

**Human Rights Commission**  
**Legislative Recommendations to City Council**  
**2021 Legislative Session**

Pursuant to Sec. 2-433. (d) of the Charlottesville Human Rights Ordinance, it is the role of the Human Rights Commission to “make recommendations regarding the City’s annual legislative programs and policies that will address discrimination.” On September 17, 2020, the Human Rights Commission voted to adopt the following recommendations for consideration by City Council as it prepares its statement of legislative positions for the 2021 General Assembly session.

**Affordable Housing; Regulation of Development; Local Authority over Local Real Estate**

- Support state legislation that permits municipalities within the Commonwealth to enact, at their discretion, ordinances mandating that all property owners within the municipality register their rental properties with the local government for the purpose of ensuring access to safe, healthy, and affordable housing for city residents.
- Support state legislation that allows for long-term payback plans for tenants who are behind on rent, once the eviction moratorium ends.

**Criminal Justice Reform**

- Support state legislation to remove qualified immunity.
- Support state legislation for expungement of criminal records once a person is found guilty.

**Prosperity, Health, and Well-Being**

- Support state legislation that expands mental health resources and care.