



# Town of Capitol Heights

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**TOWN COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
October 18, 2021  
7:00 PM**

<b>Meeting Purpose:</b> Mayor and Town Council Work Session		
<b>Date:</b> 10/18/2021	<b>Time:</b> 7:00 PM	<b>Room:</b> Teleconference
<b>Chair:</b> Renita A. Cason, Mayor Pro Tem		<b>Scribe:</b> Town Clerk – Robin Bailey-Walls
<b>Call-in Number:</b> (301) 715-8592 Meeting ID: 960 1200 3975		<b>Password:</b> 487704

*P= present; E = Excused Absence T = present via teleconference; A= absence (not excused) R= Resident G = Guest*

Chair/Voting Members:			
<b>T</b>	Mayor Pro Tempore – Renita A. Cason		Town Administrator – Beverly Habada <b>T</b>
<b>T</b>	Council Member Rhonda A. Akers		Town Clerk – Robin Bailey-Walls <b>T</b>
<b>T</b>	Council Member Caroline Brown		Director of NSD – Charles Simpson <b>T</b>
<b>T</b>	Council Member LaTonya Chew		Chief of Police – Mark Cummings <b>T</b>
<b>A</b>	Council Member Faith T. Ford		Town Attorney Best <b>T</b>
<b>T</b>	Council Member Elaine Williams		
Guests/ Residents			
<b>R</b>	James Brown		Melissa <b>R</b>
<b>R</b>	Netina Finley		Former Council Member Linda Monroe <b>R</b>
<b>R</b>	Jean Johnson		Elliott Reed <b>R</b>

- I. **Call to Order:** Mayor Pro Tem – Renita A. Cason
- II. **Roll Call:** Robin Bailey-Walls, Town Clerk; CM Ford is absent due to a family event
- III. **Approval of the Agenda – Council**  
**CM Williams Motioned approve the agenda; Seconded by CM Chew; No objections**  
**CM Cason** - Mentioned items automatically go to Public Session after the Works Session review; CM Brown disagreed; Town Clerk stated the has in the past, Council decided whether items move forward.  
**CM Williams** -These procedures need to be in writing  
**CM Cason** – A straw poll vote simply is to test the waters. I will review the previous recordings to see how these things were voted on.  
**CM Akers** – There was a discussion to see if it moved forward.
- IV. **Resolution 2022-03 - A Resolution for disposal of surplus (dead-lined) Police, Public Works, and PSA Vehicles-** for discussion and direction to Staff –TA Habada/Chief Cummings  
**Motioned by CM Akers to accept Resolution 2022-03; Seconded by CM Williams; No objections**
- v. **FY 2022 Budget Review – Briefing on Status of Presenting FY22 Budget Amendment#1 for Review by Council** – the Budget Amendment may be completed by Friday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> – TA Habada
  - TA Habada needs to identify and address what’s missing



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- CM Akers inquired about the PEG Funds and is it connected to Verizon? Also is there no red-light camera in Town?
- Chief Cummings – There are no red-light cameras and therefore there should no revenue there. Senator Benson is on tasks with us to possibly support MDOT.
  - We don't have a red-light camera; We have a speed camera on Chambers Avenue
- Council requested that Bev send them the spreadsheets on the vacant lots
- CM Brown – The PEG funds were utilized incorrectly.
  - Requested legacy 2017 and 2018 grant information
  - Is the Call-A-Bus fee
- CM Williams – Item 44400 on sponsorship/marketing; We need work on sponsorship and marketing; Start to address Capitol Heights Day again
- CM Chew- What about NSD
- TA Habada – Wait for the expenditures
- CM Williams – I'm impressed with your report; Highway funds have been increased.

**VI. Curative - Resolution 2022-02 A Resolution Approving and Ratifying the Appointment of The Town Administrator and the Written Contract for the Town Administrator - CMs Akers, Brown, Chew and CM Williams**

**CM Chew and CM Brown**– The language is misleading; it needs to be corrected and come back to the Work Session in November.

**VII. Action Item Tracker Review – Council**

**CM Cason** – Items 42 and 356 are two separate MOUs.

**VIII. Council Announcements – Council**

**CM Williams** -Listening Tour – November 6<sup>th</sup>; Cooperative; discussion about a food truck upcoming

**CM Chew** – Gateway needs assistance; Will there be COVID shields given to passengers on the Call-A-Bus? Will they be seated every other seat?

**TA Habada** – Will need discuss the details on the bus.

**CM Brown** – The Calendar will be posted; Classes include the history of the Town, a Book Club, Voice Over Classes, Short Hand classes, Estate and Will Planning, Two Bullying Classes; Health; Walk Ability and Weight loss; Neighborhood appreciation; An Awards Ceremony will be on the website on Thursday.

**CM Akers** – Reminder that on 10/20 the Domestic Violence presentation

**Monica Johnson** – I didn't receive any flyers for the upcoming events

**CM Akers** – I will deliver mine.

**Monica Johnson** – Can you send it via email?

**CM Akers** – Yes, I will.

**CB Brown** – What's the Lyndon Hills School status; The basketball hoops aren't there in London Woods

**IX. Adjournment – CM Akers Motioned to go in to Closed Session; Seconded by CM Brown; Objection**

**voiced by CM Williams; Executive Session for legal Matters; Council needs to be appraised on the**

**Argos Development; CM Akers and CM Brown concur with CM Williams; Meeting adjourned to go in to Closed Session at 9:20 PM.**