

MINUTES
College Park City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, July 19, 2022
7:30 p.m. – 8:50 p.m.

**This was a hybrid meeting: Online via Zoom;
In-person in the Council Chambers of City Hall.**

PRESENT: Mayor Wojahn; Councilmembers Kabir, Kennedy, Esters, Whitney, Rigg, and Mitchell.

ABSENT: Councilmembers Adams and Mackie

ALSO PRESENT: Kenneth Young, City Manager (by Zoom); Bill Gardiner, Assistant City Manager; Yvette Allen, Assistant City Clerk; Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney; Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services.

Mayor Wojahn opened the Worksession at 7:30 p.m.

The Mayor, Council and City Manager thanked everyone for their help with the cleanup of the City after the storm: College Park Public Works Crew, Public Works staff, Youth and Family Services staff, College Park Communications Department, College Park Economic Development Office, Pepco (Donna Cooper and Tony Ruffin), 21st District Delegation, City of Gaithersburg, City of Laurel, City of Hyattsville, City of Rockville, Town of Berwyn Heights, City of New Carrollton, Prince Georges County (Denise Ross), Prince Georges County Department of Public Works and Transportation (Michael Johnson) Office of Emergency Management (Ronald Gill) and the Fire and Rescue Stations from College Park, Berwyn Heights, Montgomery County and District of Columbia. A special thank you went out to the residents who came together to help their fellow neighbors.

Announcements:

Councilmember Kabir announced that there will be a backpack and school supplies give away on Saturday, July 23, 2022, at Al-Huda School, 5301 Edgewood Road, beginning a 12 noon while supplies last.

Amendments And Approval Of The Agenda:

A motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell and seconded by Councilmember Whitney to approve the agenda. Motion passed 6-0-0.

Public Comment On Consent Agenda And Non-Agenda Items:

None

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Esters and seconded by Councilmember Mitchell to approve the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the following items:

22-G-91	Amendment of a contract with Hitachi to install utility poles and cameras along the Trolley Trail – Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services
22-G-105	Consideration of a contract with TVM Productions and Consulting, LLC for audio-visual services during City Council meetings - Bill Gardiner, Assistant City Manager
22-G-106	Approval to provide funding in the amount of \$50,000 to the Rental Assistance Fund of the Greater College Park RISE Zone - Michael Williams, Economic Development Manager
22-G-107	Approval of minutes from the June 21, 2022 Regular Meeting

The motion passed 6-0.

ACTION ITEMS

22-G-108 Discussion of application for a Beer, Wine and Liquor BLX License by Rajneesh Nagpal and Rishi Malhotra for M&T Restaurant, LLC, t/a Dog Haus Biergarten College Park, and Property Use Agreement with the City. To support of the application subject to entering into a Property Use Agreement in substantially the form attached, to be signed by the City Manager, or not to support the application. City staff to be authorized to present the City’s position at the Board of License Commissioner’s hearing.

Suellen Ferguson, City Attorney, stated that the applicant has agreed to the Property Use Agreement (PUA). Additional signage restrictions were added to the PUA since this business will be located in the City Hall building. The PUA is consistent with the One College Park Amended and Restated Declaration of Condominium.

Linda Carter, applicant’s attorney, stated that an application of a Beer, Wine and Liquor Class B (BLX) License has been filed with the Prince George’s County Board of Liquor License. The hearing will be held on July 26, 2022, and the applicants have agreed to the Property Use Agreement. The restaurant will offer lunch and dinner and may in the future include breakfast. The Alcoholic beverage to food sales ratio is 50%/50% due to the alcohol prices will be on the high end which will balance the sales of alcohol to food. Ms. Carter also stated that there will not be live entertainment at the establishment.

Councilmember Kennedy stated that she will have to abstain on voting due to her day job and the connection with “No Kid Hungry”.

Councilmember Whitney requested a wordage change in the PUA on page 5 to clarify live entertainment.

A motion was made by Councilmember Adams and seconded by Councilmember Whitney to support the application for a Beer, Wine and Liquor Class B (BLX) License by Rajneesh Nagpal and Rishi Malhotra for M&T Restaurant, LLC, t/a Dog Haus Biergarten College Park subject to entering into a Property Use Agreement in substantially the form attached, to be signed by the City Manager, with City staff to be authorized to present the City’s position at the Board of License Commissioner’s hearing

The motion passed 5-0-1. Councilmember Kennedy abstained

22-O-07 Introduction of Ordinance 22-O-07, An Ordinance to amend Chapter 148, Peace and Good Order, to provide rules and regulations for City parks and playgrounds

Bob Ryan, Director of Public services reviewed the staff report.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kabir and seconded by Councilmember Esters to introduce Ordinance 22-O-07, an Ordinance amending Chapter 148, Peace and Good Order. Public Hearing Scheduled for: Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.

The motion passed: 6-0.

22-G-109 Agenda items for the August 4, 2022, Four Cities Meeting

1. Improvement to infrastructures of Pepco, Verizon, and Comcast
2. FBI location discussion

General Comments From The Audience

None

ADJOURN: Esters/Adams, 8:01 p.m., passed 6-0.

Yvette Allen
Assistant City Clerk

Date
Approved