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Newton Planning and Development Board
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**NEWTON CITY HALL
ROOM 205
1000 COMMONWEALTH AVE.
NEWTON, MA 02459**

The Planning & Development Board will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on **Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm**. No in-person meeting will take place at City Hall. To view and participate in this virtual meeting on your computer at the above date and time, visit <https://newtonma.gov.zoom.us/j/87174039752> or visit www.zoom.us, click "Join a Meeting" and enter the following Meeting ID 87174039752. To view and participate in this virtual meeting on your smartphone, download the "ZOOM Cloud Meetings" app in any app store or visit www.zoom.us. At the above date and time, click on "Join a Meeting" and enter the following Meeting ID 87174039752. You may also join the meeting from your smartphone by dialing (646) 558-8656 and entering 87174039752#. For audio only, call (646) 558-8656 and enter Meeting ID: 87174039752.

PUBLIC HEARING ITEM:

FY23 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Annually, the City of Newton receives federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HOME funds are received on behalf of the WestMetro HOME Consortium, consisting of twelve other member communities - the Towns of Bedford, Belmont, Brookline, Concord, Lexington, Natick, Needham, Sudbury, Watertown, and Wayland and the Cities of Framingham and Waltham. To receive this funding, the City of Newton and the WestMetro HOME Consortium are required by HUD to prepare a *Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report*, analyzing the progress made in achieving the goals set forth in the *FY21-FY25 Consolidated Plan*. The Consolidated Plan outlines the strategies and goals Newton and the WestMetro HOME Consortium will employ for the use of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. The City of Newton and the 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 *FY23 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report*, please visit <http://www.newtonma.gov/cdbg>. A printed copy of the plan will be available in the Newton Housing & Community Development Office, Newton City Hall, Second Floor. 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 to Nika Sandal at nsandal@newtonma.gov. The deadline for submitting comments is **September 28, 2023 by 5:00 pm**.

If you need a special accommodation, please contact Jini Fairley, at least two days in advance of the meeting: jfairley@newtonma.gov, or 617-796-1253. For Telecommunications Relay Service dial 711.