



City of Takoma Park

Acting City Manager David Eubanks

Public Works:

- For the week of December 4th the City's street resurfacing contractor will be milling and paving Linden Avenue and the New Hampshire Ave service lane around the former Hillwood Manor Apartment complex, now the Colonnade at the Creek. Montgomery Housing Partnership and the City are collaborating on the project, which will include paving the City owned portion of the roadway as well as the privately-owned portion of the service road and parking spaces. MHP has agreed to reimburse the City for the cost of paving on private property.
- Reminder- Leaf collection is continuing through December 15. Residents can rake leaves to the curb at their convenience. The City is divided into 5 zones for collection and each zone has a leaf vacuum assigned. City crews pick up leaf piles street by street throughout their zone. Every street will receive at least 2 collections and usually receive 3 or more. The State roads, which include Philadelphia Ave, Piney Branch Rd, Ethan Allen Ave and Carroll Ave, plus Flower Ave between Carroll Ave and University Blvd have two scheduled pick-up dates. These streets are collected differently due to the traffic volumes and need to reduce traffic impacts from collection. Residents can also report their leaf piles by calling the leaf collection hotline - 301 891 7626.

Recreation:

- Reminder - come out to Piney Branch Elementary School on Friday, December 1st at 6pm for the Old School vs New School basketball tournament and enjoy music, raffles, and a spectacular half-time show featuring the Blair High School POMS and Hip-Hop Dance teams! The event is FREE to attend.

HCD:

- On Thursday, November 30th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the Montgomery County Planning Board is hosting a virtual meeting concerning the Takoma Park Minor Master Plan Amendment (MMPA). It is the fifth item on the agenda. The Planning Board is hosting multiple work sessions on the MMPA this fall. Staff reports for each work session are available on the Planning Board agenda webpage and a livestream or video of the Planning Board session can be viewed online, the link will be posted tomorrow in the City Manager's Comments.

Link: <https://montgomeryplanningboard.org/agenda-item/november-30-2023/>

City Manager:

- After several months of delays, we learned this afternoon that there has been significant progress in the Mental Health Counselor Pilot Program. The County has now posted the counselor positions on their internal portal, which will be posted externally by next week if they receive no internal applicants. This hiring process is the key first step towards implementation.
- Passport services are moving from the 2nd floor to the 3rd floor of the Community Center and will now be right outside of the Finance window to allow for easier processing of the paperwork and fees for this service. More information can be found on the City website, and a link will be posted with the City Manager Comments tomorrow.

Link: <https://takomaparkmd.gov/services/passports/>

- At the Community Center on Monday, December 11th from 6:30 pm- 8:30 pm there is an opportunity for the Community to meet with the final three candidates in the City Manager search. Each candidate will have an opportunity to present their backgrounds and management style followed by a reception and time to ask questions directly of each candidate.