

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE**
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE**

on

Implementation of Law 23-269, the Department of Buildings Establishment Act of 2020

on

Wednesday, February 16, 2022, 2:00 p.m.

**Live via Zoom Video Conference Broadcast
Chairman's Website (www.chairmanmendelson.com/live)**

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces the scheduling of a public oversight roundtable of the Committee of the Whole on the implementation of Law 23-269, the Department of Buildings Establishment Act of 2020. The roundtable will be held on **Wednesday, February 16, 2022, 2:00 p.m. via Zoom Video Broadcast.**

D.C. Law 23-269, applicable as of October 2021, establishes the Department of Buildings, an agency that will have oversight of construction compliance, rental housing safety, and residential property maintenance activities in the District. The agency will be headed by a Director, with a Chief Building Official, Strategic Enforcement Administrator, and Zoning Administrator serving as division directors. The existing Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs will be redesignated as the Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection. The law requires the Executive to submit implementation and transition reports 60, 120, 180, and 365 days after the applicable date of the law. This roundtable will address the proposed organizational plan, strategic human capital plan, and communications strategy required by the law and submitted by the Executive.

Those who wish to testify must register at <http://www.ChairmanMendelson.com/testify> by **5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 14, 2022. Testimony is limited to four minutes; less time will be allowed if there are a large number of witnesses.** Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered. If you have additional questions, please contact Destiny Riley, Committee Assistant, at (202) 724-8196.

The roundtable will be conducted virtually on the Internet utilizing Zoom video conference technology. Testimony should be submitted in writing to cow@dccouncil.us in advance of the roundtable. Written testimony will be posted publicly to <http://www.chairmanmendelson.com/testimony>. If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Statements for the record should be submitted to cow@dccouncil.us or left by voicemail by calling (202) 430-6948 (up to 3 minutes which will be transcribed). The record will close at 5:00pm on Tuesday, March 1, 2022.