

# City of Hyattsville

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## Agenda Regular Meeting

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**Monday, February 6, 2023**

**7:00 PM**

**Virtual**

## City Council

**Robert S. Croslin, Mayor**  
**Joseph Solomon, Council President, Ward 5**  
**Danny Schaible, Council Vice President, Ward 2**  
**Sam Denes, Ward 1**  
**Joanne Waszczak, Ward 1**  
**Emily Strab, Ward 2**  
**Ben Simasek, Ward 3**  
**Jimmy McClellan, Ward 3**  
**Edouard Haba, Ward 4**  
**Daniel Peabody, 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!**  
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**1. Call to Order and Council Roll Call****2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag****3. Approval of Agenda****4. Approval of the Minutes****4.a. Approval of the Minutes**[HCC-225-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the minutes of the Jan 17, 2023 City Council Meeting.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [MeetingMinutes January 17 2023](#)

**5. Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker****6. Community Notices and Meetings**

**6.a. Main City Calendar: February 7, 2023 - February 21, 2023**[HCC-226-FY23](#)

N/A

**Sponsors:** City Administrator**Department:** City Clerk**Attachments:** [City Calendar February 7, 2023 - February 21, 2023](#)**7. City Administrator Update (7:20 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)****8. Presentations (8:00 p.m. - 8:50 p.m.)****8.a. 2023 Compensation Review Committee Recommendation**[HCC-233-FY23](#)

Presentation only, the Council is expected to act on this recommendation on February 21, 2023.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator**Department:** City Clerk**Attachments:** [Compensation Review Committee & Recommendation Report 2023](#)  
[2022 Comp and Review Committee](#)**8.b. FY23 Education Enrichment Grants**[HCC-234-FY23](#)

Presentation - the grant approvals are on the consent agenda.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator**Department:** Community Services**Attachments:** [EAC MEMO To council](#)**8.c. City of Hyattsville 2023 Biennial Election Overview**[HCC-241-FY23](#)

For presentation only.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator**Department:** City Clerk**Attachments:** [Election Presentation to Council](#)**9. Proclamations**

**9.a. Proclamation Celebrating February 2023 as Black History Month in the City of Hyattsville** [HCC-224-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation recognizing February 2023 as Black History Month in the City of Hyattsville.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [CM 0206 Black History Month 2023](#)

**10. Appointments**

**10.a. Appointment to the Code Compliance Advisory Committee** [HCC-227-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of Ian Fay (Ward 1) to the Code Compliance Advisory Committee for a term of two (2) years to expire on February 28, 2025.

**Sponsors:** McClellan

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [Ian Fay W1, Feb 6, 23 redac](#)

**10.b. Appointment to the Education Advisory Committee** [HCC-228-FY23](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of Deshundra Fortson (Ward 1) to the Education Advisory Committee for a term of two (2) years ending on February 28, 2025.

**Sponsors:** Strab

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [Deshundra Forston redac](#)

**11. Consent Items (8:50 p.m. - 8:55 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. Approval of Election Equipment Vendor for the 2023 Biennial Election**[\*\*HCC-230-FY23\*\*](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a contract with Election Systems and Software (ES&S) in an amount not to exceed \$11,000 to be the City's election equipment vendor for City's Biennial Election to be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, upon the review and approval by the City Attorney for legal sufficiency.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [Hyattsville MD 1-23-23](#)

**11.b. Disbursement of FY23 Education Enrichment Grant Funds**[\*\*HCC-236-FY23\*\*](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the expenditure of \$3,500 to support the grant proposals recommended from the Education Advisory Committee and listed in the attached memo for dissemination of the FY23 Education Enrichment Grants.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [EAC Grant Request 2.0](#)  
[EAC FY23 Grant Proposals](#)

**11.c. Award of Contract for Mail Vendor - 2023 Election**[\*\*HCC-238-FY23\*\*](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Fort Orange Press for the printing and mailing of ballot packets and ballots for 2023 City Election at a cost not to exceed \$36,000. The agreement will be effective upon the review and approval by the City Attorney.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [1.30.23 City of Hyattsville MD Fort Orange Press](#)  
[Outgoing Postage Invoice](#)

**11.d. Maryland DHCD Grant Agreement Amendment Authorization**[HCC-242-FY23](#)

I move the City Council authorize the Mayor to execute an amendment to Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund (SGIF) grant agreement between the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and the City of Hyattsville, which will provide the City a term to June 30, 2024 to complete the expenditure of the fund balance.

**Sponsors:** City Administrator

**Department:** Community & Economic Development

**Attachments:** [Memo - Maryland DHCD Grant Agreement Amendment - 2.1.2023](#)

**12. Action Items (8:55 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.)****12.a. Letter to WMATA Opposing Proposed Yellow Line Service Changes**[HCC-237-FY23](#)

I move that the City Council authorize the Mayor to send correspondence to the WMATA Board of Directors opposing the proposed FY-2024 budget and related modifications to Yellow Line service.

**Sponsors:** Solomon, Sandino, Haba, McClellan and Simasek

**Department:** City Clerk

**Attachments:** [SOLOMON WMATA proposal for Yellow Line turnback](#)

**13. Discussion Items (9:25 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.)****13.a. Rent Stabilization and Affordability Fund**[HCC-229-FY23](#)

For Discussion Only.

I move that the Mayor and Council Authorize the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance on regulating the annual rate of increase in rental prices in the City Hyattsville.

**Sponsors:** Solomon, Simasek, Sandino, Haba, Denes, Waszczak and McClellan

**Department:** City Clerk

**14. Council Dialogue (10:00 p.m. - 10:10 p.m.)****15. Motion to Adjourn**