

Board, Committee and Commission Application

Profile

Jared
First Name

Messinger
Last Name

Preferred Pronouns

[Redacted]
Email Address

Please enter your address below.

Many, but not all, of our committees require residency within the incorporated City limits of Hyattsville. To check your residency status, please visit the map: [City Residency Map](#)

Committees that accept applications from individuals residing outside of the incorporated City limits are listed below:

- Education Advisory Committee (at least 50% + 1 of sitting committee members must be residents of the City)
- Educational Facilities Task Force (up to one non-City resident appointment)
- Race and Equity Task Force (up to one non-City resident appointment)

[Redacted]
Street Address

[Redacted]
City

[Redacted]
Suite or Apt

[Redacted] [Redacted]
State Postal Code

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Hyattsville Environment Committee: For Review

Do you currently serve on this committee and are applying for re-appointment?

Yes No

If you selected more than one Board/Committee of interest, please indicate your first choice below.

To find your City Ward, click on this link! [City Residency Map](#)

Please select your ward from the drop down list below. *

Ward 1

[Redacted]
Primary Phone

Referred By:

Please provide a brief background statement including why you want to serve on a committee. This statement may be posted on the City's website.

4907 42nd Place Hyattsville, MD 20781 Dear Hyattsville Environment Committee: Since moving to Hyattsville in May 2019, I've come to love the community and neighborhood, particularly the City's parks and public spaces. My morning walk with my dog along the Northwest Branch Trail and into Macgruder Park is a highlight of my day. The parks are litter free, the trails well-maintained, and the equipment is accessible and safe. I am applying to the vacancy on the Environment Committee to support the Committee's role in maintaining these great public spaces, and in their broader mission of providing the Council with recommendations on parks usage, waste reduction, and sustainable practices. I am passionate about sustainability, love the outdoors, and am an advocate for accessible and inclusive public spaces, and I believe having a voice on this Committee could contribute greatly to the City of Hyattsville's progress in this area. My experience and education make me an excellent candidate for this role. My current full-time position is a Program Manager with the World Resources Institute (www.wri.org) – one of the world's leading research institutions on environment and development issues. There, I provide day-to-day management of a large team supporting the restoration of degraded forests and farmland around the globe. Often, this restoration takes the form of increasing the number of native trees in a landscape, as well as protecting the existing forests and native species from further degradation. The tools and knowledge I've gained over the past 5.5 years in this role can be applied right here at home – protecting our existing green spaces and ensuring the right trees are planted in the right place in our city. The recommendations I make in this role would be supported by an extensive formal education, as I hold a Master of Public Administration (MPA) in Environmental Policy from Columbia University, and a Bachelor of Science in Forestry and Natural Resource Conservation from Virginia Tech. Now, more than ever, the world needs urgent, bold and sustainable solutions to our climate crises. And while many of those solutions will happen at the state, federal and international level, they must start right here at home. I'd like to take my knowledge of this topic and apply it in my city by joining the Environment Committee. I am happy to answer any questions, or to provide my CV or references upon request. Kind regards, Jared Messinger