

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM**

Mayor's Order 2018-002  
January 9, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Establishment - Advisory Group on Community Use of Public Space

**ORIGINATING AGENCY:** Executive Office of the Mayor

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the District of Columbia pursuant to sections 422(3) and (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(3), (11) (2016 Repl.), it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

**I. ESTABLISHMENT**

There is established within the executive branch of the Government of the District of Columbia the Advisory Group on Community Use of Public Space ("**Advisory Group**").

**II. PURPOSE AND DUTIES**

- A. The purpose of the Advisory Group is to provide to the Deputy Mayor for Education advice and recommendations regarding District policies and procedures related to community use of public spaces, including fields, gyms, classrooms, meeting rooms, and other District facilities.
- B. Such advice and recommendations may include:
  - 1. Ways by which District agencies may improve community access to public space;
  - 2. Ways by which the process for locating, reserving, renting, paying for, and using public space may be made more effective and efficient, including through the use of a web-based rental process; and
  - 3. Ways to incorporate feedback from community users of public space.
- C. The Advisory Group shall consider any matter related to the community use of public space referred to it by the Deputy Mayor for Education.
- D. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Advisory Group shall ensure that it engages in outreach to the full range of users of public space.

### **III. COMPOSITION**

- A. The Advisory Group shall be comprised of the following nine (9) members, appointed by the Mayor, including:
1. Eight (8) public members, who are District of Columbia residents representing the following areas:
    - a. Two (2) members who are school facility and field users;
    - b. Two (2) members who are recreational facility users;
    - c. Two (2) members who are athletic field users, including league and individual users, and
    - d. Two (2) members with interest in community use of public space including the use of library space and space for civic, educational, social, or recreational purposes.
  2. A designee from the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education, who shall also serve as Chair of the Advisory Group.
- B. Advisory Group members shall serve without compensation.

### **IV. TERMS**

- A. Public members of the Advisory Group shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor, for terms that terminate upon the sunset of the Advisory Group.
- B. The Advisory Group shall meet at least once quarterly, and at other times as called by the chairperson.
- C. The anniversary date for all appointments shall be December 1.
- D. All meetings will be conducted in compliance with the District of Columbia Open Meetings Act.

### **V. LIMITATION**

No action taken by the Advisory Group shall impact the authority of District agencies or agency officers or employees to make determinations about access to or use of public space.

### **VI. ADMINISTRATION**


The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education shall provide administrative support to the Advisory Group.

**VII. SUNSET**

The Advisory Group shall sunset December 31, 2019.


**VIII. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Order shall become effective immediately.



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MURIEL BOWSER  
MAYOR

ATTEST: 

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LAUREN C. VAUGHAN  
SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA