

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, HYATTSVILLE MD TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021 7:00 PM

Kevin Ward, W1, Interim Mayor
Carrianna Suiter, W3, Council Vice President
Bart Lawrence, W1
Robert Croslin, W2
Danny Schaible, W2
Ben Simasek, W3
Edouard Haba, W4
Daniel Peabody, W4
Joseph A. Solomon, W5
Erica Spell Wolf, W5

Absent: None

Also present were the following City staff members:

Laura Reams, City Clerk

Notice of Public Hearing

The City of Hyattsville Mayor and Council will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. (prior to the City Council Meeting).

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow residents to comment on the proposed Charter Amendment Resolution 2021-01. The Charter Amendment Resolution is intended to adjust the close of candidate registration for City elections from the last Friday in March to the second Friday in March. This change is necessary to accommodate the time required to print and mail Vote-by-Mail ballots to all registered voters. Candidate registration will be open for six (6) weeks prior to the closing deadline.

It is anticipated that the Council will adopt the Resolution during the Council Meeting of January 19, 2021. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Public Hearing will be held virtually over Zoom. Residents may register to attend the meeting at www.hyattsville-md.legistar.com. The Public Hearing will be broadcast live on Comcast Channel 71, Verizon Channel 12 and online at www.hyattsville-md.legistar.com. If you are unable to attend the hearing, comments may be directed to cityclerk@hyattsville.org.

Register at the link below:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN JMyz4IKVSD28j5Mk8Li6lw

1. Call to Order

Interim Mayor Kevin Ward called the public hearing to order at 7:11 p.m.

2. Discussion

Public Hearing: Hyattsville Charter Amendment Resolution 2021-01: Close of Candidate

Registration HCC-191-FY21

Sponsor: At the Request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s): N/A



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<u>Charter Sec 4-8 Changing Candidate Registration Time 1.4.20 Sec. 8-7, Ordinance Changing Candidate Registration Date 1.4.20</u>

For discussion and public input.

City Clerk Laura Reams presented Council with a brief summary and background of the item stating that in preparation for the 2021 all Vote-by-Mail election many adjustments to the Charter and Code were required including changes to the dates regarding candidate registration and detailed some results and benefits.

Ms. Reams noted that the next steps would be adoption of the measure and candidate registration was expected to be open from February 1, 2021 to March 12, 2021.

3. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

4. Adjournment

The public hearing adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

ATTEST:

February 16, 2021

Laura Reams, City Clerk

Sean Corcoran, Deputy City Clerk