

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

**COUNCILMEMBER ANITA BONDS, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION AND LABOR**

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE

on the matter of

Board of Elections 2024 Election Cycle Readiness

on

Tuesday, October 31, 2023, at 1:00 P.M.
Hybrid Public Hearing – Room 412

On Tuesday, October 31, 2023, Councilmember Anita Bonds will hold a public roundtable to several items related to the Board of Elections, including the recent data breach resulting in compromised voter information and agency preparations for the 2024 elections.

In 2024, the District of Columbia will hold primary and general elections for local and federal offices, including the office of President of the United States. Members of Congress have indicated their interest in supporting initiatives that would make it more difficult to vote and administer elections in the District. These upcoming elections will receive heavy scrutiny due to this increased interest in our electoral process, and it is critical that the Board of Elections prepares to administer the elections in a seamless manner. To ensure the District's readiness as these elections approach, the Committee will hold periodic roundtables to assess the progress of the Board of Elections as they prepare for the 2024 election cycle. This roundtable will allow the Board of Elections to update the public on its preparation for the 2024 election cycle. The Committee will examine the steps the Board has taken to reach voters, implement in-person and mail-in voting, and prepare a space for the votes to be counted.

Furthermore, on October 6th, 2024, the Board of Elections announced their awareness of a data breach involving District of Columbia voter records. This roundtable will give the Board of Elections an opportunity to inform the public of the details of this event. The breach is under federal scrutiny, so inquiry into the event will consist of a high-level overview without compromising any ongoing investigations. The Committee endeavors to help District residents and voters understand both the scope of this breach and agency plans to protect the personal data of District voters in the future.

Persons who wish to testify are requested must register using the Council's Hearing Management System at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings> by 5 p.m. on Monday, October 30, 2023, and provide their name, telephone number, email address, organizational affiliation, and title. 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 ceal@dccouncil.gov. Oral testimony will be limited to 5 minutes.

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 through the Council's Hearing Management System <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings>. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 10, 2023.

All Councilmembers will receive an individual Zoom invitation for the hearing in a separate email. If a Councilmember does not have a separate link for each, please contact Scott Neall at sneall@dccouncil.gov.

The hearing can be viewed on the following platforms:

- YouTube (youtube.com/@EALCommittee/streams)
- DC Council's Website (www.dccouncil.gov)
- Office of Cable Television's Website (www.entertainment.dc.gov)

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.