



HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION AGENDA:

February 6, 2025
College@Elm
First Floor Lobby
20 South Elm Street
5:00 PM

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes from the December 10th, 2024, Meeting

Old Business

New Business

1. Review of Councilor Raghu's proposed housing legislation and staff's report on research conducted and their recommendations.
 - [Review Proposed Legislation](#)
2. Discussion on the location of future meetings.

Adjournment



**MINUTES
OXFORD HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION
COLLEGE@ELM
FIRST FLOOR LOBBY
20 SOUTH ELM STREET
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024 AT 5:00 PM**

Approval of Agenda

Members Present: Amber Franklin, Anne Bailey, Mike Dalesandro, Nicola Rodrigues, Jason Bracken, Cathryn Lucas, Shana Rosenberg

Quorum Achieved: Yes

Staff Present: Jessica Greene, Chris Conard

Called to Order By: Shana Rosenberg at 5:05 PM

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Mike Dalesandro,

Second: Nicola Rodriguez

Any modifications:

Vote: All in favor

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Mike Dalesandro

Second: Anne Bailey

Any modifications:

Vote: All in favor

1. Minutes from the November 7th, 2024 Meeting

Old Business

New Business

1. Review of Councilor Raghu's proposed legislation by City Law Director Chris Conard

Law Director, Chris Conard shared draft legislation of “pay to stay” in response research regarding nuisance ordinances and a informational meeting with Legal Aid of Cincinnati. He also discussed the Ohio Revised Code and the intent of the nuisance ordinance.

Jessica shared her research on nuisance ordinance with Legal Aid and case study review. Her research found that nuisance ordinances can sometimes lead to higher eviction rates.

Jessica shared her interpretation of the goals of the proposed nuisance legislation. Her interpretation is that the goal of the proposed legislation is to help people stay housed and have safe, decent places to live.

With that in mind she recommends the following approach:

- Consider Pay to Stay legislation instead of proposed nuisance ordinance. This will help people who are able to find back pay to be able to stay housed.
- Find funding for housing support advance staffing in partnership with a nonprofit. Work with the County to develop a pilot program that Oxford can start and if successful can be replicated in other communities.
 - The goal of this program is to prevent eviction notices in the first place, or if one is received, actively work with the tenant to understand their rights and to help navigate the process.
- Find funding to hire additional code enforcement staffing.
 - This will help with increasing capacity for rental inspections, code enforcement and trash/litter enforcement to address environmental concerns in housing areas.

There was robust discussion on all of these topics, but no action was taken. This will be discussed again at our January meeting.

2. Discussion of housing stability/tenant rights approaches

3. Review of Cottage Community Project

Jessica shared that the Council voted to accept the HAC's recommendation and end the partnership with Community Development Professionals. Jessica is now working on formal lease exit documentation with the city attorneys. She hopes to have a new RFP drafted for that land by the end of the month. Tentatively, RFP responses will be due mid-February.

Adjournment

Time: 6:25pm

Motion: Jason Bracken

Second: Amber Franklin

Vote: All in favor