

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

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE**

on

**Emergency Procurements During the Public Health Emergency**

Wednesday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 3:00 PM

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

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On Wednesday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Councilmember Robert C. White Jr., Chair of the Committee on Government Operations and Facilities, will hold a public roundtable “Emergency Procurements During the Public Health Emergency”. The public roundtable will take place via the Zoom web conferencing platform at 3:00 PM. Members of the public will be able to view the public roundtable on Council Channel 13, the DC Council website, or at <http://www.facebook.com/RobertWhiteAtLarge/Live>.

The purpose of this roundtable will be to discuss the practice of emergency procurement during the public health emergency. The Committee will particularly focus its attention on:

- Finding 2020-11 of the “Management Recommendations for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020” incorporated into the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report in January 2021, that “Controls Over Emergency Procurement Were Not Operating Effectively”;
- The Close Out Letter from the Office of the Inspector General for the Audit of District Procurements During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, dated May 12, 2021; and
- Compliance with D.C. Official Code § 7-2304(b)(2) regarding reports on emergency procurements to the Council.

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, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021**. Witnesses are encouraged, but not required, to submit their testimony in writing electronically in advance to [facilities@dccouncil.us](mailto:facilities@dccouncil.us). Witnesses will participate remotely via Zoom. The Committee will follow-up with witnesses with additional instructions on how to provide testimony in advance of the proceeding.

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.

Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee 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 also 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, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.**