

# City of Hyattsville

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## Summary Regular Meeting

**Monday, October 21, 2024**

**7:00 PM**

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**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**  
**Nate Groenendyk, City Clerk, 301-985-5001, [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, October 21, 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** **Call to order at 7:02 PM**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Approval of Agenda** **Approved, Unanimous**
4. **Approval of the Minutes**
- 4.a. **Approval of the Minutes** **Approved Unanimous** [HCC-108-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the minutes of the October 7, 2024, Public Hearing and October 7, 2024, Council Meeting.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Minutes Public Hearing\\_Oct 7 2024](#)  
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5. **Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker**
6. **City Administrator Update (7:20 p.m - 7:40 p.m.)**
7. **ARPA Update (7:40 p.m. - 7:50 p.m.)**
8. **Presentations (7:50 p.m. - 8:10 p.m.)**

**8.a. West Hyattsville Green Alley Improvement Project Concept Design Presentation** [HCC-085-FY25](#)

For Presentation.

Sponsors: City Administrator

**9. Proclamations** **Approved, Unanimous****9.a. Proclamation Recognizing Economic Development Week in the City of Hyattsville** [HCC-114-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation recognizing the week of October 21 - 25, 2024, as Economic Development Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [CM 1021 Economic Development Week.pdf](#)

**10. Appointments** **Approved, Unanimous****10.a. Appointment to the Police and Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Committee** [HCC-115-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the appointments of Michelle Brown (Ward 3) and Adriane Powell (Ward 4) to the Police and Public Safety Citizen's Advisory Committee for a term of two (2) years to expire on October 31, 2026.

Sponsors: Strab

Attachments: [Adriane Powell W4 Sept 28 2024 redac](#)  
[Michelle Brown W3 Sep 5 2024 redac](#)

**11. Consent Items (8:10 p.m. - 8:15 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.

**11.a. Hyattsville Resolution 2024-02: Hyattsville Climate Action Plan Development and Grant Application** [HCC-084-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council introduce and adopt Hyattsville Resolution 2024-02, a Resolution of the City Council of Hyattsville, Maryland, whereby the City authorizes the submission of a grant application to the Planning Assistance to Municipalities and Communities Program to fund the development of a Climate Action Plan for the City of Hyattsville (INTRODUCTION & ADOPTION).

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [City of Hyattsville Resolution 2024\\_02.pdf](#)  
[PAMC 2023 Program Guidelines](#)  
[PAMC CAP Grant Application](#)

**11.b. Traffic Calming Time Extension**[HCC-105-FY25](#)

I move the Mayor and Council extend the time requirement regarding Council's decision on traffic calming devices for the 6000 block of 43rd Street (Ward 1) and the 4000 block of Nicholson Steet (Ward 2) to December 2, 2024.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Traffic Calming Petition PPT 20241007 FINAL.pdf](#)  
[CityCodeTrafficCalming.pdf](#)

**11.c. Disbursement of Ward 3 Discretionary Funds**[HCC-106-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the disbursement of \$530.90 of Ward 3 FY25 discretionary funds to Councilmember Redmond as reimbursement for the purchase of neighborhood watch signs.

Sponsors: Redmond and McClellan

Attachments: [Receipt.pdf](#)

**11.d. Installation of Speed Hump on 31st Avenue**[HCC-107-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the installation of a speed hump on the 5600 block of 31st Avenue.

Sponsors: City Administrator

**11.e. ARPA Compliance Consultant Contract Extension and Increase**[HCC-109-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to enter into a contract extension and increase with Thomas Michael LLC, for a term to extend through December 31, 2026 and the total contract amount not to exceed \$250,000, for consulting services related to compliance with federal requirements related to the American Rescue Plan Act award funds. These funds are included in the Council approved ARPA spending plan, and the contract terms are subject to review and approval by the City Attorney.

Sponsors: City Administrator

**11.f. Renewal Contract with the United States Department of Treasury**[HCC-110-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to approve a one-year renewal contract between the City of Hyattsville and the United States Department of Treasury, pending legal review and approval. The contract will require the Department of Treasury to reimburse the City for HPD officers who will provide additional security around Department of Treasury premises within the City of Hyattsville. The contract term will begin on October 30, 2024, and extend for one-year.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [2033H625R00002](#)

**11.g. CSX Agreement**[HCC-113-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to enter into a reimbursement agreement with CSX for expenses incurred as a result of the CSX train derailment in Hyattsville on September 23, 2023.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Hyattsville.Settlement Agreement.pdf](#)

**12. Action Items (8:15 p.m. - 8:40 p.m.)****12.a. Adoption of the New City Flag Approved, Unanimous**[HCC-112-FY25](#)

I move the Mayor and Council adopt the Hyattsville Flag Redesign Committee's recommended "Flower" design as the new Hyattsville flag as presented at the October 7, 2024 Council Meeting.

Sponsors: McClellan, Redmond and Schaible

Attachments: [Recommended Flag.pdf](#)  
[Flag Committee Presentation.pdf](#)

**13. Discussion Items (8:40 p.m. - 9:10 p.m.)****13.a. City of Hyattsville Property Tax Relief Programs: Administrative Recommendations**[HCC-118-FY25](#)

**Presentation and Council discussion**

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [PFMGC Hyattsville Property Tax Relief Study \(2\) 10-16-2024](#)

**14. Council Dialogue (9:10 p.m. - 9:20 p.m.)****15. Motion to Adjourn The meeting adjourned at 10:12 PM. Approved, Unanimous**

Nate Groenendyk, City Clerk