



CANDIDATE PACKET

City of Hyattsville
Election

Tuesday, May 7, 2019

2019
City of Hyattsville
Candidate Packet

The City Election will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2019. The Election is to fill the at-large Mayoral seat and five (5) City Council seats, one seat for each of the five wards, serving four (4) year terms.

The deadline for filing for Candidacy for this election is 5:00 p.m., Friday, March 29, 2019.

The Candidate Packet provides information to assist in identifying the requirements to become a qualified candidate and other election information. The material is assembled into seven (7) categories:

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Questions regarding candidacy not covered in this material should be directed to the Board of Supervisors of Elections. This packet of material is not intended to substitute the candidate's responsibility to read and understand the laws governing elections and ethics in the Annotated Code of Maryland and the Charter and Code of the City of Hyattsville.

General information regarding the City and our governmental organization, City Council agendas and meeting minutes can be found on our web site www.hyattsville.org.

Hyattsville also has notification system that sends alerts on City news/events via email or text. To receive information, go to www.hyattsville.org/notifyme and sign up.

Additionally, the City has an electronic civic engagement platform, called Speak Up, HVL. This platform enables the City to lead focused online conversations to collect feedback from residents on City ideas, initiatives and projects. To view comments or participate in discussions, visit www.speakuphvl.com.

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