

ESSEX COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

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NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA 5/9/24

The ECCSW will conduct a public meeting utilizing remote collaboration technology. If there is any technical problem with our remote connection, an alternative conference line will be noticed immediately on our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/EssexCountyCommissionOnTheStatusOfWomen. Pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Essex County Commission on the Status of Women. As the recent amendments to the open meeting law allows, the (board) will continue to hold meetings remotely. Adequate alternative access to the meeting is provided through the zoom link below. Questions may be directed to eccswomen2@gmail.com. The meeting will take place:

> Thursday, May 9, 2024 6:00 PM

ZOOM MEETING ID: 988 8295 8537

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https://us06web.zoom.us/j/98882958537?pwd=UXpGSFo2TmFISXQ2ODE2VUNIWFpVUT09 VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-558-8656

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Featured Speaker
 - a) Affordable housing & MBTA communities - Rosa Ordaz, Director of Community Engagement and Services, Harborlight Homes and Ian Burns, Community & Economic Development Program Coordinator, Merrimack Valley Planning Commission
- IV. Approval of outstanding meeting minutes
 - a) April 11, 2024
- V. Open issues
 - Administrative Updates a)
 - i) Committees Updates
 - (1) Legislative Committee
 - Update from MCSW Legislative Policy Committee (a)
 - Update from Regional Convening (b)
 - **Program & Planning Committee**



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Spring Program Planning Senior citizens Listening Circle

June - Pride; There will be many opportunities to partner and support existing events:

- 1. Youth Rally & leadership summit June 9th at Walk for HALC
- 2. Hamilton Wenham Pride Picnic

Ongoing - collecting women-focused community groups who already have a following and meetings that we can speak at/participate in (Comm'r Smith is collecting ideas)

- b) Outreach/Communications Committee need to address social media
- c) By-Laws Ad Hoc Committee Final comments/discussion and vote on Amendments
- d) Regional Convening Update Readout
 - i) Annual Reports due May 20
 - ii) New ideas from other Commissions: Co-office hours with our legislators; involve an Emerita Board
- e) Update from Ginsburg Initiative
- f) Treasurer's Update
- g) Legislative Priorities Status Update
 - 1. The Common Start Bill (H.489/S.301) (universal early childcare)
 - 2. Act Requiring One Fair Wage (S.1082/H.1617)
 - 3. I AM Bill (An Act to Increase Access to Disposable Menstrual Products in Prisons, Homeless Shelters, and Public Schools (S.1381/H.534)
 - 4. An Act Supporting Working Parents Who Choose to Run for Public Office (S.422/H.669)
 - 5. Parity on Public Boards (S.2016)

VI. New business

- a) Updates/Comments from Public Attendees
- b) Other Business Reserved for matters the Chair did not reasonably anticipate at the time of the posting

VII. Adjournment