



## Takoma Park City Council Meeting – March 14, 2018 Agenda Item 5

### **Work Session**

CHEER Takoma Park Renters' Protection Group Discusses Housing with the City Council

### **Recommended Council Action**

Hear from the Renters' Protection Group.

### **Context with Key Issues**

The Renters' Protection Group is a tenant advocacy group formed by Takoma Park tenant association leaders in 2015 to protect tenants from excessive rent increases and degrading housing conditions, and to promote tenants' rights and dignified treatment. The Renters' Protection Group will be at the March 14 City Council meeting to discuss issues of concern and recommendations.

The presenters at the meeting will be Faith Ogbonna, Denise Jones, and Alex Mendelson.

CHEER (Community Health and Empowerment through Education and Research) has helped to facilitate the efforts of the Renters' Protection Group.

### **Council Priority**

Livable Community for All; Engaged, Responsive, and Service-Oriented Government

### **Environmental Impact of Action**

N/A

### **Fiscal Impact of Action**

N/A

### **Racial Equity Impact of Action**

Many of the tenants in Takoma Park are people of color. Efforts to improve and maintain rental housing will benefit all tenants.

### **Attachments and Links**