



Department of Public Works



# Presidential Inauguration: Special Events on Steroids

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## Agenda

- Introduction and Overview
- Planning
- Public Works Subcommittee
- Week of and Day of Action
- Challenges
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# INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

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## Introduction

- Gabriel Robinson**
  - DC DPW Chief Operating Officer
  - Chair of Public Works Subcommittee
- DC Department of Public Works**
  - Solid Waste
  - Parking Enforcement
  - Fleet Acquisition and Management
- Washington, District of Columbia**
  - Capital of the country
  - City, county and state roles

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## Overview

### Presidential Inauguration

- Every four years, entire world's eyes on DC
- National Special Security Event – Homeland Security
- US Secret Service is the lead agency on all key decisions
- Local and Federal law enforcement along with the National Guard provide security with the assistance of staff and equipment from DC DPW

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## Overview

### Inauguration Facts

City Holiday

DPW Staff 400

Attendees 250,000 to 1.8 Million

Litter Tonnage 49.87 Tons  
within 6.73 sq miles

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# PLANNING

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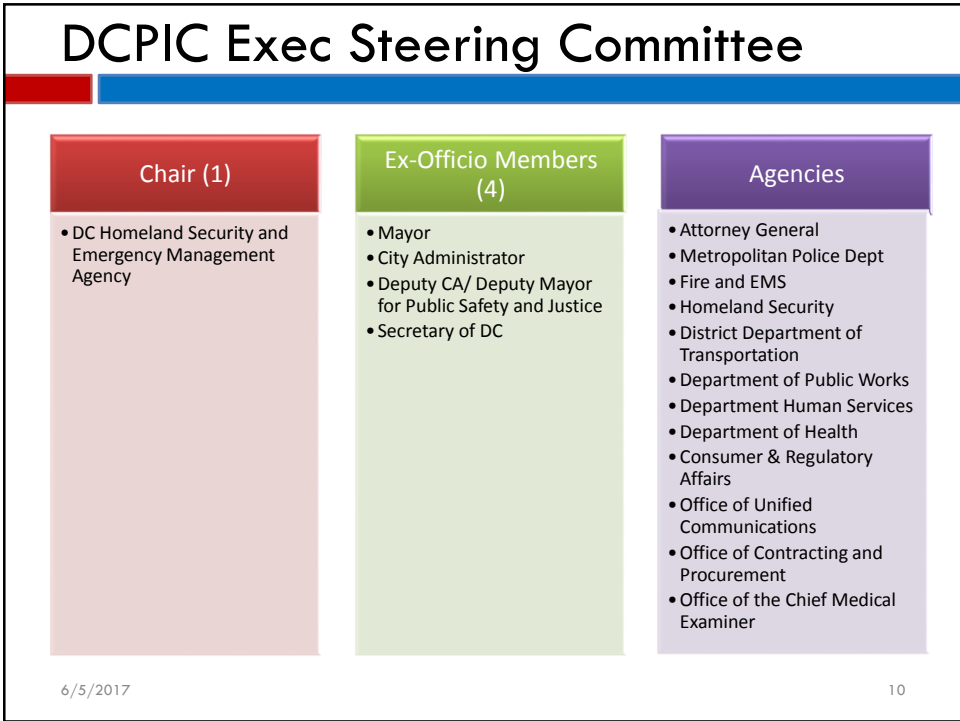
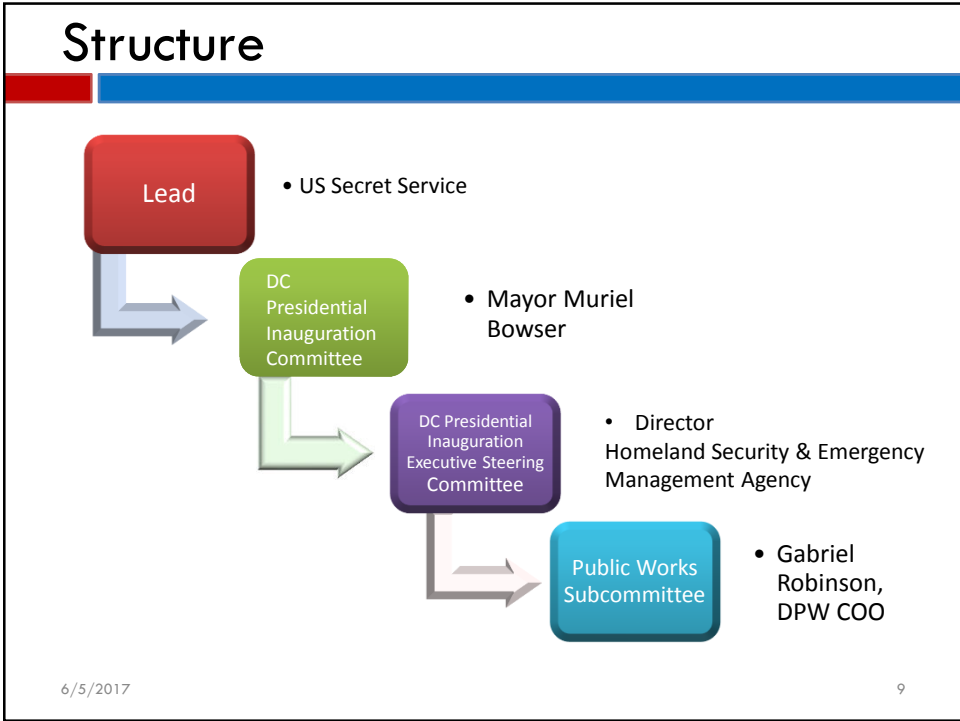
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## Presidential Inaugural Planning Entities

- Presidential Inaugural Committee organizes/plans inaugural events
- US Secret Service leads operational security and support
- DC Presidential Inaugural Committee for DC Gov support
- Joint Force Headquarters, National Capital Region for military ceremonial and security support
- Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for Capitol inaugural ceremonies in conjunction with US Capitol Police

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## Responsibilities

DC	Law enforcement and security
	Sanitize parade route, snow removal, infrastructure systems and transportation management plans
	Health and medical coverage
	Emergency/consequence management plans
	Interoperable communications
	Budgeting, accounting, contracting activities
	Venue inspections and vending, licensing, and permitting activities
Federal	Operational security plans
	Planning for National Mall, Pennsylvania Ave, and Memorial Park areas
	Parade and ceremonial activities
	Planning for events on US Capitol complex
	Consequence management planning
Private	Official balls/galas, other inaugural events

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## Planning Timeline

- July start - 6 month timeline
- Monthly meetings of all subcommittees from Executive Subcommittee to Venue Subcommittee
  - Note: After the November General Election, meetings are more frequent

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## ROC Drills

- DC Rehearsal of Concept Drill
- Secret Service Senior Leadership Tabletop for the Presidential Inauguration
- National Capital Region Consequence Management Rehearsal of Concept Drill

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## Unknowns

- Size of crowds
- Auxiliary events and protests
- Temperature and snow
- Security scenarios
- Last minute changes

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**PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE**

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**Members of the Public Works Subcommittee**

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- Department of Public Works (**Committee Chair**)
- Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs
- District Department of Transportation
- Department of General Service
- Department of Motor Vehicles
- DC Water
- Office of Contracts and Procurement
- Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency
- Fire and EMS
- Metropolitan Police Department
- Department of Health

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## Purpose & Responsibilities

- Ensures all public works related activities are completed

DPW serves as the lead agency for the Public Works Subcommittee. The committee provides technical advise and evaluation, engineering services, performs structural inspections, staging and removal of debris, emergency power, potable water and ice distribution, parking enforcement and make the Districts street and public spaces clean, safe, attractive and accessible.

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## DPW Internal Tasks

- Development of the Snow Removal Plan
- Sanitize parade route and venues, collect and dispose of solid waste before and after
- Credentialing of drivers of tow trucks and snow plows
- Towing services and parking enforcement
- Provide packers/dump trucks to US Secret Service to facilitate security perimeter
- Trained for the transportation of Strategic National Stockpile staff
- Transport food for staff
- Repair DC vehicles/equipment
- Supplied fuel

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## Other Subcommittee Tasks to Oversee

- Janitorial services for DC Gov't buildings
- Erect/disassemble Presidential Inauguration Reviewing Stand, media stands, Mayoral stand
- Coordinate water/electrical utility connections
- Moratorium on construction
- Remove traffic signals along parade route
- Secure manholes on parade route
- Notification to business to remove street furniture
- Issue Inaugural tags

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## WEEK OF AND DAY OF ACTION

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## Day of Inauguration

- Action begins at 3AM
- All staff and vehicles are in place by 3AM
- Secret Service sweep all vehicles upon arrival
- Tow trucks and booters are mobilized
- Delivery of all DPW controlled equipment
- Sanitation Crews are deployed to secure entry points
- Strike Team deploys to the parade route to spot clean
- Fuel tankers are positioned
- Etc.

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## Women's March on Washington

- More people than expected
- Not on The Mall
- Trucks couldn't get through

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# CHALLENGES AND SUCCESSES



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## Challenges



- Unknowns
- Protests
- Private tow company
- PIC government prerogative
- Secure perimeter and credentialing
- 4 years, learning, institutional knowledge

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## Successes

- Communications
  - ePPT radios
- Operational dashboards
- Weather
- Coordination among agencies
- EXCELLENT DPW Team

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## Questions?

Thank you for attending!

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