## COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE & COMMITTEE ON HOUSING NOTICE OF PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE

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## CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

## COUNCILMEMBER ROBERT C. WHITE, JR., CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON HOUSING ANNOUNCE A JOINT PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE

on

The River East at Grandview Condominiums Debacle

on

Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

Room 412
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
DC Council Website (www.dccouncil.gov)

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson and Councilmember Robert C. White, Jr., announce a public roundtable before the Committee of the Whole and the Committee on Housing on the River East at Grandview Condominiums Debacle. The roundtable will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 9, 2023. This notice has been revised to clarify that this is a joint roundtable before the Committee of the Whole and the Committee on Housing.

In 2017, Stanton View Development completed construction on a 46-unit complex financed, in part, by a \$6 million loan from the District's Housing Production Trust Fund. Within months of moving into the units, homeowners noticed signs of structural defects, including large cracks in walls and ceilings, doors and windows becoming misaligned, and numerous leaks in the plumbing system. As a result of the underlying structural defects, around half of the residents of River East were forced to evacuate their homes in August 2021. Since then, these residents have lived in temporary housing with some financial assistance from the District, but the path forward remains unclear. The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony as to what the District can do to rectify the current situation and how the District can prevent such a debacle from occurring again.

Those who wish to testify must register using the Council's Hearing Management System at <a href="https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings">https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings</a> by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2023. Testimony is limited to three minutes. Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible but no later than five business days before the proceeding by emailing <a href="cow@dccouncil.gov">cow@dccouncil.gov</a>. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered. Requests received in less than five business days may not be fulfilled. Witnesses will receive instructions on how to participate by Zoom prior to the hearing. If you have additional questions, please contact Blaine Stum, Senior Policy Advisor, at (202) 724-8092 or <a href="cow@dccouncil.gov">cow@dccouncil.gov</a>.

Public witnesses will participate virtually via the Internet on the Zoom Video Conference platform. Testimony should be submitted through the Council's Hearing Management System in advance of the hearing. Testimony will be publicly accessible upon Committee review. If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Statements for the record should be submitted through the Hearing Management System or left by voicemail by calling (202) 430-6948 (up to 3 minutes which will be transcribed). The record will close at 5:00 pm on Thursday, November 23, 2023.