

MINUTES

CITY OF WESTMINSTER
Mayor and Common Council Meeting
Monday, March 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
City Hall, 1838 Emerald Hill Lane, Westminster, MD 21157
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CALL TO ORDER

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Becker, Council President Chiavacci, Councilmember Dayhoff, Councilmember Hoff, and Councilmember Pecoraro.

Staff Present: City Clerk Barber, Director of Human Resources Brown, Director of Community Planning and Development Depo, City Administrator Imhulse, Deputy Chief of Police Jones, Director of Technology Services Moore, and Director of Finance Rodgers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Council President Chiavacci led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

MCDANIEL COLLEGE UPDATE

Ms. Jenni Glennon, Associate Vice President for Administration & Government Relations with McDaniel College, provided an update from McDaniel College.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Dayhoff and seconded by Councilmember Pecoraro to approve the Mayor and Common Council Meeting minutes of February 23, 2026. There was no discussion.

VOTE

AYES: Councilmember Dayhoff, Councilmember Hoff, and Councilmember Pecoraro.

NAYS: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Councilmember Pecoraro and seconded by Councilmember Hoff to approve the consent calendar that consisted of the following: Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with SB & Company, LLC, to perform the City's Financial Statement Audits for FYs 2026 through 2028. There was no discussion.

VOTE

AYES: Councilmember Dayhoff, Councilmember Hoff, and Councilmember Pecoraro.

NAYS: None.

REPORT FROM MAYOR

Mayor Becker noted several meetings and events she is scheduled to attend. Mayor Becker closed her report by reminding everyone of the upcoming Celtic Canter Event scheduled for Saturday, March 14, 2026.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Mayor Becker on behalf of the Arts Council, noted that the Carroll County Arts Council's 19th Annual PEEPshow is scheduled for March 27, 2026, through April 6, 2026, to be held at the TownMall of Westminster.

Councilmember Pecoraro, on behalf of the Finance Committee, noted that preparations for the FY27 Budget are underway and that the committee will be meeting in the near future.

Council President Chiavacci, on behalf of the Public Safety Committee, reported on a recent theft in the City.

Councilmember Dayhoff, on behalf of the Recreation and Parks Committee, noted that he is looking forward to the upcoming Celtic Canter Event scheduled for Saturday, March 14, 2026, and the upcoming City of Westminster season of strolls.

Councilmember Pecoraro, on behalf of the Public Works Committee, thanked the entire Department of Public Works staff for all the project work as well as dealing with all the many daily work tasks.

Councilmember Dayhoff, on behalf of the Technology Committee, thanked the City's IT Department for providing security training to all City employees.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION

There were no comments made during Council Comments and Discussion.

ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS

Adoption of Resolution 26-09, a Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of Westminster Establishing Snow Emergency Streets Pursuant to §§ 155-44 and 155-45 of the Code of the City of Westminster

A motion was made by Councilmember Pecoraro and seconded by Councilmember Dayhoff to adopt Resolution 26-09, a Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of Westminster Establishing Snow Emergency Streets Pursuant to §§ 155-44 and 155-45 of the Code of the City of Westminster. City Administrator Imhulse and Deputy Chief of Police Jones provided the staff report on the item. The Common Council discussed and noted their support of the proposed legislation.

VOTE

AYES: Councilmember Dayhoff, Councilmember Hoff, and Councilmember Pecoraro.

NAYS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business to be discussed by the Mayor and Common Council.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to be discussed by the Mayor and Common Council.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Department of Recreation and Parks

City Administrator Imhulse, on behalf of Director of Recreation and Parks Gruber, noted and provided some highlights to the Celtic Canter Event scheduled for Saturday, March 14, 2026.

Department of Public Works

City Administrator Imhulse noted several projects being addressed by the Department of Public Works.

Community Planning and Development

Director of Community Planning and Development Depo reported on the following:

On March 3, 2026, the Board of Zoning Appeals conditionally approved Case 26-01, an application by Carroll Community College for a Special Exception "Trade School" use at 110 Airport Drive.

The Historic District Commission meeting scheduled for March 4, 2026, was cancelled as there were no applications before the Historic District Commission.

The Planning and Zoning Commission's March 19, 2026, meeting is tentatively scheduled to review revised architectural elevations for 404 Malcolm Drive, a medical office building and daycare.

Westminster Police Department (WPD)

Deputy Chief of Police Jones noted that the Police Department will assist the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce's 2026 Leadership Carroll Program for their Justice and Law Day to be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2026.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Ms. Sallie Taylor introduced herself to the Mayor and Common Council and noted that she was running for election to the Maryland House of Delegates, to represent District 5.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Chiavacci announced that the next meeting of the Mayor and Common Council would be held on Monday, March 23, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. He adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Douglas A. Barber, MMC
City Clerk

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Adopted by the City of Westminster Common Council on March 23, 2026