



CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND STATUS & INFORMATION REPORT NO. 14 FOR 2023

April 14, 2023

To 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 to 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>.

<h3 style="margin: 0;">APRIL 2023</h3> <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
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2	3	4 4 pm Work Session	5 4 pm Hagerstown Planning Commission Workshop Meeting	6 4:30 pm Hagerstown Historic District Commission Meeting	7 FREE PARKING A&E Parking Deck & University Parking Deck	8 FREE PARKING A&E Parking Deck & University Parking Deck
9 	10	11 9 am to 3 pm Catherine Pfeilsticker – Deferred Comp Representative 4pm Work Session	12	13 4 pm Board of Traffic & Parking Meeting 7pm Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting	14	15
16	17	18 4 pm Work Session	19	20	21	22
23 <hr style="width: 50%; margin: 0;"/>	24	25 7 pm Regular Session	26 7 pm Hagerstown Planning Commission Meeting	27 4:30 pm Hagerstown Historic District Commission Meeting	28	29
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COMMUNICATIONS

This Week's Headlines & Media Releases:

- Pre-K Investment Pays Off – Schools Say Kindergartners Better Prepared
- Retired CIA Officer Talks to Washington County Cybersecurity Students
- Police: Person Shot on North Cannon Avenue
- Hagerstown Man, 18, Faces Attempted Murder, Gun, Drug Charges
- Good Friday Unity Walk Reflects on Jesus' Crucifixion
- Advance Medical Directive Information Session set for April 11
- Comings & Goings: Horizon Goodwill to Celebrate New Store in Smithsburg
- How Will Legalization of Recreational Marijuana Work in Hagerstown?
- Nearly 700 Acres Added to Preserved Farmland in Washington County
- Maryland General Assembly Adjourns for 2023
- Moore Signs Child Sex Abuse Protections, Higher Minimum Wage into Law
- Hagerstown Man Charged with Murder after Shooting Outside Area Bar
- Press Release: Crime Victims' Rights Awareness Color Splash Walk

This Week's Video Projects

- Mayor & Council Special & Work Sessions
- "Council WRap" Segment
- Script transcription, translation for Spanish version of the "State of the City" Video

Channel 25 Hub City Now Programming:

- Mayor & Council Meeting
- "Council WRap"
- Chamber "State of the City" Event
- Trash Tote Educational/Instructional Video
- Invest Hagerstown Video
- "Building City Park Lake" Video Series
- First Hose Company of Hagerstown Museum Video Series
- "Council WRap" Promo
- Fit Room :30 Spot
- MTA Commuter Connection

City Website:

- www.hagerstownmd.org attracted 9,663 user visits for the week of April 6-12
- The most popular top entrances (the first page users accessed on the website):

1. Home Page	2,364
2. Utility Billing Page	702
3. Online Payment Portal Page	514
4. Police Page	344
5. Parks & Recreation Page	297
6. Community Yard Sale	195
7. Skate Park Page	175
8. Collection-Schedules-Zones Page	173
9. Firefighters Page	157
10. Bids Page	156
- Top searches
 1. "True"
 2. "Online payment portal"
 3. "Utility billing"
 4. "Police"
 5. "How to use Invoice Cloud"

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- NEW banners have been hung throughout downtown thanks to staff at Public Works!
- **Handmade Hagerstown Spring Market is THIS SATURDAY in University Plaza from 10AM-2PM.** The market will feature over 30 artisan vendors, face painting, and kids activities.
- Next weekend is the Downtown Community Clean-Up at 9AM. Sign up [here!](#)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

ENGINEERING

1. **32 North Potomac.** Staff attended a progress meeting for the building renovation. Framing for office spaces on the first floor is progressing, and electrical and data conduits are being routed to the various rooms.
2. **Lowe's Distribution Center Expansion.** Staff met with Lowe's consultant to discuss their plans to nearly double their building size to better serve their operational needs.
3. **Wheaton Park Improvements.** The contractor continues to install water and storm drainage lines in preparation for construction of the misting pad.
4. **Board of Traffic & Parking.** The board met to review potential traffic calming on Oak Hill Avenue. At this point, there is not enough neighborhood support to qualify for improvements as required by the City's Traffic Calming policy. The Board is willing to revisit this issue if there is a change in the residents opinion regarding traffic calming.
5. **Engineering Statistics**

Description	Week of 04/10/23	Calendar Year 2023 TOTALS
Traffic complaints received	5	51
Work Orders completed	5	44
Traffic counts completed	2	8
Construction Projects		
Description	Week of 04/10/23	Calendar Year 2023 TOTALS
Construction Projects advertised for bids	0	3
RFP's Advertised	0	3
Projects under construction	15	--
Projects completed	1	4

FIRE

Total Incidents (City only)	69	Mutual Aid to surrounding FDs	5
• Unit Responses	148	• Halfway FD	2
• Fire/Rescue Responses	46	• Maugansville FD	0
• EMS Responses	23	• Funkstown FD	1
Inspections/System Tests	35	• Longmeadow FD	0
Community Events, Smoke Alarm Installs	4	• Other	2

4/4/23 – Engine 4 responded to the 300 block of West Side Ave for an animal rescue. Crew successfully freed an entangled cat.

4/6/23 – Engine 4 and Truck 4 responded to the intersection of Burhans Blvd and Salem Ave for a vehicle accident with injuries. Crews provided patient care and cleaned up hazards in the roadway.

4/8/23 – HFD units responded to the 400 block of E Franklin St for a gas leak in a residence. Crews found and successfully secured a small leak around an appliance.

4/8/23 – HFD units responded for a brush fire in the unit block of East Ave. Crews found an approximately 30' x 10' area of brush/grass on fire behind the residence. Fire was quickly extinguished with no extension into any structures.

PLANNING & CODE ADMINISTRATION

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service:	1718	Field Interviews:	9
Arrests/Warrants Served:	18	Moving Violations:	23
Domestic Violence Calls:	19	Safety Repair Orders:	2
DUI Arrests:	1	Warnings:	58
Reports Filed:	119		

Media Release:

On April 6, 2023 Officers and Detectives with the Hagerstown Police Department, Washington County Special Response Team and the Federal Bureau of Investigation executed a residential search and seizure warrant in the 300 block of South Cannon Avenue. The search warrant was the result of an investigation of a shooting incident which occurred earlier in the week. As a result of the search warrant, officers recovered an AR15 pistol and an unserialized handgun converted to fire fully automatic. Officers also seized ammunition and magazines for both firearms as well as suspected marijuana drug paraphernalia and money.

Michael Anthony Jones, age 18 of Hagerstown was arrested and charged with a variety of offenses including: Attempted Second Degree Murder (4 Counts); Attempted First Degree Murder (4 Counts); Rapid Fire Trigger Activator Violation; Possession Firearm without Serial Number; Loaded Handgun In Vehicle; Possession of Firearm Minor-Under 21; CDS Possession with Intent to Distribute Cannabis.

MCIN Update:

HPD's MCIN Coordinator has been working with Parole & Probation; Department of Juvenile Services and various community partners and resource providers to offer the following monthly programs:

- Adult Re-Entry Call In – the first Wednesday of each month (11:00 am – 1:00 pm) at Trinity Lutheran Church
- Juvenile and Family Check In – the second Wednesday of each month (5:00 pm – 7:00 pm) at Trinity Lutheran Church
- Second Chances Change Lives – the first “offender friendly” job fair will be held this month and the third Wednesday of each month (11:00 am – 1:00 pm) at Trinity Lutheran Church

The 2nd Annual Crime Victim's Awareness Color Splash Walk at Fairgrounds Park will be held on Friday, April 28th at 3:00 pm. This event is free and open to the public. This is being held to heighten public consciousness about victims of various types of crimes, to acknowledge their rights, and to demonstrate as a community that no victim and no surviving loved one of a victim fights alone. Participants are invited to dress creatively or create a team outfit. There will be winners announced for most creative individual and group. For more information contact Danielle Staley at dstaley@hagerstownpd.org

PUBLIC WORKS

CHART NO. 1 – GENERAL PARKING SYSTEM DATA

		Current Week	Previous Week
Number of Permit Holders	A & E Deck	251	247
	University District Deck	254	255
Number of Student Permits	Central & Rochester Lots	54	48
Number of Patrons Using Decks	A & E Deck	1005	1740
	University District Deck	1212	1458
Number of Citations Issued	(Includes Warnings)	257	270
Late Payment Notifications		10	10
Peak Occupancy (%)	A & E Deck	99% Tu @2PM	100% We@ 10AM We @ Noon
Peak Occupancy (%)	University District Deck	61% Tu @ Noon	59% We @10AM

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

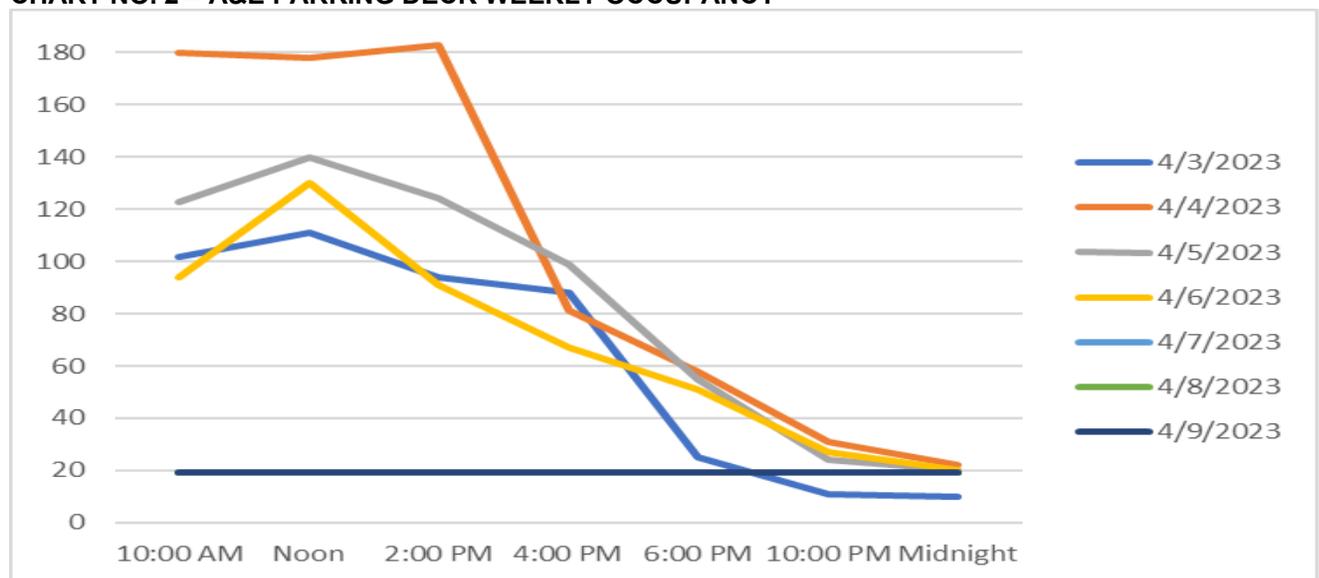
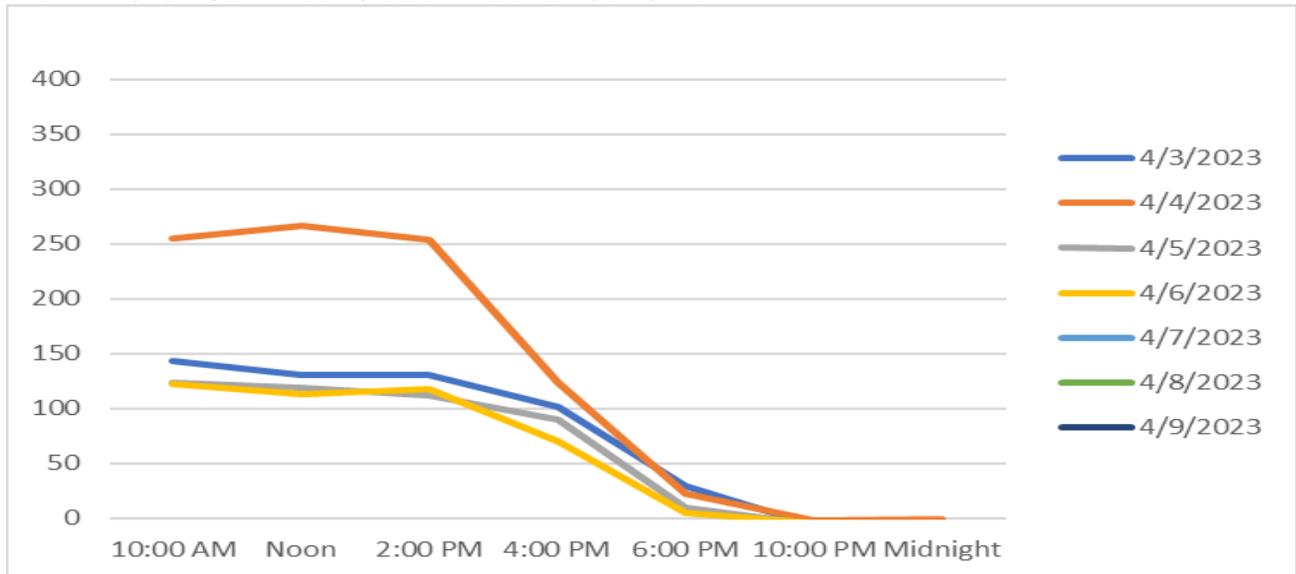


CHART NO. 3 – UD PARKING DECK WEEKLY OCCUPANCY



CENTRAL MAINTENANCE GARAGE REPAIR DATA

	Current Week	Previous Week
DCED	0	0
Planning & Code	0	1
Fire	2	0
Engineering	1	0
Parks & Recreation	0	1
Public Works	1	10
Police	5	2
Water	5	5
Wastewater	0	1
Light	1	1
Human Resources	0	0
Weekly Totals	15	21
Yearly Total	309	294

AFTER HOURS CALL BACKS

Wednesday, April 5, 2023 @ 10:00 PM: Parking deck attendant reported fire alarm going off at the University District parking garage. The elevator was stopped on the second floor with the alarm activated. Issue could not be resolved and elevator was placed out of service. Staff re-set the fire alarm system the next day. The heat sensor in the elevator room overheated due to a malfunctioning thermostat and triggered the fire alarm.

PARKS AND RECREATION

City Events – Month of April

- Handmade Hagerstown, 4/15/2023, University Plaza
- Rock the Run, 4/22/2023, Fairgrounds Park/Streets
- 100 Miler Final Mile Walk, 4/22/2023, City Park Train Hub
- Cleanup for Earth Day, 4/22/2023, Downtown/Meet University Plaza
- Earth Day and Arbor Day, 4/22/2023, Hager House
- Victims’ Rights Awareness Color Splash Walk, 4/28/2023, Fairgrounds Park
- *NEW* – Gordon’s Grocery 100th Year Anniversary Block Party, 4/29/2023, Downtown on Cypress Street

Fit Room

See Fit Room report attached with upcoming classes. A private rental on Saturday, April 15 is scheduled.

NEW classes starting this week include:

- Afro Beats Dance, Fridays, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
- Ballet & Acro – Thursdays, 4:45-5:15 p.m.
- Princess Ballerina – Thursdays, 4:00-4:30 p.m.
- Yoga Nidra – Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Hager House

The Hager House is open for the season, with tours on the hour, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Private tours can be arranged 7 days a week by calling with at least a 48 hour notice.

Outdoor Programs

Beginners and First Timers Skateboard Lessons at the SkatePark, Saturdays 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.

Virtual Classes

- Yoga, Tuesdays, 6-7 p.m.
- Strength Training, Thursdays, 6-7 p.m.
- Dance Fitness, Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.

Golf Course

The 1st annual Master the Greens tournament on April 5 welcomed 34 golfers! Photos enclosed.



UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

ELECTRIC DIVISION

Service Calls:

- Thur. 4/6 - 22 West Side Avenue – partial outage; lineman found no issues were found. Time Out: 18.7-19.7
- Sat. 4/8 - 200 Block, North Cannon Avenue – total outage; a transformer fuse operated. Time Out: 20.7-21.6
- Sun. 4/9 - 413-415 McDowell Avenue – partial outage; line crews made repairs to service conductors. Time Out: 2.7-4.2

Lamps Replaced	New Fixtures Added	Changeouts	Fixtures Removed
7	1	15	0

- Multiple permit reviews, service upgrade and underground locate requests have been reviewed and/or completed.
- Engineering staff submitted a request to the Washington County Public School Board to rights-of-way for the installation of HLD electric utility facilities. This request is comprised of multiple sketches, document of explanations, and the formal right-of-way document.
- Staff continued the substation security surveillance facility installation process.
- Engineering and Admin. Staff advertised, reviewed, and approved bids for electric construction materials.
- Staff reviewed multiple blanket bid responses to HLD advertisements for various services to include: Contract Utility Linework, Transformer Refurbishment, Vegetation Management, and Street Light Refinishing to name a few.

WASTEWATER DIVISION

Wastewater Treatment Plant at Frederick Street

Date	Flow (mgd)	Rainfall (inches)
Wednesday, Apr 05, 2023	5.46	0.00
Thursday, Apr 06, 2023	5.08	0.01
Friday, Apr 07, 2023	4.95	0.00
Saturday, Apr 08, 2023	4.83	0.00
Sunday, Apr 09, 2023	4.77	0.00
Monday, Apr 10, 2023	4.88	0.00
Tuesday, Apr 11, 2023	4.94	0.00
Weekly – Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	4.99	0.01
Apr - Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	5.10	0.02

- Converted light fixtures to LED on filter deck.
- Troubleshooting of gas detection system in methanol building.
- Troubleshooting of wiring and VFD faults on RAS pumps in ASPS building.
- Replaced bearing carrier on #1 grit classifier
- Routine MVP Plant Work orders & Corrective Work Orders.

Wastewater Collection

SSES Weekly Progress

Activity	Districts	L. F. main	Feet of lateral	# Inspected
CCTV Inspections	19	368	69	7
Flushing	35	5052		

Collection System Maintenance Tasks

- Blacktopped 858 Virginia Avenue, 1214 Crescent Drive and 407 Brewer Avenue.
- Mowed at all pump stations and around shop.
- Installed new hose on vacuum truck # 527.
- Worked on communication problems at pump stations 21, 22 and 4 with vendor.
- Collected Newgate numbers.
- Replaced battery in generator at PS #22.
- Placed a new switch at PS #23.
- Flushed District 35.
- Cleaned PS #22.
- Assisted with grinder pumps at 1621 Woodlands Run.
- CCTV'd in District 19.
- Worked on creating thumb drive for gas company.
- CPR training.

Wastewater Division – Customer Call Log Summary 2023							
Type	Blockages	Grinder Pumps	Odor Complaints	Flushing	WW Pump Station	Other	Totals
Weekly	1	3	0	0	0	5	9
YTD 2023	33	17	1	0	0	90	141

Engineering

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

Lab

WASTEWATER

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week.
- Completed weekly QC (pH, Cl, Conductivity) on DI water.
- Collected NWWWS Program samples for CDC-Biobot COVID monitoring.
- Collected WastewaterSCAN Program samples for pathogen monitoring.
- Completed monthly QC Autoclave liquid sterility check.
- Completed training on Chem scan monthly zero checks.
- Completed 2nd Quarter MDL study for Lachat analyses.

Environmental Coordinator & Pretreatment

- Working on Sierra Nevada permit renewal finalizations.
- Attended webinar: "Everything you wanted to know about PFAS but were afraid to ask".
- Prepared document and inspection visits for MDE audit in May.

WATER DIVISION

Plant Flows - System Demand (MGD)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Willson</u>	<u>Breichner</u>	<u>Total</u>
04/06/23	11.20		11.20
04/07/23	10.99		10.99
04/08/23	10.62		10.62
04/09/23	10.54		10.54
04/10/23	11.30		11.30
04/11/23	11.55		11.55
04/12/23	11.66		11.66
		Average:	11.12

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 2.91 ft. 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

- Staff performed customer service work and new meter installations as needed.
- Staff continued replacement of residential meters throughout the water service area.

Laboratory

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week.
- Collected samples for bacteriological monitoring for April.
- Collected composite sample from lagoon discharge.
- Collected annual Synthetic Organic Compounds (SOCs) from R.C.Willson.
- Attended meeting on water system data system updates.
- Conducted water sampler certification practicum at R.C. Willson.
- Collected samples for distribution monitoring – nitrification analysis.
- Received MDE approval for CMDP production data entry for fluoride, nitrate, and microbiological results.
- Attended MWRA course on Emerging Contaminants.

Engineering

	<u>City</u>	<u>County</u>
Site Plans	-	-
Preliminary Plats	-	-
Grading Plan	-	-
Final Plat	1	-
Building Permits	5	15
Development Plan	1	2

- 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 SCHEDULE • FLYERS • PICTURES ON NEXT PAGE

handmade hagerstown SPRING MARKET



FACE PAINTING * KIDS ACTIVITIES * FOOD * ARTISAN VENDORS

Saturday, April 15 | University Plaza | 10am - 2pm

Fit Room at Fairgrounds Park at Fairgrounds Park

Monthly Calendar For April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 9:30a-10:30a Zumba Basic #7890 10:45a-11:15a Zumba Toning #7893 11:30a-12:30p Aerial Tricks #8017 4p-9p Birthday Party
2 7a-11a Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8061 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8043 1p-2p Aerial Stretch #7983	3 4:30p-5:30p Zumba #8069 5:45p-6:45p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga -- 7953 7:15p-8:30p Belly Dance Technique & Choreography #7994	4	5 5:45p-6:45p Mind & Body: Embody Yoga -- 7953	6	7 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8055 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8049 6p-10p Block- Easter Holiday	8 2p-8p Block- Easter Holiday
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Fit Room at Fairgrounds Park at Fairgrounds Park

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