



CITY OF COLLEGE PARK MUNICIPAL SCENE

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City Hall Bulletin Board

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETINGS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2015

7:15 P.M. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS A
PERSONNEL MATTER

7:30 P.M. MAYOR & COUNCIL WORKSESSION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

7:15 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 15-0-04

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

7:30 P.M. MAYOR & COUNCIL WORKSESSION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2015

7:30 P.M. MAYOR & 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 Closed 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.

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.

Council meetings are streamed live over the internet on the Mayor and City Council page on the City's website at www.collegeparkmd.gov, and click on the menu item "Council Meetings Video". 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 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.

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Around Town!

COLLEGE PARK ANNOUNCES NEW CITY MANAGER

August 13, 2015 – College Park Mayor Andrew M. Fellows announced Tuesday night that the City Council has selected Scott Somers as the next City Manager of College Park. Somers will replace Joseph L. Nagro who is retiring in September after 25 years with the City. Fellows said the City Council worked closely with residents and other stakeholders on developing the criteria for the type of person the City needs to replace Nagro, whom he described as "someone who is impossible to replace."

In accepting the position, Somers said, "It's a real honor and privilege to be selected as College Park's next City Manager. I have big shoes to fill. I'm looking forward to continuing the good work of Mr. Nagro in terms of building relationships and collaborating with the University on sustainable redevelopment and economic development efforts." Somers said one of his priorities will be working with the Mayor and Council to move forward on the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan, particularly the One College Park goal.

Somers is currently the County Manager of Clatsop County, Oregon. He previously served as City Manager of Reedsport, Oregon, as well as with municipalities in Minnesota. Originally from Tucson, Somers received his Bachelor of Social Work from Arizona State University and his Master of Public Administration from the University of Arizona.

In making the motion to approve Somers' contract, Councilmember P. J. Brennan thanked the stakeholder groups that were involved in the interview process and said the City Council reviewed many highly qualified candidates. He expressed satisfaction with the selection of Mr. Somers, stating that "Mr. Somers is someone who the Council looks forward to working with and we see a bright future under his leadership."

Councilmember Stephanie Stullich added that the participation of the stakeholder groups, including City staff, provided valuable input during the selection process, saying, "The outcome is that we have found an outstanding City Manager."

Somers is expected to start at the end of September. Nagro's last day in the office will be September 11, 2015.

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COUNCIL ACTION

In a Special Session held during the regularly scheduled Worksession on August 5, 2015, the College Park City Council took the following action:

- Approved a Letter of support for The Clarice Smith Center for the Performing Arts grant application to the National Endowment for the Arts.

At the regular Council Meeting on August 11, 2015, the College Park City Council took the following actions:

- Adopted 15-R-12, a Resolution Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland Adopting The Recommendations Of The Advisory Planning Commission Regarding Variance Application Number CPV-2015-03, 9735 Narragansett Parkway, College Park, Maryland, Recommending Approval Of A Variance From Section 27-120.01(C) Of The Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance, "Front Yards Of Dwellings," To Construct A Driveway In The Front Yard, 15.5 Feet In Width By 32.5 Feet In Length.
- Awarded a one-year contract extension (Option Year 3 in Contract CP-13-01) to NZI Construction Corporation of Beltsville, MD for FY '16 "Miscellaneous Concrete Maintenance and Asphalt Resurfacing" in an amount not to exceed \$721,000, funded from Fund 301 Unrestricted C.I.P. Reserve.
- Adopted 15-R-13, a Resolution Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Maryland Establishing A Framework For Evaluating Requests For Recognitions And Commemorations.
- Approved an Amendment to Contract CP-13-01 with NZI Construction Corporation of Beltsville, MD for Miscellaneous Downtown Streetscape Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$175,000 to be funded from C.I.P. #103001, Downtown Streetscape #2, federal EDI Special Project Grant Program B-08-SP-MD-0517, subject to a determination of proper form and legal sufficiency by the City Attorney.
- Adopted the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan and Action Plan.
- Approved the scope of services for a feasibility study to extend Hollywood Road west to the Mazza GrandMarc Apartments (Councilmembers Kabir, Mitchell, Day and Dennis opposed).
- Approved Amendment Three To Agreement Of Lease By And Between City Of College Park And Ledo Restaurant, Inc. (Councilmember Kabir abstained).
- Introduced Ordinance 15-O-04, An Ordinance Of The Mayor And Council Of The City Of College Park, Amending Chapter 175 "Taxation", Article IV, "Revitalization Tax Credit", Sections §175-9 "Eligibility Requirements"; §175-10 "Eligibility Criteria"; §175-11 "Tax Credit – Amount And

Term"; §175-12 "Application Process"; And §175-13 "Waiver", To Change Eligibility Requirements And Criteria, To Clarify That A Tax Credit Will Be Granted Only If Financially Feasible, To Clarify The Application Process, And To Delete A Certain Waiver Option.

- Approved the Employment Agreement between the City of College Park and City Manager Scott T. Somers.
- Approved a Council position on certain design issues on SHA's proposed U.S. Route 1 reconstruction.
- Appointed Kate Kennedy to the Advisory Planning Commission, Eric Hoffman and Christine O'Brien to the Tree and Landscape Board, Pat Noone to the Animal Welfare Committee, Bob Schnabel to the Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee, and Dave Dorsch to the Airport Authority.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 15-O-04

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - 7:15 P.M.

2ND FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL, 4500 KNOX ROAD

An Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park, Amending Chapter 175 "Taxation", Article IV, "Revitalization Tax Credit", Sections §175-9 "Eligibility Requirements"; §175-10 "Eligibility Criteria"; §175-11 "Tax Credit – Amount and Term"; §175-12 "Application Process"; and §175-13 "Waiver", to Change Eligibility Requirements and Criteria, to Clarify that a Tax Credit Will Be Granted Only If Financially Feasible, to Clarify the Application Process, and to Delete a Certain Waiver Option.

Copies of this Ordinance may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740, by calling 240-487-3501, or by going to our website under latest news www.collegeparkmd.gov.

CITY OFFICES ARE CLOSED LABOR DAY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2015

All City offices will be closed Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day. Refuse, recycling, and yard waste collections will be delayed one day during this holiday week. Collections will be made on the following schedule:

- Monday collections – Tuesday, September 8
- Tuesday collections – Wednesday, September 9
- Wednesday collections – Thursday, September 10

Collections for brush and special trash will only be made on Friday, September 11, during this holiday week. You must call or email Public Works in advance to schedule a pickup: 240-487-3590; publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov. Items set out for pick up that have not been called in for a scheduled pick up may not be collected.

FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR JOE NAGRO
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2015, 2:00 TO 4:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 4500 KNOX ROAD

Please join us at an informal open house to say thanks and wish Joe well in retirement!

- No Program!
- No Presentations!
- Lots of Refreshments!
- Free Parking!

For questions or to RSVP call 240-487-3533 or just show up. Joe will be happy to see you!

COLLEGE PARK SENIORS HEALTH DAY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2015
11:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.
OLD PARISH HOUSE, 4711 KNOX ROAD

College Park seniors, you're invited to our annual health day.

Join us for Flu Shots, Blood Pressure Screening, Wellness Information and other Pertinent Senior Information.

Flu shots are free to individuals with Medicare B. Please bring your ID and Medicare card.

Registration is required. Please R.S.V.P. by call 301-345-8100.

COLLEGE PARK DAY
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015
11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
5000 PAINT BRANCH PARKWAY

Free parking across the street at the Metro parking garage

You're invited to the biggest party celebrating all the great things about College Park!

Two stages of live music, over 175 exhibitors comprised of artists & craftsmen, musicians, DC food trucks and area vendors, public safety groups, community organizations, small businesses, and performers! Visit our Artist's Alley and start your holiday and gift shopping early; make a positive impact on the community by bringing donated items to the participating organizations in Community Connections; join your friends and neighbors and get active by taking part of the free community bike ride, or free Zumba classes, or climb our 25' rock wall; visit the College Park Aviation Museum for free; come hungry and get some delicious food from our group of diverse curated food trucks and vendors; or go bird watching and have your photo taken with the Baltimore Oriole or Raven's mascots; and visit with the folk who keep us safe in the public safety area and see their new state of the art equipment. Free parking across the street from the event site at the College Park Metro Lot; or take the Green line to the College Park/UMD metro station. We have something for everyone at this year's College Park Day!

We hope you'll join us! For more information please visit us at www.CollegeParkDay.org

LIVE SMART, EAT LOCAL TOUR
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.
AZTECA RESTAURANT AND CANTINA
9505 BALTIMORE AVENUE, COLLEGE PARK

Get up to date with county happenings, and treat your palate to tex-mex cuisine.

This installment features County Council Members Dannielle Glaros and Mary Lehman! We hope you will join us.

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 events:

- Saturday, 9/5: UM football vs. Richmond (12:00 p.m.)
- Sunday, 9/6: UM volleyball vs. Western Carolina (2:30 p.m.) and George Mason (7:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, 9/12: UM football vs. Bowling Green (12:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, 9/19: UM football vs. University of South Florida (12:00 p.m.)
- Friday, 9/25: UM volleyball vs. Illinois (7:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, 9/26: UM volleyball vs. Northwestern (7:00 p.m.)

UMD GAME-DAY TEXT ALERTS

If you would like to receive game day information text alerts regarding incidents, traffic problems, notifications about the start and end of incoming and outgoing traffic pertaining to sporting events, send a text message from your mobile device to 888777 with keyword: TerpsGameDay.

WHERE IS THE MUNICIPAL SCENE?

In 1999 the City began publishing the *Municipal Scene* in the *Gazette Newspaper*. Prior to that, the *Municipal Scene* was mailed to each household in the City. As you may know, the *Gazette* published their final edition in June and we are reviewing our options for how to deliver the *Municipal Scene* in the future. In the meantime, until a long-term solution is found, we are producing an electronic *Municipal Scene* that is emailed to our College Park Connected subscribers once a month and then posted on the City website.

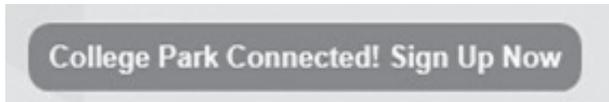
College Park Connected is the City's email listserv. You can sign up to receive emails from the City in the following categories:

- City Council (meeting agendas, public hearing notices, special meetings)
- General Interest (*Municipal Scene*, press releases, new programs and initiatives)

- City Events (farmers market, community events and College Park Day)
- Public Works Information (refuse, recycling, leaf collection and snow removal)
- Development News (general development updates and Business Beat newsletter)
- City Job Listing
- SMARTLEAF® compost and wood mulch notices

TO SIGN-UP:

1. Go to the City's website: www.collegeparkmd.gov
2. Click on the green sign up button:



3. Enter your name and email address, and specify the type of information you want to receive. You can change your selection or unsubscribe at any time.

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DO NOT USE EMAIL:

On a temporary basis, we will mail the *Municipal Scene* to you as we continue to explore other options. Call 240-487-3501 and let us know your name, address and the district you live in to get on our mailing list.

VISIT OUR FARMERS MARKETS

HOLLYWOOD FARMERS MARKET
SATURDAYS – 9:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.
9801 RHODE ISLAND AVE.
HOLLYWOOD SHOPPING CENTER
www.hollywoodmarket.org

DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET
SUNDAYS – 10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.
4500 KNOX RD., CITY HALL PARKING LOT
shopcollegepark.org

CITY OF COLLEGE PARK OFFERS SHUTTLE-UM BUS PASSES TO RESIDENTS

Complimentary Shuttle-UM passes are available at City Hall, Davis Hall and Youth and Family Services. Residents need to live in the incorporated area of College Park. They will need to complete an application and show a photo ID and proof of residency. Residents can apply for the bus passes at:

- City Hall, Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Sat. 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Davis Hall, Mon.-Fri. 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Youth and Family Services, Mon.-Fri. 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

University of Maryland students do not need a resident pass to ride Shuttle-UM. For information on Shuttle-UM routes and schedules go to www.transportation.umd.edu, or call 301-314-2255.

College Park Municipal Elections November 3, 2015

The City of College Park will hold elections for the offices of Mayor and eight district Council Members, two from each of the four Council districts, on Tuesday, November 3, 2015.

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE APPROACHING

In order to be eligible to vote in the November 3rd City Election, you **MUST** be registered to vote with Prince George's County Board of Elections at your current address in College Park by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2015. To check your registration status with the County, call the Board of Elections at 301-341-7300. Voter Registration Forms are available by calling 301-341-7300 or you may pick up a form at any City building or any Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration office. You may also download a form from the State Board of Elections: www.elections.state.md.us. If you have moved since the last time you voted, you must change your address with the Prince George's County Board of Elections.



If you wish to run for office, candidacy packets may be obtained after August 1, 2015 from our website www.collegeparkmd.gov or the City Clerk's Office at 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740.

The following guidelines apply to candidacy: At the time of taking office, the Mayor shall have attained the age of 18 years, and each member of the Council shall have attained the age of 18 years. Each elective officer must be a citizen of the United States, a resident of the State of Maryland and registered voter in the State of Maryland and have been a registered voter in the City for at least one year immediately preceding the date of election and shall continuously reside in the City during his/her term of office; each district Council member must reside in the district from which he/she is elected; and each officer shall retain throughout his/her respective term of office all the qualifications necessary for his/her election, and the failure to retain all of such qualifications shall ipso facto cause a forfeiture of office.

For more information on running for office, please contact the City Clerk's Office, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. at 240-487-3501.

Chief of Elections: John Robson.

College Park Election Supervisors: Janet Evander, Maria Mackie, Mary Katherine Theis, and Terry Wertz.

From The Public Works Dept...
9217 51st Avenue 240-487-3590
publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov

RESIDENT INFORMATION GUIDE

Delivery of the 2015-2016 Resident Information Guide to City Departments and Services is underway. If you did not receive a new guide, or would like an additional copy, you can find them at any City building. Or you can view it online by going to www.collegeparkmd.gov and click on People We Serve > Residents > Resident Information Guide.

BACK TO SCHOOL RECYCLING REMINDERS

Reduce waste and excessive purchases – look at the supplies, backpacks, etc. from last school year and decide what can be reused before your back-to-school shopping spree. During the school year, use a lunchbox and reusable containers for sandwiches, snacks, drinks, and cutlery to reduce waste from packaging.

Choose items with less packaging; use refillable pens, pencils, folders and notebooks whenever possible, instead of the single-use alternatives. Don't forget your reusable shopping bags!

Make bulk purchases for commonly-used items like notebook and printer paper, folders, pens and pencils. Do you have family or friends with similar-aged students? Consider splitting big purchases to save money and storage space.

Buy recycled content supplies. There are many options for paper products, folders, binders, pens, pencils, rulers, pencil cases, even planners that contain some amount of recycled materials. Purchasing recycled-content products helps perpetuate recycling programs.

Recycle in the classroom and at home. Don't forget to recycle (or reuse) notebook paper, construction paper, printer paper, index cards, folders, and newsletters. Other back-to-school recyclable items include shoe boxes, juice and milk boxes (no straws), paperboard, and cardboard packaging, plastic beverage bottles, and plastic containers for yogurt and applesauce (make sure they are clean first!)

SLOW DOWN TO GET AROUND

It can be frustrating to encounter unexpected delays during your day, whether it is because you are behind a refuse truck or a school or Metro bus. However, it is important to remember that there are people in and around these vehicles who expect to arrive home safely at the end of the day. City employees have been injured as a result of distracted drivers. Remember to slow down to get around these vehicles, and that aggressive driving could kill or injure another person.

MOSQUITO SPRAYING

The Mosquito Control Program will continue into the fall. The Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) will apply a larvicide control product in known breeding areas, and conducts survey counts to determine if spray threshold levels are met prior to spraying to control adult mosquitoes. Mosquito spraying occurs on Wednesday nights in College Park, if the spray criteria are met. Report mosquito problems, spray requests, and spray objections to Public Works at 240-487-3590.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER:

(more information to come in next issue)

OCTOBER 3, 2015, 2:00 - 4:00 P.M.
COMMITTEE FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT INFUSED HERBAL OIL AND VINEGAR WORKSHOP
OLD PARISH HOUSE, 4711 KNOX ROAD

OCTOBER 4-10, 2015
FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

For more information www.firepreventionweek.org.

OCTOBER 10* AND 17, 2015
CLEANUP SATURDAYS AT PUBLIC WORKS
***DOCUMENT SHREDDING ONLY ON THE 10TH**

DIRECTORY

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



For information about shopping, dining, attractions services, and accommodations in College Park, visit shopcollegepark.org

On August 11, 2015, the City Council adopted a new 2015–2020 Strategic Plan and Action Plan. Read the City’s new Vision, Mission, Goals, and Values below. To read or download the entire documents, go to www.collegeparkmd.gov/programs_and_initiatives/2020strategicplan.php.

2015-2020 Strategic Plan

CITY VISION: The City of College Park is a vibrant and prosperous top 20 college town, which has established collaborative relationships with the residents, the University, businesses, non-profit sector, and other governments that benefit the entire community. The City is known for distinctive and connected neighborhoods, thriving commercial districts, cultural amenities, attractive green space and streetscapes, convenient transportation systems serving all users, and a strong sense of community pride.

CITY MISSION: The City of College Park provides open and effective governance and excellent services that enhance the quality of life in our community.

CITY GOALS:

Goal 1: One College Park

The City of College Park and its residents, the University of Maryland (UMD) and its students, faculty and staff, and all stakeholders are connected to the community and work together for the best interest of College Park.

Goal 2: Environmental Sustainability

The City is a leader in the protection and restoration of natural resources and the implementation of energy efficiency and renewable energy programs, technologies, and plans.

Goal 3: High Quality Development & Reinvestment

The City works with partners to facilitate investment along Baltimore Avenue, in the College Park metro station area, Berwyn Commercial District, and the Hollywood Commercial District to expand commercial development and housing options and increase the tax base to finance improvements in services and infrastructure.

Goal 4: Quality Infrastructure

The City’s infrastructure, including roads, sidewalks, paths, technology, utilities, parks, playgrounds, City Hall, and other City facilities are constructed and maintained at a high quality standard and meet the needs of residents, employees, and visitors.

Goal 5: Effective Leadership

The City models excellent leadership and teamwork among Council, staff, and community partners to achieve the City’s vision and goals.

Goal 6: Excellent Services

College Park has high quality, consistent, and cost-effective services in every department that contribute to a desirable, welcoming, and safe City.

CITY VALUES:

Open and Effective Government

The City conducts its business in a lawful, open, and democratic manner. The City values communication and public discussion on issues affecting the City.

High-Performing, Dedicated, and Valued Employees

City staff provide the highest level of service possible. They act with honesty and integrity and are empowered to solve problems. The City values and rewards excellent performance.

Sustainability and Long-term Planning

The City is committed to a sustainable built environment and active stewardship of our natural resources. The City’s long-term planning contributes to the well-being and prosperity of our community.

Fiscal Responsibility

The City maintains appropriate financial reserves, provides accurate financial information for decision-making, and spends revenue as effectively as possible.

Collaboration

The City values teamwork across departments and between Council and Staff. The City will strive to have productive, collaborative relations with the University, the County, the State, and neighboring jurisdictions in order to improve the City and the region.