



CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND STATUS & INFORMATION REPORT NO. 8 FOR 2024

To Members of the City Council:

February 23, 2024

FEBRUARY 2024

*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>*

Questions about any of the Downtown Event listed, please email events@downtownhagerstown.org

*Visit Hagerstown Parks & Recreation website and flip through the Fall/Winter 2023 digital Program Guide
<https://www.hagerstownmd.org/145/Parks-Recreation>*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 	3
4	5	6 Mayor & Council Work Session 4 PM	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Mayor & Council Work Session 4 PM	14 	15	16	17
18	19 President's Day City Offices Closed Free Parking Downtown Decks	20 Mayor & Council Work Session 4 PM	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Mayor & Council Regular Session 7 PM	28	29	March 1	March 2

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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>.

Mayor and City Council

- Work Session - Tuesday, February 6 – 4 PM
- Work Session - Tuesday, February 13 – 4 PM
- Work Session - Tuesday, February 20 – 4 PM
- Regular Session - Tuesday, February 27 – 7 PM

Board of Traffic & Parking

- Thursday, February 8 – 4 PM

Board of Zoning Appeals

- Thursday, February 8 – 7 PM

Historic District Commission

- Thursday, February 8 – 4:30 PM
- Thursday, February 22 – 4 PM

Planning Commission

- Wednesday, February 14 – 4 PM
- Wednesday, February 28 – 7 PM

COMMUNICATIONS

This Week's Headlines & Media Releases:

- MD Senate Panel Hears 'End-of-Life Option Act,' with 70+ Witnesses
- Larry Hogan Senate Run Draws Varied Responses from Maryland Lawmakers
- Family of Woman who Died after Rehab Care Sues Local Nursing Home
- Two County Residents on Governor's Appointments List
- Downey Sworn in as Washington County Circuit Judge in Emotional Ceremony
- Hagerstown Cold Case Featured on 'America's Most Wanted'
- Schools, Roads, Parks – Where Will County Capital Funds Go Next Year?
- Love Summer Fun? You'll be Spoiled for Choice Downtown This Year
- Housing in Maryland at 'Inflection Point'. How These Bills May Help
- North High Youths Driven Personally to Raise Funds for Cancer Group
- Stormwater maintenance on Robinwood Drive to Begin Feb. 22 at 7am
- Report: Fentanyl, Meth Drive New Wave of Nation's Addiction Crisis
- Traffic Advisory: W. Baltimore Street
- Traffic Advisory: Westbound W. Baltimore Street
- Trash & Recycling Advisory: Presidents Day

This Week's Video Projects

- Mayor & City Council Work Session
- "Council wRap" Segment
- "State of the City" Video Production

Channel 25 Hub City Now Programming:

- Mayor & Council Meeting
- "Council wRap"
- Water 101 Video
- Black History Month Video
- "Visit Hagerstown" Promo
- Fit Room :30 Promo
- Hagerstown Fire Museum Videos
- "Council wRap" Promo

City Website:

- www.hagerstownmd.org attracted 7,712 user visits for the week of February 15-21
- The most popular top entrances (the first page users accessed on the website):

1. Home Page	2,078
2. Online Payment Portal Page	1,603
3. Utility Billing Page	840
4. Collection Schedules & Zone Maps Page	418

5. Police Page	311
6. Search Page	286
7. Jobs Page	221
8. Bids Postings Page	173
9. Parks & Recreation Page	150
10. Skate Park Page	88

- Top searches

1. City of Hagerstown
2. Hagerstown MD
3. Hagerstown Light Department
4. Hagerstown
5. Hagerstown Police Department

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Staff attended Main Street Maryland 101 Training in Baltimore
- Dining passports for [2024 Taste of Downtown](#) will be ready for pickup next week at several locations throughout Downtown
- St. Patrick's Day Street Festival will take place on Saturday, March 16th. Visit <https://www.mainstreethagerstown.org/stpatricksday-hagerstown> for more details! Run Fest is looking for volunteers. If interested, sign up at bit.ly/SPDRunFestVolunteer24
- [Restaurant Week](#) will take place from March 17 – 23
- The Spring Market slated for Saturday, April 27th is FULL for vendors!

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Staff attended the Washington County Chamber B.A.S.H sponsored by Downtown Baseball at Schindel Rohrer Ballroom and met the new baseball team's mascot, Stryker!

ENGINEERING

1. **Greens at Hamilton Run Stream Restoration** – the contractor continues to construct the new stream channel, and hopes to have that portion of the work completed by March 7th.
2. **Meritus Park Wayfinding** – staff is working on new signage plans to direct people from the University District and A&E parking decks to the new multi-use stadium.
3. **Hub City Garage** – the contractor is setting the final precast concrete panels at the southwest corner of the garage. Other trade contractors are beginning the fit-out of the electrical and plumbing systems.

4. **Engineering Statistics**

Description	Week of 02/19/24	Calendar Year 2024 TOTALS
Traffic complaints received	2	26
Work Orders completed	0	23
Traffic counts completed	0	0
Construction Projects		
Description	Week of 02/19/24	Calendar Year 2024 TOTALS
Construction Projects advertised for bids	0	1
RFP's Advertised	0	2
Projects under construction	16	16
Projects completed	1	1

FIRE

2/14/24 – 2/20/24			
Total Incidents (City only)	47	Mutual Aid to surrounding FDs	4
• Unit Responses	90	• Halfway FD	1
• Fire/Rescue Responses	27	• Maugansville FD	1
• EMS Responses	20	• Funkstown FD	2
Inspections/System Tests	18	• Longmeadow FD	0
Community Events, Smoke Alarm Installs	0	• Other	0

POLICE

Calls for Service:	1908	Field Interviews:	11
Arrests/Warrants Served:	27	Moving Violations:	16
Domestic Violence Calls:	15	Safety Repair Orders:	2
DUI Arrests:	0	Warnings:	68
Reports Filed:	119		

America's Most Wanted: An HPD homicide case was featured on the Monday night episode of America's Most Wanted on Fox. Det. Weaver was flown out to Los Angeles and filmed on set with the show's host John Walsh. Ofc. St. Clair also participated in the segment that was filmed at HPD headquarters in December. Great work to everyone involved in this case.

HPD continues to search for wanted murder suspect Taejon Gill (pictured below) in the case of Sharron Clark. This homicide occurred in 2022 and Gill's whereabouts are currently unknown. If you know where Gill is we ask that you call 911. You can also remain anonymous and send your tips to crimetip@hagerstownpd.org. HPD has received multiple tips and investigators are following up on them.

PUBLIC WORKS

CHART NO. 1 – GENERAL PARKING SYSTEM DATA

		Current Week	Previous Week
Number of Permit Holders	A & E Deck	214	208
	University District Deck	301	296
Number of Student Permits	Central & Rochester Lots	63	62
Number of Patrons Using Decks	A & E Deck	1705	1771
	University District Deck	1506	1363
Number of Citations Issued	(Includes Warnings)	284	427
Peak Occupancy (%)	A & E Deck	96% Th @ 6PM	100% Sa @ 6PM
Peak Occupancy (%)	University District Deck	46% We @ Noon	60% Th @ 10AM

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

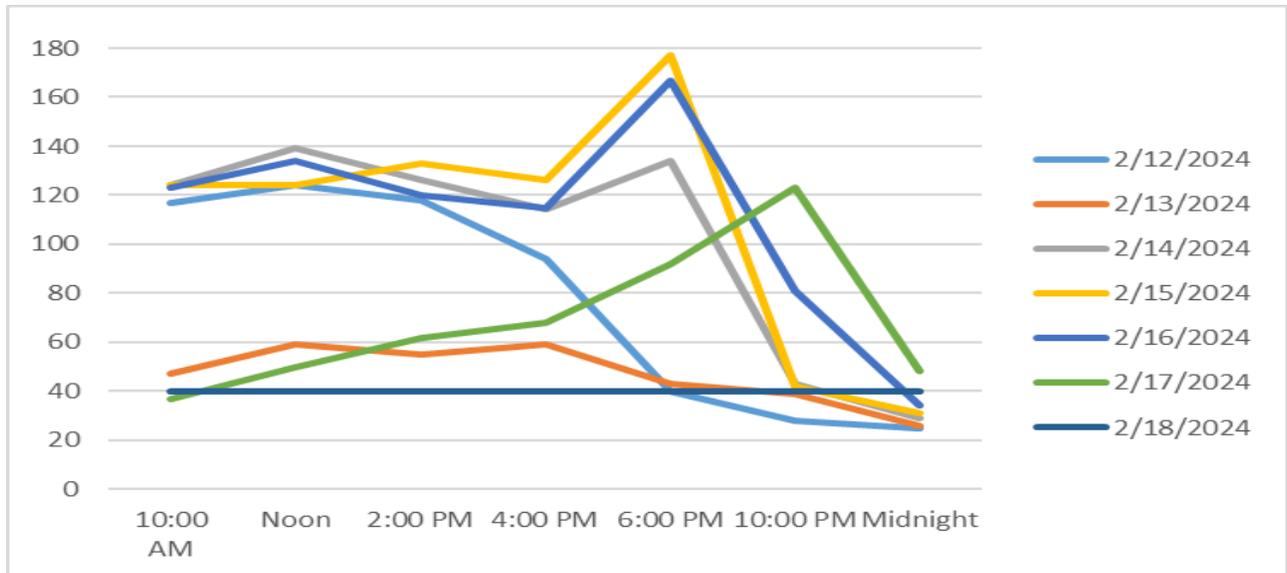
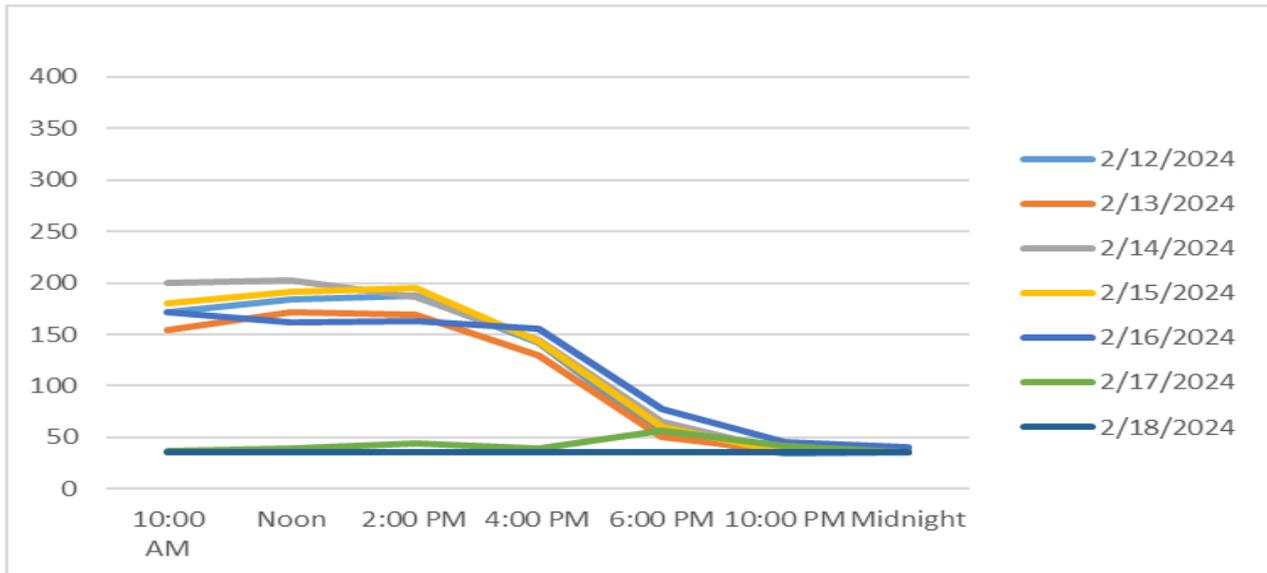


CHART NO. 3 – UD PARKING DECK WEEKLY OCCUPANCY



CENTRAL MAINTENANCE GARAGE REPAIR DATA

	Current Week	Previous Week
DCED	0	0
Planning & Code	0	3
Fire	0	4
Engineering	0	0
Parks & Recreation	4	1
Public Works	4	3
Police	2	6
Water	3	1
Wastewater	2	9
Light	2	0
Human Resources	0	0
Weekly Totals	17	27
Yearly Total	124	107

AFTER HOURS CALL BACKS

Thursday, February 15, 2024 @ 7:32PM: Dispatch reported the overhead traffic signal at the intersection of Potomac/Easters/ Northern Ave. had been struck by an Oversized Load vehicle and was damaged. Staff found two of the signal heads were hanging by the guide wires. Technicians were called in to make necessary repairs to the signal heads and broken wires. Intersection was in working order after work was completed.

Saturday, February 17, 2024 @ 8:30 AM: HPD notified Staff of fuel island at Memorial Blvd. to be offline and officer on site to get fuel. Staff rebooted the system, and the system went back online.

Saturday, February 17, 2024 @ 3:48 PM: Dispatch reported HPD on site for a missing storm drain lid at 215 E. Franklin St. Staff responded and found grate at bottom of the basin, leaving an opening in the street. This had allegedly caused damage to two vehicles already. The grate was not damaged, and it could be placed back into the opening. Staff verified grate was positioned securely and would not fall in again.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Fit Room

See Fit Room report attached with weekly recreation classes. A private rental is scheduled for this Saturday.

Outdoor Programs

- Parkour, meets Fridays at 4pm, at Fairgrounds Park, outside PAL offices, 520 Cannon Avenue.

Virtual Classes

- Yoga, Tuesdays, 6-7pm
- Strength Training, Thursdays, 6-7pm
- Dance Fitness, Saturdays, 10-11am

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

ELECTRIC DIVISION

Service Calls

Wed. 9/14 - 920 Summit Avenue – the customer was advised to contact an electrician for repairs. Time Out: 15.3-15.7

Sun. 2/18 - 639 Security Road – wires down; lines were found to be fiber optic cable. Time Out:16.4-17.2

Lamps Replaced	New Fixtures Added	Changeouts	Fixtures Removed
5	0	17	1

- Engineering staff performed multiple permit reviews, continued work on multiple construction projects, and responded to service upgrade requests.
- Engineering staff compiled data for the new Work Order Management System.
- Planning continued for Advanced Metering Infrastructure deployment.
- The coordination for lifting and hauling of two power transformer units to make way for new units manufactured by Virginia Transformer Company in March and April is in progress.
- Administrative staff continued discussion with the rate consultant to properly account for and identify adjustments necessary to maintain efficient utility plant operations.
- The application for the FY24 SOLE grant was submitted to the State of Maryland Energy Administration to provide financial assistance with the replacement of high-intensity discharge streetlight fixtures with LED's. The anticipated routes include:
 - o Antietam St
 - o Garland Groh Blvd
 - o Locust St

- Summit Ave / Jonathan St, from Baltimore St to Pennsylvania Ave
- Cleveland Ave / Security Rd
- Prospect St from Pennsylvania Ave to Washington St
- Cannon Ave from Eastern Blvd to Jefferson St
- Church St / East Ave, from Mulberry St to Burhans Blvd
- Mt. Aetna Rd / Memorial Blvd
- Baltimore St

WASTEWATER DIVISION

Wastewater Treatment Plant at Frederick Street

Date	Flow (mgd)	Rainfall (inches)
Wednesday, Feb 14, 2024	9.84	0.00
Thursday, Feb 15, 2024	8.43	0.00
Friday, Feb 16, 2024	7.80	0.00
Saturday, Feb 17, 2024	7.72	0.13
Sunday, Feb 18, 2024	7.57	0.00
Monday, Feb 19, 2024	7.36	0.00
Tuesday, Feb 20, 2024	7.07	0.00
Weekly – Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	7.97	0.13
Feb - Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	7.18	1.09

- Located and removed obstruction from Primary pumps and checked valves
- Repaired Primary pump and replaced shear pin
- Worked with Roto Rooter to unclog main drain in Operations building
- Replaced motor and fan assembly on air scrubber
- Replaced defective VFD on #1 Primary waste pump
- Routine MVP Plant Work orders & Corrective Work Orders

Wastewater Collection

SSES Weekly Progress

Activity	Districts	L. F. main	Feet of lateral	# Inspected
CCTV Inspections	1, 4, 22	91.2, 200.5, 167.5	14.5, 148.3, 123	1, 6, 4
Flushing	11, 12, 19	3177, 3110, 1441		

Collection System Maintenance Tasks

- Performed a “floor sweep clean” on a sewer line on Noland Drive going into Pump Station 15 due to debris in the sewer line
- Flushed District 11 and Calvert Terrace for CCTV crew.
- CCTV worked on 515 Surrey Avenue, 1053 Carrol Heights and Calvert Terrace for 2025 overlays.
- Changed transfer switch generator run time at Pump Station 14
- Checked alarms at all stations due to cell service issues
- Installed VFD at Pump Station 8
- Began flushing District 12
- Restocked topsoil and manhole frames for future projects

Wastewater Division – Customer Call Log Summary 2024

Type	Blockages	Grinder Pumps	Odor Complaints	Flushing	WW Pump Stations	Other	Totals
Weekly	6	1	0	0	0	5	12
YTD 2024	23	6	1	0	0	33	63

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 QC verifications: weekly (pH, Cl, Conductivity) on DI water, monthly autoclave verifications TSB and Bioindicator
- Collected samples for Biobot COVID study
- Collected Wastewater-SCAN Program samples for pathogen monitoring
- Collected CDC-NWSS Program samples for pathogen monitoring
- Completed resample event at Conagra
- Attended initial project review and assessment-Wastewater Criticality Workshop
- Primary sampler maintenance

Environmental Coordinator & Pretreatment

- Preparing 2024 Permit Renewals
- Updated Synexus with Mack and Berwick’s January results
- Completed January surcharges for Mack and Berwick
- Completed permit renewal meeting and annual inspection at Berwick

WATER DIVISION

Plant Flows - System Demand (MGD)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Willson</u>	<u>Breichner</u>	<u>Total</u>
02/15/24	11.28		11.28
02/16/24	11.31		11.31
02/17/24	10.90		10.90
02/18/24	11.03		11.03
02/19/24	11.66		11.66
02/20/24	11.59		11.59
02/21/24	11.06		11.06
		Average:	11.26

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

- Staff worked on facility maintenance and routine preventative maintenance.
- Staff worked with ABB, Inc. on SCADA.
- Staff installed a pump at pump station #3.

Water Production at Breichner / Edgemont Reservoir

The Edgemont Reservoir pool elevation is currently at 4.22 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 replaced a service line on Jefferson Blvd.

Laboratory

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week.
- Completed QC verifications for benchtop microbial surface monitoring and monthly air quality monitoring.
- Collected bacteriological monitoring samples for February.
- Collected nitrification monitoring samples and collected lagoon discharge sample.
- Collected first quarter 2024 DBP samples.
- Processed quote for EPA UCMR-5 Study purchase order.
- Submitted annual proficiency testing for water lab certification.
- Completed one (1) new water line bacteriological test.

Engineering

- 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 ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE

Fit Room at Fairgrounds Park at Fairgrounds Park

Monthly Calendar For February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 10a-3p Fedex Hiring Event 4p-4:30p Arts & Entertainment: Princess Ballerina -- 8119 4:35p-5:05p Arts & Entertainment: Ballet & Acro -- 8110	2 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8124 6p-7p Aerial Tricks #8220 7:15p-8:15p Aerial Stretch #8185	3 9a-9:45a Mind & Body: Pound -- 8247 10a-11a Zumba #8156
4 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8141 1p-2p Aerial Stretch #8202 2p-3:30p GeoCaching in the Parks #8152	5 6p-6:45p Mind & Body: Pound -- 8247 7p-8p Belly Dance #8275	6 6p-7p All: Buti Yoga -- 8244	7	8 4p-4:30p Arts & Entertainment: Princess Ballerina -- 8119 4:35p-5:05p Arts & Entertainment: Ballet & Acro -- 8110	9 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8124 6p-7p Aerial Tricks #8221 7:15p-8:15p Aerial Stretch #8186	10 9a-9:45a Mind & Body: Pound -- 8247 10a-11a Zumba #8156 1p-7p Keoni Pannell Baby Shower
11 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8141	12 6p-6:45p Mind & Body: Pound -- 8247 7p-8p Belly Dance #8275	13 6p-7p All: Buti Yoga -- 8244	14	15 4p-4:30p Arts & Entertainment: Princess Ballerina -- 8119 4:35p-5:05p Arts & Entertainment: Ballet & Acro -- 8110	16 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8124 7:15p-8:15p Aerial Stretch #8187	17 9a-9:45a Mind & Body: Pound -- 8247 10a-11a Zumba #8156 1p-6p Jeliany Alvarado Party
18	19	20 11a-2:30p First Aid & Safety: CPR and First Aid -- 8115 6p-7p All: Buti Yoga -- 8244	21	22 4p-4:30p Arts & Entertainment: Princess Ballerina -- 8119 4:35p-5:05p Arts & Entertainment: Ballet & Acro -- 8110 6p-7p Aerial Fitness-Powerhouse Studios #8308	23 3:15p-4:45p Sports: Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate -- 8132 4:45p-5:45p Sports: Gymnastics for Kids -- 8125 6p-7p Mind & Body: Aerial Tricks -- 8223 7:15p-8:15p Mind & Body: Aerial Stretch -- 8188	24 9a-9:45a Mind & Body: Pound -- 8247 10a-11a Mind & Body: Zumba -- 8157 12p-4p Natasha Webb Private Party
25 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8142	26 7p-8p Belly Dance #8275	27 6p-7p All: Buti Yoga -- 8244	28	29 4p-4:30p Arts & Entertainment: Princess Ballerina -- 8119 4:35p-5:05p Arts & Entertainment: Ballet & Acro -- 8110		