Council of the District of Columbia COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NOTICE OF OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCILMEMBER KENYAN R. MCDUFFIE, CHAIRPERSON

ANNOUNCE A OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE ON

THE OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT'S HIRING AND PROMOTION PRACTICES AND WORKPLACE CULTURE

Thursday, December 14, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Hearing in Room 412 and via Zoom Video Conference Broadcast Streamed live at <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbFwXXcbCuQk3zlwqe97mA/streams</u> Viewable on the DC Council Website (<u>www.dccouncil.gov</u>)

On Thursday, December 14, 2023, Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie, Chairperson of the Committee on Business and Economic Development will hold an oversight roundtable on the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) and its hiring and promotion practices, workplace culture, and alleged retaliatory conduct under John Falcicchio, former Chief of Staff for the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development. This roundtable is limited to invited witnesses.

In a Summary of Findings released by MOLC on June 17, 2023, and on July 31, 2023, certain unsubstantiated allegations were determined to be outside the scope of Mayor's Order 2017-313. These included allegations of irregular hiring practices and promotions by the former Deputy Mayor, a hostile and inappropriate workplace culture, and unlawful retaliatory conduct by senior staff. The roundtable will focus on the policies, practices, and culture of DMPED determined by MOLC to be outside the scope of Mayor's Order 2017-313.

Invited witnesses are encouraged to submit the written version of their testimony through the Council's Hearing Management System at <u>https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings</u>. Written testimony will be publicly accessible upon Committee review and be made a part of the official record. <u>The</u> record for this roundtable will close at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 20, 2023.

Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or require 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 proceeding by emailing Committee staff at

<u>BusinessEconomicDevelopment@dccouncil.gov</u>. The Committee will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered.

Please contact <u>BusinessEconomicDevelopment@dccouncil.gov</u> for additional information.