



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Municipal Building & Virtual

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Monday, March 14, 2022

7:30 PM

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Roll Call
2. Call to Order
3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Petitions and Requests
5. Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal)

from the Consent Agenda by Council.)

6. Approval of Agenda and Additions

II. COMMUNICATIONS

7. Presentations

7a. ACE Educator Award Ceremony

Suggested Action:

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[Educator Award 2022 Recipients .pdf](#)

7b. Irish American Heritage Month Proclamation

Suggested Action:

Mayor Jordan will present a proclamation declaring March as Irish American Heritage Month.

[Irish-American Heritage Month.pdf](#)

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[WS210210.pdf](#)

[RM210308.pdf](#)

[RM210222.pdf](#)

9. Administrative Reports

*10. * Committee Reports

III. LEGISLATION

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

11. Rental Assistance Discussion

Suggested Action:

At this time Council has allocated \$1.4 million ARPA/CRF funds to rental assistance to residents affected by the pandemic. This rental support, while critical in helping residents keep their apartments, is not providing ongoing (future) help and guidance to assist our residents in becoming financially independent. Staff is now preparing new Rental Assistance program guidance, with revised criteria, that moves the program forward from not just providing stop-gap rent relief, but providing meaningful assistance to help residents move away from needing rental support in the future. This new program will include workforce training, employment assistance and financial literacy classes, among other assistance.

[Workforce development plan draft.pdf](#)

12. Council Activities

13. Council Reports

*14. * Appointment to Advisory Board

Suggested Action:

Reference: Application and Signed Code of Conduct

On March 2, 2022, Council interviewed Ms. Barbara Stevens, for appointment to the Arts Advisory Board (AAB).

Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to appoint Ms. Stevens to the Arts Advisory Board.

*15. * Reappointment to Advisory Boards/Committees

Suggested Action:

Reference: Reappointment Survey

Matthew Inzeo has indicated his willingness to continue to serve on the Advisory Planning Board (APB).

Tom LeaMond has indicated his willingness to continue to serve on the Arts Advisory Board (AAB).

Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to appoint Mr. Inzeo and Mr. LeaMond to a new term.

V. MEETINGS

Meetings

Suggested Action:

[meetings.pdf](#)

Stakeholders

[Stakeholder Schedule.pdf](#)

City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: March 14, 2022

Submitted by: Shaniya Lashley-Mullen

Submitting Department: Administration

Item Type: Presentations

Agenda Section: COMMUNICATIONS

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ACE OOUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARDS 2022

1. ACE Outstanding Educator Award winner **Mrs. Wanda Dixon of Springhill Lake Elementary School.**

Mrs. Dixon is a veteran teacher who comes to work each day with a smile and a positive attitude, even though she has so many things on her plate. Whether it is studying for her Doctorate, leading our school theatrical productions, rapping on our morning news or mentoring new teachers, Mrs. Dixon is treasured and admired at Springhill Lake ES. Her rapport with her students is calm, caring and consistent. She creates a classroom environment of safety and warmth. Students trust Mrs. Dixon and are willing to work hard for her. Her colleagues value her opinion and her classroom door is always open to anyone who might need a friendly ear or just a laugh! We are so proud to call Mrs. Dixon a Springhill Lake Eagle and hope she continues to guide us for the next 30 years.

2. ACE Outstanding Educator Award winner **Ms. Laura Browning of Magnolia Elementary School.**

Ms. Laura Browning is an educator known for her strong presence. Her years in education follow a transition from being a paraprofessional to becoming a fully certified elementary teacher. Ms. Browning has a track record of being a teacher who does not settle for anything less than a perfectly managed classroom environment. She has produced students who have won recognition in essay writing, mathematical computation and Science Fair competitions. Ms. Browning headed several

committees at Magnolia. She has been the chair of the Staff Recognition committee and the SBMT (School-Based Management Team). Ms. Browning is also an advocate for the preservation of the environment in her role as the sponsor of the Environmental Club at Magnolia. Ms. Browning's generosity of her time, talent and treasure is profoundly ingrained in her ways. At the height of the pandemic, she drove to her students' community and distributed treats to let them know how much she missed and valued them. There is no doubt that Ms. Browning embodies strength and character through her grit and resilience. It is for these reasons, Laura Browning has been selected as an ACE outstanding educator for 2022.

3. ACE Outstanding Educator Award winner **Ms. Tamia Perry of Greenbelt**

Elementary School.

From her first year of teaching, it was clear that Ms. Perry was going to be a ROCKSTAR! She is an educator who can command a classroom with a gentle demeanor. With her down to earth personality, strong pedagogy and superb ability to connect with students and staff, Ms. Perry is a valuable member of the GES team. Ms. Perry sets and expects high levels of effort and determination from her students. She teaches for mastery and is relentless in doing whatever it takes to achieve this. Students respond well to her consistent and caring delivery. Through superb planning and skilled execution, Ms. Perry creates an environment where learning happens for all.

School culture is one built around collaboration and teacher leadership. In addition to

her teaching responsibilities, Ms. Perry serves as Fourth Grade Chairperson where she mentors her teammates in their second year of teaching. Additionally, Ms. Perry is currently serving as a mentor teacher to a Senior Education major student at the University of Maryland, College Park. She is also the sponsor for Student Government Association where she teaches students to become leaders in their community.

Ms. Perry has been described by her students, parents and colleagues as an extraordinary teacher and member of the GES team! She certainly deserves to receive the 2022 ACE Educator Award.

4. ACE Outstanding Educator Award winner **Madame Rose Nkouaze of Dora Kennedy French Immersion.**

Madame Rose Nkouaze is an awesome educator of 27 years. She began her career within the French Immersion community when Dora Kennedy was known as Rogers Heights Elementary School. Madame Nkouaze is known as a passionate and highly proficient 2nd grade teacher. She can be observed on any day instructing students with the highest level of educational proficiencies. Madame Nkouaze is truly committed to the full immersion experience; as she holds the school community accountable in the practice of speaking only in the targeted language of French (Principal Spence can attest to this). She serves as a teacher

leader in the building and spends much of her time in the building collaborating and assisting her colleagues. Although small in stature, her impact on the Dora Kennedy French Immersion Community is grand!

5. ACE Outstanding Educator Award winner **Mr. James Smith of Greenbelt Middle School.**

As the Building Supervisor at Greenbelt Middle School, Mr. Smith has been a constant support to the entire school community in making sure everyone has the needs to be successful. He provides the cleaning protocols to maintain a clean environment for our building. During the entire pandemic and inclement weather days, Mr. Smith has been at school to ensure the safety of our students and staff. In addition, with 20 plus years of service, he has developed many other leaders who have become Building Supervisors at other schools. Without hesitation and ensuring the building looks immaculate every day, Mr. Smith is truly deserving of the ACE Educator Award.

6. ACE Outstanding Educator Award winner **Ms. Sharinita Hester of Eleanor Roosevelt High School.**

Ms. Hester truly embodies the Eleanor Roosevelt Way, as she walks with integrity, accepts responsibility, and shows the utmost respect to students and staff. She is also a fearless advocate for all students. She sets high expectations, and holds students accountable, in a firm and caring way. Her work ethic is impeccable and aspirational. Ms. Hester always goes above and beyond her assigned duties. As a special education

teacher she assists not only her students, but also all students at Roosevelt. She is the sponsor for the Education Reform Club, and also joined a team of teachers and Eleanor Roosevelt administration to assist with the formation of the Rising Raider Academy. When not teaching, you will find her checking-in with students as Ms. Hester is concerned with the whole child, recognizing that social and emotional health is also vital for student success. Ms. Hester is truly deserving of the title Outstanding Educator!

City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: March 14, 2022

Submitted by: Shaniya Lashley-Mullen

Submitting Department: Administration

Item Type: Proclamation

Agenda Section: COMMUNICATIONS

Subject:

Irish American Heritage Month Proclamation

Suggested Action:

Mayor Jordan will present a proclamation declaring March as Irish American Heritage Month.

Attachments:

[Irish-American Heritage Month.pdf](#)

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, Irish-American Heritage Month is acknowledged by proclamation of the President and Congress to honor the achievements and contributions of Irish immigrants and their descendants living in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Irish-Americans became soldiers who won American independence, died to preserve our Union, and fought in every battle since to defend America and its values; and

WHEREAS, Irish-Americans have greatly influenced all aspects of life, including education, the arts, public safety, firefighting, science, agriculture, business, industry, athletics, and public service, including the presidency; and

WHEREAS, the month of March provides an excellent opportunity to highlight the outstanding achievements of our thriving Irish-American community;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED I, Emmett V. Jordan, by the authority vested in me by the residents and City Council of Greenbelt do hereby proclaim the month of March 2022, as

IRISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, to be affixed this 14th day of March 2022.

*Emmett V. Jordan
Mayor*

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[INT220216.pdf](#)

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Wednesday, February 10, 2021, to discuss the SCMaglev Task Force.

Mayor Byrd started the meeting at 8:00 p.m. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Emmett V. Jordan, Leta M. Mach, Silke I. Pope, Edward V. J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts, and Mayor Colin A. Byrd.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Nicole Ard, City Manager; Todd Pounds, City Solicitor; Terri Hruby, Director of Planning and Community Development; Holly Simmons, Community Planner; Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll, Environmental Coordinator; and Shaniya Lashley-Mullen, Assistant to the City Clerk.

ALSO, PRESENT WERE: Jill Grant, Mary Clemmensen, Ian Fisher, Jill Grant and Associates; Rev. Ray Raysor, Community Relations Advisory Board; Mathew Inzeo, Advisory Planning Board; Charles Jackman, Advisory Committee on Trees; Ben Fischler; Anna Socrates; Tom Hayes; Pam Goddard; Daniel Yuan; Bob Snyder; and others.

Jill Grant advised that she is an Environmental Attorney representing the City regarding the Maglev project. She explained that the main task is to draft comments pointing out the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) flaws. Ms. Grant has been working with staff to coordinate the best way to address the comments. She stated that Council direction is sought on how to proceed.

Ms. Mach noted that the City would have to approach DEIS in all different ways. She explained that having the Maglev near National Security Agency (NSA) is detrimental to our personal safety.

Mr. Putens explained that the residents feel the impact on their property, homes, public lands, forest, parks, and overall effect on the environment. He advised that a significant concern is the possibility that people will lose their homes.

Mr. Roberts asked about the SCMaglev process and the SCMaglev restrictions. Ms. Grant noted that she and her associates would follow up with this request.

Ms. Grant reviewed the outline of issues to raise in comments on the SCMaglev DEIS, which included the purpose, the need for the project, financial assumptions, and traffic data.

Ms. Davis explained that the City wants a No-Build Option, and alternative options shouldn't be considered. She advised that the only other alternative she would think of is that the money for the project could go to Amtrak. Ms. Mach agreed with Ms. Davis. Other options she would consider would be to improve Amtrak and extend the Green Line at the Greenbelt Metro Station.

Ms. Grant recommended the following expertise to assist with the DEIS comments; transportation analysis; biology and forestry expertise; geotechnical expertise regarding tunneling; economic analysis; EMF/EMI radiation; and air quality expertise.

Mr. Roberts noted that it was necessary to raise all the issues on the DEIS. Based on a question asked by Mr. Roberts, Ms. Grant answered that the City could extend all the issues regarding the DEIS. The City doesn't have to spend much money on expertise until litigation for further investigation. Mr. Roberts noted that his most significant issue was the piecemeal aspect. He explained that if the Printing and Engraving Building is built at BARC, there would be construction on the roadways. Mr. Roberts stated that widening Kenilworth Avenue would destroy the wetlands.

Ms. Davis stated that she agreed with Mr. Roberts. Ms. Davis advised that different issues are only specific to different localities. Many of the points in the comments could be generalized to apply to other municipalities and Homeowners Associations (HOAs). Ms. Davis explained the reasons the City needs experts. She advised that there aren't any additional plans in other states involved in this project. Ms. Davis reported that Baltimore Washington Rapid Rail (BWRR) isn't forthcoming with information, and the City might have to submit a Freedom of Information Request.

Mr. Jordan stated that some of the HOAs have information on the maintenance of shoring up their foundation. Mr. Jordan advised that the City needed structural engineering expertise to quantify some of the potential impacts.

Mr. Roberts explained that NASA Goddard didn't want the Maglev going through its property.

Ms. Hruby noted that Jill Grant and Associates had identified many experts. The most important one to get sooner rather than later is the geotechnical expertise in this technology. She explained that the experts are vital in the City's comments.

Mathew Inzeo explained that APB is very concerned about the Federal government approving the project's first stages. The latest plans have the Maglev going under Greenbelt Road. He stated that APB was worried about the road condition and inquired who would maintain the roads if there were any damages or cracks. There was also concern about the homes on Mandan Road.

Mr. Carpenter-Driscoll provided a PowerPoint presentation of two potential routes for the Maglev.

Based on a question asked by Mr. Roberts, Mr. Carpenter-Driscoll answered BWRR's overall impact of the forest would be 175 feet wide disturbance during construction and a 70 feet right-of-way to be maintained after construction.

Ms. Davis advised that she agreed with Jill Grant and the Associate's expert recommendations. She recommended that the City also needed a hydrologist. She explained that the FAEE Structure would be in the middle of the Maryland Trade Center. It is a 4 or 5 story structure for emergency access. The boring machine would be surrounded by a barbwire fence.

Mr. Jordan inquired about the commercial zoning at Maryland Trade Center and the potential industrial use in the middle of the shopping center. Ms. Hruby answered that local zoning regulations bound the Maglev.

Based on questions asked by Ms. Davis, Ms. Grant answered that Sam Droege would be great as the biology forestry expert regarding the endangered species and forest biology issues. Ms. Davis

noted that it is unknown if Mr. Droege could assist because he is employed with USGS Patuxent. Ms. Davis agreed with Mr. Jordan regarding looking within Greenbelt for expertise in particular fields so that the City wouldn't have to hire experts.

There was a discussion regarding hiring experts. Ms. Clemmensen explained that she had been in contact with a professor at George Mason University who is a tunnel expert. Mr. Fisher explained that he worked with Norm Marshall, a transportation and traffic expert. Based on a question asked by Mr. Jordan, Ms. Grant answered that the contract would be between the City and the experts to assist Jill Grant and Associates with drafting the comments for the DEIS. She explained that the City could define the scope of the work and the hourly rate cap.

In response to a question asked by Mr. Jordan, Ms. Grant explained the timeline for Jill Grant and Associates to review all the aspects of the DEIS and various appendices. She noted that the experts would need to complete their work. The deadline for the DEIS comments is April 21, 2021. Mr. Jordan explained that the City would draft a letter engaging the City's sister municipalities in this process.

Bill Orleans, a Greenbelt resident, requested that the City of Greenbelt representative on the Transportation Planning Board request a complete presentation from the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) and BWRR. Based on a question asked by Mr. Orleans, Ms. Ard answered that staff has been working with Congressman Hoyer's office to schedule the work session.

Ms. Davis suggested a Maglev Task Force volunteer join in on the MCRT SCMaglev Group meeting. She also indicated that the Maglev Task Force would conduct a zoom meeting with HOAs and find out what is concerning them.

Robert Snyder, a Greenbelt resident, advised, in the beginning, that he was in favor of the Maglev. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, he has changed his position. He explained that COVID-19 would change the way society would view transportation, and he didn't think there would be a need for the Maglev.

Mr. Jordan suggested that Ms. Grant keep an eye on unincorporated Lanham to see if facilities any are impacted on Good Luck Road.

Ms. Mach suggested that the City get in touch with GATe regarding creating an exciting video on how the Maglev would destroy the Forest Preserve and have the video added to the City's website.

Ms. Davis noted that a Cost Sharing Letter was discussed at Monday's meeting, but the other part of the letter is for staff to set up an account for individuals to donate money in support of stopping the Maglev. Ms. Davis stated that if the Maglev is built, it will divide the City.

Ms. Pope left the meeting early.

In response to a question asked by Ms. Davis, Ms. Grant answered that Council had provided her and her Associate's direction on all the issues on the DEIS. She stated that she would follow up with the Planning staff regarding what experts the City would want to hire. Mayor Byrd indicated that it would help if Council knew how much extra it would be for each expert. Ms.

Davis noted that Council already suggested experts that wouldn't be expensive, Sam Droege, Owen Kelly, and Louis Cerny. Mr. Roberts indicated that Jill Grant and Associates work with City staff to hire the experts needed to do the job.

Informational Item

Ms. Davis provided a brief report on the Maryland Municipal League Committee meeting she attended today.

The meeting ended at 10:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shaniya Lashley-Mullen
Assistant to the City Clerk

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held March 8, 2021.

Mayor Byrd called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Emmett V. Jordan, Leta Mach, Silke I. Pope, Rodney M. Roberts, Edward V. J. Putens, and Mayor Colin A. Byrd.

ALSO, PRESENT were David E. Moran, Assistant City Manager; Todd Pounds, City Solicitor; Terri Hruby, Planning Director; Holly Simmons, City Planner; and Bonita Anderson, City Clerk.

Mayor Byrd asked for a moment of silence in honor of residents Edward Wrenn, Alto Bell, and former residents Ruth Durantine and John Parker. Mr. Roberts then led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA: It was moved by Ms. Davis to remove item #14, Private Electric Vehicle Charger in City Right-of-Way- 133 Northway, and to place it on the agenda for discussion for later in the meeting. Ms. Mach seconded. Mr. Jordan moved to remove #21, Requested to Initiate a Memorandum of Understanding with the State Highway Administration Regarding Litter Pickups, and to place it on the agenda for discussion later in the meeting. Ms. Pope seconded the amendment. The consent agenda was approved with the revisions. The motion passed 7-0.

Council thereby took the following actions:

REAPPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY BOARDS: Council reappointed the following individuals to a new term on City Advisory Boards and Committees:

James Drake	Advisory Planning Board
Susan Gregersen	Forest Preserve Advisory Board
Catherine Brannan	Senior Citizens Advisory Committee

APPOINTMENTS TO MAGLEV TASK FORCE: Council appointed the following individuals: Jacquelyn Waters, Martha Galvin, and Jonathan Taylor.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: It was moved by Ms. Davis and seconded by Mayor Byrd that the agenda be approved as presented. The motion passed 7-0.

PRESENTATIONS:

International Women's Day Proclamation: Mayor Byrd read a Proclamation declaring March 8 as International Women's Day.

Colorectal Cancer Awareness: Mayor Byrd read the Proclamation. Mayor Byrd declared the month of March as Colorectal Cancer Awareness.

Cesar Chavez Day Proclamation: Mayor Byrd read the Proclamation declaring March 31 as Cesar Chavez Day.

Irish American Heritage Month Proclamation: Mayor Byrd read the Proclamation. Mayor Byrd declared the month of March Irish American Heritage Month.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS:

Bill Orleans, a Greenbelt resident, requested notes from the Greenbelt Road Working Group meeting.

Ms. Davis read an email from Bob Rudd, a Greenbelt resident, requesting a policy that the City Council should be live video during all online meetings. He also asked Council to establish a priority policy that all Council Meetings/Work Sessions be conducted in person by July 1.

Lore Rosenthal, a Greenbelt resident, requested the status of a prior petition regarding printed communications to Greenbelt residents.

Patrick Gleason, a Greenbelt resident, requested an athletic turf field in the City. Zion Albright, David Whiteman, and Ian Gleason provided testimony on turf field versus grass field.

Michael Hartman, a Greenbelt resident, about Ms. Rosenthal's petition, requested that printed, written materials would also be in the Spanish language.

Ben Fischler, a Greenbelt resident, provided additional testimony regarding turf field versus grass field.

Ms. Davis referred Mr. Gleason's petition and request regarding the athletic turf to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) for a recommendation.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Ms. Davis stated she would like the City Manager to congratulate and commend the Park Rangers for their weekly reports to the Council. She inquired if the magazine bookstand on the corner of Southway and Crescent Road could be removed due to being disused and needing repair. Mr. Moran stated that staff is moving forward to extract the magazine bookstand from Southway and Crescent Road.

LEGISLATION:

A Resolution of the City of Greenbelt Adopted Pursuant to the Authority of Article XI-E of the Constitution of Maryland and Section 13 of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition as Amended), Title, "Corporation-Municipal," Subtitle "Home Rule" to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt Found, in Whole or in Part, in the Compilation of Municipal Charters of Maryland (1983 Edition as Amended), as Prepared by the Department of Legislative Services Pursuant to Chapter 77 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1983, by Amending Section 32, titled "Vacancies on Council" to Require a Special Election if a Council Seat Becomes Vacant Nine (9) Months or more Before the Next Election (Charter Amendment Resolution No. 2021-1); Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments.

Mayor Byrd introduced the resolution for the first reading.

There was discussion. Ms. Davis asked the City Solicitor if this resolution was appropriate or should this have been a Charter amendment. Mr. Pounds answered that a Charter amendment is handled under a different process.

Ms. Davis moved that the resolution be referred to the Board of Elections and the City Solicitor. Ms. Mach seconded.

There was additional discussion.

The motion passed 7-0.

Consent to Hire Technical Consultants to Assist with Maglev DEIS Review: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved that Council consent to Dr. Burak Tanyu and Smart Mobility Inc. to assist with transportation and economic issues concerning the Maglev. Mr. Putens seconded.

There was discussion.

The motion passed 7-0.

WMATA's FY 2022 Budget Proposal Including Service Adjustments: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Mach moved that Council send a letter to WMATA opposing the Metrorail and Metrobus service reductions proposed for the second half of FY2022, particularly the elimination of the Metrobus G12. Mr. Jordan seconded the motion with an amendment to include Metrobus B30. Ms. Mach accepted Mr. Jordan's amendment.

There was discussion.

The motion passed 7-0.

Private Electric Vehicle Charger in City Right-of-Way -133 Northway: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved that Council permit the installation of the electric vehicle charger on the condition that Council sees the Memorandum of Understanding outlining the requirements. Ms. Mach seconded.

There was discussion.

The motion passed 7-0.

Foreclosure Moratorium: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments.

There was discussion. Mayor Byrd stated that the Governor's order on Foreclosure Moratorium had been extended to the end of March 2021. Based on a question asked by Ms. Mach, Mr. Pounds answered that foreclosure is a State statute and is regulated by State Law. He advised that he could

draft an ordinance but doesn't know how far the City's ordinance would carry. Council requested that staff schedule meetings with the property owners and landlords.

Collective Bargaining for all City Employees: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Mayor Byrd moved that the City Solicitor draft legislation regardless of the department with the right to collectively bargain.

There was discussion. Ms. Mach requested additional information from the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB) and the Employee Relations Board (ERB) before she could vote on this matter.

Mayor Byrd revised his motion to move that the City Council refer this matter to establish collective bargaining to all City employees to the Community Relations Advisory Board and the Employee Relations Board. Ms. Mach seconded.

There was additional discussion. It was recommended that the City Solicitor review the City Charter and City Code.

The motion passed 7-0.

Non-citizen Voting: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Mayor Byrd moved that City Council refer this matter of non-citizen resident voting to both the Board of Elections (BoE) and the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB). Ms. Mach seconded.

There was discussion. Mr. Roberts suggested adding non-citizen resident voting as a ballot initiative for the upcoming election.

Ms. Mach called the question. Mr. Jordan seconded. The motion passed 5-2 (Mr. Roberts and Mayor Byrd).

The motion passed 5-2 (Ms. Pope and Mr. Putens).

Term Limits: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Mayor Byrd moved that City Council refer the issue of term limits to the Board of Elections (BoE) and the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB). Ms. Mach seconded.

There was discussion. Ms. Davis recommended having a work session on this issue before being referred to an Advisory Board/Committee. She suggested including a term limit of four years.

Ms. Davis moved to amend the motion to include that Council has a work session on term limits. Mayor Byrd accepted Ms. Davis's amendment and proposed an additional amendment to strike out referring term limits to the Board of Elections. Ms. Davis seconded.

The motion passed on the amendments (to refer term limits to the Community Relations Advisory Board and to have a work session) 7-0.

There was additional discussion.

Mayor Byrd proposed an additional amendment to refer the duration of terms (two years verse four years) to the Community Relations Advisory Board. Mr. Jordan seconded. The amended motion failed 3-4 (Ms. Davis, Ms. Mach, Mr. Putens, and Mr. Roberts).

Mayor Byrd restated the motion of referring term limits to the Community Relations Advisory Board and holding a work session.

The motions passed 7-0.

Request to Initiate Memorandum of Understanding with State Highway Administration regarding Litter Pickups: Mr. Jordan stated that he requested this item be removed from the consent agenda due to staff needing additional time to review the issue per the City Manager. Mr. Jordan moved that Council table the topic of requesting to initiate a memorandum of understanding with the State Highway Administration regarding litter pickup to a later date. Mr. Putens seconded.

The motion passed 7-0.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

February 23—Greenbelt Business Coffee (Mr. Jordan, Ms. Davis, Ms. Mach)

February 24 -- Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee virtual meeting (Ms. Mach)

February 25—Food delivery at Green Ridge House, organized by County

Councilman, Todd Turner, and GAIL (Ms. Davis)

Desegregating Greenbelt: Family Histories of the
Community's First Black Residents; FOGM and
Greenbelt Black History and Culture Committee
(Mr. Jordan, Ms. Davis, Ms. Mach)

February 26—MML Town Hall; presentations by Senate President Bill
Ferguson and Speaker Adrienne Jones (Davis)

February 27—Black History Month 40th Annual Breakfast, Congressman
Steny Hoyer (Mr. Jordan, Ms. Davis)

February 28—ERHS Gospel Choir performance (Davis)

March 1 – Prince George's County Planning Department Transportation Advisory Group (Mr.
Jordan)

March 2—SCMaglev Strategy Group meeting (Mr. Jordan, Ms. Davis)

March 3—Multi-year Plan, Smart Streetlights, and EV Program
presentation, PEPCO (Ms. Davis)

MML Legislative Committee meeting (Ms. Davis)

Greenbelt Maglev Task Force meeting (Ms. Davis)

March 6—295 Coalition meeting (Mr. Jordan, Ms. Davis)

March 7—NLC, EENR Advocacy, and Policy Committee meeting (Ms. Davis)

March 7- 8—NLC Congressional City Conference (Mr. Jordan, Ms. Davis, Ms. Mach, Ms. Pope,
Mr. Putens)

March 7 - National League of Cities Human Development Committee virtual meeting (Ms. Mach)

MEETINGS: Council reviewed the meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Mach and seconded by Mr. Putens. The motion carried 7-0. The Mayor adjourned the regular meeting of March 8, 2021, at 12:19 a.m., March 9, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonita Anderson
City Clerk

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Colin A. Byrd

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held February 22, 2021.

Mayor Byrd called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Emmett V. Jordan, Leta Mach, Silke I. Pope, Rodney M. Roberts, Edward V. J. Putens, and Mayor Colin A. Byrd.

ALSO PRESENT were Nicole Ard, City Manager; Todd Pounds, City Solicitor; David E. Moran, Assistant City Manager; and Bonita Anderson, City Clerk.

Mayor Byrd asked for a moment of silence in honor of residents Melvyn Lester Scites, Elizabeth (Liz) Pels Nash, and others FF/EMT/MPD Reserve Officer Brian Bregman, Craig Thomas Wilson Jr., Capitol Police Officer Brian D. Sicknick. Mr. Roberts then led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA: Ms. Davis noted concerns about item #19 Letter to the Board of Public Works on MDOT's I-495/I-270 Managed Lane Project; language needs to be modified. Mayor Byrd requested that this item be removed from the consent agenda. Mr. Jordan noted that the consent agenda reflects two individuals who are no longer interested in being appointed to the task force from #21 Appointment to Maglev Task Force. It was moved by Mr. Jordan and seconded by Mr. Putens that the consent agenda be approved with these amendments. The motion passed 7-0.

Council thereby took the following actions:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Advisory Planning Board Report #2021-01 (National Capital Planning Commission Concept Review Referral on the Proposed Relocation Bureau of Engraving and Printing to the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center): The Council accepted this report and will consider it on a future agenda for discussion.

Employee Relations Board Report #2021-01 (Report to City Council on the Draft Racial Equity Resolution and Ordinance): Council accepted this report and will consider it on a future agenda for discussion.

Reappointments to Advisory Boards: Council reappointed Rhema Bjorkland to a new term on the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability.

Appointments to Maglev Task Force: Council appointed the following individuals to the Maglev Task Force: Malik Gupta; Matthew Inzeo; Brandon "Ric" Gordon; Arsalan Siddiqui; Rev. Ray Raysor; Charles Jackman; Robert Trumble; Benjamin Fischler; Rohanie Bacchus; and Pat McCoy

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ms. Davis requested to add item#22, a Letter of support to out Congressional Delegation directing financial aid to municipalities in the Reconciliation Act after the COVID Relief Act. Mr. Roberts requested to add item #23, HB098 – Prince George's County Ethics and item #24, sidewalk replacement at Ridge Road/Plateau Place. It was moved by Mr. Jordan and seconded by Mr. Putens that the agenda be approved as amended. The motion passed 7-0.

PRESENTATIONS:

Youth Advisory Committee Update: The City Manager approved the YAC members' request to attend the virtual National League of Cities Conference. The members will update recent committee activities to prepare to participate in the conference.

Business Relief Award Update & Committee Recognition Presentation: Charise Liggins, Economic Development Coordinator, will give an update on the Greenbelt Business Improvement and Recovery Fund Recipients and Committee Recognition.

Violent Crime: Mayor Byrd requested that this item be added to the agenda. Chief Bowers will present to Council an update regarding this matter.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS:

Bill Orleans, a resident, requested information on the next meeting of the Greenbelt Road Work Group and any past minutes.

Peggy Higgins, a resident, recommended that the City hire a contractor to do the minutes for the meetings of the advisory boards and committees.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Ms. Ard expressed gratitude and appreciation to Rebekah Sutfin and Brian Butler for delivering the meals to senior citizens. She noted that Ms. Deneen Richmond, the President of Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center, expressed her appreciation for the letter she received from Council.

Based on a question asked by Mr. Roberts, Ms. Ard stated that the City hasn't signed the deed for the Greenbelt Armory and is currently waiting on a Request for Proposal (RFP) to be issued to identify the hazards at the Greenbelt Armory. She explained that the State indicated its interest in helping with some terms of abatement. Mr. Roberts expressed his concern about the City's obtaining the property. He stated that Council didn't vote to have an RFP on the property.

Mr. Roberts inquired if the Maryland National Park and Planning Commission had a hearing regarding the Bureau of Engraving and Printing facility at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC). Ms. Hruby answered that the hearing date would be April 4.

Based on a question asked by Mayor Pro Tem Jordan, Ms. Ard provided an update on some of the programs at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, which is the Family Fit Hour. He expressed his concern about how the City could move forward safely for the community groups to use the recreation facilities. Mr. Varda stated that the Springhill Lake Club House door renovations hadn't been completed yet.

LEGISLATION

Bee City Resolution: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments.

Ms. Mach introduced the resolution for first reading and adoption. Ms. Pope seconded.

ROLL CALL:	Ms. Davis	- yes
	Mr. Jordan	- yes
	Ms. Mach	- yes
	Ms. Pope	- yes
	Mr. Putens	- yes
	Mr. Roberts	- yes
	Mayor Byrd	- yes

The motion passed.

The resolution was declared passed (Resolution No. 2089, Book 8)

Recognition Group - Greenbelt Senior Softball: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved to accept the Greenbelt Senior Softball Application. Ms. Pope seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Pre-Budget Work Session/Council Workplan: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments.

2021 City Council Workplan

Mr. Jordan moved to approve the Greenbelt MD Framework 2021. Ms. Mach seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

FY2021 Deferred Expenditures

Mr. Putens motioned to table FY2021 Deferred Expenditures. There wasn't a second. Ms. Davis moved to approve the following FY2021 Deferred Expenditures, and Mayor Byrd seconded.

1 - Restore Employee Salary Increase (2% COLA)	\$275,000
3 - Add in Legal & Consultant Fees (Maglev)	\$300,000
5 - Restore Animal Control Officer Position Funding	\$16,000

7 - Replenish GILA Emergency Relief Fund \$50,000

Ms. Pope moved to reduce the Legal & Consultant Fees (Maglev) to \$200,000. Mayor Byrd seconded. The motion failed 1-6 (Ms. Davis, Mr. Jordan, Ms. Mach, Mr. Putens, Mr. Roberts, and Mayor Byrd)

Ms. Pope moved to approve the following FY2021 Deferred Expenditures. Mayor Byrd seconded.

4 - Restore GAIL Mobility Coordinator \$8,000

6 - Restore PCD Assistant Director Position Funding -
(Code Enforcement) \$37,750

The motion failed 3-4 (Ms. Davis, Ms. Mach, Mr. Putens and Mr. Roberts)

Mayor Byrd moved to appropriate \$68,700 on a \$300 one-time payment to all City employees. There were no seconds.

Mr. Jordan moved to a \$300 one-time payment to all frontline City employees with direct contact with the public. Mayor Byrd seconded. Mayor Byrd moved to amend Mr. Jordan's motion to include all City employees. Ms. Pope seconded the amendment.

Mr. Jordan withdrew his motion.

Ms. Davis stated her original motion to approve the following FY2021 Deferred Expenditures. Mayor Byrd seconded.

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Total Deferred Expenditures - \$641,000

The motion passed 5-2 (Mr. Jordan and Ms. Pope).

FY 2021 Expenditures - COVID-19 Related Relief: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments.

Mayor Byrd moved to expend \$500,000 for COVID-19 Relief (\$300,000 dedicated to rental/mortgage assistance and \$200,000 to food assistance). Mr. Roberts seconded. Mr. Putens called the question. Ms. Davis seconded.

The motion passed to call the question 5-2 (Mr. Roberts and Mayor Byrd).

Mayor Byrd's original motion failed 2-5 (Ms. Davis, Mr. Jordan, Ms. Mach, Ms. Pope, and Mr. Putens).

National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Concept Referral on the Proposed Relocation of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing to BARC: Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments.

Mr. Roberts expressed his concern that plans didn't reflect the 100-acre secured area boundary and requested to be signed up to testify at the April 4th hearing with the Maryland National Park and Planning Commission.

Ms. Davis wanted to iterate that the City's cover letter is opposed to relocating the Bureau of Engraving and Printing to BARC and wants the "no-build alternative."

Bill Orleans, a Greenbelt resident, requested that the other members of the Council discuss the "no-build alternative" at the April 4th hearing with the Maryland National Park and Planning Commission. He asked what the status of Majority Leader Hoyer attending a work session with the Council was.

Ms. Davis moved that the City Council submit a letter to the National Capital Park and Planning Commission to include a list of the City's critical concerns with the concept plan. Mr. Putens seconded.

The motion passed 7-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Jordan left the meeting at 12:00 a.m.

State Legislation:

House Bill 877/Senate Bill 674 – Workgroup on Adaptive Reuse of Vacant Commercial Space. Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved that Council support House Bill 877/Senate Bill 674 – Workgroup on Adaptive Reuse of Vacant Commercial Space. Ms. Mach seconded.

There was a brief discussion. Mr. Roberts explained why he voted against the Bill.

The vote passed 4-2 (Mr. Roberts and Mayor Byrd).

House Bill 1079 – Admission and Amusement Tax – Exemption – Activities That Promote Health and Physical Well-Being. Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved that Council oppose House Bill 1079 – Admission and Amusement Tax – Exemption – Activities That Promote Health and Physical Well-Being. Mayor Byrd seconded.

There was a brief discussion.

The vote passed 6-0.

House Bill 991 – Natural Resources – Forest Mitigation Banks – Qualified Preservation

Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved that Council support House Bill 911 – Natural Resources – Forest Mitigation Banks – Qualified Preservation. Mr. Putens seconded.

There was a brief discussion.

The vote passed 6-0.

House Bill 1114 – Illegal Dumping and Litter Control Law – Yard Waste – Disposal on Highways. Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved that Council support House Bill 1114 – Illegal Dumping and Litter Control Law – Yard Waste – Disposal on Highways. Mr. Putens seconded.

The vote passed 6-0.

House Bill 1137/Senate Bill 887 – Property Tax Credit – Business Entities – State of Emergency. Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved that Council support House Bill 1137/Senate Bill 887 – Property Tax Credit – Business Entities – State of Emergency. Mr. Putens seconded.

The vote passed 6-0.

House Bill 1133 – Tree Planting – Urban Trees Program and Commission for the Innovation and Advancement of Carbon Markets and Sustainable Tree Planting. Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Ms. Davis moved that Council support House Bill 1133 – Tree Planting – Urban Trees Program and Commission for the Innovation and Advancement of Carbon Markets and Sustainable Tree Planting. Mr. Putens seconded.

The vote passed 6-0.

House Bill 1057 – Sales and Use Tax – Rate Reduction. Mayor Byrd read the agenda comments. Mr. Putens moved that Council oppose House Bill 1057 – Sale and Use Tax – Rate Reduction. Ms. Davis seconded.

The vote passed 6-0.

Mr. Roberts added House Bill 980 – Prince George’s County – Public Ethics – Definition of Application to the agenda. There was a brief discussion. Mr. Roberts moved that Council oppose House Bill 980 – Prince George’s County – Public Ethics – Definition of Applications. Ms. Mach seconded.

There was additional discussion. Ms. Davis requested that the Council table this vote until the next Regular Meeting giving Mr. Pounds, the City Solicitor, the opportunity to review the Bill.

Ms. Pope left the meeting at 12:15 a.m.

The vote failed 2-3 (Ms. Davis, Ms. Mach, and Mr. Putens).

Council Activities

SCMaglev Strategy Group meeting – Ms. Davis
Sustainable Maryland Executive Meeting – Ms. Davis
MML Legislative Committee meeting – Ms. Davis
Prince George’s County Commission for Women Meeting – Ms. Davis
Prince George’s County Executive Vaccination Information call – Ms. Davis
Prince George’s Environmental Forum – Ms. Davis
SCMaglev Strategy Group meeting – Mr. Jordan and Ms. Davis
NLC Update – Ms. Davis
MML Legislative Committee meeting – Ms. Davis
NLC EENR meeting – Ms. Davis
PGCMA Legislative Committee meeting – Ms. Davis
PGCMA meeting – Mayor Byrd and Ms. Davis
Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee, Legislative Committee – Ms. Davis
February 20—Enslaved Life and Labor on Maryland Plantations, Greenbelt Black History presentation – Mr. Jordan, Ms. Davis, and Ms. Mach
Female Re-Enactors of Distinction, Greenbelt Black History presentation – Mr. Jordan and Ms. Davis)

Letter to Board of Public Works on MDOT’s I-495/I-270 Managed Lane Project:

Councilmember Davis requested this item be added to the agenda. She will be providing staff edits to the letter.

Ms. Davis motioned Council to direct staff to write a letter of support to the Congressional Delegation requiring financial aid to municipalities in the Reconciliation Act after the COVID Relief Act. Mr. Putens seconded.

There was a brief discussion. Mayor Byrd requested that the letter increase the stimulus checks from \$1,400 to \$2,000. There was no second to his request.

The vote passed 5-0.

Mr. Roberts motioned Council to direct staff to prioritize the concrete work to replace the sidewalk at Ridge Road/Plateau Place. Mayor Byrd seconded.

There was a brief discussion.

The vote passed 5-0.

MEETINGS: Council reviewed the meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Mach and seconded by

Mayor Byrd. The motion carried 5-0. The Mayor adjourned the regular meeting of February 22, 2021, at 12:37 a.m., February 23, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonita Anderson
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Colin A. Byrd
Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING/CLOSED SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Thursday, January 6, 2022, to meet with the Acting City Manager.

Mayor Jordan started the meeting at 8:01 p.m. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

Present were: Councilmembers Judith F. Davis, Ric Gordon, Silke I. Pope, Rodney M. Roberts, Kristen L. K. Weaver, and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan. Councilmember Colin A. Byrd was absent.

Staff Present Were: Shaniya Lashley-Mullen, Assistant to the City Clerk.

Informational Items:

Ms. Davis announced that the Maryland Municipal League (MML) reception next week is canceled. Due to the cancelation, Ms. Davis asked Council if they want a refund on the sponsorship or let the sponsorship remain for the following year. Council stated let the sponsorship remain for the following year. Ms. Davis noted that she will follow-up with Mr. George, Acting City Manager.

Ms. Davis suggested that Council submit a joint press release regarding their individual appointments to National League of Cities (NLC) Committees. Council agreed to the joint press release. Ms. Davis stated that she will follow-up with Mr. Byrd, Mr. George, and Ms. Andrews, Public Information & Communications Coordinator.

Mayor Jordan informed Mr. Gordon that the NLC National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO) is a constituency group and provided him information on how to sign-up. He stated that Mr. Gordon should be included as a member of the NLC NBC-LEO on the joint press release.

Mr. Gordon stated that he applied to be a member of the Prince George's County Accountability Board.

Mayor Jordan explained that he was lobbying to reactivate the Greenbelt Metro COVID Testing site, but today Governor Hogan released a press release that there would be 10 testing sites and one would be at Doctors Hospital.

Mayor Pro Tem Weaver moved that Council go into a Closed Session in accordance with Section 3-305(b)(1) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, immediately following the virtual City Manager's Update Work Session to : 1) discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

Ms. Davis seconded the motion.

<i>ROLL CALL:</i>	<i>Mr. Byrd</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Ms. Davis</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Yes</i>
	<i>Mr. Gordon</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Yes</i>

<i>Ms. Pope</i>	-	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	-	<i>No</i>
<i>Ms. Weaver</i>	-	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mayor Jordan</i>	-	<i>Yes</i>

The motion passed 5-1 (Mr. Roberts)

The meeting ended at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shaniya Lashley-Mullen
Assistant to the City Clerk

WORK SESSION OF THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL held Wednesday, February 16, 2022, to interview a candidate for a City Advisory Group.

The meeting began at 7:40 p.m. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

Present were: Councilmembers Colin A. Byrd, Judith F. Davis, Silke I. Pope, Kristen L. K. Weaver (7:50 p.m.), and Mayor Emmett V. Jordan. Councilmembers Ric Gordon and Rodney M. Roberts were absent.

Staff Present Were: Shaniya Lashley-Mullen, Assistant to the City Clerk.

Danno Lemu was interviewed for an appointment to the Advisory Committee on Education and the Youth Advisory Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shaniya Lashley-Mullen
Assistant to the City Clerk

City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: March 14, 2022

Submitted by: Shaniya Lashley-Mullen

Submitting Department: Administration

Item Type: OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda Section: OTHER BUSINESS

Subject:

Rental Assistance Discussion

Suggested Action:

At this time Council has allocated \$1.4 million ARPA/CRF funds to rental assistance to residents affected by the pandemic. This rental support, while critical in helping residents keep their apartments, is not providing ongoing (future) help and guidance to assist our residents in becoming financially independent. Staff is now preparing new Rental Assistance program guidance, with revised criteria, that moves the program forward from not just providing stop-gap rent relief, but providing meaningful assistance to help residents move away from needing rental support in the future. This new program will include workforce training, employment assistance and financial literacy classes, among other assistance.

Attachments:

[Workforce development plan draft.pdf](#)

Rental Assistance

The City of Greenbelt has been a leader in providing rental and utility assistance to its residents. Since March 2020, the City has granted residents in need \$1,440,000. The criteria to receive this assistance included: living in a licensed rental unit within the incorporated City limits, meeting set income requirements, having rent or utilities 30 days or more past due, and being financially impacted by COVID 19 pandemic.

As the City and Country move into the next phase of COVID 19 and restrictions are being lifted, the City needs to consider how to update the Rental and Utility Assistance Programs and to expand them to include workforce development.

Immediate Programming

1. Connect residents with local employment opportunities
 - a. Page on city website to list local jobs and city job openings
 - b. Local job fair
2. Provide resources and skills related to employment
 - a. Case managers to meet with residents and assess needs and provide resources related to employment
 - b. Provide career readiness classes

Intermediate Programming

1. Workforce Technical Assistance for local businesses
 - a. Coordinate workshops and trainings on workforce-related topics for local businesses.
 - b. One on one meetings with local businesses to discuss specific workforce challenges and possible solutions or resources
2. Greenbelt CARES and Recreation pilot a Youth Work Readiness Program
 - a. Focus on youth 16-24 to prepare them for employment
 - b. Provide career and employment readiness classes
 - c. Partner with local businesses to hire youth
 - d. Provide ongoing case management support to ensure job retention

Long term Programming

1. Connect Residents to Upskilling Opportunities
 - a. Collaborate with county and state workforce development organizations to promote job training programs
2. Grant Fund Program for businesses for Customized Training Programs
 - a. Establish a workforce training grant program that helps businesses provide customized trainings to attract new employees or upskill existing workforce.
 - b. This program will encourage businesses to hire locally.

City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: March 14, 2022

Submitted by: Shaniya Lashley-Mullen

Submitting Department: Administration

Item Type: OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda Section: OTHER BUSINESS

Subject:

* Appointment to Advisory Board

Suggested Action:

Reference: Application and Signed Code of Conduct

On March 2, 2022, Council interviewed Ms. Barbara Stevens, for appointment to the Arts Advisory Board (AAB).

Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to appoint Ms. Stevens to the Arts Advisory Board.

Attachments:

City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: March 14, 2022

Submitted by: Shaniya Lashley-Mullen

Submitting Department: Administration

Item Type: OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda Section: OTHER BUSINESS

Subject:

* Reappointment to Advisory Boards/Committees

Suggested Action:

Reference: Reappointment Survey

Matthew Inzeo has indicated his willingness to continue to serve on the Advisory Planning Board (APB).

Tom LeaMond has indicated his willingness to continue to serve on the Arts Advisory Board (AAB).

Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate Council's intent to appoint Mr. Inzeo and Mr. LeaMond to a new term.

Attachments:

City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: March 14, 2022

Submitted by: Shaniya Lashley-Mullen

Submitting Department: Administration

Item Type: MEETINGS

Agenda Section: MEETINGS

Subject:

Meetings

Suggested Action:

Attachments:

[meetings.pdf](#)

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City Council Meetings & Work Sessions March – April

NLC Conference (Washington, DC)	Mon – Wed	03/14 – 03/16	
Regular Meeting (in-person) (MB)	Mon.	03/14	7:30 pm
No Meeting	Wed.	03/16	
ARPA Community Input Meeting (in-person)	Sat.	03/19	10:00 am
Advisory Board Interview (virtual)	Mon.	03/21	7:40 pm
Work Session – NASA (virtual)	Mon.	03/21	8:00 pm
ARPA Community Input Meeting (in-person)	Tues.	03/22	7:00 pm
Work Session – Greenbelt Road Corridor Plan (virtual)	Wed.	03/23	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting/ Budget Presentation (in-person) (MB)	Mon.	03/28	7:30 pm
ARPA Community Input Meeting (in-person)	Tues.	03/29	7:00 pm
Budget Work Session – Overview, Revenue and General Gov't/Other Funds/Non-Departmental and Fund Transfers (in-person) (MB)	Wed.	03/30	8:00 pm
Budget Work Session – Misc. – Museum/Grants & Contributions/CARES (in-person) (MB)	Mon.	04/04	8:00 pm
Work Session – TBD (virtual)	Wed.	04/06	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting (in-person) (MB)	Mon.	04/11	7:30 pm
Work Session – GEAC (stakeholder) (virtual)	Wed.	04/13	8:00 pm
No Meeting – Easter Monday	Mon.	04/18	
Budget Work Session – Planning/Economic Development (in-person) (MB)	Wed.	04/20	8:00 pm
Regular Meeting (in-person) (MB)	Mon.	04/25	7:30 pm
Budget Work Session – Recreation (in-person) (MB)	Wed.	04/27	7:30 pm
Four Cities Meeting (Greenbelt) (in-person) (MB)	Thurs.	04/28	7:30 pm

- Councilmembers will present reports on conferences, meetings and events as the last item of business at Monday Work Sessions.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation, call 301-474-8000. Regular and Special meetings and Work Sessions are open to the public. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 or 301-474-3870 no later than 10 a.m. on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use Video Relay Services (VRS) at 711 or e-mail banderson@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

The Council Regular Meetings will be in-person and the City will adhere to COVID restrictions and guidelines. Therefore, space is limited; pre-registration is required. The pre-registration link is posted on the City's website at www.greenbeltmd.gov on the meetings calendar.

Due to the COVID-19 precautions, the Council Work Session will be held online and is planned to be cablecast on Verizon 21, Comcast 71, and 996 and streamed to www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv. Unless otherwise noted, Council meetings will be virtually by zoom. Zoom meeting information for public participation is posted on the City's website at www.greenbeltmd.gov on the meetings calendar.

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Ready to be scheduled:

Closed Session (*Cable Ordinance*)
MARC Train Service/ MDOT
Arts & Entertainment District
Potential Bond Referendum/Capital Financing
Parke Crescent Apartment Complex
Bernard Penney (*Memorial Donation in honor of Leonie Penney*)
Cemetery Plans
City Contracting Policy
DPW&T (*Bikeshare Program and Other Issues*)
BARC
Hotels
Board of Elections reports:
- Procedure for filling Council vacancies
- Proposal for voting by resident non-citizens
(*waiting for CRAB Report*)
- Early Voting
- Discussion with Ethic Commission (Financial Disclosure Reports)
Economic Development Advisory Committee
GEAC (*April 13th*)
Police Reform
Reparations Committee
ERB Reports: (#2020-01 Procedures for Employee Appeals and Grievances); (#2021-02 Collective Bargaining for Non-Managerial Employees) (*waiting for CRAB Report*)
Greenbelt East Communities

For later scheduling:

Zoning Enforcement
Parkway Apartment Owners/GHI (*parking*)
Northway Fields Master Plan
City Manager Updates (Jan, Pre-budget; July & Sept/Oct)
Meeting with County on Transportation Plan
Department of Permitting, Inspections & Enforcement (DPIE)
Museum Plan
Term Limits legislation (*referral submitted to CRAB*)
Majority Leader Hoyer

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Annual														
Advisory Group Chairs	3/16	2/17	7/18	7/19	6/20	6/21								
Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station Mgmt.	8/16	11/17	12/18	12/19	12/20	12/21								
Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition	3/16	7/17	3/19	6/20										
Greenbelt Homes, Inc.	6/16	7/17	7/18	7/19	10/20	7/21	12/21							
Greenbelt Station	8/19	12/19	8/20	8/21										
County Executive/ County Council	12/13	9/16	1/19	8/20	11/20									
Biennial														
Roosevelt Center Merchants	11/16	1/18	1/20	1/22										
Beltsville Ag. Research Center/ NPS Greenbelt Park	03/14	7/16	8/18											
	7/15	1/18	1/20	1/22										
Beltway Plaza	9/14	3/17	9/20											
Greenbelt Community Garden Club	3/21	9/21												
Greenway Center	7/14	12/16	2/19	12/20										
Civic Associations	8/14	2/18	8/20											
NASA/GSFC	3/15	3/17	9/19	12/20										
PG Co. Economic Development Corp.	8/14	4/17	7/19	11/21										
School Board	2/16	5/17	10/18	3/19	9/20	9/21								
State Highway Administration	6/15	10/17	11/20											
Every Three Years														
Apartments	2/18	4/21												
Religious/Spiritual Organizations	3/13	6/15	6/19											
Greenbelt Watershed Groups	8/14	10/16	10/19											
Hotels														
University of Maryland	3/13	4/15												
Every Three Years or Major Issue														
Comcast	9/13	11/17	3/21											
Verizon	2/20													
PEPCO	9/14	1/17	2/22											
WSSC	12/12	9/16	2/22											
WGL	12/17													
Capital Office Park	12/12	1/16	9/19											
Other Business Parks:														
Maryland Trade Center														
Golden Triangle														
Hanover Parkway														
Belle Point														
Edmonston Road														

WMATA/PGDPW&T (Semi-Annual)	11/16	9/17	11/18	1/20	3/22									
Other/As Needed														
M-NCPPC/Planning Board (Major Issue)	6/06	7/14	10/19											
Business Coffee (Every Four Months)	2/21	6/21	10/21											
State's Attorney (4 years)	2/11	4/15	9/19											
Roosevelt Center Owner	9/15	8/20												

(Rev. March 8, 2022)