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**BELMONT HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA**

The Belmont Human Rights Commission members are appointed by the Town of Belmont Select Board and sworn in by the Town Clerk to execute our duties as voting members. Only members can vote.

Date: Thursday, February 4, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM- 8:30 PM

Location: Conducted by Remote Participation

In keeping with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020;
"Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law"

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/open-meeting-law-order-march-12-2020/download>

All Participation for Town Residents will be by Remote Access

If the audio becomes unavailable, the meeting will be paused until it can be restored, or the meeting will end.

FOR PARTICIPANTS:

The meeting will start at 7:00 PM. You can join the meeting starting at 6:50 PM.

TO JOIN THE MEETING:

By computer or smartphone, go to:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85232956840?pwd=U1J5ZFNNQTQ1TXZFdFkwSnZlNktXZz09>

- Follow on-screen instructions
- Enter your Full Name under participant
- Meeting ID: 852 3295 6840
- Passcode: 545663

By telephone:

- Call: **1 (929) 205-6099**
When prompted, enter Meeting ID: **852 3295 6840**
- Passcode: **545663**
- When prompted, enter: #
- Follow any additional prompts
- To mute and unmute yourself (when recognized), press *6

1. Call meeting to order;
2. Protocol for Community Input and Vote and if passed effective immediately – 10 minutes

To Ask A Question:

All Belmont Human Rights Commission meetings are governed by the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law.

When public participation is allowed on an agenda item, here is what you do to address the public body:

- By computer or smartphone:
- Click “Raise your hand” button, located on bottom of the Participant screen.
- By Telephone:
- To raise your hand press *9
- When the host is ready for you, you will be called on by your phone number or name.
- Please state your full name for the record, which is required by law.

During the public participation segment of meetings of the Commission, individuals or group representatives may address the Commission on items of Commission business. The length of the public participation segment shall be no more than ten (10) minutes, but may be extended by Chair. Speakers must identify themselves by their first and last name and will be allowed up to two (2) minutes to present their material. Chair may reduce speaking time if needed and/or may permit extension of this time limit. The Committee may respond to public comment, at the discretion of the Chair, but extended discussion of issues during public participation is discouraged. If a particular issue arises during public participation that warrants an extended discussion, the Chair may defer such discussion until a future meeting, and schedule an agenda item accordingly. Improper conduct and remarks will not be allowed. Defamatory or abusive remarks are always out of order. If a speaker persists in improper conduct or remarks, the Chair may terminate that individual’s privilege of address or if needed eject the person from the meeting. All remarks will be addressed through the Chair of the meeting.

3. Review Minutes from January 7 and January 13, 2020 meetings – 5 minutes
4. Report on phone-line and e-mail correspondence (Rodmina) - 5 minutes
Confirm Phone-line/email assignment for upcoming months:
February – Gaye; March – Ye; April – Jess; May – Kayta; June – Kim
5. Liaison Reports: Belmont Against Racism; Belmont Police Department; Belmont Schools- 10 minutes total

6. Discussion on statement on widely reported racially motivated murder of Mr. Tapia – 10 minutes
7. Discussion on supporting renaming of Columbus Day to People’s Indigenous Day – 10 minutes
8. Working Groups Reports: 30 minutes – 5 minutes each working group
 - Messaging and Marketing (Jess)
 - Outreach to Community Organizations (Gaye)
 - Community Discussions (Kayta)
 - MLK Breakfast Recap (Fran)
 - School Outreach (Kim)
9. Community Input – 10 minutes
10. Vote on statement concerning Mr. Tapia and supporting renaming of Columbus Day to People’s Indigenous Day – 5 minutes
11. Announcements: - 5 minutes
 - One Book One Belmont update
 - Therapist Volunteering to support BHRC as a resource
 - Daryl Davis
12. Confirm meeting dates: March 4; April 1; May 6; June 3 – 2 minutes
13. Adjourn meeting