



## HAWDC e-HEADLINES

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### CleanEnergy DC Omnibus Amendment Act of 2018:

Last month, the District Council unanimously passed the CleanEnergy DC Omnibus Amendment Act of 2018. The bill increases the renewable energy portfolio standard to 100% by 2032, establishes a solar energy standard after 2032, removes restrictions on energy efficiency measures, expands the uses of the Sustainable Energy Trust Fund, and also establishes an energy performance standard program for buildings at the Department of Energy and Environment ("DDOE"). As it pertains to Building Energy Standards, the bill:

- Provides \$260,000 to the District's Department of Energy and Environment ("DOEE") to hire an independent third party to conduct a comprehensive study to help DOEE and building owners better understand the potential for cost impacts and benefits to District residents and property owners. The study shall include case studies for different categories of buildings.
- \$3 million to specifically help affordable housing and rent controlled properties comply with the standards.

Knowing the nature of some of our member's properties, some of which are historical buildings, HAWDC is working with DDOE throughout the rule-making process as it implements the compliance standards. HAWDC will update members with information as we receive it.

### District of Columbia Paid Family Leave Law:

As you are aware, the District Council previously passed the Universal Paid Leave Amendment Act of 2016. The Paid Leave Act provides up to eight weeks of parental leave to bond with a new child, six weeks of family leave to care for an ill family member with a serious health condition, and two weeks of medical leave to care for one's own serious health condition.

Beginning **July 1, 2019**, the District will begin the collection of taxes from employers and on July 1, 2020, the District will begin administering paid leave benefits.

For inquiries regarding the Paid Family Leave program, please contact the Office of Paid Family Leave at [does.opfl@dc.gov](mailto:does.opfl@dc.gov).

### Office of Veteran's Affairs Hiring Event:

On Saturday, January 26th, the Mayor's Office of Veteran's Affairs ("MOVA") will be partnering with the Washington D.C. VA Medical Center for a homeless/low-income veteran event. It is anticipated that there will be between 700-800 participants. The event details are:

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### Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, February 12th:**

**The HAWDC Board Meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2201 M Street, NW, at 10:30 A.M. Please contact [Ejigayehu Diriba](#) by Monday, January 11 to RSVP.**

**Thursday, February 21st:**

**HAWDC's Annual Allied Member and Member Meeting will be held at the Marriott Marquis, 901 Massachusetts Ave, NW, from 11:00 am - 1:30 pm. Please contact [Ejigayehu Diriba](#) for more details or to RSVP.**

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Saturday, January 26, 2019  
DC VA Medical Center Main Building  
50 Irving Street, NW  
9 am - 2 pm  
Vendor Load-in and Registration from 7 am - 9 am

For additional information, or if you are interested in participating in this hiring event, please contact Director Ely Ross at MOVA, at [ely.ross@dc.gov](mailto:ely.ross@dc.gov).

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### Allied Member Appreciation Night:

On Tuesday, January 8th, HAWDC partnered with USI Insurance to sponsor an Allied Members Appreciation Night to thank Allied Members for their hard work and commitment to the hospitality industry in the District. Allied Members were able to interact and share their thoughts and ideas with HAWDC Members while cheering on the Washington Capitals.



Thank you to all of our members who attended! If you are interested in Allied Membership, please contact [Ejigayehu Diriba](mailto:Ejigayehu.Diriba@hawdc.com) for more information.

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### Allied Member Spotlight:



REVPAR International is a nationally recognized full-service hospitality advisory and asset management firm with a global reach. Their corporate office is based in the

Washington, D.C. metropolitan area so they consider this area their backyard where they have undertaken numerous projects. As a result, they are intimately familiar with the pertinent industry trends occurring here.

REVPAR International offers a complete set of hospitality advisory services from market financial feasibility studies and operational reviews to asset management. They identify and help minimize the three main risks inherent in real estate investments in general, and hospitality investments in particular - market, financial, and management risk. This breadth of experience provides their clients with uninterrupted service, access to their professionals, and ensures continuity in process and goals. Their services cover all hospitality-related assets, from hotels and resorts to conference centers, restaurants, spas, marinas, and golf courses.

For additional information and to review a list of projects undertaken by the professionals at REVPAR International, please visit their website [www.revparintl.com](http://www.revparintl.com) or contact Jacqueline Woodrum at [j.woodrum@revparintl.com](mailto:j.woodrum@revparintl.com).

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