

Newton Planning and Development Board
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning & Development Board will hold this hybrid meeting on **Monday, February 3, 2025 at 7:00 pm** in Newton City Hall, Room 204. To view and participate in this meeting virtually on your computer, visit <https://newtonma-gov.zoom.us/j/88962237399> or dial +16465588656,,88962237399#. **PUBLIC HEARING ITEM: FY26-FY30 Consolidated Plan (Needs Assessment, Market Analysis, and Strategic Plan) and Citizen Participation Plan** - The City of Newton Housing and Community Development Division of the Planning and Development Department annually receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HOME funds are received on behalf of the WestMetro HOME Consortium, which also includes the Towns of Bedford, Belmont, Brookline, Concord, Lexington, Natick, Needham, Sudbury, and Wayland and the Cities of Framingham, Waltham, and Watertown. To receive this funding, the City of Newton and the WestMetro Consortium are required to prepare a five-year Consolidated Plan which outlines the strategies and goals that Newton and the WestMetro HOME Consortium will employ for the use of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. The City of Newton and WestMetro HOME Consortium are required to hold a public hearing on the report to solicit feedback and to ensure that grant funds are effectively spent to assist low- and moderate-income residents, as outlined in the Citizen Participation Plan. For a draft of the proposed FY26-30 Consolidated Plan (Needs Assessment, Market Analysis, and Strategic Plan) and Citizen Participation Plan, please visit <http://www.newtonma.gov/cdbg>. In addition, a printed copy of both plans will be available in Newton City Hall Room 201. Comments on the proposed plan will be accepted at the public hearing and in writing to Lara Kritzer, Director of Housing and Community Development, Planning and Development Department, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, MA 02459 or via email at lkritzer@newtonma.gov. The deadline for submitting comments is March 6, 2025.