



03/12 FULL COUNCIL & PRE-MEETING

PURPOSE

To brief attendees on the Pre- and Full Council Meeting format and topics, including:

- Proposed Agenda for the Pre- and Full Council Meetings
- Planning for ICH Comments on the Mayor's Proposed Budget (Fiscal Year 2025)

BACKGROUND/CONTEXT

ICH Overview – The Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH) is the strategic planning and governing board of the District's homeless services Continuum of Care (CoC).

Pre-Meeting Overview –The ICH is pleased to welcome the 2023 Nominees under Mayoral Review and will dedicate the pre-meeting to introducing this cohort to our chair, the City Administrator.

Full Council Meeting Overview – The District's budget is top of mind for community representatives. Several aspects have been identified as critical, especially the anticipated mid-year adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2024 budget and the Mayor's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025. ICH community members want to understand what is driving the fiscal constraints and whether these constraints are disproportionately impacting homeless services. Additionally, constraints require creative coordination and collaboration. As such, there is a renewed interest in learning about investments in adjacent systems that could be leveraged to better serve shared clients at the intersection of multiple systems of care.

LOGISTICS

- Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2024
- Time:
 - 1 – 2:30 pm: Pre-Meeting with the City Administrator
 - 2:30 – 3 pm: Transition between meetings
 - 3 – 4:30 pm: Full Council Meeting chaired by the City Administrator
- Location & Room:
 - Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library (901 G St NW, Washington, DC 20001)
 - 5th Floor Event Space
- Seating:
 - ICH Full Council Members, including 2023 Nominees under Mayoral Review

PRE-MEETING TO INTRODUCE NEW ICH COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

The City Administrator will welcome the new cohort of community representatives on the ICH Full Council. While three (3) of the 12 nominees are re-appointed members and one (1) nominee is returning from a break in service to the ICH Full Council, there are eight (8) new members, four of whom have lived experience. Finally, in recognition of Black History Month that just concluded and Women's History Month underway, the ICH is also pleased to highlight that 7 of the 12 nominees are black and 8 of the 12 nominees are women.



PRE-MEETING AGENDA DETAILS

- 1 – 1:15 Welcome & Introductions
 - Welcome to the 2023 Nominees under Mayoral Review
 - Opportunity to also recognize other ICH Members in attendance, including
 - 2022 Nominees Confirmed by Council and
 - DC Gov Agency Directors
- 1:15 – 2:15 Q&A of 2023 Nominees Under Mayoral Review
 - Opportunity to learn more about Community Representatives.
 - Key Questions include:
 - Why are you on the ICH? What drives you to do this work?
 - Which ICH Forums will you support as a leader/voting slate?
 - Which of the proposed ICH Priorities/Projects will you advance/champion?
 - How will you delegate leadership opportunities to your front line?
 - Do you have a speaker's Bureau or Lived Experience Advisory Board? How will you support their integration and participation on the ICH?

FULL COUNCIL MEETING TO PLAN FOR ICH COMMENTS TO THE MAYOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET

The ICH is legislatively mandated at [DC Code § 4-752.02\(c\)](#) to comment on the Mayor's Proposed Budget. For ease of reference, the text of the code is included here:

The Mayor shall, upon release of the proposed annual budget each year, make available to all Interagency Council members the District's proposed budget breakdown of each agency's appropriations for services within the Continuum of Care. The Interagency Council shall give comments to the Mayor regarding the proposed budget.

Last year, the District Council's Committee on Housing requested these comments be made available by 04/19 before the District Council Mark-Up tentatively scheduled for 04/23 and 04/25. Anticipating a similar request for this year, the ICH is focusing April meetings on budget engagements.

Additionally, the ICH will accept comments on all other agency budgets during committee meetings and via email at ich.info@dc.gov. The ICH Director proposes that the last day for comments be set as Close of Business on 04/18.

Proposed April Schedule			
Opportunities for Engaging ICH Member Agencies on the Mayor's Proposed Budget			
Session Number	Date	Time	Proposed Budget Presentations
Session 1	04/02	1:00 – 2:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on Level Setting & Cross-Cutting Resources ICH Members: OCA, DMHHS, & DOES
Session 2	04/04	1:00 – 2:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on Special Populations ICH Members: MOLGBTQA, MPD, and DOC
Session 3	04/09	1:30 – 3 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on Young Adults ICH Member: CFSA, DCPS*, DYRS*, & OSSE <p style="font-size: small; margin: 0; padding-left: 20px;">*Flag: DCPS and DYRS are not Full Council Members. They are members of the Youth Committee per the ICH Bylaws</p>
Session 4	04/11	10:30 – 12 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on Emergency Response & Shelter Operations ICH Members: DHS (Capital Budget), DGS & HSEMA
Session 5	04/15	2 – 3:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on Housing Solutions ICH Members: DCHA, DHS, & DHCD
Session 6	04/17	3:30 – 5 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on Health Care Resources ICH Members: DBH & DC Health
Written Comments	04/18	5 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for Public Comments Via ich.info@dc.gov

- **3:00 – 3:15** **Welcome & Introductions**
 - Moment of Silence
 - Acknowledgement of 2022 Nominees Confirmed by Council
 - Welcome to 2023 Nominees under Mayoral Review
 - Recognition of Black History Month and Women’s History Month

- **3:15 – 3:35** **Public Comments**
 - 3 – 5 minutes per person allows for 5 public comments

- **3:35 – 4:30** **ICH Budget Engagement & Reporting Requirements**
 - Introduction to the legislation & timeline for the report
 - Overview of format for ICH Budget Engagement
 - Agency members present budgets – these will not be memorialized in the report.
 - Community members have an opportunity to ask questions and make comments – it is the comments to Agency presentations that will be memorialized in the report
 - Comments will sorted to prioritize programs that exit people experiencing homelessness into housing or prevent the experience of homelessness
 - Request for Agency Support:
 - Review of Proposed April ICH Meetings
 - Flag that the current schedule is intended to avoid overlap or conflicts with Budget Oversight Hearings scheduled by the DC Council.
 - Request for Community Feedback and Guidance:
 - How should Member Agencies focus their budget presentations?
 - What essential programs or investments would you like them to highlight in their budget presentations to ensure a robust discussion?