

D.C. Tax Revision Commission

**Monthly meeting
January 19, 2023
441 4th Street, NW
(One Judiciary Square)
Conference Room 1112
Minutes**

Commissioners in attendance: Gregory McCarthy (acting chair), Glen Lee (ex officio), Yesim Sayin, Erica Williams, David Catania, James L. Hudson

Other participants: Adam Langley, Bradley Hardy

Mr. McCarthy called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Mr. Lee reviewed the responses of the TRC to the OCFO's presentation from the previous public meeting. The OCFO is working on getting data on the TRC's requests and dropping some of their proposals.

Mr. Hardy gave a presentation on the DC EITC. He said the DC EITC is the most generous in the nation and gave evidence that it improves outcomes for low and middle income working people. Mr. Hardy expressed the need to improve the DC EITC since it doesn't target people in deep poverty, some immigrants, and those that don't file taxes.

Mr. Langley presented on the DC tax provisions to mitigate the real residential property tax. He said that while DC is doing well relative to other cities, it can still do a lot to improve. He presented his recommendations, which centered around increasing the circuit breaker and decreasing the other real property tax expenditures. Additionally, he described how other cities had implemented PILOTS and their best practices.

After the presentations, the Commissioners asked Mr. Hardy and Mr. Langley questions. Mr. Catania asked questions about the ability to incentivize specific outcomes through PILOTS. Mr. McCarthy, Ms. E. Williams, and Mr. Catania asked questions about how to improve take up of the EITC. Ms. Sayin asked questions about the data sources and the comparison of the EITC to other locations.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Submitted by: Mike Hegeman, Senior Research Associate.