

A RESOLUTION

23-590

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 10, 2020

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Public Space Maintenance Emergency Act of 2020 and the Public Space Maintenance Temporary Act of 2020 to clarify the authority of the Mayor to enter into an agreement with a Business Improvement District corporation for the maintenance and improvement of public space during a public health emergency and for 30 days thereafter; and to amend the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Act to clarify the definition of District funds for purposes of determining the eligibility of a nonprofit corporation to be a member of the National Capital Arts Cohort.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Public Space Maintenance and Arts Clarification Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020”.

Sec. 2. (a) On September 22, 2020, the Council passed on an emergency basis the Public Space Maintenance Clarification Emergency Act of 2020, effective November 2, 2020 (D.C. Act 23-475; 67 DCR ____), and subsequently passed an accompanying temporary bill to revise the authority of the Mayor to enter into an agreement with a Business Improvement District corporation for the maintenance and improvement of public space.

(b) The Executive has asked that such agreements also be authorized for improvements to District-owned assets that may be all or partially in a Business Improvement District for planned infrastructure improvements to the Dupont Underground in the coming months.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances, making it necessary that the Public Space Maintenance and Arts Clarification Emergency Amendment Act of 2020 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.