

CITY OF HYATTSVILLE
PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

Register in advance for this webinar:

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1. Introduction of Committee & Guest Members (7:00 PM)

- Maureen Foster, Committee Chair
- Todd Dengel, Committee member
- Will Seath, Committee member
- Marshall, Committee member
- Yohannes Bennehoff, Committee member
- Taylor Robey, Staff Liason
- Johnathon Thomas, UMD Sociology
- Sophie Nusinov, UMD Sociology
- Dr. Amy McLaughlin, UMD Sociology

2. Community Sustainability Plan

- Public Engagement Schedule
 - Community Visioning Sessions (two in person, two virtual)
 1. September 27, 2022 from 6-8 pm at Nicholas Orem Middle
 2. September 28, 2022 from 6-8 pm at virtual
 3. October 11, 2022 from 6-8 pm at the Hyattsville Library
 4. October 12, 2022 from 6-8 pm at virtual
 - We ask that you arrive at 5 pm for 6 pm in person engagement events to help with set up.
 - Spanish language and ASL interpreters are available at all events.
 - 3 Break out sessions focused on Transportation, Housing, and Public Spaces
 - Community Prioritization Session will follow in November.
- Sustainability Plan page and CitizenLab page Demo
 - <https://www.hyattsville.org/1037/2022-2026-Community-Sustainability-Plan>
 - <https://hyattsville.citizenlab.co/en/admin/projects/43f29b04-3585-4b54-9091-34628c3d2599>
 1. Please make an account with CitizenLab! You will not be able to interact with this platform without making an account
- Focus Group Best Practices from UMD Sociology
 - Sophie, Johnathon, and Dr McLaughlin
 - Questions

1. Are we still collecting comments that might not be exactly on task but could be relevant?
 - a. Yes we will code these separately and refer back as needed
2. Should we have a separate facilitator and note taker?
 - a. Yes. We will have at a minimum of two people at each station. More note takers is preferred as they can capture different things in their notes.

3. Updates

- [West Hyattsville Queens Chapel Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment](#)
 - Presented to Planning Committee at City Council in Fall 2020. Submitted initial comments.
 - Draft Plan was released in July 2022. City Council reviewed on September 19th and will adopt comments on October 3rd prior to Joint Public Hearing.
 - Provide your comments at the Joint Public Hearing on October 11, 2022 at 5 pm. Comment period will close October 26, 2022. More information [here](#).

4. Committee Business

- Approve September 2021 minutes
 - approved
- Approve July 2022 minutes
 - approved
- Filling Vacancy
 - 1 vacancy on the PC, Clerk's Office is reaching out to folks who expressed interest in serving on the committee, this happens on a first come first serve basis, applications are held for a year from the submittal date
 - Given that we are a quite desirable committee, there is a backlist.
 - What to expect: potential committee member will attend a meeting and meet and greet with us (committee members, staff and council liasons), they will need a sponsor from council and a spot on the agenda to be appointed before they become an official committee member.

5. Additional Questions & Discussion

- Is UIP still on schedule? Have they selected retail?
 - The project is on schedule. Commercial tenants have not been selected.
- With Suffrage Point, is permitting is on hold due to the pending suit?
 - It is under construction. District Council reviewed this CSP and the KFC at QCTC on September 19th. We are reviewing with the attorney.
- New businesses in the City? Vacancies within the city?
 - There are several new businesses in the UTC area. The City has a vacancy request form that inquiring businesses can fill out with their space and location requirements.
- RFP at the Justice Center. Any updates?
 - No updates.

6. Adjourn (8:00 PM)