

City of Hyattsville

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Agenda Regular Meeting

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Monday, September 15, 2025

7:00 PM

Virtual

CITY COUNCIL

Robert S. Croslin, Mayor

Joseph Solomon, Council President, Ward 5

Kareem Redmond, Council Vice President, Ward 3

Joanne Waszczak, Ward 1

Greg Barnes, Ward 1

Danny Schaible, Ward 2

Emily Strab, Ward 2

Gopi Dhokai, Ward 3

Edouard Haba, Ward 4

Michelle Lee, Ward 4

Kelson Nisbett, 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.

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- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Public Comment (7:10 PM - 7:20 PM) Limit 2 minutes per speaker**
- 5. City Administrator Update (7:20 PM - 7:40 PM)**
- 6. Presentations (7:40 PM - 8:30 PM)**

6.a. 2026-59 Race and Equity Task Force - Equity Plan

For presentation.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Administration

Attachments: Equity Plan Presentation 09.15_Council Packet, Hyattsville RETF Equity Plan_0915_CouncilPacket

7. Proclamations**7.a. 2026-42 Proclamation for Hispanic Heritage Month**

I move the Mayor and Council adopt the proclamation celebrating September 15, 2025, to October 15, 2025, as Hispanic Heritage Month.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Administration

Attachments: CM0915 Hispanic Heritage Month 2025_Final

7.b. 2026-60 Proclamation for National Preparedness Month

I move the Mayor and Council adopt the proclamation recognizing September as National Preparedness Month.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Administration

Attachments: CM0915 National Preparedness Month 2025

8. Appointments**8.a. Appointment to the Youth Advisory Council**

I move the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of the following to the Youth Advisory Committee for a term of one year:

- Anastasia Keith
- Christopher Jimenez
- Craig Monnity
- Diana Alvarez
- Eric Manzano Salinas
- Jorge Guzman
- Litzy Velasquez
- Margaret Hernandez Merino

- Seyifunmi Okunola
- Yasmin Pineda Escobar

Sponsors: Joanne Waszczak, Councilmember

Department: City Clerk

Attachments:

8.b. 2026-51 Appointment to the Shade Tree Board

I move the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Kathryn Kutzner (Ward 2) and Randy Fletcher (Ward 3) to the Shade Tree Board for a term of three years to end on September 15, 2028.

Sponsors: Robert S. Croslin, Mayor

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: Kathryn Kutzner W2 Sept 2025 redac, Randy Feltcher W3 re-appoint App 8.12.25 redac

8.c. 2026-52 Appointment to the Police and Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Committee

I move the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of Evan Myers (Ward 2) to the Police and Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Committee for a term of two years to end on September 15, 2025.

Sponsors: Emily Strab, Councilmember

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: Evan Myers 6.16.25 redac

8.d. 2026-53 Appointment to the Health, Wellness, and Recreation Advisory Committee

I move the mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Nicole Betschman (Ward 3), Erica Thomas (Ward 1), and Marylyn Presutti (Ward 4) to the Health, Wellness, and Recreation Advisory Committee for a term of two years to end on September 15, 2027.

Sponsors: Michelle Lee, Councilmember, Gopi Dhokai, Councilmember

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: Maryln Presutti W4 Sept 2 2025 redac, Erica Thomas W1 Sept 3 2025 redac, Nicole Betschman Jul 17 redac

9. Consent Items (8:30 p.m. - 8:35 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. 2026-44 Commercial Facade Improvement Program: 2025 Grant Awards

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the 2025 Commercial Façade Improvement Grant awards for façade improvement projects at the following commercial properties:

- 5126 Baltimore Avenue: \$15,000
- 4318 Gallatin Street: \$10,017
- 4800 Baltimore Ave: \$12,415
- 5223 Baltimore Ave: \$20,000
- 6211 Belcrest Rd: \$5,000
- 5501 Baltimore Ave: \$5,536.12.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Community, Business, and Economic Development

Attachments: Staff Memo_CFI2025_September 2025

9.b. 2026-47 FY26 Budget Appropriation: Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy Police Retention and Recruitment Program Grant

I move that the Mayor and Council accept and appropriate, in the FY26 budget, a grant award from the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy in the amount of \$23,750 to support HPD recruitment and retention efforts.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Police

Attachments: Award Acceptance Form

9.c. 2026-48 FY26 Budget Appropriation: Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy Police Accountability, Community and Transparency (PACT) Grant Award

I move that the Mayor and Council accept and appropriate, in the FY26 budget, a grant award from the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy in the amount of \$62,175 for support of the HPD's Mental Wellness and Community Crisis Support Program.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Police

Attachments: GrantApplicationReport_20250606100414 (NEW AWARD)

9.d. 2026-49 Ward 5 Discretionary Funds

I move the Mayor and Council approve the disbursement of \$250 from FY26 Ward 5

discretionary funds to support the Riverfront at West Hyattsville community event held on September 6, 2025.

Sponsors: Joseph Solomon, Council President, Kelson Nisbett, Councilmember

Department: City Clerk

Attachments:

9.e. 2026-54 MOU with Revenue Authority of Prince George's County: The Spot - Amendment 2

I move the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to execute Amendment 2 to the MOU between the City and Revenue Authority of Prince George's County, updating the proposed schedule for the Trolley Trailhead Placemaking Project, pending legal review.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Department of Public Works

Attachments: MOU Revenue Authority The Spot Amendment 2

9.f. 2026-55 Decommissioning and Surplus of Furniture

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the decommissioning and disposal of the furniture noted in the attached memo dated August 13, 2025.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Department of Public Works

Attachments: Furniture Decommission-Disposal Memo 08-13-2025

9.g. 2026-56 Special Use Agreement - Hyattsville Elementary School PTA Zombie Run

I move the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a Special Use Agreement with Hyattsville Elementary School Parent and Teacher Association (PTA) for the use of David C. Driskell Community Park and select City streets for its Annual Zombie Run, scheduled for Saturday, October 18, 2025.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Community Services

Attachments: 2025 Zombie Run Use Agreement

9.h. 2026-57 Special Use Agreement - Route 1 Velo 2025 Cyclocross Race

I move the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a Special Use Agreement with Route 1 Velo for the use of David C. Driskell Community Park for its Annual

Cyclocross race. The race is scheduled for Sunday, September 21, with set-up in the afternoon of Saturday, September 20.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Community Services

Attachments: 2025 Cyclocross Special Use Agreement

10. Action Items (8:35 p.m. - 9:15p.m.)

10.a. Agreement with Lexis Nexis Risk Solutions

I move Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Accurant/Lexis Nexis for access to their records database.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Police

Attachments: Hyattsville Police Department - addAccurantCrimeConsortiumSub,
Hyattsville Police Department - InrsAppAgreeGovtNonFCRA

10.b. 2026-46 FY26 Budget Appropriation: Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy Gun Reduction Grant

I move that the Mayor and Council accept and appropriate, in the FY26 budget, a grant award from the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy in the amount of \$25,000 to purchase gun reduction technology software.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Police

Attachments: Award Acceptance Form

11. Council Dialogue (9:15 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.)

12. Closed Session - Note: Council Will Not Return to Open Session (9:25 p.m.)

12.a. 2026-58 Motion to Close

I move the Mayor and Council close the Council Meeting of September 15, 2025, in order to consult with the City Administrator and staff to discuss negotiations related to the acquisition of real property.

This session will be closed under the authority of the Annotated Code of Maryland State Government General Provisions Article Section 3-305 (b) (3) "to consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto".

The Council will not return to open session.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Administration

Attachments: