



**COMMISSION on EQUITABLE HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT
July 6, 2023**

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Commission on Equitable Housing and Development meeting (07/06/2023)
(4:01 pm) via Zoom meeting.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call, and Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm by Chair, Jim Tofel. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

No Action Taken

Members Present:

Voting Members:

Jim Tofel
Wendy Ascher
Maryann Beerling
Laurie Mazerbo
Mindy Bernstein
Jay Young
Maggie Amado-Tellez

W. Mark Clark
Tisha Tallman
Raye Winch
Kenny Wong

Representing:

Mayor & Council
Non-Profit
Mayor & Council
HCD
HCD
Mayor & Council
Pima County
Community Land Trust
Pima Council on Aging
Mayor & Council
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Ex-officio:

Marcos Ysmael
Ann Chanecka-4:54pm

Pima County
City of Tucson, HCD

Absent:

Liz Morales
Sharayah Jimenez
KynBreanna Washington
Koren Manning
Vicki Cuscino
Betty Villegas

City of Tucson, HCD
Mayor & Council
Mayor & Council
City of Tucson, PSDS
Direct
City of South Tucson

2. Review and Adoption of June 1, 2023, Meeting Minutes

-Without Objection minutes were approved

3. Call to the Audience

Chair Jim Tofel read aloud the guidelines for Call to the Audience for virtual meetings:

This is the time when any member of the public may address the Commission on Equitable Housing and Development. Due to time constraints, the total time allocated for this is 15 minutes. Individuals are allowed three (3) minutes each. Due to Open Meeting Law, Commission Members cannot discuss topics that are not on the agenda. Items brought up by the public may be considered as an agenda item for a future meeting.

-Victoria Loonstyn-Baro, Private Citizen

4. Discussion and possible selection of facilitator

Discussion given by Jim Tofel a continuation from last month's meeting to consider the proposal from Bryn Jones to help Commission review mission, vision, goals and to forge path forward, also discussion of a future board retreat. After Discussion with Ann Chanecka at HCD we can't bring Bryn Jones on at her proposed cost without her not being an approved city facilitator, so the option is to have her subcontract through an approved City facilitator, or the other option is to go to an approved-on call go city facilitators. Commissioners agreed to table till next meeting.

-City Approved Facilitator: Southwest Decision Resources

5. Revisit ASU Equity Study

Discussion given by Jay Young and Jim Tofel on its findings and how the Commission can use the findings in this study to further understand and promote housing equity. And how a facilitator will combine both to help the Commissioner define housing equity. The Commission as a whole agree to read the report done by ASU study and table till the next meeting.

Discussion held; No action taken.

6. Voucher Concentration

Information on national HUD survey of where Housing Choice Vouchers are concentrated.

Discussion held; No action taken.

7. Subcommittee Updates

Affordable Housing – Jim Tofel/MaryAnn Beerling

Sarah Meggison presented at the meeting, Updating current AHU in Tucson, goal setting, and The LIHTC award and Tucson got 3 of the 4 awards(33% of the award went to AH) and lastly we had a discussion with Beau Phillips on shipping containers/tiny homes and possibly having him or other presenting next meeting.

Discussion held; No action taken.

Housing First – Tisha Tallman

Meeting for subcommittee cancelled. They did not meet quorum. A discussion was held regarding members, and what time would work for all members to attend.

Discussion held: No action taken.

Housing Segregation - Jay

Meeting for subcommittee cancelled. No updates

Discussion held; No action taken.

8. HCD Update

Discussion held by Ann Chanecka, with recent changes and the promotion of Liz Morales to the City Manager's Office, HCD appointed Jason Thorpe as Interim Deputy Director. The July 18th M&C agenda HCD will ask to add ex-officio member position from either from a Housing Choice Voucher, LIPH or an Affordable housing resident. Also, one of the agenda items on the Public Housing Authority commission on July 18th is the master development agreement on the Tucson House rehabilitation, and an advancement on the affordable housing plan in the Thrive in 05 area.

Discussion held; No action taken.

9. Next Steps

Commission meets Aug. 3 and Sept. 7, 4-6 pm.
Affordable Housing Subcommittee, July 19, 4-6 pm.
Housing Desegregation Subcommittee, July 27, 1-2:30 pm.
Housing First Subcommittee- TBA

10. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:09 pm

For meeting support such as Spanish language translation, sign language interpretation, or other access needs, please contact Ernesto Portillo at (520) 403-5709 or ernesto.portillo@tucsonaz.gov. Please allow ample time to make these arrangements.

- [ASU Equity Study: Local Project Tasks Report](#)
- [ASU Equity Study: Context for the Problem](#)
- <https://www.tucsonaz.gov/hcd/cehd>