

## LEGISLATIVE PREVIEW

## TO BE APPROVED ON TUESDAY

4.2.24

- Oversight Report: The District's Housing Code Inspection Process: Broken and In Need of Repair Over the course of several months, the Committee of the Whole investigated the housing code inspection process at the Department of Buildings. The report offers several troubling findings and recommendations to remedy the issues discovered in the investigation. A copy of the report is available here.
- Consideration of the Revised schedule for the Public Hearings on the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget and Multiyear Financial Plan With the Mayor's delayed presentation of the budget, the Council will consider an amended schedule. The Council must approve the budget within 70 days. Committee hearings will take place April 4<sup>th</sup> May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Committee markups will happen May 8<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>. The first Council vote on the budget will be May 29, 2024.
- Protecting Adjacent and Adjoining Property Owners from Construction Damage Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2024 this legislation will help make construction in the District safer for property owners. Each year, homeowners throughout the District experience hardship as a result of damage to their property by shoddy contractors at an adjacent or adjoining property. These homeowners have little recourse because current construction insurance requirements do not explicitly protect adjacent or adjoining homeowners. This legislation addresses this by requiring insurance coverage that protects adjoining and adjacent homeowners for certain building permits, such as an excavation permit or sheeting and shoring permit. This will better enable homeowners to file claims and recover damages should their property be damaged.
- Downtown Arena Financing Partnership and Revised Budget Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2024 This legislation would appropriate a total \$515 million in funding, over fiscal years 2025 through 2027, for improvements to the Capital One Arena. The funds to be allocated in this Supplemental Appropriation Act were identified late last year by the Chief Financial Officer and were a result of a refinancing of the District's debt, which freed up additional dollars under the debt ceiling. The funding does not affect the District's Operating Budget. A permanent version of this emergency legislation will be taken up by the Council in the FY 2025 Budget.