**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE**

on

**District of Columbia’s Office of Inspector General Report**

**“Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs: Civil Infractions**

**Program Lacked a Strong Internal Control Environment”**

on

**Tuesday, June 25, 2019, 3:00 p.m.**

**Room 412, John A. Wilson Building**

**1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW**

 Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public oversight roundtable before the Committee of the Whole on the District of Columbia’s Office of Inspector General Report, “Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs: Civil Infractions Program Lacked a Strong Internal Control Environment.” The roundtable will be held at **3:00 p.m. on June 25, 2019, in Room 412** of the John A. Wilson Building.

 The Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued a report last month that found that the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) does not have policies or procedures in place related to the issuance and tracking of Notices of Infraction (NOI) and that DCRA lacks processes to carry out requirements defined in D.C. Municipal Regulations, such as assessing interest on unpaid NOIs. The report also found that DCRA had no written procedure in place for the transfer of unpaid NOIs to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer’s Central Collection Unit (CCU). The OIG estimates that this has resulted in approximately $6 million in uncollected debts and fines. The OIG report can be accessed at https://bit.ly/2KGvVVo.

Those who wish to testify are asked to email the Committee of the Whole at cow@dccouncil.us, or call Blaine Stum, Legislative Policy Advisor at (202) 724-8092, and to provide your name, address, telephone number, organizational affiliation and title (if any) by close of business **Friday, June 21, 2019**. Persons wishing to testify are encouraged, but not required, to submit 15 copies of written testimony. If submitted by the close of business on June 21, 2019, the testimony will be distributed to Councilmembers before the roundtable. Witnesses should limit their testimony to four minutes; less time will be allowed if there are a large number of witnesses. Roundtable materials, including a draft witness list, can be accessed 24 hours in advance of the roundtable at http://www.chairmanmendelson.com/circulation.

If you are unable to testify at the roundtable, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Written statements should be submitted to the Committee of the Whole, Council of the District of Columbia, Suite 410 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on July 9, 2019.