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Fair Housing Committee

MEETING AGENDA

Date: September 6, 2022

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Place: Virtual (Zoom)

Zoom Online Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81775423356>

The Fair Housing Committee will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 8:00 am. No in-person meeting will take place at City Hall. To view and participate in this virtual meeting on your smartphone, download the "ZOOM Cloud Meetings" app in any app store or visit www.zoom.us. At the above date and time, click on "Join a Meeting" and enter the following: **Meeting ID: 817 7542 3356.**

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1. **Approval of August 2022 minutes**
2. **Training Program Planning for Fall/Winter**
3. **AFFH initiatives on ARPA and Village Center Zoning**
4. **Project Review Update on Crafts & 1314 Washington**
5. **Subcommittee Updates**
 - **Lottery Results & Lease-ups Sub-Committee**
 - **Membership & Nominating Sub-Committee**
 - **Fair Housing Award Sub-Committee**
 - **Fair Housing Literature Sub-Committee**

6. Fair Housing Committee Priorities Discussion

- **Promote housing choice for diverse populations to advance Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH), with focus on race/ethnicity, public subsidy and disability**
- **Identify and work to overcome barriers to successful tenancies and to improve processes/practices for tenant selection in lottery and market rate multi-family rental housing**
- **Promote improved practices for real estate professionals to achieve more housing choice for diverse populations**
- **Promote effective processes/practices for new affordable homeownership and resales**
- **Promote data collection on multi-family rental and new homeownership occupancy**
- **Promote FH training for real estate professionals, public and committee members**
- **Enhance Project Review of Housing Developments to advance AFFH**
- **Support AI/Consortium Fair Housing Testing and FH testing in Newton**
- **Collaborate with Related Newton Commissions and Committees to increase affordable housing for households of various sizes and lower incomes and to encourage increased funding for affordable housing**
- **Promote affordable housing production in coordination with other City commissions and committees**
- **Support federal, state and city initiatives that promote AFFH**
- **Collaborate with Human Rights Committee on Fair Housing Complaint Process**
- **Contribute to Newton's FH-related plans**
- **Enhance FH literature and website information and access for the public**
- **Address committee membership appointments with representation from Human Rights Commission and legal counsel with FH specialty**
- **Promote Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging in Newton**

7. Next meeting Tuesday, October 4, 2022

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