



December

City of Seat Pleasant Newsletter

**PLEASE JOIN
COUNCILMEMBER SCOTT
AS SHE HOSTS A
VIRTUAL WARD III MEETING**

WHEN: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2021
TIME: 10:00AM-11:00AM

To join the zoom meeting, enter the meeting id and passcode below:

Meeting ID: 881 7087 3248
Passcode: 231075

If you are dialing in please call 301-715-8592 and enter the meeting id and passcode listed above

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE
CONTACT COUNCILMEMBER SCOTT DIRECTLY
AT 240-614-3437**



The City of Seat Pleasant and Vice Mayor McCarthy presents:

LIGHT UP YOUR HOLIDAY

6th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LIGHT CONTEST

December 23, 2021, 7PM-9PM



**1ST PRIZE \$100
2ND PRIZE \$50
3RD PRIZE \$25**

Please submit a contest form online at www.seatpleasantmd.gov



Please join Councilmember Higgs as she hosts her first Ward I Meeting of 2022

When: Wednesday, January 5, 2022
Where: Seat Pleasant Activity Center
5720 Addison Road Seat Pleasant, MD
Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Light refreshments will be served.

Please contact Councilmember Higgs directly at 240-614-3415 to RSVP as space is limited due to COVID-19 restrictions.

****MASKS ARE REQUIRED****



Protect Your Family for the Holidays

At New COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

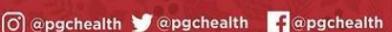


Residents 5-11 YEARS of age are now eligible!

Clinics will be hosted FIVE days a week at various PGCPS schools during afterschool hours.

ALL VACCINE BRANDS AVAILABLE*
(*Pfizer is only brand authorized for ages 5 and up.) Those under 18 must get consent from a parent or legal guardian. Please complete consent forms and bring them with you.

APPOINTMENTS ENCOURAGED
Registration, consent forms and clinic schedules can be found at: mypgc.us/COVIDvaccine.


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**City Council Monthly Meeting & Legislation Action
Office of the City Clerk**

November 2021

Legislation:

- Ordinance O-22-03 Amendment of Chapter 68-Commercial Business District 2nd Reading **Approved 6-0-0**
- Ordinance O-22-04 Amendment of Chapter 114-Nuisance 2nd Reading **Approved 6-0-0**
- Ordinance O-22-05 Amendment of Chapter 129-Solid Waste 2nd Reading **Approved 6-0-0**
- Ordinance O-22-06 Amendment of Chapter 150-Vehicles and Traffic 2nd Reading **Approved 6-0-0**
- Resolution R-22-05 Declaration of Municipal Government Works Month **Approved 6-0-0**
- Resolution R-22-06 Appointment of a New City Manager (Chief Operating Officer) and termination of Interim City Manager (Chief Operating Officer). **Approved 6-0-0**
- Resolution R-22-07 Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding for the Redevelopment of Gateway Property in the City. **Motion Failed**

Meeting Minutes:

The City Council approved the November 2021 Meeting Minutes on Monday, November 8, 2021:

- **Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 4, 2021 Approved 6-0-0**
- **Regular Work Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 4, 2021, Approved 6-0-0**
- **Special Session Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, October 5, 2021, Approved 6-0-0**
- **Closed Session Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, October 5, 2021, Approved 6-0-0**
- **Special Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 11, 2021, Approved 6-0-0**
- **Public Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 11, 2021, Approved 6-0-0**
- **Special Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 11, 2021, Approved 6-0-0**

The Council meetings for December will be as follows:

Regular Work Session, Monday, December 6, 2021, at 6:00p.m. via Zoom Webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_P28l63ywRz-4A4J1Xw440w

Public Session, Monday, December 13, 2021, at 7:00p.m. via Zoom Webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_BaLi8xnkReKBAseWJghlAg

All meetings are open to the public with comments being taken in the Public Session. During the COVID-19 the City Council meetings will be held via Zoom with citizens being provided access to join the meeting from the city's website. All citizens are required to register for the Zoom meetings.

**Copies of legislation and approved meeting minutes can be found on the City's website
www.seatpleasantmd.gov or by contacting the City Clerk Dashaun N. Lanham, CMC directly by calling City Hall at 301-336-2600.**

**CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT
BOARDS AND COMMISSION**

The City of Seat Pleasant City Council is seeking energetic residents that have a desire to serve their community on the following Boards and Commission. The interested parties shall contact the City Clerk and **complete the application by Friday, December 31, 2021**

City Council Monthly Meeting & Legislation Action
Office of the City Clerk (continued)

Ethics Commission and Personnel Appeals Board

The City of Seat Pleasant Ethics Commission and Personnel Appeals Board consists of five members each who will be appointed by the Seat Pleasant City Council.

Please contact the **office of the City Clerk** by e-mail at dlanham@seatpleasantmd.gov to obtain an application.

SEAT PLEASANT VOTER REGISTRATION UPDATE

The Board of Supervisors of Election would like to update the Voter Registration List for the City of Seat Pleasant. The Board is requesting that **ALL** residents of the city assist them in this process by taking the following steps:

- 1) If you have a family member that is **DECEASED**, please send a letter to the Board of Election informing them of this information. You will need to identify yourself in the letter. The letter should state the name of the person that is deceased that maybe listed as an active voter.
- 2) If you reside in a property and you continue to receive mail for the previous resident, please return the mail to the post office. Addressed as the "**WRONG ADDRESS**"
- 3) If a person has relocated permanently, please encourage them to update their Voter Registration.
- 4) If you noticed **NEW** residents, please send them to City Hall to complete a Voter Registration Card to change their Voter information.

Please mail your letter to:

Prince George's County Board of Election
1100 Mercantile Ln
Suite 115A
Largo, MD 20774

If you would like to verify if your family members are still listed on the City's Voter Registration list, please feel free to contact the City Clerk for verification purposes.



Seat Pleasant Police Department Gun Violence Prevention Efforts

Since January 2021, the Officers of the Seat Pleasant Police Department have safely recovered approximately 58 illegally possessed firearms. This is the highest number of recovered firearms here in the City of Seat Pleasant. Officers have been working diligently to reduce gun violence in the community.



Police Athletics League (PAL) Reboot

The Seat Pleasant Police Department has revived the Seat Pleasant Police Athletics League (PAL) Program in May of 2021. Since that time, we have registered 25 children for SP-PAL and hosted or co-sponsored several events with numerous events to come. To register for the PAL program, email us at Policeinfo@seatpleasantmd.gov.



Trunk-or-Treat 2021

The Seat Pleasant Police Department sponsored its annual Trunk-or-Treat event on October 31, 2021. The Annual Seat Pleasant Trunk-or-Treat brought out hundreds of individuals to enjoy the festivities. Officers and organizers had the chance to decorate trunks for attendees to enjoy. Trunk-or-Treat events can be a safer alternative to trick-or-treating for children in our community. This is done by creating an environment that limits hazards and provides adequate supervision for youth.



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR WATER AND SEWER BILLS

We've enhanced our financial assistance programs to help even more customers.

Learn more about how you can significantly reduce your WSSC Water bill.

Get started now by calling 301-206-4001

Need help right now?

Our Customer Service Advisors are here to help and ready to work with you to determine a convenient payment option.

Bill adjustments are available to residential customers once every three years under certain circumstances.

Flexible payment options including extended due dates and convenient payment plans. Late fees waived for customers successfully completing their payment plans.

CAP-approved customers may be eligible for a payment plan up to 48 months. Late fees permanently waived for CAP customers.

All other customers may be eligible for a payment plan up to 36 months.

Need help repairing your water service line?

PipeER

Provides a loan to finance the replacement of a residential water service line. Qualified customers are eligible to receive a loan up to \$5,000. PipeER is administered by the WSSC Federal Credit Union.

For more information and to begin your application process, contact the WSSC FCU at 240-459-8022 or visit wsscfcu.org/pipeER.

Need long-term financial assistance?

Your income might make you eligible for one of three programs that can reduce your WSSC Water bills in the future.

The Water Fund allows for multiple requests for assistance with water and sewer bills, up to \$500 per year. The program is administered by The Salvation Army and funded by generous donations from WSSC Water customers, employees and community partners, wsscwater.com/waterfund.

- Montgomery County Salvation Army 301-515-5354
- Prince George's County Salvation Army 301-277-6103

Customer Assistance Program (CAP)

Provides a credit of up to \$112 per year for WSSC Water's fixed fees on water and sewer bills, wsscwater.com/CAP.

Enrollment and qualification by the **Office of Home Energy Programs**, 800-332-6347, dhs.maryland.gov/office-of-home-energy-programs/.

- Montgomery County Dept. of Health and Human Services, 240-777-4450, capohep@montgomerycountymd.gov.
- Prince George's County Dept. of Social Services, 301-909-6300, pgcdss.energy@maryland.gov.

Bay Restoration Fund Exemption

Waives the state-mandated Bay Restoration Fund fee of up to \$60 per year, wsscwater.com/bayexempt.



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We are the proud provider of safe, seamless and satisfying water service



ASISTENCIA PARA PAGAR SU FACTURA DE AGUA Y ALCANTARILLADO

Mejoramos nuestros programas con el fin de brindar asistencia financiera a más usuarios. Conozca más acerca de cómo puede reducir significativamente su factura de WSSC Water.

Comience hoy llamando al 301-206-4001



¿Necesita ayuda ahora?

Nuestros representantes de servicio al cliente están aquí para ayudarle y están listos para trabajar con usted para determinar una opción de pago conveniente.

Los ajustes de facturas están disponibles a clientes residenciales una vez cada tres años bajo ciertas circunstancias.

Opciones de pagos flexibles que incluyen planes de pagos convenientes y la extensión de la fecha de vencimiento de su factura. Los clientes que completen su plan de pago a tiempo, no tendrán que pagar los cobros por pagos atrasados.

Los clientes aprobados para el programa de asistencia al cliente (CAP) pueden ser elegibles para un plan de pago de hasta 48 meses. Los clientes que estén inscritos en el programa CAP no tendrán que pagar los cobros por pagos atrasados permanentemente.



Todos otros clientes pueden ser elegibles para un plan de pago de hasta 36 meses.

¿Necesita ayuda para reparar su línea de servicio de agua?

PipeER es un programa de préstamos de emergencia para reemplazar la tubería principal de agua de una propiedad residencial. Los clientes que califican pueden recibir un préstamo de hasta \$5,000. PipeER es administrado por el WSSC Federal Credit Union.

Para más información o para iniciar su proceso de solicitud, comuníquese con WSSC FCU llamando al 240-459-8022 o visite wsscfcu.org/pipeER.



¿Necesita asistencia a largo plazo?

Sus ingresos podrían hacerlo elegible para uno de tres programas, lo cual pueden reducir sus facturas de WSSC Water en el futuro.

The Water Fund permite múltiples solicitudes de asistencia con las facturas de agua y alcantarillado, hasta \$500 por año. El programa es administrado por The Salvation Army y es financiado por las donaciones generosas de clientes, empleados y socios de la comunidad de WSSC Water, wsscwater.com/waterfund.

- The Salvation Army del condado de Montgomery 301-515-5354
- The Salvation Army del condado de Prince George's 301-277-6103



El programa de asistencia al cliente (CAP)

Proporciona un crédito de hasta \$112 por año en las tarifas fijas de WSSC Water, wsscwater.com/CAP.



La calificación e inscripción es determinada por la Oficina de Programas de Energía para el Hogar

800-332-6347 dhs.maryland.gov/office-of-home-energy-programs/.

- Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos del condado de Montgomery, 240-777-4450, rapohep@montgomerycountymd.gov.
- Departamento de Servicios Sociales del condado de Prince George's, 301-909-6300, pgcdss.energy@maryland.gov.



Programa de Exención del Fondo de Restauración de la Bahía (BRF)

(por sus siglas en inglés) Proporciona un crédito de hasta \$15 por factura, cada tres meses o \$60 por año de la tarifa para el Fondo de Restauración de la Bahía exigida por el estado. wsscwater.com/bayexempt.



Somos el orgulloso proveedor de un servicio de agua seguro, fiable y satisfactorio.



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Prince George's County
Memorial Library System



Register your children who are under the age of five. They will receive a free book in the mail every month until their fifth birthday!

PGCMLS is sponsoring Books From Birth with support from the County Executive. This program is designed to get books into the homes and hands of every young child in Prince George's County.

Please complete the form from the website, www.pgcmls.info/freebooks, to register the eligible children in your household for the Books From Birth program. If you have any questions or need help filling out the application, please contact Books-From-Birth@pgcmls.info via email.

Once you have registered, you should receive an email from our partner, Imagination Library confirming your approval. This email will NOT come from PGCMLS but from Imagination Library.



10 Ways to Stay Safe as You Deck the Halls this Holiday Season

You can follow these 10 simple safety tips as you put up lights and ornaments:

1. Check all holiday light cords to make sure they aren't frayed or broken. Don't string too many strands of lights together—no more than three per extension cord.
2. If you are buying an artificial tree, look for the fire-resistant label. When putting it up, keep it away from fireplaces, radiators and other sources of heat.
3. If getting a live tree, make sure it's fresh and water it to keep it fresh. Bend the needles up and down to make sure no needles fall off.
4. If using older decorations, check their labels. Some older tinsel is lead-based. If using angel hair, wear gloves to avoid irritation. Avoid breathing in artificial snow.
5. When decorating outside, make sure decorations are for outdoor use and fasten lights securely to your home or trees. If using hooks or nails outside, make sure they are insulated to avoid an electrocution or fire hazard.
6. If using a ladder, be extra careful. Make sure to have good, stable placement and wear shoes that allow for good traction.
7. Don't use electric lights on metallic trees.
8. Don't forget to turn off all holiday lights when going to bed or leaving the house.
9. Keep children, pets and decorations away from candles.
10. If hanging stockings on the fireplace mantel, don't light the fireplace.



ARE YOU A SEAT PLEASANT RESIDENT AND NEED RENTAL, MORTGAGE, EVICTION OR UTILITY ASSISTANCE?!

Through the American Rescue Plan Act, Seat Pleasant was awarded funds to assist residents that have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are in need of financial assistance to help pay for your rent, mortgage, eviction or utility payments, please email us at SP-ARP@SEATPLEASANTMD.GOV to see if you qualify for this great opportunity. Please include your name, phone number and address in your email.

BULK TRASH COLLECTION

BULK TRASH IS COLLECTED ON WEDNESDAYS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.

Acceptable bulk trash includes, but not limited to:

- Plastic-covered mattresses
- Sofas
- Chairs
- Tables
- Cabinets, etc.
- Appliances
- Lawn furniture
- Barbecue grills (do not include propane tanks)
- Toys
- Lawnmowers, and other power equipment (oil and gas must be drained)
- Rolled up carpet & padding

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, CAR PARTS, LOGS & TIRES.

WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES



(Times are approximate*)
Use the website to make BULK TRASH REQUESTS

Monday
Trash Collection
6:00AM - 4:00PM

Tuesday
Curbside Recycling
6:00AM - 4:00PM

Wednesday
Yard Waste
Bulk Trash (By Appointment Only)
6:00AM - 3:00PM

Thursday
Trash Collection
6:00AM - 4:00PM

WWW.SEATPLEASANTMD.GOV

City Hall: (301) 336-2600

WASTE MANAGEMENT REMINDER

When Waste Management Services land on a holiday or the city has succumbed to inclement weather, services will be provided the next scheduled day for service.

For example: Thanksgiving landed on a Thursday this year, Trash Collection was not picked up on Thursday, but instead was picked up the following scheduled day of service, Monday.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Yard Waste collection (small tree limbs, grass clippings, and leaves) is on Wednesdays. No appointment needed, just place yard waste on the curb. It is a county regulation that leaves and yard waste be placed in brown paper bags, or in non-City issued empty trash receptacles and twigs can be bound together. **Yard Waste placed in plastic bags are not allowed at the County landfill.** Bags can be found in most home improvement stores and are commonly labeled as "yard and leaf bags."

Random Act of KINDNESS

"A service project doesn't have to be a formal event organized through an established nonprofit. It's just about helping. If you have an elderly neighbor, cut their grass, rake their leaves, or shovel their driveway for them. Bring cookies and thank-cards to your volunteer fireman, police, or City staff. Make care kits for the homeless that include a bottle of water, a granola bar, and a \$5 gift card to a local pharmacy. Offer to pay for a person's groceries or fast-food meal. These are just a few suggestions, Happy Holidays!" ~ Councilmember Kizzie Scott.

REMINDER: CAMERA CITATION INFORMATION

After a red-light camera photograph is taken, the vehicle's registered owner will receive a citation in the mail. The citation will state when and where the violation occurred. It will include a photo of the vehicle in the intersection, a close-up of the driver, and the vehicle's license plate.

Citation Payment Center

9418 Annapolis Road
Suite 104
Lanham, Maryland

Hours of Operation

Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM
Closed during lunch hour:
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Customer Service & Phone Payments

(866) 979-4824

Online Citation Payment

www.onlinecitationpayment.com



The City of Seat Pleasant
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6301 Addison Road,
Seat Pleasant, MD 20743
Phone: (301) 336-2600

Open weekdays 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Email: Engage@seatpleasantmd.gov

GET TO KNOW YOUR MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

1. Acting Mayor Shireka McCarthy
Phone: (240) 713-4852 **Email:** SMcCarthy@seatpleasantmd.gov
2. Councilmember Kelly Porter - At – Large
Phone: (301) 655-1725 **Email:** KPorter@seatpleasantmd.gov
3. Councilmember Monica Higgs – Ward I
Phone: (240) 614-3415 **Email:** MHiggs@seatpleasantmd.gov
4. Councilmember Hope Love – Ward II
Phone: (240) 627-2498 **Email:** HLove@seatpleasantmd.gov
5. Councilmember Kizzie Scott – Ward III
Phone: (240) 614-3437 **Email:** KScott@seatpleasantmd.gov
6. Councilmember Gerald Raynor – Ward IV
Phone: (240) 672-2294 **Email:** GRaynor@seatpleasantmd.gov
7. Councilmember Gloria Sistrunk – Ward V
Phone: (240) 713-4839 **Email:** GSistrunk@seatpleasantmd.gov

SEAT PLEASANT TRIVIA QUESTIONS

Greeting's residents! We'd like to test your knowledge about Seat Pleasant! Do you know:

1. What year was the city incorporated?
2. How many wards are in the city?
3. Do you know who the current elected officials are for Seat Pleasant?
4. Do you know how often the city has its election?

Answers will be posted in next months newsletter.