

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY
BROOKE PINTO, CHAIR

REVISED AND ABBREVIATED

NOTICE OF PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE ON
The Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement's
Oversight of Violence Intervention Grants

Monday, October 7, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.
In the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 500
and virtually via Zoom

To watch live:

Councilmember Pinto's YouTube Page (www.youtube.com/@cmbrookepinto)
DC Council Website (dccouncil.gov)
Council Channel 13 (Cable Television Providers)
Office of Cable Television Website (entertainment.dc.gov)

On Monday, October 7, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., Councilmember Brooke Pinto, Chairwoman of the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, will hold a public oversight roundtable regarding the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement's (ONSE's) oversight of violence intervention grants. The roundtable will be held in Room 500 of the John A. Wilson Building.

The purpose of this public oversight roundtable is to evaluate ONSE's grantmaking process and its ability to monitor and oversee grantees under the agency's Violence Intervention Initiative. The Committee has heard of longstanding concerns about oversight of grantees, and recent events have made clear the need to more deeply examine ONSE's processes in this regard. The Committee also understands that the Executive is undertaking a review of all of its violence intervention contracts and grants, including those awarded by ONSE, and expects to receive an update on the status of grants awarded for Fiscal Year 2025 before the time of this roundtable. The Committee believes in community-based violence interruption programs and is eager to work with ONSE, the Executive, and the Attorney General to ensure our violence interruption efforts are supported, efficient, effective, and transparently funded.

The Committee invites the public to testify. Those who wish to do so must register using the Council's Hearing Management System at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings> by **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 3**. All witnesses, including those who represent organizations, will have 3 minutes to speak. **Witnesses will have the option to testify in person or virtually**; witnesses should specify which option they are electing at the time they sign up to testify.

Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or who require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible, but no later than 5 business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered. Requests may be submitted via the Hearing Management System during registration or by contacting Ms. Aukima Benjamin, Committee

Manager to the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, at (202) 724-8058 or via e-mail at judiciary@dccouncil.gov. It may not be possible to fulfill requests received less than 5 business days before the proceeding. Witnesses will receive instructions on how to participate by Zoom prior to the proceeding. If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Benjamin at the phone number or e-mail listed above.

If you are unable to testify at the public hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record; written testimony should be submitted through the Council's Hearing Management System at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings>. Testimony will be publicly accessible following review by Committee staff.

The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 21, 2024.

This notice has been revised to reflect an updated start time of noon, rather than 10:30 a.m.