



City of Newton, Massachusetts
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

AGENDA

DATE: Tuesday, May 14, 2024

TIME: 7 p.m.

PLACE: City Hall, Room 204. Remote participation online at <https://newtonma-gov.zoom.us/j/83515282108> and by phone at +13092053325,,83515282108#

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1. Attendance
2. Guest Speaker: Meryl Kessler, chair of Newton Community Pride, will present on efforts to create a cultural district in Newton, the challenges, benefits, and process.
3. Approval of April meeting minutes
4. City Updates
5. EDC Subgroups + Discussion
 - a. Economic Strategy
 - b. Business Listings
 - c. rDNA Permitting
6. Other/New Business
7. Adjournment

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