



MEMORANDUM

TO: CHT Membership
FROM: CHT Board of Directors
SUBJECT: CHT Bylaw Change to Create Rental Resident Advisory Committee

Action Requested at Annual Meeting

The CHT Membership is asked to approve a change to the CHT Bylaws to add Rental Resident Advisory Committee to the list of standing committees in Article III, Section 7.

Reason for Change

The Bylaws of the Champlain Housing Trust state that “these Bylaws may be altered or amended, in whole or in part, by 2/3 of the entire Board of Directors and the affirmative vote of 75% of the voting Members present or duly represented at a Membership Meeting”.

At the regular Board Meeting on November 16, 2021, the Champlain Housing Trust Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve the creation of a new permanent committee named the Rental Resident Advisory Committee (RRAC). The Board of Directors recommends to the CHT Membership that they approve the creation of the Rental Resident Advisory Committee and the amendment of the CHT Bylaws to include the new committee as a standing committee. The committee description is below.

Chaired by a renter member of the Board’s Resident Members and composed of CHT renters as well as Property Management staff, the RRAC’s responsibilities include:

- Provide advice on specific initiatives, current policies, and procedures that impact renters with the goal of improving CHT’s support and services for those members.
- Serve as a forum for renters: fielding suggestions for new programs, listening to feedback about existing services, and soliciting ideas for improvements in the Corporation’s support for rental communities.
- Serve as a bridge and conduit between the CHT Board and rental communities, carrying information and concerns in both directions.
- Review and recommend policies for the development and stewardship of the Corporation’s rental portfolio as they relate to strategic goals.
- Work with staff to solicit regular renter feedback through annual surveys.

For more information, please see the resolution approved by the Board and Bylaws at www.getahome.org/annualmeeting or call 861-7399 to request an email or paper copy.