

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

Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, December 17, 2025

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

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AGENDA

1) Welcome

- a) Call to Order
- b) Attendance and Roll Call; Confirm quorum and note participants.
- c) Confirm Notetaker (Scheduled notetaker is Commissioner Chareka)

2) Old Business

- 2.1) Review and approve minutes from November 17th Meeting
- 2.2) Review Next Steps from November 17th Meeting
 - Open commissioner seat (Elijah)
 - Legal restrictions on accessing social media accounts (Salma / Elijah)
 - MLK Day Essay Contest & Day of Service (Christopher, Information & Advocacy Subcommittee)
 - Initiatives related to Wage Theft Brian
 - Ordinance amendment process Elyse
 - Possible HRC "offsite" Primrose
 - Weekend meeting requirements & Restrictions Elijah
 - Narrative 4 Training (all)
- 2.3) Review draft mission statement for the HRC
 - Discuss value of print cards with HRC logo and Mission Statement/FB page link (\$40 for 1000 cards from Vistaprint or \$90 for 2500 cards)



3) New Business

- 3.1) Review Focus Group feedback (Liz)
- 3.2) Review additional updates from Subcommittees
- 3.3) Review options to address incidents of hate in Somerville
- 3.4) Discuss options to start revising the HRC Facebook page
 - Remove existing post (from 2009)
 - Develop a list of content to be created (Events, Meetings, Mission Statement, information about Human Rights, Information about Somerville HRC, etc.)
 - Identify cadence for updates
- 3.5) Discuss readiness and timing for scheduling and promoting Narrative 4 Trainings for residents

4) Closing

4.1) Future Agenda Items

Commissioners may identify topics for future agendas with no discussion or deliberation

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 28, 2025 at 6:30pm

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