DATE: April 6, 2020

SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to the Chief Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearing—Extension and Waiver of Certain Deadlines and Waiver of Certain Fees, Fines, and Penalties

By virtue of the authority vested in me as City Administrator by section 422(7) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 790; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.22(7)), and pursuant to section 310 of the COVID-19 Response Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, effective March 17, 2020 (D.C. Act 23-247), Mayor’s Order 2020-052, issued March 23, 2020, and Mayor’s Order 2015-036, dated January 9, 2015, it is hereby ORDERED that:

1. For the purposes of this Order, the phrase “COVID-19 Emergency Period” means the period of time during which the public health emergency declared by the Mayor in Mayor’s Order 2020-046, issued March 11, 2020, and any extension thereof, is in effect and the forty-five (45) day period thereafter.

2. The Chief Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings (“OAH”) is delegated the authority to, during the COVID-19 Emergency Period:

   a. Waive the deadline for submitting any filing, including any paper, with OAH, and waive any fee, fine, or penalty associated with the failure to timely submit such a filing; provided, that such waivers shall be issued only on a case-by-case basis; except, that such waivers may be issued on a multi-case or blanket basis for cases involving public benefits or unemployment insurance; and

   b. Extend or waive the date by which an approval or disapproval is deemed to have occurred based on inaction by the executive branch of the District government with respect to a matter before OAH.
3. This Order shall become effective immediately.

RASHAD M. YOUNG
CITY ADMINISTRATOR