



**Monday, April 17, 2023
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MEETING NO. 12-23
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND**

Approved *Bridget Donnell Newton*
Attest: *Sara Taylor-Ferrell*
Approved Meeting No. 21-23
July 17, 2023

THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL PRESIDING

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Bridget Donnell Newton	Mayor	Present
Monique Ashton	Councilmember	Present
Beryl L. Feinberg	Councilmember	Present
David Myles	Councilmember	Present
Mark Pierzchala	Councilmember	Present

1. Convene

The Mayor and Council convened in a hybrid Open Meeting Session at 7:02 p.m. on Monday, April 17, 2023, in the Mayor and Council Chambers, City Hall, 111 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland, and via WebEx.

Staff Present: City Manager Robert DiSpirito, Rockville City Attorney Robert E. Dawson, and City Clerk/Director of Council Operations Sara Taylor-Ferrell.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Bridget Donnell Newton welcomed Cub Scout Pack #928 to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Review

City Clerk/Director of Council Operations Sara Taylor-Ferrell reported no changes to the agenda.

4. Proclamation

A. Proclamation Declaring April 17-18, 2023, as Yom HaShoah

Councilmember Beryl L. Feinberg read and moved the proclamation declaring April 17-18, 2023, as Yom HaShoah.

	RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Beryl L. Feinberg, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Monique Ashton, Councilmember
IN FAVOR:	Mayor Newton, Councilmember Ashton, Councilmember Feinberg, Councilmember Myles, Councilmember Pierzchala

B. Proclamation Declaring April 23, 2023, as the 32nd Annual Rockville Science Day

Councilmember Monique Ashton read and moved the proclamation declaring April 23, 2023, as the 32nd Annual Rockville Science Day. The Proclamation was accepted by Mr. Howard Lichtman, Director of the Rockville Science Center.

	RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Monique Ashton, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Mark Pierzchala, Councilmember
IN FAVOR:	Mayor Newton, Councilmember Ashton, Councilmember Feinberg, Councilmember Myles, Councilmember Pierzchala

C. Proclamation Declaring April 2023, as Parkinson's Awareness Month

Mayor Bridget Donnell Newton read the proclamation declaring April 2023, as Parkinson's Awareness Month. Councilmember Beryl L. Feinberg moved the proclamation.

	RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Beryl L. Feinberg, Councilmember
SECONDER:	David Myles, Councilmember
IN FAVOR:	Mayor Newton, Councilmember Ashton, Councilmember Feinberg, Councilmember Myles, Councilmember Pierzchala

5. FY 2024 Budget Public Hearing

Department of Finance Management and Budget Analyst, Daniel Chambers provided a brief introduction to the FY2024 budget Public Hearing.

The Public Hearing opened, and the following speakers testified.

In-Person Public Hearing Speakers and Written Comments

Speaker Agnes Saenz, Executive Director
Speaker Ann Hamlin, Housing Manager
Speaker Cecilia Rojas, Director Language Outreach Program
Speaker Odeth Berlin, Director Rockville Emergency Assistance Program
Speaker Will Mohan, Manager Senior Reach Program
Speaker Bart Yablonsky, Owner Dawson's Market
Speaker Susie Sinclair-Smith, CEO Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless
Speaker Karen Askin, Chair Chair, Cultural Arts Commission
Speaker Clark Reed, Chair Rockville Environment Commission
Speaker Marissa Valeri Chair, Rockville Pedestrian Advocacy Committee

Speaker Nancy Breen Chair, Rockville Bicycle Advisory Committee
Speaker Robert Eckman
Speaker Paul Scott
Speaker Judith Clark
Speaker Izola Shaw
Speaker Nancy Piccard
Written Comments Jake Rose
Video Comments Wayne Breslyn
Written Comments Bill Nickel
Written Comments Josephine Cox
Written Comments Basem Al-Rifai
Written Comments Caryl McNeilly
Written Comments Dr. Robert Williamson

Written Comments Sarah Salazar
Written Comments Chuck Woolery
Written Comments Olivia Bobrowsky

Questions from the Mayor and Council were addressed by staff. The Mayor and Council provided their thoughts, comments, and requests to staff.

The complete testimony of this evening’s speakers can be found in the official Public Hearing records in the City Clerk Director of Council Operations offices. There being no further speakers testifying, the Public Hearing closed at 8:24 pm. The record will remain open until April 24, 2023, close of business.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

April 17, 2023, Agenda item 5.
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THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WENT INTO A BRIEF RECESS AT 8:25 P.M. THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL RECONVENED AT 8:33 P.M.

6. FY 2024 Budget Worksession

City of Rockville Deputy Director of Finance, Kimberly Francisco, provided Mayor and Council with a review of the FY2024 Proposed Operating Budget and Capital Improvements Program.

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Council review the FY 2024 Proposed Operating Budget and Capital Improvements Program and provide direction on the forecast options presented.

Questions from the Mayor and Council were addressed by staff. The Mayor and Council provided their thoughts and comments.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WENT INTO A BRIEF RECESS AT 10:44 P.M. THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL RECONVENED AT 10:54 P.M.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

April 17, 2023, Agenda item 6.

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7. Future Agendas - Reference

A. Future Agendas

The Mayor and Council reviewed Future Agendas.

Questions from the Mayor and Council were addressed by staff. The Mayor and Council provided their thoughts and comments.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

April 17, 2023, Agenda item 7.

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8. Old/New Business

There was no Old/New Business discussed during this meeting.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

	RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Beryl L. Feinberg, Councilmember
SECONDER:	David Myles, Councilmember
IN FAVOR:	Mayor Newton, Councilmember Ashton, Councilmember Feinberg, Councilmember Myles, Councilmember Pierzchala