


Government of the District of Columbia  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

**FROM:** Jeffrey S. DeWitt  
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**DATE:** October 30, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement – Surplus Green Space Retention Amendment Act of 2020

**REFERENCE:** Bill 23-661, Committee Print provided to the Office of Revenue Analysis on October 19, 2020

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2021 through fiscal year 2024 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

**Background**

When disposing of District-owned real property, the Mayor must submit a resolution to Council indicating the property is no longer required for public purposes and must provide an analysis of uses that were considered.<sup>1</sup> The bill requires that the Mayor include the total square footage of green space on the property. Green space is defined in the bill as an area of grass, trees or other vegetation on the owned property that is accessible to the public.

The bill also requires the Mayor to provide an annual report on District-owned green space to the Council, which must include: square footage in each Ward by agency, the change in square footage in each Ward by agency, and a summary of measures taken to increase green space in the District.

**Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2021 through fiscal year 2024 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. The Department of General Services maintains an inventory of District owned properties with information on green space that can be used for the required reporting.

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<sup>1</sup> D.C. Official Code § 10-801.