



Resolution to the Transfer of Public Engagement for Center of the City and Dissolution of the Council of the Commons

Whereas, The Council of the Commons has been charged by City Council as described in resolution R-20-397 to serve as an advisory body to City Council and provide recommendations for the public spaces on the Center of the City block; and

Whereas, The Council of the Commons has created a detailed [list of recommendations](#), based upon comparable communities, to City Council to create programming, improve governance, appearance, and functioning of all three public parcels that comprise the Center of the City for use by residents and visitors prior to any design alteration of the spaces; and

Whereas, Council of the Commons members have supported the fundraising efforts of the Library Green Conservancy to obtain private funding to partner with the public funding commitment made by the city for the transformative design and planning of the Center of the City; and

Whereas, the aforementioned design and planning of the Center of the City is now proceeding with a request for proposal to provide for a robust community engagement and design process and plan to transform the Center of the City in the spirit of the 2018 citizen-passed ballot proposal;

RESOLVED, The Council of the Commons recommends that City Council dissolve the Council of the Commons and immediately transfer short-term public engagement for the Center of the City to the Parks Advisory Commission until such time as the transformative design and planning process directly engages the public in partnership with the City Parks Department.