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A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To authorize the holding of certain hearings and roundtables and taking of certain other actions during the Council’s summer 2020 recess and to amend the Rules of Organization and Procedures for the Council of the District of Columbia, Council Period 23, Resolution of 2019 to authorize the submission of a grant budget modification for Fiscal Year 2020 grant funds that either is related to COVID-19 or has been submitted by the University of the District of Columbia during the Council’s summer 2020 recess, and adds a new rule regarding amendments at virtual meetings.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Council Period 23 Recess Rules Amendment Resolution of 2020.”

Sec. 2. Recess rules.

(a) The Committee of the Whole is authorized to hold a hearing or roundtable, including a joint hearing or roundtable, on a contract, reprogramming, budget modification, measure, or proposed actions by the Mayor during the period August 1 through September 7, 2020.

(b) The Rules of Organization and Procedure for the Council of the District of Columbia, Council Period 23, Resolution of 2019 effective January 2, 2019 (Res. 23-1; 66 DCR 272), is amended as follows:

(1) Section 306(b) is amended by adding a new paragraph (5) to read as follows;

36           “(5) A request for a budget modification for Fiscal Year 2020 grant funds that  
37 either is related to COVID-19 or has been submitted by the University of the District of  
38 Columbia may be transmitted to the Secretary from August 1 through September 7, 2020.”.

39           (2) Section 711 is amended as follows:

40                   (A) The existing text is designated as subsection (a).

41                   (B) A new subsection (b) is added to read as follows:

42           “(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, a request for a budget  
43 modification for Fiscal Year 2020 grant funds that either is related to COVID-19 or has been  
44 submitted by the University of the District of Columbia may be submitted, and the time period  
45 for the request may be counted, from August 1 through September 7, 2020.”.

46           (3) A new rule 356a is added to read as follows:

47           **“356a. AMENDMENTS AT VIRTUAL MEETINGS.**

48           “(a) Amendments to pending measures to be considered at a virtual legislative meeting  
49 that are filed electronically with the Secretary less than 19 hours before the noticed time of a  
50 legislative meeting at which they are to be moved may be ruled out of order at the discretion of  
51 the Chairman.

52           “(b) A Fiscal Impact Statement and a Legal Sufficiency Determination for any  
53 amendment filed under subsection (a) of this section shall be sent by the Budget Office or the  
54 Office of the General Counsel, as applicable, to the Councilmember moving the amendment, for  
55 the Councilmember to file no less than 19 hours prior to the noticed time of the legislative  
56 meeting at which the amendment is to be considered.”

57           (c) Subsections (a), (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section shall expire on September 7, 2020.

58           Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.