

# Information Technology and Communications Committee Meeting

*Sunday, March 9, 1:00PM – 3:30PM  
Mint Room (M4) Marriott Marquis Washington, DC*

## Agenda

### 1:00-1:20PM – WELCOME REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION

**The Honorable Martha Castex-Tatum, Chair, Information Technology and Communications Committee**

*Mayor Pro Tem, City of Houston, Texas*

**The Honorable Susan Farber, Vice Chair, Information Technology and Communications Committee**

*Mayor Pro Tem, City of Dubuque, Iowa*

**The Honorable Joseph Goldstein, Vice Chair, Information Technology and Communications Committee**

*Councilmember, City of Marietta, Georgia*

**Kevin Kramer, First Vice President, National League of Cities**

*Councilmember, Louisville, KY*

### 1:20-1:50PM– FEDERAL POLICY PRIORITIES FOR LOCAL CYBERSECURITY

**Alexandra Seymore, Staff Director**

*Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection, House Committee on Homeland Security, U.S House of Representatives*

**Dr. Mike Garcia, Senior Cybersecurity Advisor**

*Center for Internet Security*

The threat of cyber attack faced by municipal networks and municipal infrastructure operators continues to rise. However, the capacity of local governments to defend against these attacks remains limited. Committee members will hear from House Homeland Security Committee staff on efforts in Congress to build a broader public sector cybersecurity workforce pipeline through efforts such as the [PIVOTT Act](#) (H.R. 1000). Committee members will hear from the Center for Internet Security on its latest research on the cybersecurity needs of local governments, as well

as federal policy recommendations to meet these needs. For more information on these priorities, download [MS-ISAC's latest report](#).

## **1:50-2:20PM – FEDERAL ADVOCACY UPDATE & ADVOCACY DISCUSSION**

**Angelina Panettieri**

*Legislative Director, Information Technology and Communications, Federal Advocacy, National League of Cities*

Committee members will discuss NLC's 2025 Federal Action Agenda and how to most effectively leverage their meetings on Capitol Hill and with agency officials to advance municipal priorities. The committee will also discuss the latest key federal actions on telecommunications and technology issues, including the impact of recent political appointments and presidential actions on local technology priorities and the reshaping of White House artificial intelligence governance leadership. Committee members will also discuss how to best demonstrate the value of local and investment and the preservation of local authority around telecommunications matters.

## **2:20-2:30 – BREAK & SWITCH ROOMS**

*Committee members will join the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee in Liberty Salons NOP - M4 for a joint session.*

## **2:30-3:25PM – JOINT FEDERAL ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING: DATA CENTERS – ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS OF THE CLOUD AND AI**

**The Honorable Katrina Thompson, Chair, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee**

*Mayor, Village of Broadview, Illinois*

**The Honorable Martha Castex-Tatum, Chair, Information Technology and Communications Committee**

*Councilmember, City of Houston, Texas*

**Angelina Panettieri**

*Legislative Director, Information Technology and Communications, Federal Advocacy, National League of Cities*

**Catherine Werner**

*Director, Sustainability and Innovation, Center for Municipal Practice, National League of Cities*

The ITC and EENR Federal Advocacy Committees will hold a joint session focused on the environmental impacts of data centers as the need for more data capacity grows to meet the

demands of technology such as artificial intelligence and cloud computing. This discussion will allow committee members to share how their community is addressing this issue and will help inform NLC programming and any future policy position.

### **3:25 - 3:30PM – WRAP UP AND ADJOURN**

**The Honorable Martha Castex-Tatum, Chair, Information Technology and Communications Committee**

*Councilmember, City of Houston, Texas*

**The Honorable Katrina Thompson, Chair, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee**

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#### **NEXT MEETING (VIRTUAL):**

Thursday, April 17, 2:00-3:00PM Eastern

#### **NEXT MEETING (IN-PERSON):**

July 15-18 (tentative), Columbus, OH

## **Federal Communications Commission Meet and Greet**

*Wednesday, March 12, 1:30-2:30PM  
Federal Communications Commission  
45 L St NE, Washington, DC 20554*

**Please RSVP [at this link](#) no later than Monday, March 10 to participate.**

### **Agenda:**

- I. 1:30-1:35 PM – INTRODUCTION**
  - Bridgette Gomez, Chief, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, CGB
- II. 1:35 – 1:40 PM – WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS**
  - Ed Bartholme, Acting Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau
- III. 1:40 – 1:55 PM – OVERVIEW OF THE CONSUMER & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS BUREAU**
- IV. 1:55 – 2:15 PM – OVERVIEW OF FCC BUREAUS**
- V. 2:15 – 2:28 PM – PRESENTATIONS**
  - Rulemaking Process
  - Consumer Resources
  - How to Get Involved
- VI. 2:28 – 2:30 PM – CLOSING REMARKS**
  - Bridgette Gomez, Chief, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, CGB