



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

OCTOBER 27, 2025
7:30 PM

I. ORGANIZATION - 15 minutes (7:30 - 7:45 p.m.)

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

Suggested Action: **Reading of the Greenbelt Community Pledge: The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate all people. By sharing together, all are enriched. We strive to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair.**

4. Petitions and Requests

Suggested Action:

5. Consent Agenda

Suggested Action:

- a. * Meetings

- b. * Approval of Standard Operating Procedures for Advisory Boards and Commissions

Suggested Action: On Wednesday, August 6th, the Council held a Work Session to review current processes for Advisory Boards and Committees. The Council expressed a commitment to improving these processes by developing a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) that clarifies expectations and procedures. Additionally, plans are underway to revise the application for interest and the reappointment application process.

Approval of this item on the consent agenda: the Council will accept the changes to the application for interest and the reappointment application process, and adopt the SOPs for the Advisory Board and Committee process.

- c. * Authorizing City Manager to Purchase a Reel Mower

Suggested Action: On October 14, 2025, the Staff was granted approval to purchase the 2026 Kubota Zero Turn Mower at a cost of \$17,588. This tractor can maintain the newly planted Bermuda grass at Schrom Hills to its recommended sports height of one inch. Staff was directed by management to research the purchase of a reel mower further. Staff has identified a 2019 John Deere 7200A Precision Cut reel mower with 13 engine hours, available for purchase at a cost of \$25,500. This approval will supersede the prior authorization.

Public Works is recommending Council to authorize the City Manager to execute the purchase of the replacement equipment, Unit #443 – 2014 Kubota Zero Turn Mower.

d. * Committee Reports

* Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board Report #26-1 — Greenbelt Recognition Group Recommendation

Suggested Action: It is recommended that the City Council accept this report and grant the Poetry in the Garden Recognition Group status.

* Park and Recreation Advisory Board — Report #25-2 - Greenbelt Badminton Club — Request for Recognition Group Status

Suggested Action: It is recommended that the City Council accept this report and grant the Greenbelt Badminton Club's request for Basic Certification status.

e. * Council Meeting Minutes

f. * Resignation from Advisory Board/Committee

Suggested Action: Reference: Email - J. Mirsky - 10.22.2025

Janet Mirsky, Chair of the Advisory Committee on Education, has submitted an email resignation for Michael Burchik, from the Advisory Committee on Education.

Approval of this item on the consent agenda will indicate the Council's intent to accept his resignation with regret.

6. Approval of Agenda and Additions

II. COMMUNICATIONS - 30 minutes (7:45-8:15 p.m.)

7. Presentations

a. Cooperative Month Proclamation

Suggested Action: The National Cooperative Business Association has designated October as Cooperative Month. Members from more than 40,000 cooperatives nationwide will celebrate the advantages of cooperative membership and recognize the benefits and values cooperatives bring to their members and communities. Representatives from Greenbelt's seven cooperatives have been invited to attend tonight's meeting to receive a proclamation announcing the City's support and recognition of cooperative businesses and organizations during this month.

8. Minutes

Suggested Action:

a. Statement of Record - Closed Session, October 15, 2025

Suggested Action: Statement of Record — Closed Session, October 15, 2025
Closed Session of October 15, 2025: The following motion is needed: In accordance with the General Provisions Article, Section 3-06(C)(2) of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland. I move that the minutes of tonight's meeting reflect that the Council met in closed session on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 6:35 p.m., in the Library of the Municipal Building. Council held this closed meeting in accordance with Section 3-305(b)(7) of the General Provision Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Law of Maryland (1) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter.

The purpose of this meeting: 1) To obtain legal advice about a legal matter.

Vote to close session:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ms. Knesel	X			
Ms. McKinney				X
Ms. Pompei	X			
Ms. Pope	X			
Mr. Roberts				X
Ms. Weaver	X			
Mayor Jordan				X

Staff members present: Josué Salmerón, City Manager; and Dawane Martinez, Director of Human Resources.

Others present: Stephen Silvestri and Blaine Taylor, legal counsel.

Actions taken: None

9. Administrative Reports

Suggested Action: This link will display the weekly report for the City Manager and City Departments.

<https://www.greenbeltmd.gov/396/Weekly-Reports>

III. LEGISLATION

10. Ordinance Authorizing a Supplemental Appropriation to the General Fund for Arts Program Support – Maryland State Arts Council FY26 Grant
- 2nd Reading and Adoption

Suggested Action: The Recreation Department applied for grant funds from the Maryland State Art Council in order to create a nurturing climate for the arts in the State. The initial grant award expected was \$50,700.00, for which the Arts team is planning to use these funds to expand programs at Springhill Lake Recreation Center, purchase arts equipment, and provide more resources for Public Arts projects. Because the final grant award is \$78,101, in the FY2026 budget expected revenues were projected to be \$50,700, the FY26 ARTS GRANT FUNDED EXPENDITURE line will need to be increased by \$27,401 to \$30,701.

Ms. Pompei 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.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS - 60 minutes (8:15 - 9:15 p.m.)

11. Draft FY 2026-2031 Maryland Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP)

Suggested Action: Reference: Memorandum, R. Sigworth, 10/27/25

FY 2026-2031 Draft CTP Project Reference Sheets
Draft Letter, 10/27/25

City staff has reviewed the Draft FY 2026 – 2031 Draft Maryland Department of Transportation Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP). Staff also virtually attended the annual staff-level pre-tour meeting for Prince George's County on October 21, 2025, and will attend the County's tour meeting on November 4, 2025.

The Draft FY 2025-2030 CTP totals a \$18.9 billion six-year capital budget, which represents a \$300 million increase from the \$21.2 billion Final FY 2025-2030 CTP. This increase reflects additional revenues generated through new fees such as an annual registration surcharge for electric vehicles, a fee on transportation network company trips, and a fee on the purchase of tires. Increased fees include the vehicle titling tax rate, vehicle registration fees, and various MVA fees. In addition, taxes and fees on rental cars were modified and certain State revenues from the sales tax on electricity at electric vehicle charging stations and a portion of the capital gains tax were directed to the Transportation Trust Fund.

Staff recommends City Council transmit a letter to the Maryland Department of Transportation requesting that the MD 193 Greenbelt Road Streetscape Improvement project (referred to by the County as the MD 193 – University Boulevard project) be added to the CTP with funding allocated for planning and engineering. In addition, staff recommends the letter request that funding be programmed for planning and engineering for Segments 1-4 of the Greenbelt East Trail (GET). Staff also recommends the letter restate the City's opposition to any alternatives in the *I-270, Eisenhower Memorial Highway and I-495 Capital Beltway – Phase 1 South* project that involve widening I-495. As in previous years, the letter will address those projects and initiatives that the City supports, including US 1/Baltimore Avenue reconstruction, I-495 Greenbelt Metro interchange, zero emission buses and transit-related initiatives, and bicycle and pedestrian programs.

12. Legislative Proposal: Amendment Requiring HOA/Condominium Approval for Rental License Renewals

Suggested Action: Mayor Jordan requested that this item be added to the agenda for discussion.

13. Council Reports
14. Council Activities