

TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE
COUNCIL MEETING
November 19, 2025

*All Councilmembers were in attendance.
The recording of this meeting is available on the Town website.*

OPEN SESSION TO VOTE TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION

At 5:30 p.m., the Town Council met in open session for the purpose of voting to enter a closed session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Maryland Code, General Provisions Article, Section 3-305(b)(7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a contract. The Council voted unanimously to enter closed session. The Council obtained legal advice on a contract for a speed monitoring system. The closed session adjourned at 6 p.m.

COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Heard October 2025 financial report.
- Heard Town Manager's report.
- Heard public comments. Residents commented on the need for speed bumps on East Avenue and increased restrictions for cars entering East Avenue from Bradley Lane; and regarding the federal government's treatment of immigrant populations.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Held a public hearing on variances for driveway and driveway apron width at 7419 Oak Lane. Voted unanimously to approve the variances.
- Held a public hearing on an ordinance to authorize the use of speed monitoring systems in the Town. Voted unanimously to adopt the ordinance.

III. COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS

- Discussed the status of the Bradley Lane safety study by the State Highway Administration (SHA). On November 19, Mayor Rush, Councilmember Brancato, two Bradley Lane residents, and Town staff met with SHA officials to discuss the Town's comments on the draft study and a list of prioritized safety improvements for Bradley Lane. A final report should be issued by the end of the year. Following are details of the discussion of near-term recommendations for improved safety:
 - The first set of improvements that SHA can make include improved truck restriction signage and widening the lane delineator stripe on the north side of Bradley Lane from the current 4 inches to 10 inches, which should have the effect of causing drivers to drive farther away from the curb and sidewalk. These improvements could be undertaken by March, when weather is warm enough for the new striping.
 - Installation of speed cushions must await conclusion of pilot projects currently underway on other state roads in the county. As results are expected in the spring, SHA advised that the earliest speed cushions could be approved and installed would be next summer.
 - The Town was also advised that our application for a Town-controlled speed camera, which must be approved by the SHA, will take 60 to 90 days to process after our application is submitted. As we expect to submit our

application by the end of the year, the SHA schedule suggests we should expect approval by March.

- Discussed a resolution to designate Bradley Lane for the deployment of a speed monitoring system. Voted unanimously to adopt the resolution. Given required approvals and contract negotiations, the earliest the Town could expect an operational speed camera on Bradley Lane would be summer 2026.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

- Voted unanimously to appoint Quynh Tran to serve the remainder of Irene Lane's term on the Town Council.
- Quynh Tran read the oath of office.
- Voted unanimously to appoint Council officers, as follows: Barney Rush, Mayor; Rich Brancato, Vice Mayor; Tandra Leonard, Secretary; Carlo Colella, Treasurer; Quynh Tran, Community Liaison.

V. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.