

The City Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, September 27, 2021. The meeting was scheduled for its regular time of 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at 305 Gay Street in Cambridge.

The Mayor opened the regular meeting at 6:08 p.m. Those present in person or virtually were Mayor Bradshaw, Commissioner Brian Roche, Commissioner Lajan Cephas, Commissioner Jameson Harrington, Commissioner Sputty Cephas, Commissioner Chad Malkus, (via WebEx) City Assistant Attorney Matthew Meehew, Assistant Attorney Patrick Thomas (also at different times) City Police Chief Mark Lewis, Chief Adam Pritchett, and Acting City Manager David Deutsch. Citizens were able to observe the meeting by going on-line to TownHallStreams.com. Citizens were invited to call in their public comments by calling the mayor during the meeting at 410-228-5808. Citizens were also able to participate in the meeting by logging into the meeting by calling 408-418-9388 and entering the meeting number and password: Meeting Number 132 958 6308; Password 5808.

Commission President Cephas led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Yvette Robinson was introduced at the meeting. She was just hired as the new Housing Specialist. Ms. Robinson has worked for the city in the past.

The Agenda was approved by 5-0 vote as presented.

Agenda

1. Council to approve or amend agenda as presented.

Presentations from the Public

None

September 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes were approved as presented. On a motion by Commissioner Malkus and a second by Commissioner Harrington, the consent calendar was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Consent Calendar

2. September 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes were approved as presented.
3. Trick-or-Treat hours for October 31, 2021
 - 3a. Bill Christopher is requesting to have the 2021 MD Stem Program,

October 8, 2021 from 2pm-5pm at Cannery Way.
3b. MOA-618 Wells Street MHT

Ordinances for First Reading

None

Ordinances for Second Reading

4. **ORDINANCE 1188 – Proposed by the City Planning Commission**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE, MARYLAND AMENDING § 4.4.4 AND TABLE 2 – PERMITTED USES BY ZONING SUBDISTRICT IN THE DOWNTOWN/WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT OF THE CITY’S UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE TO ALLOW STORAGE BUILDINGS AS A PERMITTED USE WITH CONDITIONS IN ALL DOWNTOWN/WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ZONING SUBDISTRICTS AND AMENDING § 9.2 OF THE UDC TO DEFINE TERMS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH; PROVIDING THAT THE TITLE OF THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE DEEMED A FAIR SUMMARY AND GENERALLY RELATING TO STORAGE IN THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

- A. Public Hearing
- B. Commission decides to Adopt

No public comment. The Ordinance was approved unanimously.

5. **ORDINANCE 1189 – Proposed by the City Planning Commission**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE, MARYLAND AMENDING § 4.2.3(D) AND TABLE 1: PERMITTED USES BY ZONING DISTRICT OF THE CITY’S UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE (“UDC”) TO PROVIDE THAT MEDICAL CANNABIS PROCESSING FACILITIES FOR CONSUMER PACKAGE GOODS IS A PERMITTED USE WITH CONDITIONS IN THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING THAT THE TITLE OF THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE DEEMED A FAIR SUMMARY AND GENERALLY RELATING TO ZONING IN THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

- A. Public Hearing
- B. Commission decides to Adopt

No public comment. The Ordinance was approved unanimously. On a motion by Commissioner Harrington and a second by Commissioner Malkus.

Old Business

6. 2021 0803 Hyatt MDP Findings and Recommendations

Multi-family residences on the Hyatt property. Multi-family residences on the Hyatt property. The Fairchild brothers were there to explain in detail about the project. This will be a win for the Hyatt and for Cambridge economically. During the public comment a resident stated that the project was a great idea and that one pod had already been started. Commissioner Malkus said that the architectural review committee should contain a property owner of the Hyatt area.

7. CDBG Grant – Mace’s Lane

Carol Richardson, the Economic Development Director provided an update on the project. There have been two (2) Community Block Grants obtained for the project. The old Mace’s Lane high school building will house a community center for a Boys and Girls Club. The building will provide cultural history to our community and our children.

During the public comment, two citizens who attended Mace’s Lane stated that they were very supportive of the project and its importance to local history. It will also give families another place to go besides the YMCA. A motion from Commission President Lajan Cephas and a second by Commissioner Spuddy Cephas to approve the CDBG Grant.

New Business

8. Award of Contract for Phase I of Cannery Park

The contract was awarded David A Bramble, the low bidder. On a motion by Commission President Lajan Cephas and second by Commissioner Spuddy Cephas, Council approved the award unanimously.

Meetings

The City of Cambridge Board of Appeals public meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 6:00 pm at Council Chambers 305 Gay Street Cambridge, Maryland.

The City of Cambridge Planning and Zoning Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 6:00 pm at Council Chambers 305 Gay Street Cambridge, Maryland.

The City of Cambridge Commission will meet in a Work Session on Rental Registration Tiered System, October 18, 2021, Commission Chambers at 6pm.

Public Comment

Comment regarding getting children reading at their grade level. There are several organizations that have a campaign going to help support grade level reading.

Comment about a political flag with profanity on a property on Stone Boundary Road.

Comment regarding trash pick from Chesapeake Waste, the caller stated that there was not trash pick-up the third week in August on Bayley Avenue. The caller stated that when the truck did come, the trash was littered on the street and lawns.

The City Council stated that they are looking for a solution to the trash pick-up. The Council stated that they are looking into returning to trash collection by City employees.

Department or Division Head Comments

Commissioner's Comments

Mayor's Comments

The mayor asked that if there's any issues the public would like the Council to address, please bring them forward.

Adjourn

A motion by Commissioner Spuddy Cephas to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Commissioner Harrington and approved unanimously.

With no further business, Mayor Andrew Bradshaw adjourned the meeting at 7:33p.m. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate account of the Council meeting Monday, September 27, 2021, insofar as I personally am aware.

Andrew Bradshaw
Mayor

The City Commission will convene in a Work Session immediately following the regular meeting to discuss the process for recruiting the City Manager.