

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

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE ON  
PR25-1068 Executive Director of the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement  
Kwelli Sneed Confirmation Resolution of 2024  
and  
the Future of the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement**

Monday, December 2, 2024, at 11:00 a.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](https://www.youtube.com/@cmbrookepinto))  
DC Council Website ([dccouncil.gov](https://dccouncil.gov))  
Council Channel 13 (Cable Television Providers)  
Office of Cable Television Website ([entertainment.dc.gov](https://entertainment.dc.gov))

On Monday, December 2, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., Councilmember Brooke Pinto, Chairwoman of the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, will hold a public oversight roundtable on PR25-1068 - Executive Director of the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement Kwelli Sneed Confirmation Resolution of 2024 and the future of the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement (ONSE). The oversight roundtable will be held in Room 500 of the John A. Wilson Building.

The purpose of this public roundtable is to consider the nomination of Ms. Kwelli Sneed, a Ward 4 resident, for appointment as the Executive Director of the ONSE. Ms. Sneed has served as Interim Executive Director for the ONSE since February 2023.

The purpose of this public roundtable is also to discuss the vision for the future of the ONSE and how it will position itself to fulfill its core mission to drive down gun violence. The Committee will focus on the mission of the agency, the agency's plans to provide a coordinated strategy and greater oversight over violence interruption and other activities funded through the agency, coordination and timeliness of wraparound services, and strategies to evaluate the effectiveness of service delivery. The Committee has heard of longstanding concerns about oversight of grantees and inadequate evaluation of program effectiveness. Additionally, the Executive recently published a review of violence intervention contracts and grants awarded by ONSE, including recommendations for changes in how the ONSE manages its partnerships with community-based organizations that conduct violence interruption work. 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 **3:00 p.m. on Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**. 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](mailto: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 Thursday, December 5, 2024.