

**Council of the District of Columbia
Committee on Finance and Revenue
Notice of Public Hearing**

John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004

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**COUNCILMEMBER JACK EVANS, CHAIR
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND REVENUE**

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING ON

**Bill 17-800, the “City Market at O Street Tax Increment Financing Act of 2008”;
Bill 17-771, the “Downtown Retail Tax Increment Financing Amendment Act of 2008”;
Bill 17-587, the “St. Martin Apartments Tax Exemption Amendment Act of 2008”;
Bill 17-730, the “Gateway Market Center and Residences
Real Property Tax Exemption Act of 2008”; and
Bill 17-731, the “Bolling Air Force Base Military Housing Real Property Tax Exemption
and Equipment Relief Act of 2008”**

**Wednesday, July 2, 2008 - 10:00 a.m.
Room 120 - John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW; Washington, D.C. 20004**

Councilmember Jack Evans, Chairperson of the Committee on Finance and Revenue, announces a public hearing on Bill 17-800, the “City Market at O Street Tax Increment Financing Act of 2008”; Bill 17-771, the “Downtown Retail Tax Increment Financing Amendment Act of 2008”; Bill 17-587, the “St. Martin Apartments Tax Exemption Amendment Act of 2008”; Bill 17-730, the “Gateway Market Center and Residences Real Property Tax Exemption Act of 2008”; and Bill 17-731, the “Bolling Air Force Base Military Housing Real Property Tax Exemption and Equipment Relief Act of 2008”. The public hearing will be held on Wednesday, July 2, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 120 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004.

Bill 17-800, the “City Market at O Street Tax Increment Financing Act of 2008”, was introduced by Councilmember Jack Evans and would provide \$35 million in tax increment financing for the O Street Market project in Shaw in Ward 2. This project will reuse the historic O Street Market structure for a new supermarket and would also include affordable senior housing, and market rate housing, a hotel and other retail, as well as parking.

Bill 17-771, the “Downtown Retail Tax Increment Financing Amendment Act of 2008”, was introduced by Chairman Vincent Gray at the request of the Mayor. It would amend the Retail Incentive Act of 2004 to authorize the use of tax increment financing for grocery and specialty food stores in the Downtown Retail Priority Area.

Bill 17-587, the “St. Martin Apartments Tax Exemption Amendment Act of 2008”, was

introduced by Councilmember Harry Thomas, Jr., and would provide for tax exemptions for the St. Martin Apartments development project located in Ward 5.

Bill 17-730, the “Gateway Market Center and Residences Real Property Tax Exemption Act of 2008”, was introduced by Councilmember Harry Thomas, Jr., and would provide a real property tax exemption for the Gateway Market Center project to be located in Ward 5.

Bill 17-731, the “Bolling Air Force Base Military Housing Real Property Tax Exemption and Equipment Relief Act of 2008”, was introduced by Councilmember Marion Barry, and would exempt from taxation certain real property located on federal property and used by the Department of the Air Force.

The Committee invites the public to testify at the public roundtable. Those who wish to testify should contact Sarina Loy, Committee Assistant at (202) 724-8058 or sloy@dccouncil.us, and provide your name, organizational affiliation (if any), and title with the organization by the close of business on Monday, June 30, 2008. Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the roundtable. The Committee allows individuals 3 minutes to provide oral testimony in order to permit each witness an opportunity to be heard. Additional written statements are encouraged and will be made part of the official record. Written statements may be submitted by e-mail to sloy@dccouncil.us or mailed to: Council of the District of Columbia; 1350 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.; Suite 114; Washington D.C. 20004. The hearing record will close ten days following the conclusion of the hearing. Persons submitting written statements for the record should observe this deadline. This hearing notice is abbreviated in order to allow for Council action on these matters prior to the Council summer recess.