

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
**COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION & THE ENVIRONMENT**  
MARY M. CHEH, CHAIR

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON**

**Bill 24-267, the Climate Commitment Act of 2021**

**and**

**Bill 24-420, the Clean Energy DC Building Code Amendment Act of 2021**

Tuesday, January 25, 2021, at 3:00 PM

**Councilmember Cheh's Facebook Page** ([facebook.com/cmmarycheh](https://www.facebook.com/cmmarycheh))

**DC Council Website** (<https://dccouncil.us/>)

**Council Channel 13** (Cable Television Providers)

**Office of Cable Television Website** ([entertainment.dc.gov](http://entertainment.dc.gov))

On Tuesday, January 25, 2021, Councilmember Mary M. Cheh, Chairperson of the Committee on Transportation and the Environment, will hold a hearing on Bill 24-267, the Climate Commitment Act of 2021, and Bill 24-420, the Clean Energy DC Building Code Amendment Act of 2021. The hearing will begin at 3:00 PM and be broadcast live on DC Council Channel 13 and streamed live at [www.dccouncil.us](http://www.dccouncil.us), [facebook.com/cmmarycheh](https://www.facebook.com/cmmarycheh), and [entertainment.dc.gov](http://entertainment.dc.gov).

Bill 24-267 would codify the greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals set in the Sustainable DC Plan, mandating that the District reduce emissions of greenhouse gases to a level consistent with carbon neutrality by 2050, as well as adding interim targets for greenhouse gas reductions between 2025 and 2050. In addition, the legislation would require the District to achieve carbon neutrality for emissions associated with District government operations by 2040, and prepare an inter-agency action plan for achieving this goal. The legislation would also require the Department of Energy and Environment to report annually on the District's progress toward these targets. Bill 24-420 would codify the net-zero energy targets in the Mayor's Clean Energy DC Plan by requiring that, by January 1, 2026, all new construction be subject to net-zero standards set by the Mayor.

Due to the imminent threat to the health, safety, and welfare of District residents posed by the spread of the coronavirus, the Council has adapted the methods by which committees may hold public hearings and roundtables to comply with social distancing, large public gatherings, and other public health and safety requirements. Therefore, this public roundtable will be held remotely through the Zoom teleconferencing platform.

The Committee invites the public to testify or to submit written testimony, which will be made a part of the official record. Anyone wishing to testify should contact Ms. Aukima Benjamin, Staff Assistant to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment, at least 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing at (202) 724-8062 or via e-mail at [abenjamin@dccouncil.us](mailto:abenjamin@dccouncil.us);

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witnesses will receive information on how to join the hearing at that time. Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, or requiring sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee of the need as soon as possible but no later than five business days before the hearing, which is January 18, 2022. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests; however, requests received in less than five business days may not be fulfilled and alternatives may be offered.

If you are unable to testify at the public hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record; testimony may be submitted to [abenjamin@dccouncil.us](mailto:abenjamin@dccouncil.us). The public may also leave voicemail testimony for the Committees by calling (202) 350-1344, which will be transcribed and made part of the hearing record. Members of the public leaving voicemail testimony should speak slowly and clearly, state their full name and the organization they represent, if any, and note the bill, hearing, or agency that they are submitting testimony on. Members of the public are asked to not provide an e-mail, phone number, or other personal contact information in voicemail testimony.

The record will close at the end of the business day on February 8, 2022.