

A RESOLUTION

25-218

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

July 11, 2023

To amend the Rules of Organization and Procedures for the Council of the District of Columbia, Council Period 24, Resolution of 2023 to require ethics trainings once per Council Period, to authorize the submission of a grant budget modification for Fiscal Year 2024 grant funds submitted by the University of the District of Columbia, or identified by the Chief Financial Officer as funds received as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act or the Inflation Reduction Act, to clarify requirements related to Racial Equity Impact Assessments, to clarify that no matter transmitted for a period of Council review shall be deemed transmitted until it has been read at a legislative meeting or work session of the Committee of the Whole, and to conform requirements related to managing hearings through the Council’s Hearing Management System; to authorize the Committee on Business and Economic Development and the Committee on Executive Administration and Labor to hold hearings, roundtables, and meetings during the recess on issues related to the allegations of and the investigations of allegations of sexual harassment in the District government; to authorize the Committee on Health to hold roundtables during the recess on issues related to Medicaid enrollment and eligibility recertifications; and to repeal the Council Vaccination Policy Approval Resolution of 2021.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Council Period 25 Recess Rules Amendment Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2. The Rules of Organization and Procedure for the Council of the District of Columbia, Council Period 25, Resolution of 2023 effective January 4, 2023 (Res. 25-1; 69 DCR 238), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 202(e)(1) is amended by striking the phrase “on an annual basis thereafter” and inserting the phrase “once per Council Period thereafter” in its place.

(b) Section 306(b) is amended by adding a new paragraph (5) to read as follows:

“(5) A request for a budget modification for Fiscal Year 2023 grant funds that is either submitted by the University of the District of Columbia, or identified by the Chief Financial Officer as funds received as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub. L.

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117-58) or the Inflation Reduction Act (Pub. L. 117-169), may be transmitted to the Secretary from July 15 through September 15, 2023.”.

(c) Section 311 is amended as follows:

(1) Subsection (a) is amended to read as follows:

“(a)(1) Except as provided in this subsection or subsection (b) of this Rule, the Council Office of Racial Equity shall, within 30 days after the hearing record is closed, issue a Racial Equity Impact Assessment for each bill for which a hearing is held.

“(2) If there are multiple hearings on a bill, the Council Office of Racial Equity may comply with this subsection by issuing the REIA within 30 days after the close of the hearing record of any of the hearings on the bill.

“(3) If a Committee provides notice to the Council Office of Racial Equity before 30 days after the close of the hearing record for the last hearing on a bill for which no Racial Equity Impact Assessment was issued, the Council Office of Racial Equity may issue a Racial Equity Impact Assessment on the committee print before the markup in lieu of complying with paragraph (1) of this subsection .”.

(2) Subsection (b) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (2) is amended by striking the phrase “closures” and inserting the phrase “closures, openings, dedications, changes to building restriction lines,” in its place.

(B) Paragraph (6) is amended by striking the phrase “and rebates” and inserting the phrase “rebates, and other tax legislation that is not of general applicability” in its place.

(C) Paragraph (8) is amended by striking the phrase “; or” and inserting a semicolon in its place.

(D) Paragraph (9) is amended by striking the period at the end and inserting “; or” in its place.

(E) A new paragraph (10) is added to read as follows:

“(10) Bills for which the Committee chair of each committee to which the bill was referred notifies the Council Office of Racial Equity that the Committee does not intend to mark up the legislation in this Council Period.”.

(3) Subsection (d) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (2) is amended to read as follows:

“(2) At least 10 business days before the markup of a bill, the Committee chair shall notify the Director of Racial Equity of the intent to mark up the measure and shall provide a draft of the measure and comparative print. When a bill is sequentially referred, the requirements of this paragraph shall only apply to the last Committee in the sequential referral.”.

(B) A new paragraph (3) is added to read as follows:

“(3) If a Committee intends to mark up a bill for which a hearing was held in a prior Council Period, but for which no Racial Equity Impact Assessment was issued, the Committee shall comply with paragraph (2) of this subsection and the Council Office of Racial

Equity shall issue a Racial Equity Impact Assessment on the committee print before the markup.”.

(d) Section 402(e) is amended by striking the phrase “until the matter has been formally introduced by the Chairman pursuant to subsection (a) of this section” and inserting the phrase “until the matter has been read at a legislative meeting or work session of the Committee of the Whole pursuant to Rule 403” in its place.

(e) Section 504(c) is amended to read as follows:

“(c) The Secretary shall maintain a Hearing Management System (HMS) to facilitate witness hearing registration, allow for the submittal of public hearing testimony, and make available to the public such testimony for all committees. A committee shall add a hearing to HMS within 48 hours after the filing of a notice pursuant to Rule 421, and each committee shall manage its hearings utilizing HMS.”.

(f) Section 711 is amended as follows:

(1) The existing text is designated as subsection (a).

(2) A new subsection (b) is added to read as follows:

“(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, a request for a budget modification for Fiscal Year 2023 grant funds submitted by the University of the District of Columbia, or identified by the Chief Financial Officer as funds received as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub. L. 117-58) or the Inflation Reduction Act (Pub. L. 117-169), may be submitted, and the time period for the request may be counted, from July 15 through September 15, 2023.”.

(g) Subsections (b) and (f) of this section shall expire on September 15, 2023.

Sec. 3. The Committee on Business and Economic Development and the Committee on Executive Administration and Labor are authorized to hold a roundtable, hearing, or meeting during the period of July 15, 2023, through September 15, 2023, on issues related to the allegations of and the investigations of allegations of sexual harassment in the District government.

Sec. 4. The Committee on Health is authorized to hold a roundtable during the period July 15, 2023, through September 15, 2023, on issues related to Medicaid enrollment and eligibility recertifications.

Sec. 5. The Council Vaccination Policy Approval Resolution of 2021, effective October 5, 2021 (R24-240; 67 DCR 11003), is repealed.

Sec. 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.