

PUBLIC NOTICE – Amended Agenda
Affordable Housing Commission – Regular January Meeting
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

Charlestown Town Hall, Annex Conference Room, 4540 South County Trail, Charlestown, Rhode Island

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. CALL TO ORDER.

2. ROLL CALL. The Secretary will call the roll.

3. MINUTES. Review and approval of minutes of prior meetings as necessary.

4. COMMUNICATIONS.

a) Memo to Town Council – 11-6-2023: as authorized at the October 25 meeting of the AHC, requesting:

- the timely review of ADU permit applications,
- amendment of the Zoning Ordinance to bring its ADU provisions into compliance with the state enabling act, and
- amendment of the Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADUI) ordinance to provide for the annual registration and reporting of LMIH-qualified ADU units as laid out in **RIGL 45.24.75.**

5. NEW BUSINESS.

a) Town Council Liaison’s Report. Information on:

- the current status of ordinance updates with regard to ADU’s and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund
- Affordable Housing initiatives in other RI communities, and
- State funding opportunities for LMIH

b) Chairman’s Report. The Chair will report on discussions with Housing Network about the standard state deed restriction’s application to LMIH units.

c) Commission’s statutory role in support of affordable housing. The Commission will address the need for timely notification of: funding opportunities; proposed legislation; and LMIH projects that are under review for permitting, or on appeal.

d) Annual Objectives 2024. The Commission will determine its priority issues and establish goals and objectives for the current year.

d) Assignments. Commission members may commit to undertake an independent study or task of interest to the Commission, and request input or advice from the remaining members.

6. OLD BUSINESS.

a) Affordable H.O.M.E.S. initiative. The Commission will review the Commission’s 2013 *Affordable H.O.M.E.S. initiative* and evaluate its current applicability for potential referral and action.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT.

8. NEXT MEETING. February 21, 2024

10. ADJOURNMENT.

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