

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To clarify, on an emergency basis, the authority of the Mayor to enter into an agreement with a Business Improvement District for maintenance and improvement of public space during a public health emergency and for 30 days thereafter; and clarifying the definition of District funds for eligibility purposes at the Commission on the Arts and Humanities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Public Space Maintenance and Arts Clarification Emergency Amendment Act of 2020”.

Sec. 2. Section 2 of the Public Space Maintenance Emergency Act of 2020, effective November 2, 2020 (D.C. Act 23-475; 67 DCR ____), is amended as follows:

(a) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase “improve public space including sidewalks, streets, parks, plazas, signage, and public art, within the boundaries of the BID” and inserting the phrase “improve public space including sidewalks, streets, parks, plazas, signage, and public art, within or partially within the boundaries of the BID” in its place.

(b) Subsection (b) is amended by striking the phrase “improving public space” and inserting the phrase “improving a District-owned asset or public space” in its place.

35 (c) Subsection (c) is amended by striking the phrase “in public space” both times it
36 appears and inserting the phrase “on a District-owned asset or in public space” in its place.

37 Sec. 3. Section 2 of the Public Space Maintenance Temporary Act of 2020, enacted on
38 November 2, 2020 (D.C. Act 23-464; 67 DCR ____), is amended as follows:

39 (a) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase “improve public space including
40 sidewalks, streets, parks, plazas, signage, and public art, within the boundaries of the BID” and
41 inserting the phrase “improve public space including sidewalks, streets, parks, plazas, signage,
42 and public art, within or partially within the boundaries of the BID” in its place.

43 (b) Subsection (b) is amended by striking the phrase “improving public space” and
44 inserting the phrase “improving a District-owned asset or public space” in its place.

45 (c) Subsection (c) is amended by striking the phrase “in public space” and inserting the
46 phrase “on a District-owned asset or public space” each place it appears.

47 Sec. 4. Section 3(9)(A)(i) of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Act, effective
48 October 21, 1975 (D.C. Law 1-22; D.C. Official Code § 39-202(9)(A)(i)) is amended by striking
49 the phrase “exclusive of District funds” and inserting the phrase “exclusive of District funds
50 other than sponsorships provided by Events DC” in its place.

51 Sec. 5. Fiscal impact statement.

52 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact
53 statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved
54 October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

55 Sec. 6. Effective date.

56 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
57 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than
58 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section

- 59 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788;
- 60 D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).