



Takoma Park City Council Meeting – February 24, 2021 Agenda Item 5

Work Session

Discussion of Council Priorities for the 2021-2022 Term and Draft Resolution Adopting the Priorities

Recommended Council Action

Continue to refine Council Priorities and draft resolution.

Context with Key Issues

The Council met in its annual Retreat to discuss Council Priorities on January 16. The Council is revising its previous Priorities document based on the information and discussion from the Retreat. Work session discussions were held on January 27 and February 3, 10, and 17. The Council will continue its discussion of Priorities on February 24 and discuss a draft resolution adopting the Priorities.

Council Priority

[Current Council Priorities \(FY21\)](#)

Environmental Considerations

To be determined.

Fiscal Considerations

To be determined.

Racial Equity Considerations

To be determined.

Attachments and Links

- Draft Resolution
- [Retreat Agenda Page](#)
- [Current Council Priorities \(FY21\)](#)

Introduced by: Councilmember

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION 2021-

ADOPTING THE COUNCIL PRIORITIES

WHEREAS, the Takoma Park City Council is charged with setting policy, approving the budget and pursuing legislative changes in the best interests of the Takoma Park community; and

WHEREAS, the Council holds an annual “Council Retreat” in advance of the budget preparation process in order to discuss its policy and budget priorities for the upcoming fiscal year and beyond; and

WHEREAS, this year’s retreat took place on January 16th; and

WHEREAS, the Council further discussed its priorities at Council Meetings on January 27, February 3, 10, and 17?? and ??; and

WHEREAS, the Council Priorities which are established inform the development of the City Manager’s Recommended Budget and, more generally, indicate the strategic direction the Council intends to move the City during its term; and

WHEREAS, the Council reviewed and made changes to its 2020 priorities document to reflect updatedds goals, strategies, and outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the Council has indicated which priorities should be focused on and emphasized in the upcoming fiscal year (Fiscal Year 2022); and

WHEREAS, these prioritized items include:

WHEREAS, the Council can revisit the priorities document as it deems necessary to make changes or adjustments; and

WHEREAS, the Council acknowledges that there are a number of major projects, initiatives, and ongoing activities which will take Council and staff time to complete, in addition to the above priorities, such as the renovation of the library and continued discussions on the future of the Washington Adventist Hospital campus among others; and

WHEREAS, many of the priorities and goals described in the Council Priorities document will endure beyond calendar year 2021 and Fiscal Year 2022, though strategies described in this resolution may change more quickly based on opportunities that

may arise to achieve those goals, and

WHEREAS, the Council may take action on issues not listed in the priorities document based on urgent or exigent circumstances-

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Takoma Park formally adopts the Council Priorities attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

**ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND,
THIS ?? DAY OF ??, 2021.**

Attest:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk