



# CITY OF COLLEGE PARK MUNICIPAL SCENE

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## City Hall Bulletin Board

### MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETINGS

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2015**

7:30 P.M. MAYOR AND COUNCIL WORKSESSION

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015**

7:30 P.M. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2015**

7:30 P.M. MAYOR AND COUNCIL WORKSESSION

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2015**

7:30 P.M. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2015**

7:30 P.M. FOUR CITIES MEETING IN COLLEGE PARK

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015**

7:30 P.M. MAYOR AND COUNCIL WORKSESSION

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015**

7:00 P.M. NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2015**

7:30 P.M. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2015**

7:30 P.M. MAYOR AND COUNCIL WORKSESSION

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015**

7:30 P.M. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

All meetings take place in the 2nd floor Council Chambers of City Hall, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD unless noted. All meetings are open to the public except Executive Sessions. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 240-487-3501 and describe the assistance that is necessary.

All Mayor and Council meetings can be viewed live on Comcast cable channel 71 or Verizon channel 25. Regular Council Meetings and Worksessions are rebroadcast in their entirety at the following times: Wednesdays at 8pm, Thursdays and Fridays at 6pm, and Saturdays at 10am

Worksessions and Council meetings may also be viewed live over the internet. Those interested in watching the live meetings from their computer should visit the Mayor and City Council page on the City's website at [www.collegeparkmd.gov](http://www.collegeparkmd.gov), and click on the menu item "Council Meetings Video". You will be redirected to the Granicus, Inc. web site which will host the web streaming and archiving of Council meetings. Meetings that are streamed will also be archived for future viewing through the City's website.

Meeting Agendas are posted on the City's website on the Friday afternoon prior to the meetings [www.collegeparkmd.gov](http://www.collegeparkmd.gov) - and are available at the City Clerk's office. Meeting back-up materials will be posted to the website on the Monday prior to the meeting.

Meeting schedule is subject to change. For current information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 240-487-3501.

### COUNCIL ACTION

At their Regular Meeting on December 9, 2014, the College Park City Council took the following actions:

- Approved a Resolution Adopting The Recommendation Of The Advisory Planning Commission Regarding Appeal Number CEO-2014-05, 4801 Hollywood Road, College Park, Maryland, Approving A Variance From The Requirements Of City Code §87-23B To Permit The Construction Of A Fence In The Front Yard And Recommending Approval Of Variances From The Requirements Of City Code §87-23C Requiring A 25-Foot Side Yard Setback, Where The Side Lot Line Is A Continuation Of The Front Yard Line Of The Adjacent Lot.
- Approved, With Conditions, the Preliminary Plan and Detailed Site Plan for The Hotel at the University of Maryland, and approved an Agreement with University of Maryland College Park Foundation, Inc.
- Approved the expenditure of \$25,000 for a Feasibility Study for a North County Animal Services Facility and recommended revisions to the scope-of-work for the Study.
- Supported the application for an Historic Area Work Permit for demolition of the Sigma Chi fraternity house at 4600 Norwich Road, subject to conditions.
- Approved a Letter of support for PG-416-15: Authority to impose fees for use of disposable bags.
- Approved the 2015 Mayor and Council meeting schedule.
- Approved a day of administrative leave for City employees for Friday, December 26, 2014.
- Appointed James Sauer to the Ethics Commission and Matt Dernoga to the Committee for a Better Environment, and reappointed Carolyn Bernache and Doris Ellis to the Education Advisory Committee and Maxine Gross to the CPCUP.

### NOTICE OF FAIR SUMMARY CITY OF COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND

**CHARTER RESOLUTION 14-CR-02:** A Charter Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park, to Amend Article I, "General Provisions", to add §C1-2, "City Policy of Non-Discrimination", to adopt a General City Policy Against Discrimination with respect to Employment, Housing and Public Accommodation.

**CHARTER RESOLUTION: 14-CR-03:** A Charter Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park, to Amend Article IX "Officers and Employees", §C9-1, "Discrimination", to add Certain Non-Discrimination Provisions Concerning City Employment and to make Clarifying Changes.

The Charter Resolutions were introduced on October 28, 2014, Public Hearings were held on November 25, 2014, both Resolutions were adopted on November 25, 2014 and will become effective upon the fiftieth day (January 14, 2015) after their passage unless a successful petition to referendum in accordance with Article 23A §13 of the Annotated Code of Maryland occurs within forty days (January 5, 2015).

Copies of these Charter Resolutions may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740, call 240-487-3501, or visit [www.collegeparkmd.gov](http://www.collegeparkmd.gov).

### POSITION AVAILABLE PART-TIME CONTRACT SECRETARY

Requires reliable person with strong grammar and secretarial skills to attend and record evening Board and Committee meetings, prepare meeting minutes to summarize the proceedings, make approved revisions and provide a final set of minutes in a timely manner. This assignment does not require word-for-word reporting.

All meetings are conducted at public facilities in College Park; most are scheduled for weekday evenings.

Contract rate is \$22.00 per hour, guaranteed two hours per meeting, plus preparation of minutes at \$11.00 per half-hour. We estimate twelve to sixteen hours per month, depending upon Committee assignments. Please submit resume to: College Park City Clerk's Office, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740, or fax to 301-699-8029.

## Around Town!

### ZERO WASTE WORKSHOP AND DISCUSSION

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2015, 7:00-9:00 P.M.**  
CITY HALL, 4500 KNOX ROAD  
2ND FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Zero Waste Prince George's, College Park's Committee for a Better Environment, and Community Research invite you to a presentation on an effective strategy to reduce waste, increase recycling, save money, and protect public health. Kristen Brown, a national expert and the Vice President of Municipal Partnerships for WasteZero (a Certified B Corporation), will present on Save Money and Recycle Tons (SMART), a unit pricing scheme used by 7000 communities across the United States to charge for waste collection and disposal according to the amount of waste discarded. Also known as Pay As You Throw, SMART has been found to immediately and significantly increase recycling and decrease the amount of waste sent to landfills and incinerators, with no increase in illegal dumping. Join us for an interesting discussion about this common-sense strategy and how it could be implemented in our communities. The meeting will also include an update on the Zero Waste Strategic Plans of Prince George's County and of the State of Maryland.

### 24TH ANNUAL COLLEGE PARK TRIBUTE TO DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2015 - 2:00-4:00 P.M.**  
KAY THEATRE, CLARICE SMITH PERFORMING ARTS CENTER  
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

Please join us for the 2015 tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This year's theme is "Our Diversity as a People, is our Strength as a Nation."

This 24th annual tribute features musical, dance and literary reflections on Dr. King's dream of peace and unity. This grassroots, community-based event highlights the extraordinary talent in our collective community.

Sponsored by the City of College Park, the University of Maryland, and the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission. For further information, please call 240-487-3570.



### WHAT IS CERT?

A Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is a ready group of organized and trained volunteer disaster workers that operates at the neighborhood level.

CERT volunteers check on neighbors and provide emergency medical aid and psychological comfort to their neighbors.

CERT members may also be called upon to help in other areas during emergencies even when their own neighborhood is not impacted.

The CERT Program prepares these volunteers with 20 hours of classroom and hands-on training. The training is provided by subject matter experts such as firefighters, emergency medical technicians and building safety personnel.

A CERT class is being planned to begin in January 2015. Registration will be on a first come basis. If you are interested please send an email to [publicservices@collegeparkmd.gov](mailto:publicservices@collegeparkmd.gov) with CERT in the subject line, or call 240.487.3570 and leave your contact information. You will be contacted to schedule your participation.

### SNOW & ICE REMOVAL

Property owners, occupants and merchants are reminded of the City requirement to remove accumulated snow and ice from all walkways, driveways, parking lots and other areas used by pedestrians or automobiles. The owner or occupant of any property that abuts the sidewalk must clean public sidewalks of ice, sleet and snow for their full width. It is required that snow and ice be removed within the first eight (8) hours of daylight after snowfall stops. These requirements are listed under City Code Sections 157-6(B)(10) and 141-5(A).

Though City code enforcement officers may not cite all such violations immediately after a storm, failure to comply with this regulation in a timely manner could be used as evidence by anyone injured in a fall on or adjacent to your property if you are sued for such injuries.

Be prepared! Keep snow shovels and salt ready for the next storm, and plan to have help available if necessary to make your walkway safe as soon as the snow stops falling.

### WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA RETURNS TO BRANCHVILLE

BY BRANCHVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY AND RESCUE SQUAD DIRECTOR THOMAS TANNER AND OBSERVER JENNIFER WILBANKS  
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The Branchville Volunteer Fire Company and Rescue Squad and our Ladies Auxiliary are proud to once again host the patriots from Wreaths Across America (WAA). Saturday, December 14, marked Branchville's ninth straight year welcoming and serving the WAA convoy. Started in 1992, WAA honors the men and women of our Armed Forces that have fallen in service to our country by annually laying wreaths at the grave markers of service members at Arlington National Cemetery. This year marks 150 years since the founding of Arlington National Cemetery and through the efforts of many volunteers, WAA was able to lay a wreath at all 227,000+ grave markers. Trucks loaded with wreaths departed December 7 (the 73rd anniversary of the 1941 attack on military facilities around Pearl Harbor, HI), escorted by the Patriot Guard Riders, rolled down the East Coast in an ever expanding convoy of trucks, buses and escorts, arriving at Branchville on December 12 for their final overnight rest stop before they continued to Arlington. Once there, each truck was washed by Branchville Volunteers. Before dawn on the morning of December 13, the men and women of Branchville cooked and served breakfast to the hundreds of drivers and volunteers supporting this noble effort. As a part of the morning activities, Morrill Worcester, owner of Worcester Wreath Company of Harrington, Maine, took time to visit the College Park Veterans Memorial in our first due, and place a wreath. He also presented Branchville with a wreath as a thank you for our hospitality. In turn, Branchville President Ronald Leizear Sr. presented Wreaths Across America with a one thousand dollar donation. Following breakfast and a final mission briefing, the convoy left Branchville and drove under a United States of America flag supported by two ladder trucks as they made their way to Arlington National Cemetery.

For more information and to see more pictures, go to Branchville Volunteer Fire Department website [www.bvco11.com](http://www.bvco11.com).



Branchville VFD President Ronald Leizear Sr. (left) and Morrill Worcester owner of Worcester Wreath Company (right), laying a wreath at the College Park Veterans Memorial.

## From The Public Works Dept...

9217 51st Avenue 240-487-3590  
[publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov](mailto:publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov)

### CITY DEPARTMENTS CLOSED THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25-26, 2014

City departments are closed for the Christmas holiday. Refuse and recycling will be collected on your regular collection day, but there will be NO special collections for brush or bulky trash during the week of Christmas.

### CITY DEPARTMENTS CLOSED THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 2015

All City offices are closed Thursday, January 1, to observe the New Year holiday. Refuse and recycling will be collected on your regular collection day; however, special collections for electronics, brush, and bulky trash will only be scheduled for Friday, January 2. You must call 240-487-3590 or email [publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov](mailto:publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov) to schedule a pickup before setting your items to the curb. Please visit [www.collegeparkmd.gov](http://www.collegeparkmd.gov) for the tentative curbside leaf collection schedule.

### CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Christmas trees will be collected after the holidays by appointment only. Residents must call or email Public Works (240-487-3590; [publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov](mailto:publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov)) to arrange for a special pickup on Thursday or Friday. Trees should be placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m., and be free of lights, tinsel, ornaments, and other decorations.

### TRAFFIC ALERT - UMD SPORTING EVENTS

Please be aware of pedestrians along city roads and expect heavier traffic throughout the day and evening for the following UMD event:

- Saturday, 12/27: UM men's basketball vs. Oakland (5:00 p.m.)
- Monday, 12/29: UM women's basketball vs. Ohio State (7:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, 1/3: UM men's basketball vs. Minnesota (12:00 p.m.)
- Thursday, 1/8: UM women's basketball vs. Purdue (6:30 p.m.)

### SNOW AND ICE CONTROL - PARK ON THE EVEN SIDE!

Public Works crews plow and salt City streets and parking lots to clear snow and ice.

Things you can do to help include:

- Move parked cars off the street so the snow plows can clear snow to the curb.
- If off-street parking is not available during predicted snowstorms, park on the EVEN side of the road (EXCEPTION: if your address is odd-numbered and the area across from your house is undeveloped, park on the odd side of the street)
- The City is not responsible for clearing snow from driveways or driveway aprons - this is the resident's responsibility.
  - Be aware that the City begins plowing when snow reaches, or threatens to reach, 2 inch depths and will continue until well after the snow stops, making sure the roads are as clear and safe as possible. This means that your driveway may become accumulated with snow more than once as the trucks continue to plow. If you begin to remove snow before the trucks are finished, be mindful that your driveway may need to be cleared more than once.
- Clear snow and ice from the sidewalks in front of your residence. **THIS INCLUDES STORMDRAINS! The City is responsible for clearing the streets; residents should work together to help keep storm drains clear.**
- Have patience: crews work around the clock during snow emergencies to clear the streets. Although your street may not be plowed as quickly as you would like, our crews will make their way to you. Your patience is appreciated during these times.
  - Always plan to set your refuse and recycling carts out for your regularly scheduled day during snow events. Refuse and recycling collections may occur later in the day than normal, but you should not expect collections to be delayed until the following day.

CLIP AND SAVE

### COLLEGE PARK DIRECTORY

<b>City of College Park Main Number</b> .....	240-487-3500
CITY HALL, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740	
Hours: M-F 8am-7pm; Sat. 1-5pm; Sun - Closed	
<b>City Hall Departments</b>	
City Manager/City Clerk.....	240-487-3501
City FAX Number.....	301-699-8029
Finance.....	240-487-3509
Human Resources.....	240-487-3533
Parking Enforcement Div. (M-F 8am-10pm/Sat. 1-7pm).....	240-487-3520
Planning/Economic Development.....	240-487-3538
<b>Housing Authority (Attick Towers)</b> 9014 R.I. Ave.....	301-345-3600
<b>Public Services Department</b> , 4601A Calvert Rd.....	240-487-3570
<i>Animal Control, Code Enforcement, Public Safety and Recreation. Parking Enforcement is at City Hall.</i>	
24 Hour Hotline.....	240-487-3588
<i>For Urgent Code Enforcement, Noise Control, Animal Control Issues.</i>	
<b>Public Works Department</b> , 9217 51st Ave.....	240-487-3590
<i>Trash Collection, Recycling and Special Pick-ups.</i>	
<b>Senior Program (Attick Towers)</b> 9014 R.I. Ave.....	301-345-8100
<b>Youth and Family Services</b> , 4912 Nantucket Rd.....	240-487-3550
Drop-In Recreation Center.....	301-345-4425

### MAYOR AND COUNCIL

<b>Mayor Andrew M. Fellows</b>	
5807 Bryn Mawr Road.....	301-441-8141
<b>Councilmember Fazlul Kabir (District 1)</b>	
9817 53rd Avenue.....	301-659-6295
<b>Councilmember Patrick L. Wojahn (District 1)</b>	
5015 Lackawanna Street.....	240-988-7763
<b>Councilmember P.J. Brennan (District 2)</b>	
4500 Knox Road.....	301-220-1640
<b>Councilmember Monroe S. Dennis (District 2)</b>	
8117 51st Avenue.....	301-474-6270
<b>Councilmember Robert W. Day (District 3)</b>	
7410 Baylor Avenue.....	301-741-1962
<b>Councilmember Stephanie Stullich (District 3)</b>	
7400 Dartmouth Avenue.....	301-742-4442
<b>Councilmember Alan Y. Hew (District 4)</b>	
9118 Autoville Drive.....	240-391-8678
<b>Councilmember Denise C. Mitchell (District 4)</b>	
3501 Marlborough Way.....	240-460-7620

### OTHER FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

<b>EMERGENCY: FIRE-AMBULANCE-POLICE.....</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>NON-EMERGENCY POLICE SERVICES</b>	
Prince George's Co. Police (Hyattsville Station).....	301-699-2630
Prince George's Co. Police Non-Emergency Svcs.....	301-352-1200
Prince George's Co. Park Police.....	301-459-9088
State Police (College Park Barrack).....	301-345-3101
University of Maryland Police.....	301-405-3555
College Park Community Center.....	301-441-2647
<i>5051 Pierce Avenue, College Park</i>	
Branchville Vol. Fire & Rescue Squad.....	301-474-1550
4905 Branchville Road, College Park	<a href="http://www.bvco11.com">www.bvco11.com</a>
College Park Vol. Fire Department.....	301-901-9112
<i>8115 Baltimore Avenue, College Park</i>	
www.cpvfd.org	
PEPCO - Power Outages, Lines Down.....	1-877-737-2662
WSSC: Water Mains.....	301-206-4002
Prince George's County Storm Drains.....	301-499-8523

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