

City of Hyattsville

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Agenda Regular Meeting

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Monday, March 17, 2025

7:00 PM

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
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

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 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:

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- 1. Call to Order and Council Roll Call**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker**
- 5. City Administrator Update (7:20 p.m - 7:40 p.m.)**
- 6. Presentations (7:40 p.m. - 8:20 p.m.)**

6.a. Hyattsville CERT Team[**HCC-271-FY25**](#)

For presentation.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Administrator

Attachments: [Hyattsville CERT Presentation.pdf](#)

6.b. Lower Ward 1 Stormwater Grant Update[HCC-273-FY25](#)

Presentation only

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Public Works

Attachments: [Stormwater Presentation](#)

7. Proclamations**7.a. Proclamation Declaring March 31, 2025, as Transgender Day of Visibility in the City of Hyattsville**[HCC-268-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation to declare March 31, 2025, as Transgender Day of Visibility the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [CM 03.17 National Transgender Day of Visibility Proclamation \(1\)](#)

7.b. Proclamation Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the Abundant Life Bible Church and 10 years of Service of Pastor Dr. Melva T. Covington.[HCC-275-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation celebrating the 30th anniversary of Abundant Life Bible Church and the 10 years of pastoral service of Dr. Covington.

Sponsors: Croslin, Waszczak and Solomon

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [CM 0317 Abundant Bible Church_Pastor Covington.pdf](#)

8. Appointments

8.a. Appointment to the Educational Facilities Task Force[**HCC-277-FY25**](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the re-appointment of Kat Schooley (Ward 1) and Daniel Broder (Ward 2) to the Educational Facilities Task Force for a term of two (2) years to expire on March 17, 2027.

Sponsors: Waszczak and Sandino

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [Daniel Broder re-appoint Mar 25 redac](#)
[Kat Schooley re-appoint Mar 25 redac](#)

8.b. Appointment to the Police and Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Committee[**HCC-278-FY25**](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the re-appointment of Taylor Wilder (Ward 2) to the Police and Public Safety Citizen's Advisory Committee for a term of two (2) years to expire on March 17, 2027.

Sponsors: Strab

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [Taylor Wilder re-appoint Mar 25 redac](#)

9. Consent Items (8:20 p.m. - 8:25 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.

9.a. Disbursement of FY25 Education Enrichment Grants[**HCC-253-FY25**](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the expenditure of \$12,000 to support the grant proposals recommended from the Education Advisory Committee and listed in the attached memo for dissemination of the FY25 Education Enrichment Grants.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Community Services

Attachments: [Letter to Council 2024-2025 Enrichment Grants \(1\)](#)
[2024-2025 EAC Grant Council Spreadsheet \(1\)](#)

9.b. Disbursement of Ward 1 Discretionary Funds[HCC-269-FY25](#)

I move the Mayor and Council approve the disbursement of \$188 of Ward 1 discretionary funds to Audrey Engdahl to support the Defend Yourself workshop for Hyattsville youth held on March 1, 2025.

Sponsors: Denes and Waszczak

Department: City Clerk

9.c. National Capital Region Mutual Aid Agreement[HCC-274-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to enter into the Washington Council of Governments Mutual Aid Agreement authorizing the Hyattsville Police Departmental to participate across jurisdictional boundaries to improve public safety in the National Capital Region.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Police Department

Attachments: [NCR MAA_Signatures 20240104.pdf](#)

10. Action Items (8:25 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.)

10.a. Hyattsville Ordinance 2025-01: Revisions to City Code Chapter 108, Taxation (Introduction and First Reading) [HCC-270-FY25](#)

I move the Mayor and Council introduce Hyattsville Ordinance 2025-01, an ordinance whereby the City Council amends City Code, Chapter 108, Taxation, to revise the Homestead Property Tax Credit program and the local supplement to the state homeowners property tax credit as follows:

Section 108-2: Homestead Property Tax Credit Program

- Amend the effective date to July 1, 2025
- Reduce the taxable assessment cap down from 110% to 106%.

Section 108-3: Local supplement to the state homeowners property tax credit

- Assessed Value Limit - increase to \$500,000.
- Combined Net Worth Limit - increase to \$400,000.
- Combine Gross Income Limit - increase to \$90,000.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [Draft Homestead Tax Credit and Homeowners Supplement Ordinance Amendment 3.10.25 .3 \(002\) .2.docx](#)

11. Council Dialogue (8:45 p.m. - 8:55 p.m.)

12. Motion to Adjourn