

CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

STATUS & INFORMATION REPORT NO. 10 FOR 2022



March 11, 2022

To Mayor Keller and Members of the City Council:

UPCOMING MEETINGS

To obtain City Department or City Boards and Commissions meeting information, please visit <https://www.hagerstownmd.org/27/Government>. We encourage you visit our website at <https://www.hagerstownmd.org> for all City-related updates. Other inquiries may be made by visiting the City Resident 311 page at <https://www.hagerstownmd.org/841/Services>.

<h2 style="margin: 0;">MARCH 2022</h2> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: small;">For additional information and a complete list of City events, please visit our Calendar of Events on the City's website at http://www.hagerstownmd.org/calendar.aspx</p>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7am State of the City @ Maryland Theatre 2pm Hagerstown Skate Park Groundbreaking Ceremony @ Fairgrounds Park 4pm Work Session	2			
6	7	8 3:30pm Executive Session 4pm Special Session & Work Session	9 4pm Hagerstown Planning Commission Meeting	10 4pm Board of Traffic & Parking Meeting 4:30pm Hagerstown Historic District Commission Meeting 7pm Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting	11	12
13	14	15 2:30pm Executive Session 4pm Work Session	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 7pm Regular Session	23	24 4:30pm Hagerstown Historic District Commission Meeting	25	26
27	28	29 No Mayor & Council Meeting	30 7pm Hagerstown Planning Commission Meeting	31		

COMMUNICATIONS

This Week's Headlines & Media Releases

- Superintendent Boyd Michael Says Optional Mask Wearing is Going Well
- Convoy Protesting Government Mandates Rolls Into Hagerstown Speedway
- 'Time for America to Unite': Second Truck Convoy Rolls Into Town
- Hagerstown Vigil Lifts Prayers for the People of Ukraine
- Drug Overdoses and Deaths Spike in Washington County in February
- First Black Economic Empowerment Summit to Feature State Delegate
- School Board Amends Draft Budget to Fund Elementary School Counselors
- Truckers Still Using Speedway as Staging Area for Anti-Mandate Message
- Trial Underway for Man Charged in 2019 Hagerstown Slaying
- Press Release: Façade Faceoff
- Water Advisory: Major Water Main Break
- Water Advisory Update: Major Water Main Break
- Traffic Advisory: Jonathan Street March 7
- Traffic Advisory: St. Patrick's Day Run Fest Event

This Week's Video Projects

- Mayor & Council Work & Special Sessions
- "State of the City" Video Production Work
- Skatepark Groundbreaking footage

Channel 25 Hub City Now Programming

- Mayor & Council Meeting
- "Council WRap"
- PayByPhone Videos
- First Hose Company of Hagerstown Museum Video Series
- "State of the City" Video
- "Council WRap" Promo
- Fit Room :30 Spot
- Hagerstown Greens at Hamilton Run :30 spot
- "Hub-Bub" Video Podcast
- Stormwater Program Informational Video
- MTA Commuter Connection

City Website

- www.hagerstownmd.org attracted 11,116 user visits for the week of March 2-8, 2022.
- The most popular top entrances (the first page users accessed on the website):
 - Home Page 3,524
 - Utility Billing Page 1,510
 - Online Payment Portal Page 845
 - Police Page 316
 - Bids Page 150
 - Water Division Page 140
 - Jobs Page 130
 - Parks & Recreation Page 123
 - Downtown Events Page 102
 - Firefighters Page 91
- Top Searches:
 - "True"
 - "Online payment portal"
 - "Police"
 - "Parks & recreation"
 - "Utility billing"

ENGINEERING

1. **Paving.** Patching of 15 streets and paving of portions of 22 streets start next week along with curb and sidewalk replacements.
2. **Stadium Demolition.** Bids for the Stadium demolition were received this week and the low bid was Adam's Demolition at only \$60,000. We will review with City Council next week.
3. **Hager5 Parking Lot.** We received the appraisal and will meet again with the owners next week to discuss purchase for a new parking deck.
4. **Safety Improvements.** Staff advertised the contract to install rapid flashing beacons on Northern Avenue at Fountaindale Elementary School and three permanent radar speed boards at two intersections on Summit Avenue and one intersection on Maryland Avenue.
5. **Triangle near Park Circle.** The landscape architect is beginning design to sketch some concepts for art that relate to the City's history of innovation.
6. **Engineering Statistics**

Description	Week of 3/7/22	Calendar Year 2022 TOTALS
Traffic complaints received	11	74
Work Orders completed	6	64
Traffic counts completed	2	5
Construction Projects		
Description	Week of 3/7/22	Calendar Year 2022 TOTALS
Construction Projects advertised for bids	1	3
RFP's Advertised	1	5
Projects under construction	10	11
Projects completed	0	1

POLICE DEPARTMENT

STATS

Calls for Service:	1604	Field Interviews:	19
Arrests/Warrants Served:	18	Moving Violations:	65
Domestic Violence Calls:	13	Safety Repair Orders:	5
DUI Arrests:	6	Warnings:	100
Reports Filed:	148		

OTHER NEWS/INFORMATION

Welcome to HPD's New Officers. John Addington and Kyle Larrain recently completed lateral field training and were sworn in as police officers on Thursday, March 10. We welcome them to the team and wish them much success in their careers at the Hagerstown Police Department.

MEDIA RELEASES

- **Missing Child:** The morning of Tuesday, March 8th, officers were waived over at the intersection of West Franklin Street and North Prospect Street. A woman told officers that she had left her two-month-old baby at her apartment in the 200 block of West Franklin Street with a male acquaintance. She stated when she returned, the male was still there but the baby was gone. At this time, we do not know where the child is. Detectives are actively working this investigation and numerous individuals have been interviewed. We would like the public to know that we believe this is an isolated incident and there is no threat to the community. In addition, there are many details of the investigation that are not being released to the public at this time, including any potential persons involved. Anyone that knows where the child is or has information about this case is asked to contact Det. Weaver at sweaver@hagerstownpd.org or crimetip@hagerstownpd.org

Update: On Wednesday, March 9th around 10:53 a.m., Baby Zori was located, safe and sound, in the District of Columbia with the assistance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, units of the Maryland State Police, and the D.C. Metropolitan Police Department as the culmination of a joint investigation with the Hagerstown Police Department. Tianna Mona Dawkins was also taken into custody on an outstanding arrest warrant in the District of Columbia in relation to the investigation. The investigation revealed that Dawkins took the child from his mother's residence in Hagerstown and fled to the District of Columbia where they were both located. Dawkins and the child's mother had been acquainted with one another. We are consulting the State's Attorney's Office on any appropriate charges related to the HPD investigation. The child is currently in custody of Child Protective Services.

HPD would like to send our gratitude to our partnering agencies and especially the HPD detectives that worked around the clock with little to no sleep to ensure this child was found. This investigation is on-going to determine if others were involved and potential charges. Thank you to the public for your support as we worked through this complicated case.

- **CDS Arrest:** On Wednesday, March 9th at approximately 10:50 a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop in the area of North Potomac Street and Randolph Avenue. Gary Watkins, age 39 of Hagerstown, was identified as the driver. During the course of the stop, Watkins assaulted officers and attempted to flee on foot. Incident to arrest, officers located on Watkins suspected crack cocaine and an additional substance which tested positive for fentanyl. Watkins was charged with numerous traffic and controlled dangerous substance charges as well as assault on a Police Officer. He is currently held without bond at the Washington County Detention Center. The arresting officer was treated on scene for injuries to his face, hands and legs.

PUBLIC WORKS

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CHART NO. 1 – GENERAL PARKING SYSTEM DATA

		Current Week	Previous Week
Number of Permit Holders	A & E Deck	198	199
	University District Deck	260	262
Number of Student Permits	Central, Market, Rochester Lots	72	74
Number of Patrons Using Decks	A & E Deck	1,859	1,866
	University District Deck	1,382	1,090
Number of Citations Issued	(Includes Warnings)	309	238
Late Payment Notifications		3	8
Peak Occupancy (%)	A & E Deck	88% Sat @ 6 PM	100% We @ Noon 100% We @ 6PM
Peak Occupancy (%)	University District Deck	45% Wed @ 2 PM	43% We @ 2PM

CHART NO. 2 – A&E PARKING DECK WEEKLY OCCUPANCY

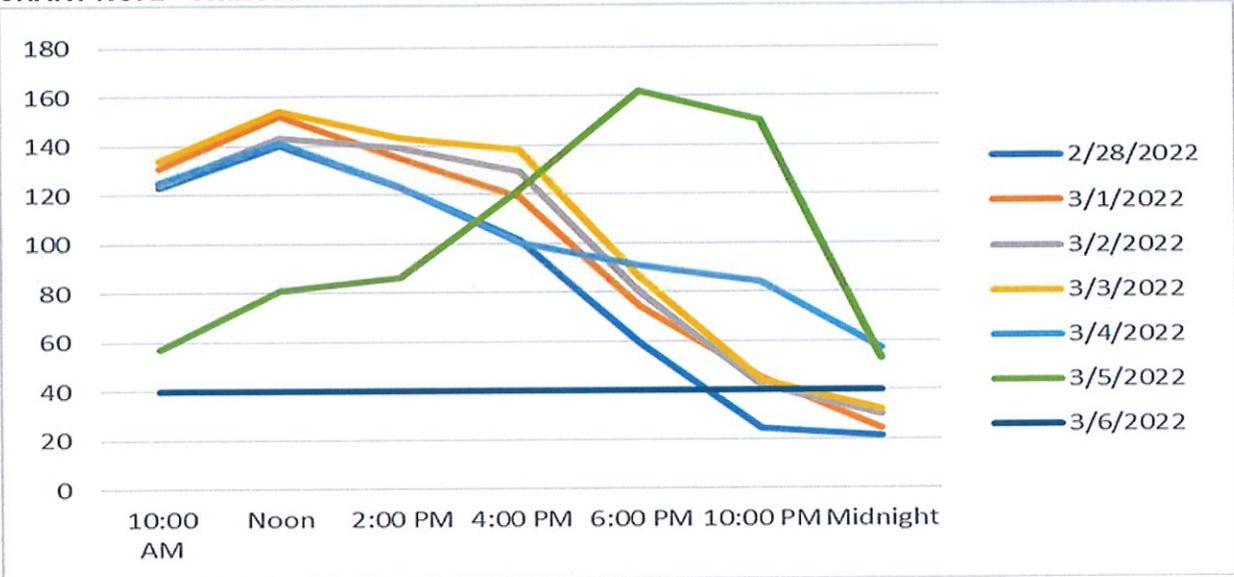
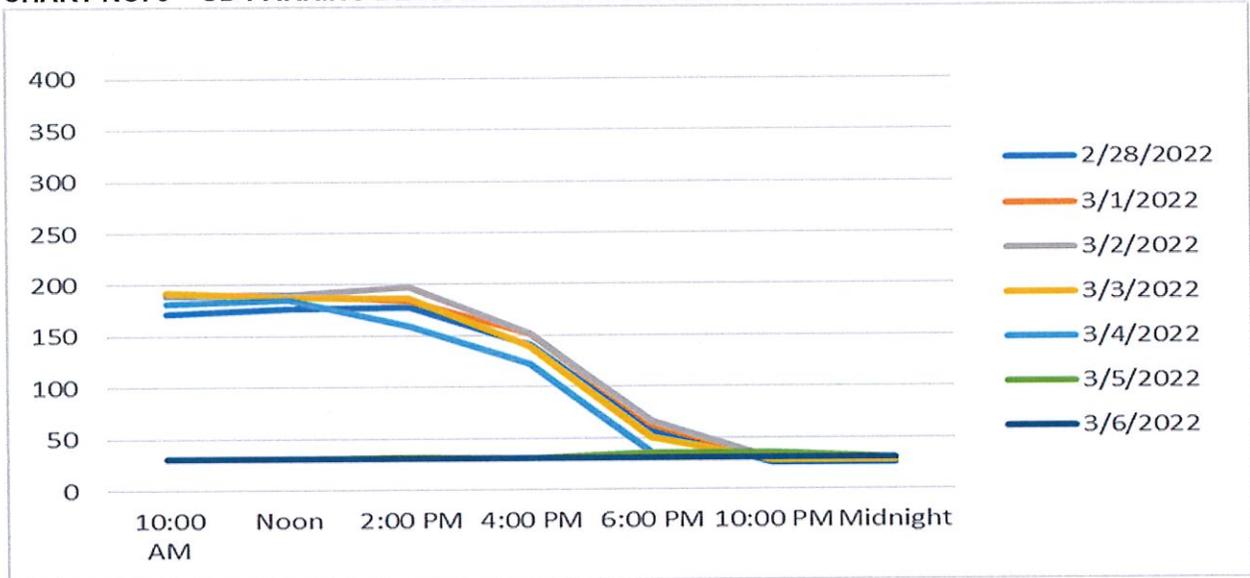


CHART NO. 3 – UD PARKING DECK WEEKLY OCCUPANCY



CENTRAL MAINTENANCE GARAGE REPAIR DATA

	Current Week	Previous Week
DCED	0	0
Engineering	2	0
Fire	1	1
Light	1	2
Parks & Recreation	0	1
Planning & Code	1	1
Police	11	7
Public Works	4	2
Wastewater	7	2
Water	2	7
Human Resources	0	0
Weekly Totals	29	23
Yearly Total	167	138

STREET SWEEPING DATA

Month for 2022	Number of Miles of Streets Swept
January	170
February	486
Total Miles Swept for 2022	656

BULK TRASH COLLECTIONS

Month for 2022	Number of Collections
January	23
February	25
Total Bulk Trash Collections for 2022	48

PROPERTY ABATEMENTS COMPLETED

Month for 2022	Number of Property Abatements
January	6
February	5
Total Abatements by PW for 2022	11

AFTER HOURS CALL BACKS

Thursday, March 3, 2022 @ 5 PM: Dispatch called to report open security gate at 51 W. Memorial Blvd., the Shed. Staff inquired with Water Dept. and was informed personnel is still on site and gate is operating properly.

STREET SWEEPING. Beginning Tuesday, March 8th through March 18th, Public Works will be incorporating additional areas into the permanently posted weekly street sweeping. Newly installed signs and posts will notify residents of the specific time and day for the weekly street sweeping schedule. Weekly street sweeping operations will begin after installations are completed. Affected streets are: South Street, Sycamore Street, North Cannon Avenue, Jefferson Street, Franklin Street and Washington Avenue. In addition to the signs, residents have been notified by social media posts and flyers of this change. Ticketing of non-compliant cars is set to start at the earliest after a two-week grace period and Parking will be working with residents until a reasonable timeframe has passed.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Downtown Events. The annual St. Patrick's Day Race originally scheduled for Saturday, March 12th has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 19th. More info can be found here by visiting: <https://www.hagerstownmd.org/Calendar.aspx?EID=3419>

Fit Room. The Fit Room Report is attached with upcoming classes and rentals in March. A private party rental is scheduled for Saturday, March 12 from 4-9 p.m.

Hub City 100 Miler. T-shirts are being distributed to corporate sponsors this week; regular program participants can pick up their shirts at the golf clubhouse beginning Thursday, March 10th.

Hager House. Staff will be meeting with Ion Design this Friday to go over materials and resources to begin the Visitor Center design project.

Virtual Programs

Dance Fitness	Mondays	6-7 p.m.
Yoga to Relax & Renew	Tuesdays	6-7 p.m.
Strength Training	Thursdays	6-7 p.m.

Golf Course Stats. With the daylight savings time change, Clubhouse hours will be 7:30 a.m. – Dusk beginning Sunday, March 13th.

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

ELECTRIC DIVISION

Service Calls:

- Thur. 3/3/ - 386 North Prospect Street – pole damaged; there were no damages found to HLD facilities. Time Out: 20.6-21.5

- Sat. 3/5 - 1110 Moller Avenue – caller reported a light fixture had blown over however, the light did not belong to HLD. Time Out: 16.1-17.1

- Wed. 3/9 - 1113 Green Lane – house fire; the meter was removed and the service disconnected until needed repairs and inspections are completed. Time Out: 23.5-0.5

Lamps Replaced	New Fixtures Added	Changeouts	Fixtures Removed
10	0	2	0

- Multiple permit reviews and service upgrade requests have been reviewed and/or completed by engineering staff. Staff performed underground locate requests across the system.

- A meeting took place with a local engineering firm to advise on road construction and street lighting challenges along Paul Smith Boulevard.

WASTEWATER DIVISION

Wastewater Treatment Plant at Frederick Street

Date	Flow (mgd)	Rainfall (inches)
Wednesday, March 2, 2022	5.87	0.00
Thursday, March 3, 2022	5.76	0.00
Friday, March 4, 2022	5.63	0.00
Saturday, March 5, 2022	5.41	0.00
Sunday, March 6, 2022	5.43	0.00
Monday, March 7, 2022	5.40	0.06
Tuesday, March 8, 2022	5.67	0.00
Weekly – Avg. Flow / Total Rainfall	5.60	0.06
Mar - Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	5.63	0.06

- Removed motor and fan assembly from chemical scrubber. Took assembly to AR&E for balancing/repair.
- Modified piping and controls to allow for new WAS pump in ASPS building.
- Modified wiring and replaced defective solenoid valve on pressurization tank.
- Replaced photo cells and repaired wiring on bar screen lights.
- Routine MVP Plant Work orders & Corrective Work Orders.

Wastewater Collection

SSES Weekly Progress

Activity	Districts	L. F. main	Feet of lateral	# inspected
CCTV Inspections	#8	841'	n/a	n/a
Flushing	#17	4,933'		

Collection System Maintenance Tasks

- Sewer backup, 817 Forest Drive, problem on the private side.
- Sewer backup, 115 East Washington Street, problem on the private side.
- Grinder pump, 11217 Eastwood Drive, pulled and replaced pump, found issue with the tank, will schedule to replace the entire tank.
- PS #1, cleaned wet wells and pumps.
- PS #10, mailed SCADA box back to IOT for repairs, and repositioned SCADA antennae.
- PS #18, cleaned check valves.
- PS #21, began prepping station for new generator.
- Collected Newgate data.
- General pump shop repair work.
- Cleaned shop, break room, office, restroom.
- Reynolds Avenue, two days of hydro-excavation, replaced 7' of mainline, replaced lateral at 539 Reynolds, and replaced the wye in the main line at 533 Reynolds Avenue.
- Unit #518, to Rausch, lateral head down again.
- Excavated and replaced 9.3' of 8" main in Reach 1005410056.
- Graded ditch around admin parking lot, seeded and spread straw.

Wastewater Division – Customer Call Log Summary 2022							
Type	Blockages	Grinder Pumps	Odor Complaints	Flushing	WW Pump Station	Other	Totals
Weekly	3	3	0	0	0	1	7
YTD 2022	178	106	17	0	0	170	471

Engineering

- Review of Site Development and City Permit Drawings
- Gathering information for service inquiries
- Updating GIS databases completed with water projects
- Ongoing Construction Inspection of ongoing water projects

Lab

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week.
- Collected NWWWS Program samples for CDC-LuminUltra COVID monitoring.
- Completed weekly QC (pH, Cl, Conductivity) on DI water.

WATER DIVISION

Plant Flows - System Demand (MGD)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Willson</u>	<u>Breichner</u>	<u>Total</u>
03/03/22	10.69		10.69
03/04/22	10.42		10.42
03/05/22	10.23		10.23
03/06/22	10.99		10.99
03/07/22	10.57		10.57
03/08/22	10.53		10.53
03/09/22	10.43		10.43
Average			10.55

Water Production at R. C. Willson & Pump Station Distribution

- Staff worked on facility maintenance and routine preventative maintenance.

Water Production at Breichner / Edgemont Reservoir. The Edgemont Reservoir pool elevation is currently at 3.80 feet. Site evaluation continues per the contract with Hazen and Triad. City staff and Hazen and Sawyer continue to work with MDE Dam Safety on the final Dam Evaluation Report, design criteria and project schedule.

Water Distribution

- Crews performed customer service work and new meter installations as needed.
- Crews continued replacement of residential meters throughout the water service area.
- Crews repaired a main break on Pennsylvania Avenue.

Laboratory

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week.
- Bacteriological monitoring for March is in progress.
- Completed Bacteriological Monitoring Report for February.
- Collected composite sample from lagoon discharge.
- Collected distribution line sample (Bacti & Chlorine).
- Completed QC on new lot of HPC Simplate.
- Completed HPC Simplate Proficiency Testing for WS-307.
- Completed final edits on five (5) Water General Method SOPs: Glassware, Sample Collection, and Record-Keeping and their associated QC forms.
- Submitted laboratory certification forms and associated documents to MDE.
- Revision of Laboratory Safety Plan is in progress.

Engineering

	<u>City</u>	<u>County</u>
Site Plans	-	-
Preliminary Plats	-	-
Grading Plan	-	-
Final Plat	-	-
Building Permits	10	6
Development Plan	-	-

- Construction inspection of ongoing projects
- Review of City permit and site plan drawings
- Review of County building permits
- Updating GIS mapping
- Concept design of upcoming capital improvement projects



Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Nicewarner
City Administrator

Fit Room at Fairgrounds Park at Fairgrounds Park

Monthly Calendar For March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga, New Student -- 7523	3 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Zumba -- 7584	4 7p-8:15p Aerial Fitness, Stretch #7533	5 9a-10a Mind & Body: Zumba -- 7566
6 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #7532 2p-3:30p GeoCaching in the Parks, Mar. 6 #7518	7 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga, New Student -- 7523 7:15p-8:30p Belly Dance Technique & Choreography #7470	8	9 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga, New Student -- 7523	10 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Zumba -- 7584	11	12 9a-10a Mind & Body: Zumba -- 7566 4p-9p Birthday Party
13 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #7532	14 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga, New Student -- 7523 7:15p-8:30p Mind & Body: Belly Dance Technique & Choreography -- 7630	15	16 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga, New Student -- 7523	17 4p-4:30p Arts & Entertainment: Princess Ballerina -- 7615 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Zumba -- 7584	18 11a-2p First Aid & Safety: CPR and First Aid -- 7469	19 9a-10a Mind & Body: Zumba -- 7566 10:30a-11:30a Mind & Body: Aerial Fitness, Tricks -- 7557
20 11a-12p Mind & Body: Gymnastics for Kids -- 7596 1p-2:15p Aerial Fitness, Stretch #7576	21 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga, New Student -- 7523 7:15p-8:30p Mind & Body: Belly Dance Technique & Choreography -- 7630	22 12p-4p FedEx Hiring Event	23 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga, New Student -- 7523	24 4p-4:30p Arts & Entertainment: Princess Ballerina -- 7615 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Zumba -- 7584	25 7p-8:15p Aerial Fitness, Stretch #7536	26 9a-10a Mind & Body: Zumba -- 7566
27 11a-12p Mind & Body: Gymnastics for Kids -- 7596 1p-5p Square Dance #7492	28 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga, New Student -- 7523 7:15p-8:30p Mind & Body: Belly Dance Technique & Choreography -- 7630	29	30 5:30p-6:30p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga, New Student -- 7523	31 4p-4:30p Arts & Entertainment: Princess Ballerina -- 7615		