


COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20004

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

FROM: Phil Mendelson, Chairman

DATE: July 15, 2021 

RE: **Rules Change Resolution for the July 20, 2021 Legislative Meeting**

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The following measures are placed on the agenda for the July 20, 2021 Legislative Meeting:

- **Council Period 24 Recess Rules Clarification Amendment Resolution of 2021**

On July 13, 2021, the Council adopted changes to its rules regarding transmittal of contracts, reprogrammings, and grant budget modifications during the Council recess. It has come to the Council's attention that a clarifying conforming change is necessary to the Rules to clarify that the Council can act, by resolution, to disapprove a reprogramming or grant budget modification during the recess. This legislation is related to the COVID-19 pandemic in that the Executive has indicated a need to submit contracts to the Council during recess as a result of federal pandemic relief funds being sent to the District.

I expect that additional provisions will be added to this resolution prior to filing on Monday. Negotiations are ongoing with respect to the Executive's desire to transmit contracts, reprogrammings, and grant budget modifications throughout the Council Recess. This legislation will serve as the vehicle to enact any changes to the Rules that are necessary to effectuate the result of those negotiations.

The draft measures are attached. Please call me or Mr. Evan Cash if you have any questions at (202) 724-7002.

cc: All Councilmembers  
Council Officers