

City of Hyattsville

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Agenda Regular Meeting

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Monday, April 27, 2026

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.

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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- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Approval of Minutes**
 - 4.a. 2026-227 Approval of Minutes**

I move the mayor and Council approve the minutes of the following meetings:

- March 9, 2026

- March 18, 2026
- March 23, 2026
- April 8, 2026
- April 13, 2026

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: Minutes_March 23 2026, Minutes_March 18 2026, Minutes_March 9 2026, Minutes_April 13 2026, Minutes_April 8 2026

5. Public Comment (7:10 PM - 7:20 PM) Limit 2 minutes per speaker

6. City Administrator Update (7:20 PM - 7:40 PM)

7. Proclamations

7.a. 2026-223 Arbor Day Proclamation

I move the Mayor and Council adopt the proclamation designating April 24, 2026 as Arbor Day in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: CM 0427 Arbor Day 2026

7.b. 2026-224 Citizenship Celebration Day Proclamation

I move the Mayor and Council adopt the proclamation recognizing May 2, 2026 as Hyattsville Citizenship Celebration Day

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Administration

Attachments: CM 0427 Citizen Celebration Day 2026

7.c. 2026-226 Municipal Clerks Week Proclamation

I move the Mayor and Council adopt the proclamation recognizing May 3 through May 9, 2026, as Municipal Clerks Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Administration

Attachments: CM 04.27 Municipal Clerks Week 2026

7.d. 2026-229 Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week

I move the Mayor and Council adopt the proclamation recognizing May 3 through May 9, 2026, as Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: Administration

Attachments: CM 0427 Childrens Mental Health Matters Week 2026 (1)

7.e. 2026-228 Proclamation Honoring Lieutenant Chris Evans and K9 Officer NOLA for Their Years of Service to the City of Hyattsville

I move the Mayor and Council adopt the proclamation honoring Lieutenant Chris Evans and K9 Officer NOLA for their years of service to the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: CM 0427 Proclamation Honoring Chris Evans

8. Consent Items (7:40 p.m. - 7:45 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.

8.a. 2026-220 Ward 5 Discretionary Funds

I move the Mayor and Council approve the disbursement of \$250 from FY26 Ward 5 discretionary funds to Melange Wellness LLC to support the Pond to Pond event held on April 18, 2026.

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

Department: City Clerk

Attachments:

8.b. 2026-221 Ward 5 Discretionary Funds

I move the Mayor and Council approve the disbursement of \$350 from FY26 Ward 5 discretionary funds to support the Riverfront at West Hyattsville’s Cinco on the 2nd event on May 2, 2026.

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

Department: City Clerk

Attachments:

9. Action Items (7:45 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.)

9.a. 2026-215 Establishing a Day of Youth Leadership and Empowerment in the City of Hyattsville.

I move the Mayor and Council include \$700 in the FY27 Budget to establish a day of youth leadership and empowerment by creating an annual process whereby students in grades 6-12 can apply to and be selected to serve in the ceremonial capacities of “Mayor”, “Council President”, or “Council Vice-President” of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: Greg Barnes, Councilmember

Department: Legislative

Attachments: YAC Feedback 3.12.2026

9.b. 2026-216 Volunteer Shoveling Program

I move the Mayor and Council include \$2,500 in the FY27 Budget to support a standing volunteer program to assist residents with snow removal needs.

Sponsors: Gopi Dhokai, Councilmember

Department: Legislative

Attachments:

9.c. 2026-214 Enhancing Council and Staff Access to Information and Reporting

I move the Mayor and Council include \$30,000 in the FY27 Budget to purchase and implement technology that streamlines access to City data for Councilmembers and City staff.

Sponsors: Kareem Redmond, Council Vice President

Department: Legislative

Attachments:

9.d. 2026-217 Relief Funds for Impacted Immigrant Families

I move the Mayor and Council include \$100,000 in the FY27 Budget to establish a relief fund to support the City of Hyattsville’s impacted immigrant families. These funds shall be administered to provide direct financial assistance to resident families whose primary breadwinners have been arrested or deported, or are unable to work as a direct result of the ongoing federal immigration enforcement actions. I further move that the City sign a

Memorandum of Understanding with one or two local non-profit partners, serving the immigrant community, for the administration of the funds.

Sponsors: Edouard Haba, Councilmember, Joseph Solomon, Council President, Danny Schaible, Councilmember

Department: Legislative

Attachments: Immigrant Relief Fund RETF Comments

10. Discussion Items (9:00 p.m. - 9:20 p.m.)

10.a. 2026-219 Funding for Community Services Caseworker to Support Resident Stability

For discussion.

Sponsors: Kareem Redmond, Council Vice President, Gopi Dhokai, Councilmember, Joseph Solomon, Council President, Michelle Lee, Councilmember

Department: City Clerk

Attachments:

11. Council Dialogue (9:20 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)

12. Motion to Adjourn