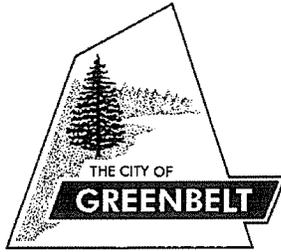


# September 2014

## City of Greenbelt

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> <b>City Holiday</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 8 pm – Work Session – City Manager Update – CC	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 8 pm – Council Meeting – MB	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 8 pm – Work Session – Greenbelt Theater Operations – CC	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 8 pm – Work Session – Pepco – MB	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 8 pm – Work Session – Beltway Plaza – MB	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 12 pm – GRH Annual Picnic @ GRH	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 8 pm – Council Meeting – MB	<b>23</b> 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm – FBI Environmental Impact Statement meeting – Greenbelt Branch library	<b>24</b> No Meeting	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 8 pm – Work Session – *Roosevelt Center Owner – MB	<b>30</b>	<b>MB – Municipal Building – 25 Crescent Road – 301.474.8000</b> <b>CC – Community Center – 15 Crescent Road – 301.397.2208</b>  <b>Meetings subject to change</b> <b>Call 301.474.8000 for verification.</b>  <b>*Tentative</b>			



## City Manager's Report Week Ending September 12, 2014

1. David Moran, Assistant City Manager, and I will be out of the office next week attending our national conference in Charlotte, NC. Dale Worley, IT Director, will be Acting City Manager. David will also be off the following week on leave.
2. Attached is the requested listing of large dollar value abatements dating back to FY 2010. The abatements are believed to be due to 1) office and store vacancies and 2) drop in property values, both caused by the recession of 2008. Going forward we will seek specific information from the State Department of Assessments and Taxation whenever a large dollar value abatement comes in. At the top of this work sheet is listed "1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>", this tells what year in the triennial assessment each fiscal year is.
3. Thanks to Daryl Pennington of Congressman Hoyer's office who spoke with Ms. Wyetta Whalen, Acting Post Master of the Greenbelt Post Office about the removal of the mail box in Roosevelt Center. Ms. Whalen agreed to leaving the mail box there and if the matter comes up again to inform the City well in advance so there can be discussion. She indicated that most days it is empty.
4. Responses have been received to the request for public art/ signage for the three Three Sisters Gardens. Arrangements are being made for a public viewing and comment session at which reaction and feedback will be sought. This is preliminarily set for October 1 from 7 to 9 pm in the Community Center. It is anticipated that the matter will be on Council's October 27 agenda for a final decision. Wanted to get this on Council's "radar screen" as you also have an executive session on October 1.
5. Attached is the handout from Mayor pro tem Davis on a proposal by Council member Roger Berliner of Montgomery County. The proposal is to form a coalition to have input into the proposed merger of Pepco with Exelon which is before the Maryland Public Service Commission. Mayor pro tem Davis asked if the City should file a letter of intervention in the proceedings. I spoke with Steve Walz, COG Director of Environmental Programs, and he advised that a letter of intervention would make the City an active participant in the proceedings, something which would likely cost significant dollars in legal and consultant fees as that is not an expertise staff has. If Council is interested, a better approach would seem to be to ask Mr. Berliner to keep the city informed on the progress of the coalition. Direction is sought.
6. Met with Police to review recent history at University Square basketball court and planned response. Police Patrol will check on area at least twice an evening and a letter has been sent to University Square management seeking action which is copied in your packet.
7. Public Information Coordinator delivered fifteen welcome packets to Charlestowne Village.

8. Attached are the reports for the ACE Reading and Science Clubs for FY 2014.
9. Included separately in your packet is a copy of the FY 2015 adopted budget.
10. Assistant City Manager
  - a. Prepared and submitted PGCMA Legislative Requests.
  - b. Drafted report on provision of sick leave to non-classified employees.
  - c. Finalized minutes from 8/18 and 9/3 work sessions.
  - d. Attended MML Fall Conference in Annapolis.
11. Finance Department
  - a. Met with City Manager and Recreation staff to discuss proposed part-time employee rate adjustment.
  - b. Contacted GFOA and other municipalities to discuss CAFR comments.
12. Information Technology
  - a. Attended COG-CIO meeting
  - b. Sought proposals for CARES request for video/ audio equipment
  - c. Prepared for Acting City Manager duties
  - d. Held discussions with vendors on replacement of phone console
13. Prepared for meeting of 9/8 and work sessions of 9/10, 9/15, and 9/17.

cc: Department Heads  
David Moran, Assistant City Manager  
Cindy Murray, City Clerk  
Mary Johnson, Human Resources Officer  
John Shay, City Solicitor

**City of Greenbelt, Maryland**  
**Large Real Estate Abatements** (Greater than \$5,000)  
**Fiscal Years 2012 - 2014**

Property Owner	Account Number	Address	Report Mo/Yr	Total Abatement	1st	3rd	2nd	1st	3rd
					FY 2014	FY 2013	FY 2012	FY 2011	FY 2010
BP Commerce	2319895	7601 Greenbelt Road	Aug-11	\$6,757			\$6,757		
B of A	2371839	7300 Hanover Pkwy	Aug-11	19,101			19,101		
GB Mall	3861986	6050 Greenbelt Road	Sep-11	129,290				129,290	
Golden Triangle	2394591	7855 Walker Drive	Oct-11	58,033				32,150	25,883
Lawrence Apartments	2394716	1226 Crescent Road	Oct-11	6,229				6,229	
14th SHL	2397594	6404 Ivy Lane	Oct-11	84,142			15,800	23,279	45,063
GB Mall	3861986	6050 Greenbelt Road	Oct-11	61,369					61,369
11th SHL	3226867	6305 Ivy Lane	Nov-11	25,292			3,512	7,023	14,757
YBI Ltd	2287373	7505 Greenway Center Dr.	Dec-11	16,900			8,450	8,450	
Golden Triangle	2394591	7855 Walker Drive	Dec-11	58,430			21,493	21,493	15,444
Golden Triangle	2394591	7855 Walker Drive	Dec-11	94,971				53,644	41,327
Golden Triangle	2394609	7833 Walker Drive	Dec-11	43,037			16,861	14,366	11,810
11th SHL	3226859	6303 Ivy Lane	Dec-11	68,468			11,440	22,881	34,147
14th SHL	3227899	6406 Ivy Lane	Dec-11	133,960			22,383	44,767	66,810
BP Commerce	2319895	7601 Ora Glen Drive	Mar-12	5,729				5,729	
Sullyfield LLC	2324507	7474 Greenway Center Dr.	Mar-12	48,791			31,434	17,357	
Sullyfield LLC	4021473	7500 Greenway Center Dr.	Mar-12	100,534			53,088	47,446	
Trade Center Hotel	2371847	7200 Hanover Drive	May-12	42,671			22,754	19,917	
Trade Center Hotel	2371847	7200 Hanover Drive	May-12	53,084		26,542	26,542		
Springhill Lake Hotel	2397511	6401 Ivy Lane	May-12	90,822			45,411	45,411	
Brentwood	3258738	6320 Golden Triangle Dr.	May-12	14,702				14,702	
Brentwood	3258738	6320 Golden Triangle Dr.	May-12	29,702			29,702		
14th SHL	3227899	6406 Ivy Lane	Nov-12	248,708		124,354	82,903	41,451	
CSG Commerce Ctr	2319721	<i>Not Listed</i>	Apr-13	33,316		16,714	16,602		
BP Commerce	2319895	7601 Ora Glen Drive	Apr-13	8,844				8,844	
HPTCY Properties	2394625	6301 Golden Triangle Drive	Apr-13	18,060		9,030	9,030		
12th SHL	2397503	6411 Ivy Lane	Apr-13	11,079				11,079	
11th SHL	3226842	6301 Ivy Lane	Apr-13	23,573		14,144	9,429		
MTC Investors	2371839	MTC Investors	Apr-13	181,365		55,791	55,791	69,783	
MTC Investors	2371839	MTC Investors	Feb-14	57,749	33,180	24,569			
Golden Triangle	2394542	7855 Walker Drive	Jun-14	8,886	8,886				
Patriot Business Park	3649316	7850 Walker Drive	Jun-14	18,108	18,108				
Patriot Business Park	3649324	7850 Walker Drive	Jun-14	9,133	9,133				
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$1,810,835</b>	<b>\$69,307</b>	<b>\$271,144</b>	<b>\$508,483</b>	<b>\$645,291</b>	<b>\$316,610</b>

## UTILITY 2.0 COALITION Fact Sheet

### BACKGROUND

We seek to use the proceeding before the Maryland Public Service Commission (PSC) on the sale of Pepco Holdings, Inc. to Exelon to bring about a significant reform of the electric distribution system serving our communities. Utility 2.0, a national movement that the New York Public Service Commission is currently advancing, would bring a more reliable, cleaner, and consumer-focused system. We are requesting your support in this endeavor.

### OUR OBJECTIVES

As these proceedings unfold, we will advocate that *should* the PSC decide that the sale is in the public interest, the following conditions should be met:

1. Fifty percent of Pepco's regulated return on equity, currently set at 10%, should be determined through a process of performance-based ratemaking, based on the utility's ability to meet certain objectives.
2. We recommend the following objectives be subject to performance based ratemaking:
  - a. **Distribution Reliability and Resiliency**—Standard should be the top quartile of utilities nationwide
  - b. **Ratepayer Accountability**—Maintaining reasonable rates, with a focus on programs aimed at reducing energy costs for low-income populations
  - c. **Customer Satisfaction**
  - d. **Carbon Reduction**—Cleaner energy sources and energy efficiency
  - e. **Distributed Energy**—Use of microgrids, solar cells, and other local energy sources
  - f. **Protection of key or critical facilities using distributed energy**
  - g. **Innovation**—Allowing third-party innovative technology and improving efficiency of the grid
3. The PSC should develop appropriate metrics to measure success towards meeting these objectives.

These seven objectives drive electricity service into the future, meeting consumer needs for a very reliable system that takes serious steps to improve environmental stewardship. This merger is the time to take action.

### TAKING ACTION

To make Utility 2.0 a reality, municipalities, environmental organizations, and advanced energy groups must come together to demand that the Public Service Commission require Utility 2.0 as a result of an approved merger. We are asking you to join in this coalition and become a party in the proceedings.

### FUTURE

In the long-term, Utility 2.0 would set the stage for a more profound restructuring of the utility market that would foster innovation and give more choice to consumers by reducing the influence and scope of traditional distribution utilities.

### ACE Reading Clubs FY14

There were two ACE Reading Clubs in operation in the 2013/14 academic year.

ACE started a club this year at Magnolia Elementary School. It was facilitated by a Reading Specialist in the school. Unfortunately, because the facilitator repeatedly failed to respond to requests for information, there is no specific information about the club to present. To illustrate, she did not receive remuneration for the year because she did not submit any of the paperwork required to process her payments although she held club meetings, as confirmed by ACE member Don Rich's article which is attached.

The club at Springhill Lake Elementary has been in existence for four years and is tailored to students in grades 3, 4 and 5. It was facilitated by a teacher from the school. Each club meeting has a theme that guides the reading and other activities.

Below are the meeting dates, topics and attendance in the 2013/14 school year for the Springhill Lake Elementary School Reading Club.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Number of Children</b>
September 10, 2013	Getting to Know You	15
October 8, 2013	Pumpkin Haikus	12
November 12, 2013	Crossword Puzzles	11
December 17, 2013	Christmas – Reader's Theater	10
January 14, 2014	Reader's Theater Continued	9
February 11, 2014	Jokes	8
March 11, 2013	Tongue Twisters	8
April 8, 2014	Happy Spring	8
May 13, 2014	My Summer Vacation	5

### ACE Science Clubs FY14

ACE tried unsuccessfully to start a Science Club at Greenbelt Middle School in the 2013/14 academic year. Members intend to pursue that vision this year as well.

This is the second year of the Science Club at Magnolia Elementary school. It is held once a month for students in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd grades. Two science teachers from the school facilitate the meetings and plan the agendas. Club meetings are both didactic and interactive and so the students are provided instruction on the topic of the day and then they participate in hands-on activities.

Below are the meeting dates, topics and attendance in the 2013/14 school year.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Number of Children</b>
November 5, 2013	The Perfect Raincoat	17
December 3, 2013	Color Explosion	16
January 8, 2014	Food Friend vs Food Foe	16
February 2014	<i>School Weather Closing</i>	
March 18, 2014	Secret Messages	16
April 8, 2014	Live Worm Observations	15
May 27, 2014	How Soils Are Different	15
June 3, 2014	Dirt in a Cup	14

# COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTS (CAR) REPORT

## as of September 12, 2014

NO.	REQUESTED BY	DATE	REQUEST	DUE DATE	REFERRED TO	STATUS/COMMENT (*=COMPLETED)
<b>2014</b>						
33	Work Session	9/3	Get information on COG Tap-it Program.	10/30/14	Mike	
32	Work Session	8/29	Assess pros and cons of relocating Parking Enforcement, Animal Control and/ or Code Enforcement functions (Organizational Assessment).	12/30/14	Mike/ Celia	
31	Work Session	8/29	Prepare revised MOU with GATE following 7/23/14 work session.	10/30/14	Mike	
30	Work Session	8/29	Prepare report on Green Ridge House admission policies.	10/30/14	Mike	
29	Mr. Putens	8/29	Develop position description for Deputy City Manager, Management Analyst and Deputy Chief positions.	11/30/14	Mary	
28	Mayor Pro Tem Davis	8/29	Questions on uses of Program Open Space.	10/30/14	Celia	
27	Work Session	8/18	Revise outdoor event permit proposal following comments at 8/18 work session.	10/15/14	Joe	
26	Work Session	8/13	Check sidewalk condition and need for street tree pruning in Greenbrook Estates and Greenwood Village.	10/30/14	Kenny	
25	Work Session	8/13	Check on usage and behavior at University Square basketball court – Complaint about noise, language and hours of use.	9/30/14	Jim	Police Department has monitored and taken action.
24	Work Session	8/13	Check and report on operating status of crosswalk signals at Crescent & St. Hugh's and Green Ridge House.	10/30/14	Kenny	
23	Work Session	8/13	Monitor intersection of Lakecrest & Legion Dr. – Need stop sign to keep traffic from blocking other traffic?	10/30/14	Kenny	Signage checked 9/8/14. A "Do Not Block" sign installed on Legion Drive 9/9/14.*
22	Work Session	8/13	Need pedestrian bollard at Lakecrest & Prince James Way.	9/30/14	Kenny	
21	Work Session	8/13	Send Mr. Flynn the list of rented homes in Boxwood.	9/30/14	Celia	Sent 9/4/14.*

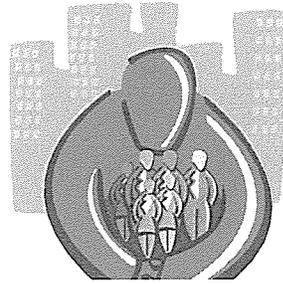
NO.	REQUESTED BY	DATE	REQUEST	DUE DATE	REFERRED TO	STATUS/COMMENT (*=COMPLETED)
20	M & C Meeting	8/11	Refer Schrom Hills Park fitness proposal to PRAB.	10/30/14	David/Julie	Document emailed to Julie on 8/13/14.
19	M & C Meeting	8/11	Produce a regularly updated status report on theater project.	9/30/14	Mike/Jim S.	Will begin by end of September.
17	M & C Meeting	7/14	Request installation of crosswalk on Southway in vicinity of B/W Parkway Ramp.	12/30/14	Mike	Sent to SHA.
16	Work Session	6/16	Draft action plan in response to Abell petition.	10/30/14	Mike	In works. By end of October.
15	Work Session	6/18	Update playground inventory – include surface material info and condition of equipment.	8/30/14	David	Draft included in 8/15/14 City Manager report.
14	M & C Meeting	6/4	Research the recall processes in other communities.	9/30/14	John	
13	Work Session	5/14	Explore with Green Ridge House the establishment of community gardens.	11/30/14	Kenny	Solicitation of interest has been placed in June/July newsletter.
12	M & C Meeting	4/28	Prepare response to petition for drinking fountain in Roosevelt Center.	7/30/14	Kenny	
10	Work Session	4/23	Research whether city can/ should enforce recycling for multi-family housing.	6/30/14	John	
9	Work Session	4/2	Prepare report on impact of providing sick leave to non-classified employees.	9/30/14	David	
8	Work Session	3/26	Status of removing double poles.	4/30/14	Kenny	Email sent 4/3/14. Discussed at GHI Work Session (6/30). Letters sent to Comcast and Verizon 7/14/14. Verizon responded 7/15/14. Reminder sent to Verizon 8/14/14.
3	M & C Meeting	1/27	Implement recommendations on Police signage plan, plus add signage for Fire Station.	5/30/14	Kenny	
2	M & C Meeting	1/13	Refer to PSAC request to review and update city's emergency plan – include Ms. Mach's NLC handout.	5/30/14	Jim/Mary	Staff briefed PSAC on 9/3/14.
<b>2013</b>						
50	Work Session	12/11	Check into NLC waterline insurance program.	1/30/14	Mike	Schedule a Council briefing (9/3/14).

NO.	REQUESTED BY	DATE	REQUEST	DUE DATE	REFERRED TO	STATUS/COMMENT (*=COMPLETED)
45	M & C Meeting	10/28	Are there limitations on how long banner signs can be in use – County Zoning Code or City Covenants – Franklin Park signage issue?	1/31/14	Celia	
41	M & C Meeting	10/14	Prepare report on conditions and recent history of Greenbriar Park.	1/30/14	Kenny	
39	M & C Meeting	10/14	Prepare report on pros and cons of city having CB-89 type legislation by 12/30/13.	12/30/13	John/ Mike	Awaiting response from County Executive @ 12/11/13. Email update provided 2/4/14. City Solicitor opinion provided 2/14/14.
34	Work Session	7/15	Check on history of pipe in dam - Any agreement with SHA or WSSC? Any evidence that WSSC crushed pipe in install of 96 inch main?	12/30/13	Mike	
27	M & C Meeting	7/8	What would be next steps if County proceeds on Sunnyside project?	9/30/13	John	Met with City Solicitor on 9/11/13. Awaiting response from County Executive from 12/11/13 meeting.
12	M & C Meeting	4/22	Review and respond on proposal for campfire ring at Northway Fields.	6/30/13	Celia/ Julie Kenny/ Jim	In study.
<b>2012</b>						
30	Work Session	8/27	Recheck trash area behind New Deal/ Credit Union/ Joe's – look for ways to make more attractive – include merchants and Planning Department. (CAR 2009-14) - Check screening of dumpsters.	10/30/12	Kenny	Discussed @ 10/9/13 and 4/16/14 work sessions with merchants.* (9/3/14)
11	M & C Meeting	5/14	Review of City Code for outdated sections including whether bikes need to be registered.	12/30/12	Cindy	Funds budgeted for full update of Code in FY 2015. Get proposals by December 2014.
5	M & C Meeting	3/12	Refer to P&CD, Rec. Dept., PRAB and YAC – Should there be a dog park in center part of city? Details in meeting minutes.	10/30/12	Celia/Julie	Changed due date to October 2012 due to workload.

NO.	REQUESTED BY	DATE	REQUEST	DUE DATE	REFERRED TO	STATUS/COMMENT (*=COMPLETED)
4	M & C Meeting	1/9	Refer Sustainable Land Care Policy to ACT, Green ACES, YAC and FPAB for review and comment.	3/30/12	Cindy	Referred at 1/13/12. FPAB has reviewed @ 7/19/12. YAC submitted report @ 9/19/12. ACT did detailed review in July and August 2013 and has submitted revised version @ 10/29/13. By end of 2014.
<b>2011</b>						
34	M & C Meeting	12/12	Begin work on Southway sign – Replace scratched glass ASAP.	6/30/12	Terri	Scratched glass replaced @ 1/6/12.
9	Work Session	6/13	Look at need for lighting along walkways between 11 and 13 Court Ridge. Also look at condition of existing lighting, walkway and vegetation. Further survey and referral to PSAC.	9/30/11	Mike	Checking power availability at 11 - 13 Courts.
<b>2010</b>						
42	Work Session	10/4	Implement a city employee identification card system.	4/30/11	Mary	In development @ 9/1/11. Draft proposal submitted by Human Resources @ 8/20/12. Complete by end of September 2014.
32	Mayor Davis	6/25	Does city need its own ordinance to limit roadside solicitation per 2008 State law?	8/30/10	John	City Solicitor response in 9/3/10 City Manager Report. A city ordinance is being drafted.
28	Work Session	6/9	Draft legislation to implement new planning authority (CB-16).	9/30/10	John	County legislation approved 5/3/11. City Solicitor drafting language @ 1/25/12.
16	Work Session	4/21	Develop policy on when city will issue proclamation – Mayor's authority?	7/30/10	Cindy	Ms. Davis has reviewed proclamations back to 2000 and working on report.
<b>2009</b>						
11	M & C Meeting	4/27	Should there be benches and trash cans at bus stops on Southway between Ridge & Greenbelt Road?	9/30/09	Celia/Kenny	

NO.	REQUESTED BY	DATE	REQUEST	DUE DATE	REFERRED TO	STATUS/COMMENT (*=COMPLETED)
9	M & C Meeting	4/13	Review Section 11 – 42 of City Code – parking - in light of Bare complaint - amend?	9/30/09	Celia	Matter discussed at 2/3/10 Work Session and continuing to be worked. Expect recommendation by mid-October 2014.

## CITY NOTES



## Greenbelt CARES

Week Ending September 12

Hello, my name is Andrew Waldron. I am a Social Work Intern working in the GAIL department. After recently graduating from the University of Maryland in the Fall I started my MSW program at Catholic University. I am very excited to be here and look forward to working with everyone over the next nine months!

# WEEKLY REPORT

Planning and Community Development  
Week Ending: Friday, September 12, 2014



*The following items highlight the various activities of the staff of Planning and Community Development for the past week.*

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

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<b>Commercial Properties:</b>	<i>Belle Point Office Park, 10 Ridge Road, 28 Ridge Road, Greenway Medical Center, 7104 Megan Lane (Day Care), and Smith Ewing were inspected.</i>
<b>Rental Property:</b>	<i>Four rental properties were inspected and One rental was re-inspected.</i>
<b>Permits:</b>	<i>Nine permits were issued – five for construction of new townhomes and four electrical residential; and Nineteen notices were mailed for failure to obtain a City permit.</i>
<b>Complaints:</b>	<i>Four complaints were received regarding two cats abandoned on the porch at the shelter, musty smell in Greenbelt Credit Union, inoperable AC unit in residence at Franklin Park and installing sign without a City permit.</i>
<b>Windshield Inspection:</b>	<i>Greenbelt East and Northway Ball Field were observed regarding tall grass and illegal dumping.</i>
<b>Construction Sediment Erosion Control:</b>	<i>Reviewed plans for construction in the City right-of-way submitted by Comcast, Pepco and Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI).</i>
<b>Animal Control:</b>	<i>Carcasses of four raccoons, one squirrel and one opossum were removed; One dog found running at large; Two cats and one dog were adopted; Volunteers took available animals to movie night; One dog has been placed in foster care; Two cats were trapped, neutered and released; and Approximately six hundred dollars was raised at the pooch plunge on September 6, 2014.</i>
<b>Alarms:</b>	<i>One false alarm invoice was mailed; Two commercial alarm licenses were issued; and Two false alarm warning notices were sent.</i>

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**Meetings:** *Staff Met With:*

*Luisa Robles to discuss projects and progress on developing the Chesapeake Bay Trust Stormwater grant application; and Low Impact Development Center to discuss the stormwater grant and provide assistance on technical elements in the grant.*

*Staff Attended:*

*Council meeting to present recommendations and answer questions for Chesapeake Bay Trust Stormwater grant application due September 18<sup>th</sup>; and*

*Attended bi-weekly meeting with Will Yakel of Greenbelt Station development to discuss project and ongoing issues.*

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**Planning Projects:** *Responded to zoning inquiries;*

*Prepared Program Open Space Reimbursement request;*

*Reviewed revised detailed site plan for Franklin Park for conformance with County and City conditions of approval;*

*Worked on reporting documents for Springhill Lake Youth Center parking lot project;*

*Monitored operation of the flashing pedestrian crossing beacon on Crescent Road at Saint Hugh;*

*Reviewed materials for the Safe Routes to School project and provided updates to the State Highway Administration's project manager;*

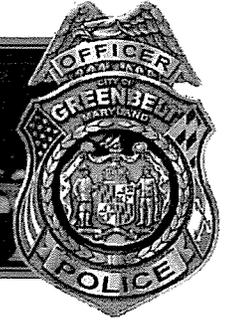
*Prepared schedule for future Advisory Planning Board (APB) meetings;*

*Assembling elements and drafting the CBT Stormwater Management Grant application for Buddy Attick Park Redesign and Greening project; and*

*Reviewed prior Greenbelt Station documentation, conducted research for agenda and content for bi-weekly meeting with project.*

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# GREENBELT POLICE DEPARTMENT



## CRIME REPORT

SEPTEMBER 11, 2014

This activity report is provided as a public service to the community. It is intended to give an overview of the criminal activity within Greenbelt and is not a complete listing of all events and crime reported to the Greenbelt Police Department. The Weekly Activity Report is also available online at:

[www.greenbeltmd.gov/police](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police)

The Greenbelt Police Department and Crime Solvers are offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for any of the unsolved crimes reported in this report. Call **1-866-411-TIPS** to report any information you may have. You can remain anonymous.

**Additionally, you can anonymously report suspected drug activity in your neighborhood by calling our Drug Tip Line: 240-542-2145.**

### CENTER CITY

09/06 9:27 P.M.	Area of Kenilworth Avenue and #495. DWI/DUI arrest. Samwel Mwiru Ntadu, 43, of Greenbelt was arrested and charged with Driving While Impaired by Alcohol and other traffic-related charges during the investigation of a traffic accident. The suspect was released on citations pending trial.
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### FRANKLIN PARK/BELTWAY PLAZA/GREENBELT METRO/CAPITOL OFFICE PARK

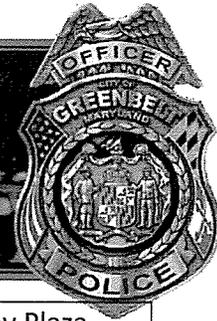
08/30 4:20 P.M.	6100 block Breezewood Drive. DWI/DUI arrest. Victor Manuel Mercadal Flores, 34, of Greenbelt was arrested and charged with Driving While Impaired by Alcohol and other traffic-related charges after being stopped for a traffic violation. The suspect was released on citations pending trial.
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09/04 4:58 P.M.	Area of Breezewood Drive and Cherrywood Terrace. Possession of paraphernalia arrest. Matthew Quindell Smith, 18, of Oxon Hill, MD was arrested and charged with Possession of Paraphernalia during a traffic stop of a reported suspicious person. The suspect was released on citation pending trial.
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**A NATIONALLY ACCREDITED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY**

# GREENBELT POLICE DEPARTMENT



09/07 11:39 A.M.	600 block Greenbelt Road. Theft. An unattended purse was taken at the Beltway Plaza Laundromat.
09/08 12:15 P.M.	6100 block Breezewood Court. Vandalism. Unknown person(s) vandalized the doorknob assembly on the front door of a residence.
09/09 6:21 P.M.	5800 block Cherrywood lane. Trespass arrest. Antonio Antwon Austin, 32, of Upper Marlboro, MD was arrested and charged with Trespass after he was observed on the grounds of Franklin Park Apartments after having been banned from the complex by agents of the property. The suspect was released on citation pending trial.
09/10 5:30 A.M.	9100 block Edmonston Road. Vandalism. Unknown person(s) Unknown person(s) used unknown means to shatter the rear sliding glass door of a residence.
09/10 10:19 A.M.	6200 block Springhill Drive. Possession of paraphernalia arrest. A 17 year old Landover Hills, MD youth was arrested for Possession of Paraphernalia after he was found loitering in an apartment building. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.
09/10 12:17 P.M.	Area of Breezewood Court and Springhill Lane. Trespass arrest. Barbara Williams, 57, of Silver Spring, MD was arrested and charged with Trespass after she was observed on the grounds of Franklin Park Apartments after having been banned from the complex by agents of the property. The suspect was released on citation pending trial.

## **GREENBELT EAST/GREENWAY SHOPPING CENTER**

09/08 1:45 P.M.	7400 block Greenbelt Road. Theft. Unknown person(s) pried open a gym locker at LA Fitness and removed a wallet.
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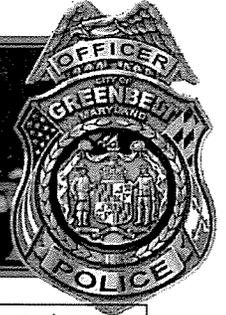
### **Automotive Crime - City Wide**

09/05	5900 block Cherrywood Terrace. Stolen auto. A grey 2009 Honda Accord 2-door, Maryland tags 8AN5815.
09/05	100 block Westway. Vandalism to auto. Three tires were flattened on a vehicle.



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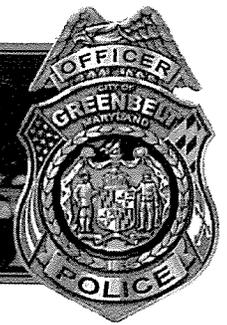
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09/06	20 Southway. Theft from auto. The victim advised that she parked her vehicle at the gas pump at the BP Station and was walking inside when she observed the suspect vehicle pull in behind her vehicle. A rear passenger got out of the suspect vehicle, reached into the victim's open passenger side window and removed her purse. The suspect got back into the suspect vehicle and fled the scene. The suspect is described as a black male with a dark complexion, wearing a grey hooded sweatshirt, white gloves and blue jeans. The driver and other passenger in the vehicle were described as two black males, no further. The suspect vehicle is described as a blue Volkswagen Passat, 4-door.
09/07	7800 block Mandan Road. Theft from auto. Unknown person(s) broke out the front passenger window and removed a bag type purse.
09/07	8000 block Mandan Road. Attempt theft from auto. Unknown person(s) broke out the driver's side window. Nothing was taken.
09/07	7900 block Mandan Road. Theft from auto. Unknown person(s) broke out the driver's side window and removed a community parking pass.
09/07	9300 block Edmonston Road. Theft from auto. Tires and rims were taken from a vehicle.
09/07	Area of Mandan Road and Hanover Parkway. Theft from auto. Unknown person(s) broke out the front passenger window and removed a cell phone, a laptop computer and a video game player.
09/07	9100 block Springhill Lane. Vandalism to auto. The victim advised that the suspect used a stick to hit his vehicle, damaging the paint. The suspect, described as a black male, approximately 9 years old, fled the scene on foot.
09/08	9100 block Breezewood Drive. Vandalism to auto. During a verbal dispute the suspect punched the passenger side window of a friend's vehicle, breaking it. The victim did not want any further action taken. The suspect refused medical attention for a cut on his hand.



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# CRIME REPORT TALLY SHEET

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2014

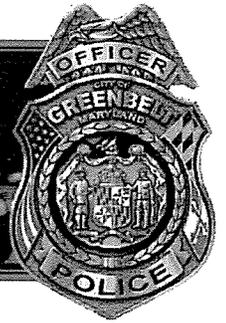
The following list is comprised of the actual numbers of offenses reported during the week. Not all reports are included as narratives, only incidents of interest, unusual or public safety related items are included.

<u>GENERAL CRIMES</u>		<u>GENERAL CRIMES (CON'T)</u>	
Carjacking		Animal Bite	
Rape		Disruption of School Activities	
Armed Robbery		Transporting a Handgun in a Vehicle	
Attempt Armed Robbery		Reckless Endangerment	
Strong Armed Robbery		Emergency Commitment Petition	3
Attempt Strong Armed Robbery		Missing Person	
Burglary		Fraud	
Attempt Burglary		Unattended Death	1
Assault	2	Alcohol Violation	
Domestic		False Report	
Drugs	2	Harassment	
DUI/DWI	1	Field op (suspicious person)	
Theft	3	Notification for other agency	
Vandalism	2		
Child Abuse		<u>VEHICLE RELATED CRIMES</u>	
Unattended Child		Stolen Vehicles	1
Trespass	2	Recovered Stolen Vehicles	
Disorderly Conduct		Recovered Stolen Tags	
Failure to Obey Lawful Order		Theft From Vehicles	5
Credit Card Offense		Attempt Theft From Vehicles	1
Telephone Misuse		Attempt Theft of Vehicle	
Counterfeit Money		Vandalism to Vehicles	3
Suspicious Person		Accidents	1



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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**September 11, 2014**

**1:30 P.M.**

# **Residential Rental Fraud**

Recently a family was the victim of a 'Rent Scam' in a condominium community in Greenbelt, Maryland. The family was shown a condominium in the community by the suspect, who had advertised the property on a nearby supermarket community bulletin board. The condominium shown (but not owned by the suspect) had been vacant for some time and was apparently rekeyed by the suspect in order to gain entry. The family was told that they would be given a discount if they agreed to fix up the unit at their own expense, and that they could pay their rent in cash. A vigilant neighbor brought the situation to the attention of the community's homeowner's association. The family subsequently had to be evicted.

If you feel you may have been the victim of a similar fraud or notice a neighboring condominium or rental unit that has been vacant for some time and then rekeyed in a different manner than normal, please call the Greenbelt Police Department at 301-474-7200 or your local police department to report the situation.

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# *Department of Public Works*

## *Week Ending September 12, 2014*



### **ADMINISTRATION**

- Kenny Hall, Jim Sterling and Luisa Robles, along with the Assistant City Manager, met with representatives from Urban Grid about solar power for the City.
- Jim Sterling held a progress meeting with the general contract manager and the architect for the theater project.
- Jim Sterling performed an inspection of the Pave Drain project at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.
- Jim Sterling attended the MML award ceremony where the City of Greenbelt became Sustainable Maryland Certified.
- Jim Sterling and supervisors Joe Doss and Brian Townsend, marked playground locations for the Belle Point playground project.

### **STREET MAINTENANCE/SPECIAL DETAILS**

- Checked for graffiti and took down unwanted signs.
- Continued putting booths and signage from the Labor Day festival into storage.
- Pushed debris at the Northway Fields compost site.
- Repaired pot holes around the city.
- Put out barrels for Movie Night and the Farmer's Market.
- Started installing new "No Parking" signs throughout the city.
- Lowered the flags for September 11 remembrance.
- Transported risers to Roosevelt Center for a weekend event.
- Cleaned storm drains throughout the city.

### **HORTICULTURE/PARKS**

- Mowed park areas and athletic fields.
- Performed playground maintenance.
- Prepared soccer, football and baseball fields for league use.
- Serviced citizen chipper requests.
- Cut grass throughout the city.
- Made repairs to the backstop at Braden Field #2.
- Replaced suspension components on a Parks Crew vehicle.
- Pruned low branches in the Roosevelt Center parking lot.
- Pruned dead wood out of a large willow oak tree and a tulip tree on Southway.
- Removed diseased roses from the Southway medians.
- Removed porcelain-berry (Amur peppervine) from roadsides. Porcelain-berry is a deciduous, woody vine that climbs to heights of more than 20 feet. It has become a serious invader in the eastern United States.
- Supervised the contractor for landscaping maintenance in east and west Greenbelt.
- Removed two hazardous trees adjacent the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center.

## **REFUSE/RECYCLING/SUSTAINABILITY**

- Collected 26.72 tons of refuse and 17.17 tons of recyclable material.
- Cleaned and re-packed materials for recycling display shown at the Labor Day festival.
- Gave a recycling presentation at Mishkan Torah for the kitchen volunteers. Susan Unger wants to recycle more at all of their events and wanted to make sure all the volunteers understood the guidelines.
- Met with Jessica Bellah about the Chesapeake Bay Trust Grant.
- Met with Kim Walsh of CHEARS about lending her materials for a Stormwater presentation.
- Attended a workshop by the Sustainable Communities Leadership Academy on Empowering Community Resilience in Houston, Texas on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

## **FACILITIES MAINTENANCE**

- Replaced the driver in an LED light on the outside pool deck.
- Replaced several 2 x 4 pin lamps in the hallways of the Community Center.
- Replaced four emergency lights in Buildings 2 and 3 at Public Works.
- Replaced missing tile in the senior lounge at the Community Center.
- Repaired plumbing in the handicap restroom in the Adult Day Care Center at the Community Center.
- Began painting the exterior of the Public Works warehouse.
- Repaired a door at Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

# **Greenbelt Recreation Department**

## **Weekly Report**

Week Ending September 12, 2014

### **ADMINISTRATION:**

- PRAB agenda and materials were finalized and copied for next Wednesday's meeting.
- Prepared draft memo and background materials for recommendation on improvements to HVAC system at the Community Center.
- Discussions on use of the ball fields at the new Greenbelt Middle School continued.
- Met with Administration staff to review pay plan on new minimum wage which takes effect on October 1, 2014.
- Prepared for and attended the Youth Advisory Committee meeting.
- Staff met to review RecTrac reports.
- Participated in a Maryland Recreation and Parks Association event.

### **YOUTH CENTER/ SPRINGHILL LAKE/PARK RANGERS:**

- The Youth Soccer program started with a total of 51 children ages 3-5 participating in the two different classes.
- The fall session of Mom's Morning Out also began. A total of 28 children ages 3-5 are currently enrolled in the program.
- A new after-school program, Drop-In Dodgeball, was introduced. The program is free to all youth with a Greenbelt Recreation Facility ID.
- All three classes of Youth Archery filled to capacity.

### **AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER:**

- The Pooch Plunge was very successful with 137 participants.
- Adult Swim Lessons started September 8th.
- An e-mail blast was sent out about children's swim lessons. Registration is September 16 & 17 for residents and pass holders; open registration starts September 18.
- GMST started its fall practice season September 8th. Practices are Tuesdays & Thursdays from 4:25pm-5:55pm, and Sundays from 7am-9am.
- Purchased replacement chairs for the indoor pool deck. Scored extra 10% off end of season clearance at Lowes!
- Worked with HR on purchasing materials for employee ID project.
- The hot tub received its bi-weekly cleaning.
- Posted information about Active Aging week, which runs September 22-26.
- Public Works repaired LED light on the pool deck.
- Staff visited Ellen Linsen Pool to tour their renovated facility and to provide them with suggestions for their Pooch Plunge, scheduled for September 13.

### **COMMUNITY CENTER:**

- The US flag was lowered to half-mast on Thursday in honor of Patriot Day. Thanks to Stephen for his assistance early morning.
- The US flag was replaced and the old one disposed of properly.
- The Fall Center Leader meeting was conducted on Wednesday night with 17 staff present. Along with reviewing policy, Labor Day weekend was reviewed.
- Coordinators provided logistics, set up and organization for the MPT preview of the Ken Burns film last Saturday. The event was a success and MPT was complimentary about the staff and facility.
- The Moonlit Movie was moved to the CC Gym last Saturday due to inclement weather.
- Supervisor attended a MRPA Board & Council meeting in Howard County.
- Supervisor attended a Bike to Work Day meeting at COG in DC.
- Financial, camp and program documents were archived. Expired documents were prepared for shredding.
- Pattern renters and tenants were invoiced for October fees.
- There were 4 pattern renters and tenants charged late fees for September.
- The facility hosted an American Red Cross Blood Drive.

- There were 5 facility permits processed. There were 2 private rentals and 14 pattern rentals.
- The following groups received free space: Greenbelt Concert Band, Golden Age Club, Greenbelt Writers Group, Greenbelt Labor Day Committee, Greenbelt Soccer Alliance, Charlestowne Village, Greenbrook Estates, Greenbelt Computer Club, Greenbelt Community Foundation and Girl Scout Troop #3251.
- The following City groups received space: Be Happy, Be Healthy Volleyball, City Council, Personnel Office and GAIL.

#### **THERAPEUTIC RECREATION:**

- The TR supervisor attended a TR Branch Conference and training meeting on Monday and a MRPA workshop on Infusing Nature into Everyday Spaces. The presentation was excellent and materials were brought back for staff reference. She also attended the MRPA Board and Council meeting immediately following the workshop.
- On Thursday, seven seniors travelled to Tanger Outlets at National Harbor for their monthly shopping trip. It seems this shopping mall is NOT one of their favorites. They will be going to Columbia Mall next week since the August trip had to be postponed due to the Connection Van being out of service.
- The TR Supervisor did an Ageless Grace demonstration for the Montgomery County ARC on Wednesday evening.
- Friday's Explorations Unlimited featured Greenbelt's own Cathie Brannan who demonstrated and spoke about making scones.
- Active Aging week programs and flyers have been printed and are being distributed to the various facilities participating in the events. The "Active Aging Week Passports" will be finalized next week and distributed during the week.

#### **ARTS:**

- An Artful Afternoon was held on Sunday, September 7. Capacity crowds attended a garden-themed craft work with "the Butterfly Brigade" (Jean Newcomb and volunteers from CHEARS), along with a performance by Beech Tree Puppets (Greenbelt's Ingrid and Ole Hass) of their new work, "The Giant Turnip."
- Fall classes began at the Greenbelt Community Center. Programs currently running include: afterschool ceramic hand-building; homeschool potter's wheel; ceramics open studio; and levels 1, 3, 4 and 5 wheel (pottery). Additional programs are scheduled to begin later in the session.
- Staff is collaborating with CHEARS and alight dance theater to plan and promote a public meeting at which six finalists in the Three Sisters Demonstration Gardens public sculpture competition will present their designs.
- Attended a City Council work session concerning operations of the Greenbelt Theater.
- Assisted Administration with the preparation of a legislative action request.
- Currently on view at the Greenbelt Community Center Art Gallery: aerial photography of the Chesapeake Bay's eastern shore by Peter Stern, along with cardboard sculptures of hives and rock formations by David Purcell. Promotional partners include the College Park Aviation Museum and CHEARS. A reception will take place at the October 5 Artful Afternoon, and the exhibition will continue through October 17.
- Ongoing activities include: the development of exhibitions and special events; processing of Festival of Lights Juried Art and Craft Fair applications; assisting patrons and instructors with the start of fall classes; developing the winter class schedule.