

# City of Hyattsville

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## Agenda Regular Meeting

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**Monday, May 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**  
**Kareem Redmond, Ward 3**  
**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](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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**Meeting Notice:**

The Hyattsville City Council will hold its meeting on Monday, May 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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- 1. Call to Order and Council Roll Call**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Recognition of District 22 Representatives**
- 5. Approval of the Minutes**

**5.a. Approval of the Minutes**[HCC-265-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the minutes of the Council Meeting of March 4, 2024, the Council Meeting of March 18, 2024, the Council Meeting of March 27, 2024, the Council Meeting of April 1, 2024, and the 6 p.m. Public Hearing of April 1, 2024.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [Minutes Mar 4 2024.pdf](#)  
[Minutes Apr 1 2024.pdf](#)  
[Minutes Mar 18 2024.pdf](#)  
[Minutes PubHearing April 1 2024.pdf](#)

**6. Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker****7. Motion to Close (7:20 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.)****7.a. Motion to Close**[HCC-333-FY24](#)

I move the Mayor and Council close the Council Meeting of May 20, 2024, to consult with the City Attorney and staff regarding pending litigation. The reasons for closing the meeting under these exceptions are to maintain legally required confidentiality regarding litigation and to protect Attorney/Client privileged communications.

This session will be closed under the authority of the Annotated Code of Maryland State Government General Provisions Article Section 3-305 (b)(7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice and Section 3-305 (b)(8) consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**8. City Administrator Update (7:45 p.m - 8:05 p.m.)****9. Presentations (8:05 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.)**

- 9.a. **Presentation of the 2nd Staff Draft of the West Hyattsville-Queens Chapel Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (SMA)** [HCC-326-FY24](#)

Presentation Only

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Community & Economic Development

**Attachments:** [Memo - WHQC Sector Plan Update](#)  
[WHQC Presentation to Hyattsville.pdf](#)

- 9.b. **Anacostia River Watershed Stream Restoration Project** [HCC-334-FY24](#)

Presentation only.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Administrator

**Attachments:** [AWR PGCO Stakeholder Meeting Slides 07 May 24.pdf](#)

## 10. Proclamations

- 10.a. **Proclamation of National Public Works Week** [HCC-329-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation recognizing the week of May 19 through May 25, 2024, to be Public Works Week in the City of Hyattsville.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [CM 0520 National Public Works Week 2024.pdf](#)

## 11. Consent Items (8:45 p.m. - 8:50 p.m.)

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.

**11.a. Disbursement of Ward 3 Discretionary Funds**[HCC-323-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the disbursement of \$417.16 of Ward 3 FY24 discretionary funds to cover costs of food and refreshments at the Ward 3 Check-In on May 11, 2024.

**Sponsors:** McClellan and Redmond

**Department:** Legislative

**Attachments:** [Receipts.pdf](#)

**11.b. Disbursement of Ward 4 Discretionary Funds**[HCC-324-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the disbursement of \$658.52 of Ward 4 FY24 discretionary funds to cover costs of food and refreshments at the Ward 4 Check-In on May 7, 2024.

**Sponsors:** Haba and Lee

**Department:** Legislative

**Attachments:** [Receipts W4.pdf](#)

**11.c. Disbursement of Ward 5 Discretionary Funds**[HCC-342-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the disbursement of \$252.53 of Ward 5 discretionary funds to support the purchase of a new bingo board for residents of Friendship Arms Apartments and \$252.53 of Ward 5 discretionary funds to support the Hyattsville Middle School 8th grade field trip.

**Sponsors:** Solomon and Sandino

**Department:** Legislative

**11.d. Schedule Public Hearing on the FY25 Budget**[HCC-331-FY24](#)

I move the Mayor and Council schedule a Public Hearing to hear public testimony on the proposed FY25 Budget on June 3, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**11.e. Schedule a Council Meeting for June 10, 2024**[HCC-332-FY24](#)

I move the Mayor and Council schedule a Council Meeting to be held on June 10, 2024 at 7 p.m.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**11.f. FY24 Budget Amendment: Special Revenues Budget and Appropriations of Unencumbered FY23 Grant Funds**[HCC-335-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council amend the FY24 Special Revenues Budget to appropriate prior year unencumbered DOJ/COPS Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness (LEMHWA) grant funds in the amount of \$118,800 to support the Police Department's Mental Wellness Check-in Initiative Program.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Finance

**11.g. FY24 Budget Amendment: Special Revenues Budget and Appropriations of Unencumbered FY23 Grant Funds**[HCC-336-FY24](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council amend the FY24 Special Revenues Budget to appropriate prior year unencumbered DOJ/COPS Community Policing Development (CPD) Crisis Intervention Teams (CIT) grant funds in the amount of \$230,000 to support the Hyattsville Police Departments Joint CIT Mobile Crisis Program.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Finance

**12. Action Items (8:50 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.)****12.a. Youth Advisory Council Recommendation: Letter to Prince George's County Health Department and Prince George's County Public School District**[HCC-327-FY24](#)

I move the City Council authorize the Mayor to send correspondence to the Prince George's County Health Department and the Prince George's County Public School District requesting harm reduction education be added to the County's Health 2 Curriculum and allow individuals below the age of 18 to receive NARCAN training and kits.

**Sponsors:** Waszczak, McClellan, Strab and Redmond

**Department:** Legislative

**Attachments:** [CoH Council Letter- Narcan Training Integration \(Final\) \(1\).pdf](#)

**12.b. Zoning Variance Request: V-14-24 5800 30th Ave, Hyattsville**[HCC-322-FY24](#)

I move the City Council authorize the Mayor to send correspondence to the Prince George's County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) requesting the denial of a variance request for the subject property at 5800 30th Ave, Hyattsville. The correspondence shall (1) cite the applicant's existing conditions which significantly exceed the maximum net lot area coverage of 35% and (2) recommend that the applicant be required to remediate the site with the incorporation of pervious materials.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Community & Economic Development

**Attachments:** [Variance V-14-24 5800 30th Ave](#)  
[Memo - V-14-24\\_Final.ju.pdf](#)

**12.c. Letter of Opposition: Town Center Wine and Spirits Transfer of Location**[HCC-325-FY24](#)

I move the City Council authorize the Mayor to send a letter to the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County opposing the proposed Transfer from Town Center Wine and Spirits, LLC, 6401 America Blvd, Suite 100, Hyattsville, MD to Cheers N Beer, LLC, located at 3500 East West Hwy, #1433, Hyattsville, MD.

**Sponsors:** Solomon, Haba and McClellan

**Department:** Legislative

**12.d. Hyattsville Charter Amendment Resolution: 2024-02: Amending the Charter to Utilize Gender Neutral Language and Modernize the Charter's Gender Equality Provision**[HCC-328-FY24](#)

I move the Mayor and Council adopt Hyattsville Charter Amendment 2024-02, a resolution amending the Charter to modernize the Charter's gender equality provision to address all gender identities with respect to registering, voting, holding office, and amending the Charter to utilize gender neutral language, and making other non-substantive changes (INTRODUCTION & ADOPTION).

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Administrator

**Attachments:** [Charter Amendment Resolution Gender Neutral Language and Equal Protection for All Genders FINAL\\_051424](#)  
[Charter Amendment 2024-02 Presentation May 20](#)

**13. Council Dialogue (9:50 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.)****14. Motion to Adjourn**