

**Housing & Economic
Development Committee Meeting**
Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 5:30 PM



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- 1. Review and accept Minutes of previous meeting held on May 7, 2024.**
 - a. See attached draft meeting Minutes for review and approval.
- 2. Developer Forum - Process and Challenges Developing Affordable Housing**
 - a. Brief Introduction - Committee Chair Councilor Pious Ali and Greg Watson, Housing and Economic Development Director
 - b. Overview of the City Tax Increment Financing Program - Greg Watson and Mary Davis, Housing and Community Development Division Director (10 Minutes)
 - c. Overview of the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program - Mark Wiesendanger, Director of Development, Maine Housing (10 Minutes)
 - d. Non-Profit Developers - Patrick Hess, Avesta Housing, and Brian Kilgallen, Community Housing of Maine (5 Minutes Each)
 - e. For-Profit Developers - Amy Cullen, The Szanton Company, and Jonathan Culley, Redfern Properties (5 Minutes Each)
 - f. Public Housing - Jay Waterman, Portland Housing Development Corp. (5 Minutes)
 - g. HEDC Members - Questions and Discussion and an Opportunity for Public Comment (45 Minutes)

Next Meeting Date: June 25, 2024