



FAIR HOUSING OFFICE

CITY OF NORWALK

**FAIR HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE
JUNE 15th, 2026**

ATTENDANCE: Jalin T. Sead (Chair), Joseph Mann, Alexandra Sollazzo, LMSW, Brenda Penn-Williams, Reverend Richard Clarke, Daisy Franklin

STAFF: Zabrina Román, Fair Housing Officer

OTHERS:

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jalin T Sead called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. There was a quorum present.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Sead acknowledged those presents as above noted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - May 18th, 2026

**** JOE MANN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.**

**** ALEXANDRA SOLONSO SECONDED MOTION**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public participation comments are not verbatim and represent a summarization of statements unless otherwise noted. Speakers are Norwalk residents unless otherwise noted.

No members of the public requested time, and no written comments had been submitted in advance.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Fair Housing Officer Report

1. Fair Housing Officer Zabrina Román reported on recent HUD guidance regarding assistance animals. HUD indicated it will pursue administrative enforcement actions only in cases involving animals trained to perform disability-related tasks. The Fair Housing Act itself remains unchanged, and housing providers are still required to consider reasonable accommodation requests. Commission discussion followed regarding emotional support animals, disability accommodations, and potential impacts on residents.

2. Ms. Román reported an increase in resident inquiries related to children playing outdoors during the summer months, noise concerns, and tenant rights. Disability-related housing concerns continue to be the most common issue received by the office. The Commission discussed noise ordinances, tenant rights, and potential educational outreach regarding summer-related housing concerns.



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3. Ms. Román reported that the Norwalk Fair Housing Office is partnering with the Connecticut Fair Housing Center to submit a proposal for the Connecticut Affordable Housing Conference.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

****JOE MANN MOTION TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

****ALEXANDRA SOLONSO SECONDED MOTION**

****MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The Commission entered Executive Session as listed on the agenda at approximately **3:17 PM**.

Individuals Present During Executive Session:

- Jalin Sead, Chair
- Alexandra Solonszo, LMSW Commissioner
- Joe Mann, Commissioner
- Brenda Penn-Williams, Commissioner
- Reverend Richard Clarke, Commissioner
- Zabrina Román, Fair Housing Officer

The Commission returned to public session at **4:02 PM**.

No votes were taken during Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

**** JOE MANN MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**** ALEXANDRA SOLONSO SECONDED MOTION**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 4:03 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Zabrina Román
Fair Housing Officer, Norwalk Redevelopment Agency