



**COLORADANS FOR THE  
COMMON GOOD**

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Denver City Council  
1437 Bannock St Rm 451  
Denver, CO 80202

Dear Councilmembers,

Coloradans for the Common Good (CCG) and labor allies support expanding subpoena power to the Denver Auditor's Office to properly enforce the city's wage theft protections *and* ensure accountability of how public dollars are spent. Councilmembers Parady and Sawyer endorsed a comprehensive ordinance to address our concerns.

As you prepare to discuss these topics at today's Budget & Policy Committee in two separate ordinances, we want to clarify our position on both 24-0442 and 24-0443.

While we initially found 24-0442 (subpoena power for wage theft investigations only) lacking in meaningful enforcement, we are confident that it can be improved. We encourage you to clearly articulate the punishments for not complying with a subpoena as *\$1,000 per day*. We have heard your support of our efforts to protect Denver workers from abuse and theft - meaningful penalties and enforcement will make that support real.

We also support 24-0443 (subpoena power for performance audits) because CCG represents working families that have been victims of wage theft AND and even more families that rely on effective delivery of city services. Subpoena power for wage theft AND performance audits is necessary to ensure the City and County is following through on the commitments it makes to our collective membership and all Denverites.

Sincerely,

Coloradans for the Common Good

Colorado Cross Disability Coalition

Centro de los Trabajadores

Sheetmetal Workers Local 9

UFCW Local 7