

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MONTHLY MEETING

DATE	October 11, 2023	TIME	7:00PM – 8:30PM	LOCATION	Zoom/ Online Web
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COMMITTEE MEMBER/COUNCIL LIASON			
Chairperson, Patricia Page Ward 5	Present	Chief Of Police, Jarod Towers	Absent
Vice-Chair, Jerome Brown Ward 5	Absent	Deputy Chief, Laura Lanham	Present
Secretary, Mai Abdul Rahman Ward 1	RESIGNED	Council Member, Danny Schaible	Absent
Committee Member, Taylor Wilder Ward 2	Present	Council Member, Rommel Sandino Ward 5	Absent
Committee Member, Julio Gomez Ward 2	Present	Council Member, Emily Strab Ward 2	Present
Committee Member, Robert R. Riddle Ward	Present	Mayor, Robert Croslin	Absent
Committee Member	VACANT		

TIME	ITEM	OWNER
07:08pm	• Call to Order ○ Roll Call of Attending Committee Members ○ Approval of Agenda – for October 11, 2023 ▪ Julio Gomez – Vote #1 ▪ Taylor Widler Vote #2 ○ Approval of September's Meeting Minutes ▪ Taylor Wilder – Vote #1 ▪ Julio Gomez Vote #2	Patricia Page
07:13pm	General Discussion • Community members have expressed some concerns on the accuracy and level of current content on the city's websites. ○ Emily Strab brought up concerns on a email from the Community about outdated information and stats on Hyattsville Website • Can the Chief comment on those pertaining to HVL PD and general public safety sites? - ○ Deputy Chief Laura Lanham gave update • Review of Multimodal Design Toolkit – Progress check-in. - ○ Deputy Chief Laura Lanham gave update • Status checks on draft letter in support of fire chief's request for ARPA funds for equipment funding. ○ The committee talked at length about how to move forward with letter. Robert Riddle made Letter – Once Finished Will be forwarded to City Administrator. • Camera Registration ○ Committee talked about help with City Camera Program Roll Out ○ No Update on Letter to Council • National Night Out ○ Patricia spoke to the events and experience at National Night Out • Cameras at Local Parks/ Camera Placement ○ Emily Starb brought up concerns from the Community about activity at current parks, and status of cameras at our local parks, specifically with concerns of "Deitz Park" and spoke on ongoing concerns of activity there. • Teen Center on 40th Ave ○ Robert Riddle discussed community request to have near park "freed up" , Emily brought update of construction from the Council.	Several Discussed
07:35pm	HVL Police Dept Updates • Recap of National Night Out • Train Derailment ○ Deputy Chief Laura Lanham Updated Committee on Train Derailment Non-Hazardous Plastic Pellets Loaded on train. • Back To School 2023 ○ Deputy Chief Laura Lanham gave Update on Back to School ○ Updates on Focused Crime Prevention Tactics being deployed. ▪ Deputy Chief Laura Lanham Spoke about Queens chapel area (On docket for next Council Meeting also) ▪ G.A.R.E – Government Alliance on Race and Equity ▪ Patricia spoke on "Watch Your Car" Program • Update on new Police Head Quarters ○ Deputy Chief Laura Lanham gave a verbal update on status.	Deputy Chief Laura Lanham

	○ Unfortunately, Committee cannot tour site because we are “not City Employees”	
07:33pm	Public Comments ▪ Discussion of where to put “Public Comments” in these meetings at either at the start of end of Committee Meetings ○ Will currently stay as is, will be followed up in future meetings if it will be wanting to be changed to another time in the meeting.	Patricia Page
08:13pm	Adjournment ▪ Robert Riddle – Vote #1 ▪ Julio Gomez – Vote #2	Patricia Page