

City of Hyattsville

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Summary Regular Meeting

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Tuesday, February 20, 2024

7:00 PM

Virtual

City Council

Robert S. Croslin, Mayor
Joseph Solomon, Council President, Ward 5
Joanne Waszczak, Council Vice President, Ward 1
Sam Denes, Ward 1
Danny Schaible, Ward 2
Emily Strab, Ward 2
Jimmy McClellan, Ward 3 **Absent**
Kareem Redmond, Ward 3 **Arrived at 7:46 p.m.**
Edouard Haba, Ward 4
Michelle Lee, Ward 4
Rommel Sandino, Ward 5

ADMINISTRATION

Tracey E. Douglas, City Administrator
Laura Reams, City Clerk, 301-985-5009, 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 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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Meeting Notice:

The Hyattsville City Council will hold its meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 remotely via video conference. The Council meeting will be conducted entirely remotely; there will be no in-person meeting attendance.

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

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1. **Call to Order and Council Roll Call** **The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Approved, Unanimous
4. **Approval of the Minutes**
 - 4.a. **Approval of the Minutes** [HCC-208-FY24](#)
Approved, Unanimous
I move that the Mayor and Council approve the minutes of the Council meeting of February 5, 2024.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [Minutes Feb 5 2024](#)
5. **Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker**
Electronically submitted comments can be found at the end of the summary.
6. **City Administrator Update (7:20 p.m - 7:40 p.m.)**

7. Presentations (7:40 p.m. - 8:20 p.m.)**7.a. Presentation on Streetlight Feasibility Study**[HCC-199-FY24](#)

Presentation

Sponsors: City Administrator**Department:** Public Works**Attachments:** [Hyattsville, MD Council Presentation 2.12.24](#)**7.b. ParkMobile Presentation**[HCC-201-FY24](#)

For presentation.

Sponsors: City Administrator**Department:** City Administrator**Attachments:** [Hyattsville Town Council Presentation](#)**8. Consent Items (8:20 p.m. - 8:25 p.m.)****Approved, Unanimous**

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.

8.a. Disbursement of FY24 Education Enrichment Grant Funds[HCC-198-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the expenditure of \$8,133.00 to support the grant proposals recommended from the Education Advisory Committee and listed in the attached memo for dissemination of the FY24 Education Enrichment Grants.

Sponsors: City Administrator**Department:** Community Services**Attachments:** [FY24 Education Enrichment Grants](#)
[FY24 Education Enrichment Grant Applications](#)

8.b. Disbursement of FY24 Thrive Grant Awards[HCC-200-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the expenditure of \$8,992 to support the grant proposals recommended from the Health, Wellness and Recreation Advisory Committee and listed in the attached memo for dissemination of the FY24 Thrive Grants.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Community Services

Attachments: [FY24 Thrive Grant Memo to Council](#)
[FY24 Thrive Grant Recommendations](#)
[FY24 Thrive Grant applications redacted](#)

8.c. Hyattsville Flag Redesign Committee[HCC-202-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council establish the ad-hoc Hyattsville Flag Redesign Committee to solicit designs from the community and provide recommendations for a new City of Hyattsville flag.

Sponsors: McClellan, Denes and Redmond

Department: Legislative

Attachments: [Flag Committee Worksheet](#)
[Hyattsville Flag Redesign Presentation](#)

8.d. Driskell Park Stormwater Flooding Investigation[HCC-205-FY24](#)

I move the Mayor and Council authorize an expenditure to SMC in an amount not to exceed \$21,000 to investigate the source of stormwater flooding at Driskell Park and develop a remediation plan. This task is being facilitated under their existing on-call contract with the City. The Treasurer is authorized to make the necessary budget amendments required to encumber this expenditure.

Sponsors: Douglas

Department: Public Works

Attachments: [ES-23-829 SMC TO30 Proposal](#)

8.e. HVAC Unit Replacement for 4633 Arundel Place [HCC-206-FY24](#)

I move the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator enter into an agreement with C.L. Hibbard Plumbing, Heating, and A/C, Inc. for the replacement of the HVAC system at 4633 Arundel Place in an amount not to exceed \$24,000, pending legal review. This project was funded in the adopted FY24 CIP budget and the Treasurer is authorized to make the necessary budget amendments required to encumber this expenditure.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Public Works

Attachments: [240123 - 4633 arundel pl - CL Hibbard plumbing heating and ac proposal](#)

9. Action Items (8:25 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.)**9.a. Circulator Study 2024 Update - ARPA,** [HCC-193-FY24](#)
Approved, Yes:6/No:4

I move the Mayor and Council authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$30,000 to Pennoni for an update of the 2018 Hyattsville Transit Circulator Feasibility Study under their existing contract with the City. This project will be ARPA Funded as previously authorized by the Council. The Treasurer is authorized to the make the budget amendments necessary to encumber this expenditure.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Public Works

Attachments: [EV Bus Feasibility Proposal-Hyattsville-082123](#)
[Transit Circulator Study Updated Final](#)

10. Council Dialogue (8:45 p.m. - 8:55 p.m.)**11. Motion to Close (Note: Council will not return to open session)**

11.a Motion to Close

[HCC-210-FY24](#)

Approved, Unanimous

I move the Mayor and Council close the Council Meeting of February 20, 2024, in order to consult with the City Administrator and staff to discuss negotiations related to the acquisition of real property.

This session will be closed under the authority of the Annotated Code of Maryland State Government General Provisions Article Section 3-305 (b) (3) to consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto”.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

**The Council entered into a closed session at 9:14 p.m. upon a unanimous roll call vote.
The closed session ended at 10:13 p.m.**

Attest: February 21, 2024



Laura Reams, City Clerk

Public Comment for Feb 20 City Council Meeting

Patrick Cavanaugh

Mon 2/19/2024 8:08 PM

To:cityclerk <cityclerk@hyattsville.org>

Hello,

I am submitting the below public comment for the Feb 20, 2024 city council meeting via email as the eComment feature is showing "not available":

I saw the agenda included a "Presentation on Streetlight Feasibility Study". Please consider ensuring that the LED streetlamp vendor can provide warmer-colored LEDs. Warmer light is less disruptive to human and animal circadian rhythm and also less disruptive to astronomy. I hope the city will be able to follow "dark sky" lighting principles when replacing the street lamps as described at <https://darksky.org/resources/guides-and-how-tos/lighting-principles/>

Thank you,
Patrick Cavanaugh