



## 03/12 FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Issued: 22 March 2024

<b>Purpose</b>	Quarterly convening of ICH Full Council, as chaired by the City Administrator, to review and advance key priorities under Homeward DC 2.0.		
<b>Details</b>	<b>Date:</b> 12 March 2024	<b>Time:</b> 3 – 4:30 pm	<b>Location:</b> Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library (901 G St NW)
<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Participants:</b> 75	<b>Organizations:</b> 49	Detailed list below meeting notes
<b>Key</b>	<span style="color: red;">■</span> Areas of Concern or Risk	<span style="color: yellow;">■</span> Opportunities for Improvement	<span style="color: green;">■</span> Progress/Trends to Celebrate

### I. WELCOME & AGENDA REVIEW

The Assistant City Administrator, Chris Rodriguez, opened the meeting, holding a moment of silence to set the intention for the meeting and invited new ICH Full Council member, Nikila Smith (Street Sense Vendor) to read a poem.

The ACA then welcomed all ICH Full Council members including DC Government and Community Representatives before reviewing the meeting agenda.

Reference Materials		
<b>PPT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recording Conventions</li> <li>Welcome to ICH Full Council Members</li> <li>Meeting Agenda</li> <li>Notes on Welcome &amp; Agenda Review</li> </ul>	<b>2 - 9</b>
<b>HNDT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>03/12 ICH Full Council Brief</li> <li>Orientation to ICH Board Members</li> <li>Orientation to ICH Forums</li> </ul>	

### II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

ICH Executive Director, Theresa Silla, opened the public comment portion of the meeting.

Feedback is captured on slides 11 - 14. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:

- Definition of affordable housing because affordable for some may not be affordable for all.

- Call for partnership in service of families and the community over the next year.
- ■ Length of time from match to lease up and concern on impact of funding reductions.
- ■ Unit conditions and landlord accountability.
- ■ Level of violence and poor shelter conditions in homeless services and for migrants.

Reference Materials		
<b>PPT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notes on Public Comments</li> </ul>	<b>11 - 14</b>

### III. DISCUSSION: ICH BUDGET ENGAGEMENTS & REPORT

The discussion on ICH Budget Engagement focused on three areas: A) Intro to Legislation, Timeline, & Format, B) Request for Agency Support, C) Request for Community Feedback & Guidance.

#### A. INTRO TO LEGISLATION, TIMELINE & FORMAT

Director Silla shared background and context on the ICH’s legislated mandate to submit a report on Comments to the Mayor’s Proposed Budget, including the timeline for engagement sessions and completion of this year’s report.

Comments and questions are captured on slide 19. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:

- Clarification from DC Council representative on the Committee on Housing’s timeline for preparing and completing a budget report with a request to include feedback from ICH stakeholders.

Reference Materials		
<b>PPT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legislated Mandate</li> <li>• Timeline</li> <li>• Format, including Roles &amp; Responsibilities</li> <li>• Notes on Budget Engagement</li> </ul>	<b>16 - 19</b>

#### B. REQUEST FOR AGENCY SUPPORT

Director Silla reviewed the proposed schedule and format for budget presentations featuring ICH Full Council Members and Partner Agencies.

Comments and questions are recorded in slides 23 - 27. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:

- Information ICH can provide to Council under the current timeline.
- ■ Flag that agencies also hold additional budget engagement events.
- ■ Concern about reduced investment to house single adults and lack of exit pathways from shelter.
- ■ Feedback that increasing caseloads impacts progress, especially related to maintaining staff.
- ■ Advocacy for medical respite and request for DHCF budget presentation.
- ■ Questions on how revenue impact factors correlate to fiscal constraints or specific program reductions.
- ■ Request for Level-Setting Budget presentation to include efforts to identify and develop revenue generators to improve the budget outlook.

Reference Materials		
PPT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request for Agency Support</li> <li>Request for Community Support</li> <li>Level Setting &amp; Cross Cutting Resources</li> <li>Notes on Budget Engagement &amp; Reports</li> </ul>	16 - 19

### C. REQUEST FOR COMMUNITY FEEDBACK & SUPPORT

Director Silla facilitated discussion and feedback on budget engagement focus areas.

Comments and questions are recorded in slides 33 - 39. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:

- **Special Populations:** Question on funding related to the Department of Corrections (DOC), including the diversion program statute and the impacts of funding to support the new crime bill.
- **Young Adults:** Request for clarity on programs and services under DYRS.
- **ERSO:** Emphasis on budget items related to establishing exit pathways for individuals in shelters, status of Project Reconnect, Office of Migrant Services, and wheelchair accessibility at shelters.
- **Housing Solutions:**
  - Call for efficiencies between DCHA and DHS, especially related to the housing process
  - Importance of public/private partnerships during tight budget climates.
- **Health Care:** No additional comments.

Reference Materials		
PPT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Focus on Special Populations</li> <li>Focus on Young Adults</li> <li>Focus on Emergency Response &amp; Shelter Operations</li> <li>Focus on Housing Solutions</li> <li>Focus on Health Care Resources</li> <li>Notes on Budget Engagement &amp; Reports</li> </ul>	28 - 39

### V. ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

Director Silla invited Full Council members to highlight any announcements or reminders.

Reference Materials		
PPT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Announcements</li> </ul>	41

### VI. SUMMARY & ADJOURNMENT

The ACA and Director Silla adjourned the meeting, thanking the public audience and ICH Full Council for their time and commitment and reminding them of the next meeting date.

<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>Date:</b> 11 June 2024	<b>Time:</b> 1 – 2:30 pm	<b>Location:</b> TBD
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**Participant List**

**Seated Full Council Members**

Chris Rodriguez, ACA (Chair) Ciana Creighton, DMHHS Theresa Silla, ICH Laura Zeilinger, DHS Barbara Bazron, DBH Natalie Craver, CFSA Colleen Green, DHCD Clover Barnes, DOH Keith Pettigrew, DCHA Jacqueline Williams, DOC Dana McDaniel, DOES Nicole Lee-Mwandha, OSSE Danny McCoy, HSEMA Delano Hunter, DGS Kelly O’Meara, MPD	Rachelle Ellison, PFFC Deborah Jones, Housing Up Karen Cunningham, Everyone Home DC Kate Coventry, DCFPI Tobie Smith, Street Health DC Catherine Crosland, Unity HealthCare Shellon Fraser, NHT, Inc. Daniel Rico, Sasha Bruce Rico Harris, CCNV Qaadir El-Amin, ICH CEWG, PFFC Reginald Black, ICH CEWG, PFFC Christy Respress, Pathways to Housing	Adam Rocap, Miriam’s Kitchen Lynn Amano, Friendship Place Roxanne Murray, Echelon Nikila Smith, Street Sense Vendor Program Amanda Chesney, Catholic Charities Kelly Sweeney McShane, Community of Hope Angela Jones Hackley, Covenant House Fred Swan, TCP Blaine Stum, DC Council (CM Phil Mendelson) Shawn Hilgendorf, DC Council (CM Robert C. White, Jr.)
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**General Attendees (including Pre-Meeting Attendees)**

Claudine Witter, PTHDC Nell Curtin, DCPL Debby Short, Sasha Bruce Hammere Gebreyes, DCHA CMONEY D GREATEST, PFFC Umi Elemoso, CEWG Jakia Carroll, PFFC/CEWG Kirsten Hall, Catholic Charities Queenie Featherston, PFFC Rachel Pierre, DHS Valerie Piper, DHCD Najiba Hlemi, DCFAPAC Rosalba R Guzman	Rebecca Kellett, GMC Kelly Andreae, GMC Shanice Louis C.G. C.K. Smith Bianca Faccio, Sasha Bruce Robert Warren, PFFC Sheila Mia Luther Lacy, PFFC Aisha Barnes, The Mary Elizabeth House Aaron White, YAB/CEWG Abby Sypek, Everyone Home DC	Alina Hernandez Jenny Shin, Echelon Melanie Minges, MPD Jean Badalamenti, DCPL Dana White, Miriam’s Kitchen Sharlene Castle, Jaydot Reed Risinger, PTHDC Florence Rozario, PTHDC Abby Schanfield, DCPL Michael Cole Eric Sheptock, Advocate Marie Morilus-Black, MBI
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