

**Council of the District of Columbia**  
**COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY**  
**MEMORANDUM**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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**TO:** Chairman Phil Mendelson  
**FROM:** Councilmember Charles Allen *CA*  
**RE:** Request to Agendize Measures for the December 21, 2021 Additional Legislative Meeting  
**DATE:** December 16, 2021

I am requesting that the following measures be agendized for the December 21, 2021 Additional Legislative Meeting:

Measures from Committee

- [PR24-0469](#), the “District of Columbia Board of Elections Gary Thompson Confirmation Resolution of 2021”
- [PR24-0470](#), the “District of Columbia Board of Elections Michael Gill Confirmation Resolution of 2021”

These measures were approved unanimously by the Committee at its Additional Meeting on December 15, 2021, and they have been timely filed. Please contact Sonia Weil, Senior Legislative Counsel, at [sweil@dccouncil.us](mailto:sweil@dccouncil.us), with any questions.

Emergency Contract Legislation at the Request of the Executive

- “Contract No. CW90443 with Motorola Solutions, Inc. Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2021”
- “Contract No CW90443 with Motorola Solutions, Inc. Emergency Approval Resolution of 2021”

This emergency legislation would enable the Office of Contracting and Procurement, on behalf of the Office of Unified Communications, to enter into multiyear Contract No. CW90443 with Motorola Solutions, Inc. to provide maintenance and support for the Office of Unified Communications’ public radio systems with the Metropolitan Police Department and Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department. The not-to-exceed price for the term of this multiyear contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc. is \$69,111,669. The base period would be from the date of award through September 30, 2027, with one option year in the amount of \$4,031,899.

These measures have been timely filed by the Executive, and copies are attached. Please contact Antonio Nunes, Legislative Counsel, at [anunes@dccouncil.us](mailto:anunes@dccouncil.us) with any questions.

Emergency Legislation at the Request of the Attorney General

- “Attorney General Civil Rights Enforcement Emergency Declaration Resolution”
- “Attorney General Civil Rights Enforcement Emergency Amendment Act of 2021”

- “Attorney General Civil Rights Enforcement Temporary Amendment Act of 2021”

The Human Rights Act of 1977, effective December 13, 1977 (D.C. Law 2-38; D.C. Official Code § 2-1401.01 *et seq.*), was enacted to protect individuals from invidious forms of discrimination. The Attorney General has carried out the purpose of the Human Rights Act by investigating and prosecuting civil rights violations. In the course of the Attorney General’s prosecutions, subjects of investigations have repeatedly raised unsubstantiated challenges to the Attorney General’s common law authority to utilize investigative tools such as subpoenas and sworn investigative interviews in this context. Similarly, defendants have challenged the Attorney General’s authority to obtain injunctive relief and civil penalties.

Recently in response to the COVID-19 emergency, the Attorney General’s authority to use investigative tools and seek injunctive relief and penalties was expressly confirmed by the Council in COVID-19-related emergency and temporary legislation, which amended the Human Rights Act expressly authorizing their use. Civil rights violations continue to persist and increase after the expiration of that legislation. Express reauthorization of the Attorney General’s authority in this area continues the Council’s prior actions and is necessary to continue to efficiently and effectively investigate and prosecute civil rights violations and protect victims of discrimination.

These measures have been timely filed by the Attorney General, and copies are attached. Please contact Kate Mitchell, Committee Director, at [kmitchell@dccouncil.us](mailto:kmitchell@dccouncil.us) with any questions.

cc: Members, Council of the District of Columbia  
Office of the Budget Director  
Office of the General Counsel  
Office of the Secretary  
Mayor’s Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs