



**TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY**  
**Race and Equity Committee Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 30, 2022**  
**6:30pm**

**Kim Marinucci**, Chair  
**Johnathan Clark**, Vice Chair  
**Lucy Neely**, Secretary  
**Patt Baenen**, Member  
**Adnan Iftekhhar**, Member  
**Cole Kawaja**, Member  
**Judith Murphy**, Member  
**Andrew Pierce**, Member

**SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING**

**REMOTE MEETING COVID-19 MEETING ADVISORY:** On September 16, 2021, the Governor signed AB 361, amending the Ralph M. Brown Act (Brown Act) to allow legislative bodies to continue to meet virtually during the present public health emergency. AB 361 is an urgency bill which goes into effect on October 1, 2021. The bill extends the teleconference procedures authorized in Executive Order N-29-20, which expired on September 30, 2021, during the current COVID-19 pandemic and allows future teleconference procedures under limited circumstances defined in the bill. Portola Valley Town Council and commission and committee public meetings are being conducted electronically to prevent imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. COVID-19 is still a major health concern and virtual attendance to the Town Council meeting is encouraged, particularly during case increases.

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**1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

**2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

*Speakers' time is limited to two minutes.*

**3. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Housing Element Fair Housing—changes to the draft document

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

The next regularly scheduled meeting date is Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

<https://www.portolavalley.net/home/showpublisheddocument/16230/637903032859272>  
689. Scroll down to “Section 3: Affirmatively Affirming Fair Housing” on pages 27-33 (see numbers within the document, not pdf page numbers).

**Draft of proposed changes to bulleted item #3 under Preliminary Findings (pages 28-29):**

Countywide, racial and ethnic minority populations are disproportionately impacted by poverty, low household incomes, cost burden, overcrowding, and homelessness compared to the non-Hispanic White population. Additionally, racial and ethnic minorities are more likely to live in moderate resources areas and ~~be denied for a home mortgage loan~~<sup>1</sup> (*added: have historically faced a number of barriers to equal housing access.*) Similar disparities are not evident in the Town of Portola Valley, however, in part due to the limited racial/ethnic and economic diversity noted above. In the regional context, Portola Valley represents a high opportunity area<sup>2</sup> with relatively low accessibility to low- and moderate-income households, ~~which are more likely to be racial/ethnic minorities~~<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> Spurious reference to loan applications.

<sup>2</sup> Portola Valley is repeatedly designated a high opportunity area, but the lack of local jobs and the absence of any meaningful public transportation makes this questionable.

<sup>3</sup> This is not accurate. here are more low- and moderate-income white people than minorities. Race/ethnicity should never be used as a proxy for poverty and vice versa.