

Human Rights Commission  
City of Northampton  
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Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.  
via Zoom online

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### Agenda

- Public Comment
- Approval of Mar 2022 minutes
- HRC Membership News
- *Housing as a Human Right 2022 programs*
- Select Committee to Study Barriers to Service on City Boards and Commissions
- Northampton Rally for a More Accessible City (Apr 23 at 12-3 p.m.)
- An Order for Special Legislation to Prohibit Landlords and Brokers from Requiring Brokers' Commissions to be Paid By a Tenant or Prospective Tenant (public forum Apr 25 at 5:30 p.m. during Community Resources meeting)
- *Building Community Alternatives to Police Response (American Friends Service Committee)*
- New Business
- Adjourn

The NHRC invites members of the public to its meetings. We set aside time at the beginning of each meeting for the public to address us, and we appreciate the thoughts and feedback we receive from the community. Because of our obligations under the Open Meetings Law, the work of the Commission can only be done when we are together in our public meetings. For this reason, we cannot respond to the public comments we receive in real time, and we must limit the public comment to a defined time on our meeting agenda. We also welcome feedback via email, [HRC@northamptonma.gov](mailto:HRC@northamptonma.gov).

***The Human Rights Commission shall act to promote human rights in the city of Northampton. The Commission shall advocate and be an information resource for the rights guaranteed by law on the basis of race or color, gender, physical or mental ability, religion, socioeconomic status, ethnic or national origin, sexual identification or orientation or age for all persons in Northampton.***

***The mayor or City Council may refer issues pertaining to human rights to the commission for review and recommendation. The commission may organize programs and events to educate about human rights.***

