GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor's Order 2018-085
October 22, 2018

SUBJECT: Establishment – Unmanned Aircraft System Working Group

ORIGINATING AGENCY: Office of the Mayor

By virtue of the authority vested in me as the Mayor of the District of Columbia by sections 422(3) and (11) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973, 87 Stat. 792, Pub. L. 93-198, D.C. Official Code § 1-204.22(3) and (11) (2016 Repl.), it is hereby ORDERED that:

I. ESTABLISHMENT

There is established an Unmanned Aircraft System Working Group (UASWG) for the District of Columbia.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of the UASWG is to research, evaluate, and develop recommendations on the operation, use, and regulation of unmanned aircraft systems within the District of Columbia. The UASWG shall consider commercial and private uses of unmanned aircraft systems, landowner and privacy rights, as well as general rules and regulations for safe operation of unmanned aircraft systems, and prepare comprehensive recommendations for the safe and lawful operation of unmanned aircraft systems in the District.

III. MEMBERSHIP AND PROCEDURE

A. The UASWG is comprised of the Directors, or their designees, of the following agencies:

1. Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA), which shall chair the UASWG;
2. Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA);
3. Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE);
4. Department of General Services (DGS);
5. Department of Health (DC Health);
6. Department of Human Services (DHS);
7. Department of Public Works (DPW);
8. Department of Transportation (DDOT);
9. Executive Office of the Mayor (EOM);
10. Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department (FEMS);
11. Metropolitan Police Department (MPD);
12. Office of Risk Management (ORM);
13. Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO);
14. Office of the City Administrator (OCA); and
15. Office of Unified Communications (OUC).

B. The UASWG shall meet at least quarterly.

IV. ADMINISTRATION

A. HSEMA shall provide administrative, clerical, and technical support needed by the UASWG to carry out the provisions of this Order.

B. Subject to existing law, each agency shall cooperate with the UASWG and provide, in a timely manner, any information which the UASWG requests to carry out the provisions of this Order.

C. The UASWG may establish such advisory groups, committees, or subcommittees, consisting of members or nonmembers of the UASWG, as it deems necessary to carry out the purpose of this Order and further a participatory process.

V. RESCISSION OF PRIOR ORDERS: This Order supersedes all previous Mayor’s Orders to the extent of any inconsistency therein.

VI. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Order shall become effective immediately.

ATTEST:  
LAUREN C. VAUGHAN  
SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA