



Human Rights Commission Meeting

Monday, August 10, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Agenda

ACCESS INFORMATION:

- A. This meeting will be held on Monday, August 10, 2026 at 6:00 PM. Location: Watertown City Hall, Lower Hearing Room.
 - B. This is an in-person meeting - any remote access is provided solely as a courtesy and may not be relied upon as alternative access. Therefore, any interruption in remote access technology shall not interrupt the meeting, and the meeting will proceed accordingly in person. In the event of such interruption, in-person attendance is available and encouraged.
 - C. The Public may join the virtual meeting online: <https://watertown-ma.zoom.us/j/83935116963>.
 - D. Public may comment through email: hrc@watertown-ma.gov.
 - E. Please Visit the Human Rights Commission Website at <https://www.watertown-ma.gov/1195/Human-Rights-Commission>.
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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Acceptance of Minutes
 - A. HRC Meeting on July 13, 2026
 - B. HRC Immigrant Rights Committee Meeting on July 28, 2026
 - C. HRC Committee on Urgent Issues, Underserved Needs, and Accessibility on August 6, 2026
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. Committee Reports
 - A. Committee on Communications, Community Inroads, and Engagement
 - B. Committee on Immigrant Rights: PROTECT Act
 - C. Committee on Urgent Issues, Underserved Needs, and Accessibility: Review draft letter to the Watertown School Committee
- 6. Co-Chair Report
- 7. Staff Liaison Report
 - A. FY27 Budget Update
 - B. Complaint Process
 - C. Subcommittee Logistics

8. WPD & WPS Liaison Report
 - A. WPD: Discuss termination of Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Haitians and Syrians, community response and support
 - B. WPS: Student Advisors to the HRC (with the Office of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging - Nnamdi Okaka, Student Leadership Development Coordinator)
9. Public Comment
10. Discussion
 - A. HRC Representation for the Watertown Film Festival Planning Group
 - B. Revision to the existing HRC Statement on the Supreme Court TPS Ruling and Immigrant Rights
 - C. Review a letter for Watertown elected officials to encourage action and support for our immigrant community
11. Public Comment
12. Adjournment