

# CITY OF SOMERVILLE RACIAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SOMERVILLE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, November, 19, 2025

Time: 6:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. (Virtual Meeting)

#### **AGENDA**

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## 1) Welcome

- a) Call to Order
- b) Attendance and Roll Call; Confirm quorum and note participants.
- c) Note Taker: Elyse Best, Co-Chair

# 2) Old Business

- 2.1) Review and approve minutes from the October 29th meeting.
- 2.2) Review progress on Next Steps from October 29th meeting
- a) Letter to the RSJ requesting information about complaints (Jovana)
- b) Initiate process for filling the open commissioner seat (Elijah)
- c) MLK Day Sponsorship ideas (Christopher)
- d) Narrative 4 Follow up Trainings (all commissioners)

# 3) New Business



- 3.1) Review potential HRC initiatives related to Immigrant Rights
- 3.2) Review updates from subcommittees
  - a) Administration (Best)
  - b) Compliance & Training (Sokol)
  - c) Promotion of City Diversity (Jenny)
  - d) Rights Violation Response (Mackey)
  - e) Information, Advocacy & Engagement (Spicer-Hankle)
- 3.3) Focus Group Report, presentation by Liz.
- 3.4) Discuss approaches to promoting and increasing the visibility of the HRC
- 3.5) Schedule a date for strategic planning meeting
- 3.6) Update in Ageism event
- 3.7) Review potential mission statement text
- 3.8) Discuss engagement with incoming Mayor and City Council

# 4) Closing

- 4.1) Additional agenda items for future meetings
- 4.2) Questions / Discussion



Next Meeting: December 17, 2025

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