

DC FOOD POLICY COUNCIL

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- Vision: Create a just, healthy, equitable and sustainable food system for all by engaging, empowering, and informing DC residents and effecting positive policy change.
- The DC Food Policy Council is a coalition of stakeholders and government representatives who have come together to identify regulatory burdens on the local food economy, collect and analyze data on the food economy and food equity, promote positive food policies, and guide organizations and individuals involved in the food economy.



AGENDA

Welcome & Introductions

Legislative Updates & Food Announcements Director Cidlowski

Presentation - Department of Public Works Organic Waste/Food Waste Approach

Food Policy Council Members Present on Working Groups

- Local Food Business and Labor Development
- Food Equity, Access, and Health and Nutrition Education
- Sustainable Food Procurement
- Urban Agriculture and Food System Education

Discussion Grocery Store Access opportunities & Strategic Plan for DCFPC with community.

Announcements & Next Steps



UPCOMING HEARINGS

- Save Good Food Act (B22-0072) – not scheduled
- Small Business Rental Assistance Program Establishment Act of 2017 (B22-0349) – not scheduled
- East End Health Care Desert, Retail Desert, and Food Desert Elimination Act of 2017 (B22-0207) - not scheduled
- East End Grocery and Retail Incentive Program Tax Abatement Act of 2017 (B22-0202) – not scheduled
- Healthy Students Amendment Act of 2017 (B22-0313) – **Nov 15th**



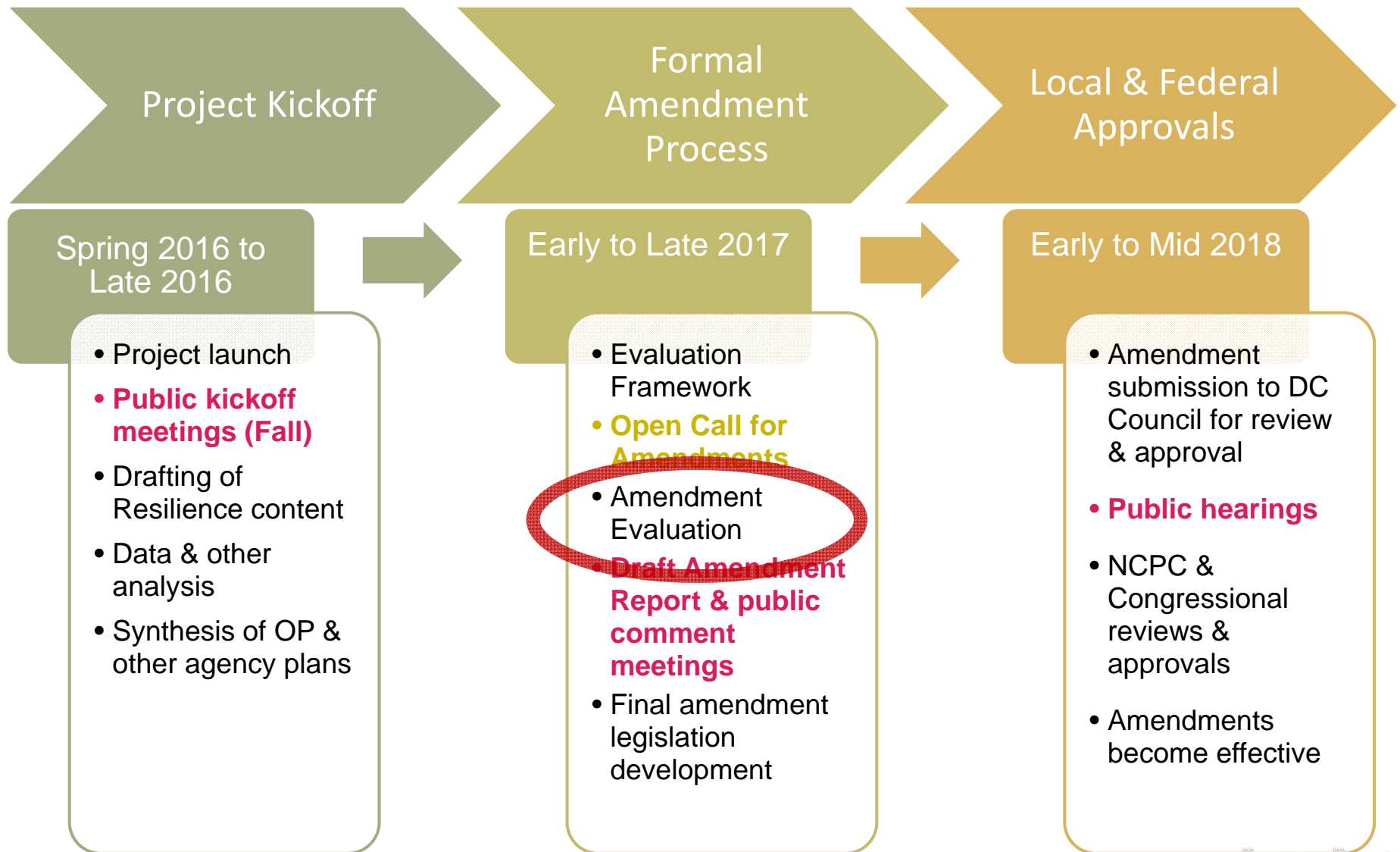
Healthy Students Act of 2017

- Letter of Support
- How to support guidance
- Testimony Writing sessions

- Vote on Draft Letter of Support?



Comp Plan Amendments: Process & Timeline



Amendment Types

- ***Changes in factual information***

- **Examples:** actions completed since last plan update; updates to demographics and facilities data, etc.

- ***New and emerging best practices and issues***

- **Examples:** innovations in P3's, technology advancements (e.g. workplace evolution, Smart Cities, autonomous vehicles), equity and climate change issues, as well as growth forecasts and demographic changes.

- ***Plans completed by individual agencies since 2010 and/or plans underway***

- **Examples:** DCPS Schools Facilities Master Plan; moveDC, Sustainable DC, Southwest Neighborhood Plan, Climate Ready DC.

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FOOD WASTE & COMPOSTING



WORKING GROUP UPDATES



Local Business & Labor Working Group

- Support the FPC food economy assessment
- Study the policies, regulations, and legislation that affect food businesses and compile for easier sharing with the business community.
- Assist with the Cottage Food Act guidelines, regulations, and implementation of the new law.
- Support food polices that support FEED-DC Act supermarket tax incentive and food retailers.
- *Sustainable DC Food Goal 3*: Develop the food industry into a strong and viable economic sector. Target: By 2032, produce or obtain 25% of food within a 100-mile radius.



Food Equity, Access, and Health and Nutrition Education

- Focus on overhauling FEED DC Act to help meet goal of promoting the development of full-service supermarkets in underserved communities as well as including nutrition education and funding to meet its goals; examples may include cooperative support, smaller grocery support, etc.
- Promote city's use of federal nutrition programs (SNAP, WIC, school meals, summer meals, child care meals, and out-of-school time meals) and maximize city's leveraging of federal dollars.
- Assist the implementation of FEED-DC. Solidify plans for supermarket developments in Wards 7 & 8. Protect and strengthen use of federal and local nutrition programs in DC through adoption of policies and work to maintain entitlement structure of the programs.
- *Sustainable DC Food Goal 2*: Ensure universal access to secure, nutritious, and affordable food supplies. Target: By 2032, ensure 75% of residents live within ¼ mile of a community garden, farmers' market and/or healthy corner store.



Sustainable Food Procurement

- Focus on school food making procurement processes more transparent. Work with OSSE to update the Healthy Schools Act (HSA), and convene stakeholders around central kitchen facility.
- Focus on wasted food learning more about the scope of the issue, opportunities to shift policy, and opportunities to engage.
- Study the Good Food Purchasing program, work with DC Public Schools and other partners determine if the program is a good fit



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Urban Agriculture & Food System Education

- Implementing of the D.C. Urban Farming and Food Security Act of 2014 Collaborating with DC agencies to get land in the hands of local farmers. Pursue potential amendments.
- Provide support for key challenges for urban ag. including land access, barriers to production, community education, community garden training and support.
- Assess the current state of food system education in DC and collaborate with partners to expand and systematize it as a core part of education for DC's youth.
- *Sustainable DC Food Goal 1*: Increase agricultural land uses within the District. Target: By 2032, put 20 additional acres of land under cultivation for growing food.



Food Economy Study & Legislative Amendments Discussion

- Food Economy Study (areas of focus)
- Working Group Priorities – Strategic Plan Check-in
- Crosscutting issues – issues that cross multiple working groups, issues not addressed yet?
- FPC Member & Community Discussion



Join Us, What You Can Do:

- Working Groups:
 - Sustainable Food Procurement – Sept 6th
 - Local Food Business & Labor Development – Sept 11th
 - Food Equity, Access, and Health & Nutrition Education – Sept 13th
 - Urban Agriculture & Food System Education – Sept 12th
- Next Food Policy Council Meeting – October 4th
- Give us your feedback online www.dcfoodpolicy.org
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