

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
**COMMITTEE ON FACILITIES AND PROCUREMENT**  
ROBERT C. WHITE, JR., CHAIR

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE**

**on**

**PR23-0704, the “Sense of the Council in Support of Enhanced Metro Transit Police Department Oversight Resolution of 2020”**

**and**

**WMATA Operations**

Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 12:00 PM

Live via Zoom Video Conference Broadcast  
Council Channel 13 (Cable Television Providers)  
DC Council Website ([www.dccouncil.us](http://www.dccouncil.us))

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On Wednesday, October 21, 2020, Councilmember Robert C. White Jr., Chair of the Committee on Facilities and Procurement will hold a Public Roundtable on PR23-0704, the “Sense of the Council in Support of Enhanced Metro Transit Police Department Oversight Resolution of 2020” and on WMATA Operations. The public hearing will take place via the Zoom web conferencing platform at 12:00 PM. Members of the public will be able to view the public roundtable on cable television on Council Channel 13 or online at: <https://dccouncil.us/council-videos/> or at: [entertainment.dc.gov](http://entertainment.dc.gov).

PR23-0704, the “Sense of the Council in Support of Enhanced Metro Transit Police Department Oversight Resolution of 2020” was introduced on February 20, 2020 by Councilmembers Charles Allen, Cheh, Grosso, Silverman, Robert C. White, Jr., Bonds, Gray, and Nadeau. The resolution was referred to the Committee on Facilities and Procurement on March 3, 2020. The stated purpose of the legislation is to declare the sense of the Council in support of enhanced Metro Transit Police Department oversight by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, including through the creation of an independent civilian complaint review board.

The Committee also intends to conduct continuing oversight of WMATA operations in the wake of the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. Among the topics to be covered will be the quality of services, the measures taken to ensure the safety of riders, the expansion of bus lanes, and strategies for implementing Safe Passage for District students.

The Committee invites the public to testify remotely or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify must sign up in advance by contacting the Committee by e-mail at [facilities@dccouncil.us](mailto:facilities@dccouncil.us) or by phone at (202) 741-8593, and provide their name, phone number or e-mail, organizational affiliation, and title (if any) by **the close of business on Monday, October 19, 2020**. Witnesses are encouraged, but not required, to submit their testimony in

writing electronically in advance to [facilities@dccouncil.us](mailto:facilities@dccouncil.us). Public witnesses will participate remotely and using audio only. The Committee will follow-up with witnesses with additional instructions on how to provide testimony through a web conferencing platform.

All public witnesses will be allowed a maximum of four minutes to testify, while Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners will be permitted five minutes to testify. At the discretion of the Chair, the length of time provided for oral testimony may be reduced due to schedule constraints.

Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee on Facilities and Procurement of the need as soon as possible but no later than five (5) business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, however requests received in less than five (5) business days may not be fulfilled and alternatives may be offered.

The Committee encourages the public to submit written testimony to be included for the public record. Copies of written testimony should be submitted by e-mail to [facilities@dccouncil.us](mailto:facilities@dccouncil.us). **The record for this public roundtable will close at the close of business on Wednesday, November 4, 2020.**