

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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COUNCILMEMBER ANITA BONDS, CHAIRPERSON  
COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING

on the matter of

**B24-0620 – Juneteenth History and Planning Commission Establishment Act of 2022**

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Thursday, May 19, 2022, at 10:00 AM  
Via Zoom

On Thursday, May 19, 2022, Councilmember Anita Bonds will hold a public hearing to discuss [B24-0620, the “Juneteenth History and Planning Commission Establishment Act of 2022”](#).

B24-0620, the “Juneteenth History and Planning Commission Establishment Act of 2022” would establish the District Juneteenth History and Planning Commission to plan for activities in celebration of Juneteenth in the District of Columbia and to educate the public about the history of Juneteenth not only in the District, but across the country. This Commission would plan for an annual Juneteenth celebration and coordinate year-round education about Juneteenth and Black history more broadly. The Commission would include the director of African-American Civil War Museum, representatives from the District’s historically Black colleges and universities, the director of the Office of African American Affairs, and fifteen community representatives – two nominated by the Mayor and one nominated by each Councilmember.

Persons who wish to testify are requested to either email the Committee at [housing@dccouncil.us](mailto:housing@dccouncil.us) or telephone the Committee at (202) 724-8198, at least two business days before the hearing and provide their name, address, telephone number, email address, organizational affiliation and title, if any. Each witness will receive an individual Zoom invitation for the hearing in a separate e-mail. Witnesses are encouraged to submit an electronic version of their testimony to [housing@dccouncil.us](mailto:housing@dccouncil.us). Oral testimony will be limited to 5 minutes for those testifying on behalf of an organization and 3 minutes for those testifying on behalf of themselves.

All Councilmembers will receive an individual Zoom invitation for the hearing in a separate email. If a Councilmember does not have a separate link, please contact Ram Uppuluri at [rappuluri@dccouncil.us](mailto:rappuluri@dccouncil.us).

The hearing can be viewed on Cable Channel 13 (DCCTV). at [www.dccouncil.us](http://www.dccouncil.us) and [www.entertainment.dc.gov](http://www.entertainment.dc.gov), and on the Committee on Housing and Executive Administration YouTube channel ([www.youtube.com/channel/UCgy5EojaMYGtwicWSfg9NeA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgy5EojaMYGtwicWSfg9NeA)).

Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation or require sign language interpretation are encouraged to inform the Committee of the need as soon as possible but no later than five business days before the proceeding. The Committee 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 someone is unable to testify at the public hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Written statements should be submitted to the Committee on Housing and Executive Administration, John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 116, Washington, D.C. 20004 or by email at [housing@dccouncil.us](mailto:housing@dccouncil.us). The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on May 26, 2022.