

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING**

on

**Bill 25-654, Protecting Adjacent and Adjoining Property Owners from Construction Damage  
Amendment Act of 2024**

**Bill 25-737, General Contractor Licensing Amendment Act of 2024**

on

**Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.**

**Hearing Room 412 (Track B)  
John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
DC Council Website ([www.dccouncil.gov](http://www.dccouncil.gov))**

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public hearing before the Committee of the Whole on **Bill 25-654**, the “Protecting Adjacent and Adjoining Property Owners from Construction Damage Amendment Act of 2024,” and **Bill 25-737**, the “General Contractor Licensing Amendment Act of 2024.” The hearing will be held at **10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 11, 2024**.

The stated purpose of [Bill 25-654](#) is to amend the Construction Codes Approval and Amendments Act of 1986, which requires insurance coverage for certain building permits, by adding three types of permits to the current scope of the requirement: 1) alteration and repair permits pursuant to which the applicant will be engaging in underpinning or related construction activity, 2) foundation permits, and 3) new building permits. The stated purpose of [Bill 25-737](#) is to establish a scope of practice for residential and commercial general contractors, establish eligibility criteria for the licensure of residential and commercial general contractors, and create a Board of Residential and Commercial Contractors to oversee the licensing process for general contractors operating in the District.

Those who wish to testify must register using the Council’s Hearing Management System at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings> by **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9, 2024**. **Testimony is limited to four 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 [cow@dccouncil.gov](mailto:cow@dccouncil.gov). 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 [bstum@dccouncil.gov](mailto:bstum@dccouncil.gov).

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 (<https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings>) 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 p.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2024.