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## **HEARING NOTES**

## Bill: 21-0081R

#### **CODEMAP and Decision Making**

**Committee:** Economic and Community Development Chaired By: Councilwoman Sharon Green Middleton

**Hearing Date:** October 11, 2022 Time (Beginning): 3:22 PM Time (Ending): 3:42 PM Location: Clarence "Du" Burns Council Chambers / Virtual WEBEX Total Attendance: Approximately 40 **Committee Members in Attendance:** John Bullock Ryan Dorsey Mark Conway Antonio Glover Robert Stokes Odette Ramos

Bill Synopsis in the file?		yes	🗌 n	0	🗌 n/a	I
Attendance sheet in the file?	imes	yes	n	0	n/a	l
Agency reports read?	$ \boxtimes$	yes	<b>n</b>	0	🗌 n/a	1
Video or audio-digitally recorded?	imes	yes	n	0	🗌 n/a	1
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file?	🗌	yes	n	0	🔀 n/a	1
Evidence of notification to property owners?	🗌	yes	<b>n</b>	0	🔀 n/a	1
Final vote taken at this hearing?	$ \boxtimes$	yes	<b>n</b>	0	🗌 n/a	1
Motioned by:Co	ounci	Imem	ber N	1ark	Conwa	зy
Seconded by:Co	unci	Imeml	ber O	dett	te Ram	os
Final Vote:	vora	ble				

# **Major Speakers**

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Jeff Hochstetler, Department of Law
- Alice Kennedy, Commissioner, Department of Housing and Community Development

• Kimberly Reuben, Chief of policy and Research, Department of Housing and Community Development

## Major Issues Discussed

- 1. Chairwoman Middleton opened the meeting, introduced committee members and City representatives and read the bill into the record.
- 2. Alice Kennedy shared information about the Department of Housing and Community Development's use of CODEMAP technology. DHCD will offer virtual CODEMAP training every six months.
- 3. Kimberly Reuben presented an overview of the CODEMAP Program. She indicated that CODEMAP began in 2015 and contains data from about 40 different databases. Data in the system is updated regularly. Application upgrades are in progress. Property search is one of the primary searches on the site. CODEMAP is used daily for assessments and decision-making. CODEMAP staff work with Neighborhood Development Officers to assist individuals and businesses that have inquiries.
- 4. Councilmember Ramos wanted to know about property registration information, which could not be obtained from CODEMAP. Property registration information can be obtained from an outside source. She encourages including property registration information on the site.
- 5. Chairwoman Middleton wanted to know if CODEMAP issues an annual report. Alice Kennedy indicated that an annual report is not currently produced, but a report for specific data points can be discussed.
- 6. Agency representatives testified on behalf of their respective agencies.
- 7. The committee voted to recommend the bill favorably.
- 8. The hearing was adjourned.

Further Study				
Was further study requested?	🗌 Yes 🛛 No			
If yes, describe.				
Committee Vote:				
Sharon Green Middleton, Chair	Yea			
John Bullock:				
Mark Conway:	Yea			
Ryan Dorsey:	Yea			
Antonio Glover:				
Robert Stokes:				
Odette Ramos:	Yea			

Jennifer L. Coates, Committee Staff

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