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

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING

on

Bill 23-42, Substandard Construction Relief Amendment Act of 2019
Bill 23-333, Illegal Construction Repair and Mitigation Amendment Act of 2019
General Conservation on Construction Code Enforcement

on

Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

Room 500 (Council Chambers), John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20004

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public hearing before the Committee of the Whole on Bill 23-42, the "Substandard Construction Relief Amendment Act of 2019," and Bill 23-333, the "Illegal Construction Repair and Mitigation Amendment Act of 2019." The hearing will also be an opportunity for the Committee to receive testimony regarding code enforcement by the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) against illegal construction in the District. The hearing will be held on Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 500 (Council Chambers) of the John A. Wilson Building.

The purpose of Bill 23-42 is to require that code violators who damage adjoining or abutting property be ordered to repair the damage or pay restitution to the property owner where a factfinder determines that a violation covered under the code resulted in physical damage to the adjoining or abutting property. The purpose of Bill 23-333 is to require the repair and mitigation of damage done to an adjoining or abutting property in cases where the adjoining or abutting real property owner demonstrates that the damage was caused by construction and DCRA has issued a stop work order.

Those who wish to testify are asked to email the Committee of the Whole at cow@dccouncil.us, or to call Blaine Stum, Legislative Policy Advisor, at (202) 724-8092, and to provide your name, address, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any) by the close of business Tuesday, **November 5, 2019**. Persons wishing to testify are encouraged, but not required, to submit 15 copies of written testimony. If submitted by the close of business on November 5, 2019 the testimony will be distributed to Councilmembers before the hearing. Witnesses should limit their testimony to four minutes; less time will be allowed if there are a larger number of witnesses. Copies of the legislation can be obtained through the Legislative Services Division of the Secretary of the Council's office or on http://lims.dccouncil.us. Hearing materials, including a draft witness list, can be accessed 24 hours in advance of the hearing at http://www.chairmanmendelson.com/circulation.

If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Written statements should be submitted to the Committee of the Whole, Council of the District of Columbia, Suite 410 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 21, 2019.