Hearing

**Robert S. Croslin, Interim Mayor
Danny Schaible, Council Vice President, Ward 2**

Sam Denes, Ward 1

Joanne Waszczak, Ward 1

Jimmy McClellan, Ward 3

Ben Simasek, Ward 3

Edouard Haba, Ward 4

Daniel Peabody, Ward 4

Rommel Sandino, Ward 5

Joseph Solomon, Council President, Ward 5

ADMINISTRATION

Tracey E. Douglas, City Administrator

Laura Reams, City Clerk, 301-985-5009, cityclerk@hyattsville.org

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1. Call to Order

The public hearing was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Also present:

City Administrator Douglas

Assistant City Administrator & Director of Community and Economic Development Chandler

City Clerk Reams

8. Presentations

Public Hearing: Sale of Jefferson Street Parking Lot Property

[HCC-254-FY22](#)

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Memo - Public Hearing - Jefferson Street Parking Lot](#)
[Exhibit A - Jefferson Street Parking Lot Property](#)
[Exhibit B - Charter Chapter C Article IX - City Property](#)
[Exhibit C - SDAT Data - Unit 2](#)

Assistant City Administrator Chandler presented the proposal for the sale of the Jefferson Street Parking lot to Urban Investment Partners for \$1.3 million dollars for use as part of the Canvas development project. He provided an overview of the site and parameters of the proposed sale.

Claire Panak submitted comment stating that she was not in favor of the sale unless the development included affordable housing.

David Marshall said he was opposed to the proposal and questioned the utility of the public hearing stating that the issue was already decided. He also inquired about how the proceeds from the sale would be utilized and if the adjacent parking lot would be sold to

Assistant Administrator Chandler said the City would retain a separate lot which is under the use of Renaissance Square per their use and occupancy agreement. He added that the proceeds would be placed in a special revenue fund. City Administrator Douglas said that expenditures from the special revenue fund would come forward to Council at a future date.

David Marshall asked if the parking lot used for Renaissance Square would be prevented from being developed in the future. Mr. Chandler responded that the lot was a constricted space and it was unlikely to be developed alone but could potentially be developed as part of a larger project using adjacent land.

5. Public Comment

14. Motion to Adjourn

The public hearing was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.