

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor's Order 2016-083
May 26, 2016

SUBJECT: Establishment — Working Group on Jobs, Wages, and Benefits

ORIGINATING AGENCY: Office of the Mayor

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the District of Columbia by section 422(11) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973, 87 Stat. 790, Pub. L. 93-198, D.C. Official Code § 1-204.22(11) (2014 Repl.), it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

I. ESTABLISHMENT

There is established in the Executive branch of the District of Columbia government a Working Group on Jobs, Wages, and Benefits ("**Working Group**").

II. PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS

- A. The Working Group shall make recommendations to the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the Council of the District of Columbia regarding legislative, programmatic, and policy ways to improve the District's economic competitiveness in the region, attract and retain businesses and employees in the District of Columbia, protect and promote commercial diversity, promote the creation and retention of well-paying jobs, and create pathways to the middle class for District residents.
- B. The Working Group shall within six (6) months of its first meeting, produce a report of legislative, programmatic, and policy recommendations after having examined issues germane to the purpose of the Working Group, which issues shall include but are not limited to:
1. The competitive position of District of Columbia businesses, employers, and employees versus those in Maryland and Virginia, and the cause of that competitive position;
 2. The effect of proposed or existing wage and benefit programs on employees and employers in the District;

3. The ease or difficulty of doing business in the District of Columbia due to proposed or existing governmental, regulatory, or administrative requirements.
- C. The report shall be accompanied by draft legislation, regulations, amendments to existing regulations, or other specific steps for implementing the recommendations.

III. MEMBERSHIP

The Working Group shall consist of the following fifteen (15) members:

- A. The following twelve (12) members appointed by the Mayor as follows:
 1. Three (3) members representing local businesses and employers;
 2. Three (3) members representing labor unions and entities organized for the benefit of employees;
 3. Three (3) public members, who are residents of the District of Columbia;
 4. Three (3) representatives of the Executive branch of the government of the District of Columbia; and
- B. Three (3) members to be appointed by the Chairman of the Council.
- C. The Chairperson of the Working Group shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.

IV. TERMS

Each member of the Working Group shall serve until the Working Group expires pursuant to section VII of this Order, unless earlier removed by the appointing authority.

V. COMPENSATION

The members of the Working Group shall serve without compensation.

VI. ADMINISTRATION

- A. The Chairperson shall convene Working Group meetings and may form subcommittees as deemed necessary to accomplish specific tasks.

- B. The Executive branch of the government of the District of Columbia shall provide technical and administrative support to the Working Group.

VII. SUNSET

The Working Group shall expire forty-five (45) days after submitting a final report of recommendations to the Mayor pursuant to section II.C. of this Order, which submission shall occur no later than six (6) months after the first meeting of the Working Group.

VIII. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Order shall become effective immediately.


MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

ATTEST:


LAUREN C. VAUGHAN
SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA