

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING**

on

Bill 25-826, Recidivism Reduction, Oversight, and Accountability for DYRS Act of 2024

on

Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.

**Council Chambers (Room 500)
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
DC Council Website (www.dccouncil.gov)**

WITNESS LIST

Public Witnesses

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| 1. Whitney Louchheim | Chief Operating Officer, Open City Advocates |
| 2. Raymond Ngu | Legal Director, Open City Advocates |
| 3. Robert Vinson Brannum | Chair, Ward 5 Leadership Council – Public Safety Committee |
| 4. Eduardo Ferrer | Policy Director, Georgetown Juvenile Justice Initiative |
| 5. Irene Jacobs | Policy Manager, Black Swan Academy |
| 6. Kristin Eliason | Head of Services, Network for Victim Recovery of DC |
| 7. Tracy Velazquez | Policy Director, Council for Court Excellence |
| 8. Dr. Carmen Johnson | Founder, Helping Ourselves to Transform |
| 9. Austin Steele | Intern, Legislative Researcher, Helping Ourselves to Transform |
| 10. Katherine Jo | Intern, Youth Leadership, Helping Ourselves to Transform |
| 11. Nasyr Mathis | Intern, Legislative Drafter, Helping Ourselves to Transform |
| 12. Natasha Levine | Intern, Helping Ourselves to Transform |

Government Witnesses

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| 13. Kathy Patterson | DC Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor |
| 14. Katerina Semyonova | Special Counsel to the Director for Policy and Legislation, Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia |
| 15. Brian Schwalb | Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia |
| 16. Lindsey Appiah | Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice |
| 17. Sam Abed | Director, Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services |