

Council of the District of Columbia
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TO: Chairman Phil Mendelson
FROM: Councilmember Brienne K. Nadeau *Brianne K. Nadeau*
RE: Request to Agendize Measures for the October 5, 2021 Legislative Meeting
DATE: September 30, 2021

I am requesting that the following measures be agendized for the October 5, 2021, Legislative Meeting:

Emergency and Temporary Measures

- **“Metropolitan Police Department Overtime Spending Accountability Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2021”**
- **“Metropolitan Police Department Overtime Spending Accountability Emergency Act of 2021”**
- **“Metropolitan Police Department Overtime Spending Accountability Temporary Act of 2021”**

This legislation requires the Metropolitan Police Department to provide a written report every 2 pay periods on its overtime pay spending to the Council, and to require those reports to include the amount spent year-to-date on overtime pay and describe the staffing plan and conditions justifying the overtime pay.

On November 17, 2020, the Council passed the Metropolitan Police Department Overtime Spending Accountability Emergency Act of 2020, enacted on December 9, 2020 (D.C. Act 23-523; 67 DCR 14442). The emergency legislation expired on March 8, 2021. On February 1, 2021, the Council passed the Metropolitan Police Department Overtime Spending Accountability Congressional Review Emergency Act of 2021, enacted on February 27, 2021 (D.C. Act 24-29; 68 DCR 002633). This congressional review emergency legislation was necessary to prevent a gap in the law between the expiration of the emergency act and the effective date of the temporary act. The congressional review emergency legislation expired on May 28, 2021. On December 1, 2020, the Council passed the Metropolitan Police Department Overtime Spending Accountability Temporary Act of 2020, effective March 16, 2021 (D.C. Act 23-533; 67 DCR 14777). The temporary legislation will expire on October 27, 2021. These emergency and temporary legislation will maintain the provision of the 2020 temporary legislation currently in place while permanent legislation is considered.

- **“Flexible Rent Subsidy Pilot Program Extension Emergency Amendment Act of 2021”**
- **“Flexible Rent Subsidy Pilot Program Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2021”**

This legislation would amend the Homeless Services Reform Act of 2005 to extend the Flexible Rent Subsidy Pilot Program to September 30, 2026.

The Flexible Rent Subsidy Pilot Program (“the Program”) was established by adding Section 31c to the Homeless Services Reform Act of 2005, effective October 22, 2005 (D.C. Law 16-35; D.C. Official Code § 4-751.01 *et seq.*), in the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Support Act of 2016. The Program, administered by the Department of Human Services, subsidizes the cost of monthly rent for families receiving, or eligible to receive, Continuum of Care services. The Program is set to expire on September 30, 2021. The District’s Fiscal Year 2022 budget approved substantial investments for the Program. It is important that the District extend the expiration date of the Program to September 30, 2026, so that it can implement a more thoughtful phase out of the program if that is determined to be the best course of action.

Ceremonial Resolution

- **“International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances in El Salvador Recognition Resolution of 2021”**

This ceremonial resolution recognizes the observance of August 30th, 2021 as the International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances in El Salvador. It calls on the Salvadoran National Assembly to recognize and declare August 30th, The International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances, and requests that President Biden declassify U.S. records that relate to disappearances and other human rights violations that took place during the civil war.

Sense of the Council Resolution

- **“Amigos Park Establishment Resolution 2021”**

This resolution declares that it is the sense of the Council, that creating a legitimate park or plaza space at the northwest corner of Mount Pleasant Street, N.W. and Kenyon Street, N.W. constitutes a significant opportunity to improve a long-standing neighborhood gathering space, to meet the needs of many Mount Pleasant residents, and to treat the District’s Central American immigrant community with the dignity it has long deserved. The District government should use its existing FY21 resources to engage in negotiations with the property owner and the established Amigos Park organization to establish a lease or other agreement that allows the fencing to be removed and future improvements to be made.

Please contact Aamir Mansoor, Legislative Director, at amansoor@dccouncil.us or (202) 724-4353 if you have any questions.

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