



**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ONLINE ONLY**

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**Monday, January 24, 2022
8:00 PM**

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. 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.)

5. Approval of Agenda and Additions

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Presentations

- 6a. Government Alliance on Race and Equity Update

Suggested Action:

Reference: GARE Presentation

Dawane Martinez, Director of Human Resources, would provide a presentation.

[GARE Presentation- Council Meeting 1.24.2022.pdf](#)

7. Petitions and Requests

- *8. * Minutes of Council Meetings

Suggested Action:

- * Interview, July 13, 2020
- * Interview, September 02, 2020
- * Interview, September 09, 2020
- * Interview, September 16, 2020
- * Interview, October 21, 2020
- * Interview, October 28, 2020
- * Interview, November 04, 2020
- * Interview, February 24, 2021
- * Work Session, March 03, 2021
- * Interview, March 17, 2021
- * Work Session, March 17, 2021
- * Interview, March 24, 2021
- * Work Session, March 31, 2021
- * Work Session, April 21, 2021
- * Interview, August 11, 2021
- * Interview, August 18, 2021
- * Interview, August 25, 2021
- * Interview, September 22, 2021
- * Interview, October 06, 2021
- * Interview, December 15, 2021
- * Interview, January 19, 2022

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9. Administrative Reports

*10. * Committee Reports

III. LEGISLATION

11. A Resolution to Repeal and Reenact with Amendment Resolution Number 2081 to Adopt Standing Rules for the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland
- 2nd Reading, Adoption

Suggested Action:

Council reviewed the Standing Rules document at its work sessions on November 17th and 29th, 2021. The resolution included in Council's packet reflects the results of that discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Weaver introduced this resolution for first reading at the last meeting. It is recommended the resolution be introduced for second reading and moved for adoption tonight.

[Resolution - StandingRules2022.pdf](#)

12. An Ordinance To Amend Chapter 12, "Parks And Recreation," Article Ix, "Forest Preserve," Of The Greenbelt City Code For The Purpose Of Designating A City-Owned Parcel As Forest Preserve Area (Greenbriar Preserve)
- 2nd Reading, Adoption

Suggested Action:

On September 13, 2021, City Council approved the designation of Greenbriar Park as a Forest Preserve Area. Staff has prepared a ordinance amending Chapter 12, "Parks and Recreation," Article IX, "Forest Preserve," of the Greenbelt City Code for the purpose of designating Greenbelt Park a Forest Preserve Area (Greenbriar Preserve).

Ms. Davis introduced this ordinance for first reading at the last meeting. It is recommended the ordinance be introduced for second reading and moved for adoption tonight.

[Ordinance.pdf](#)

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

13. Greenbelt Road Corridor Plan TLC Project staff briefing

Suggested Action:

The City is working with the consulting firm Kittelson & Associates to produce the Greenbelt Road (MD 193) Corridor Plan, which focuses on a nearly two-mile segment of Greenbelt Road between Baltimore and Kenilworth Avenues. The plan is intended to create a cohesive vision for the future of the corridor and is seen as a next step in building on the recommendations of the 2018 Urban Land Institute (ULI) report Creating a Future for Greenbelt Road/MD-193, which was prepared for the same portion of Greenbelt Road. A public visioning meeting is planned for February 10, 2022. The final report, anticipated in Summer 2022, will identify short- and long-term recommendations for the corridor, proposed next steps, and potential funding sources. This project is made possible by a grant from the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Transportation Land-Use Connections (TLC) program.

14. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Engagement Plan

Suggested Action:

Reference: Proposal - Greenbelt ARPA Engagement Plan Implementation

[Proposal - Greenbelt ARPA Engagement Plan Implementation.pdf](#)

15. Recreation Department Proposed Merger with the Greenbelt Museum

Suggested Action:

Reference: Memorandum - G. Varda and M. Searing Young - Dec. 29, 2021

Recreation Department Proposed Merger with the Greenbelt Museum

Over the past two decades, arts and cultural programming has greatly expanded under the auspices of Greenbelt Recreation. Further, The Recreation Department has enjoyed many opportunities for both administrative and programmatic collaboration with the Greenbelt Museum. The Recreation Director and the Museum Director agreed to explore the possibility

of merging the Greenbelt Museum with the Recreation Department, following several conversations in late 2021. The proposed merger will make our collaborations easier and more seamless as well as making additional new collaborations easier in the future. Attached is a memo explaining the benefits of the merger.

The Acting City Manager met with Mr. Varda and Ms. Searing Young and supports the recommendation and advises City Council refer this recommendation to Advisory Boards and Committees as appropriate.

Greg Varda, Recreation Director and Megan Searing-Young, Museum Director, will be present to answer questions.

[Memorandum - G. Varda and M. Searing Young - Dec. 29, 2021](#)

16. Support of Proposed Legislation

Suggested Action:

Councilmember Davis requested this item be added to the agenda.

SB14/HB100

Senate Bill 14/House Bill 100 – This legislation would establish the Sustainable Maryland Program Fund as a special non-lapsing fund to expand and enhance Sustainable Maryland’s promotion and support of Maryland communities in the effort to realize environmental, economic and social sustainability; authorizing the Fund to be used for training and education, outreach and engagement, and developing and expanding the Sustainable Maryland Program; requiring the Governor, in Fiscal Year 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter, to provide an appropriation of \$750,000 to the Fund. The City has been recognized as Sustainable Maryland Certified since 2014.

Council direction is sought.

<https://mgaleg.maryland.gov/2022RS/bills/sb/sb0014f.pdf>

HB151

House Bill 151 – This legislation would authorize municipalities to use traffic control device monitoring systems on roads under their jurisdiction. These systems capture images of traffic control device violations, which include signs/signals. Failing to

obey a traffic control device is subject under certain circumstances to a citation and civil penalty not exceeding \$40. Delegate Healey is the primary sponsor of this bill.

Council direction is sought.

<https://mgaleg.maryland.gov/2022RS/bills/hb/hb0151f.pdf>

[Senate Bill 14.pdf](#)

[House Bill 151.pdf](#)

17. Council Activities

18. Council Reports

*19. * Letter - Public Buildings Reform Board's recommendation for NASA Goddard Space Flight Center Area 400

Suggested Action:

On December 27, 2021, the Public Buildings Reform Board (PBRB) released its recommendations regarding fifteen (15) federal properties.

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center Area 400 is included on this list. The Board's first recommendation for this 100-acre property is for all or a portion of the land to be transferred at fair market value to the Department of the Interior ("DOI"), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ("FWS"). The City, through the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center campus master planning process, has advocated for this land to be added to the Patuxent Research Refuge South Tract.

The letter included in Council's packet states support of the Board's recommendation for this land to be transferred to DOI-FWS and reiterates strong opposition to the public sale of this land.

[NASA - Area 400 - 01 21 22.pdf](#)

*20. * Letter- WMATA Service Cut Back

Suggested Action:

Reference: Letter - WMATA Service Reductions

Mayor Jordan requested this item be added to the agenda.

[Letter - WMATA Service Reductions.pdf](#)

V. MEETINGS

Meetings

Suggested Action:

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Stakeholders

[Stakeholder Schedule.pdf](#)