

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004

MEMORANDUM

TO: Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

FROM: Phil Mendelson, Chairman 

DATE: October 30, 2025

RE: **Request to Agendize Emergency Measures for the November 4, 2025
Legislative Meeting**

This memorandum is to request that the following measures be placed on the agenda for the November 4, 2025 Legislative Meeting:

- **Closing of a Cul-de-Sac in Square 4350, S.O. 22-05506, Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2025**
- **Closing of a Cul-de-Sac in Square 4350, S.O. 22-05506, Emergency Act of 2025**

This legislation orders the closing of the Douglas Street, N.E., cul-de-sac in Square 4350, abutting Lot 6. The closure of the cul-de-sac will support the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's (WMATA) Bladensburg Bus Garage Reconstruction Project, which will expand the number of parking spots for Metro buses from 260 to 290, create infrastructure to support WMATA's Zero Emission Bus Transition Plan, and increase on-site employee parking from 100 to 400.

Permanent legislation (Bill 26-160) was approved by the Council at the October 21, 2025 Additional Legislative Meeting. The bill is currently being reviewed by the Mayor and then must undergo a 30-day congressional review period before becoming law. Enacting emergency legislation prior to the completion of the congressional review period is necessary to enable the project to proceed without risk of further delay.

The draft measures are attached. Please call me or Blaine Stum if you have any questions at (202) 724-8092.

cc: All Councilmembers
Council Officers