



**COMMISSION on EQUITABLE HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT
January 4, 2024- 4:00PM**

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Commission on Equitable Housing and Development meeting (01/04/2024)
(4:01 pm) via Zoom meeting.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call, and Introductions

The 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
W. Mark Clark
Wendy Ascher
Mindy Bernstein
Jay Young
Laurie Mazerbo
Raye Winch
Kenny Wong
Maryann Beerling
Tisha Tillman
Maggie Amado-Tellez

Representing:

Mayor & Council
Pima Council on Aging
Non-Profit
HCD
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Pima County
Community

Ex-officio:

Koren Manning-5:01PM
Ann Chanecka

City of Tucson, PSDS
HCD

Absent:

Betty Villegas
Marcos Ysmael
Vicki Cuscino

City of South Tucson
Pima County
Direct

2. Review and Adoption of December 7, 2023, Meeting Minutes

-Without Objection meeting 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.

- Private Citizen Micheal Edmunds*
- Private Citizen Bob Delaney*

4. Presentation by applicants for funding under the City of Tucson's P-CHIP program. Affordable housing project presentations will be scored by non-conflicted members of the Commission as reflected in the evaluation criteria section of the RFP.

Discussion and presenter by Jason Thorpe, HCD, Participant presenter's guidelines and timespan allowed(5-minutes).

- 1. Casa Del Pueblo – Micheal Smithson*
- 2. Casa Maria Tucson – Maryann Beerling*
- 3. Rincon Manor – Ryan Labor*
- 4. Southwest Nonprofit Housing (Rio Viejo Apt)– Gregory Moore*
- 5. Shasta Apartments – Jason Hisey*
- 6. Gorman and Company (Tucson House) – Sally Schween*

Commissioners will score the presentation on the score evaluation forms on the 4 criterions of the presentation presented. Link Provided and due date.

5. Retreat survey results and discussion of desired outcomes for the Feb. 2 retreat.

Presentation by Colleen Whitaker, Southwest Decision Resources, Inc Colleen presented the results of the commission retreat survey on the desired outcomes, expectations, and thoughts of the upcoming retreat.

Discussion Held. No actions Taken.

6. Discussion of defining housing equity and scheduling a Commission meeting.

Discussion held by Allison Miller, HCD. Discussion on Laurice Walker spending approximately 90-minutes on Housing Equity and defining it. Commission agrees that Laurice Walker will be present at the February 1st pre-retreat meeting to do a presentation on Housing Equity.

Discussion Held. No actions Taken.

7. Follow up on Mayor and Council recommendations and their status

Presentation by Jim Tofel, CEHD. Discussion on recent meeting with The Mayor and Council, and what she wants is for the Commission to work with the County Commission and set up joint meeting making sure our goals are aligned and to discuss a bond initiative.

Discussion Held. No actions Taken.

8. Clarification on the use of the repayments of HOME loans and the interest gained on them

Presentation and Discussion by Jason Thorpe of HCD, on understanding Home Loans, interest and repayments.

Discussion Held. No actions Taken.

9. HCD Update

Presentation and invites by Ann Chanecka of HCD

Ann Chanecka wanted to inform us of the upcoming January Mayor and council meeting where HCD will be updating the progress on the Hast Plan and also the Prosperity Initiative and its recent updates. Ernesto Portillo announced the open house at 5th and Dodge. Introduce and welcome our new Deputy Director in HCD Johanna Hernandez, overseeing the development area.

Discussion Held. No actions Taken.

10. Subcommittee Updates

A. Housing First

- Meeting Cancelled due to Holidays; no action taken

B. Housing Desegregation

- Meeting Cancelled due to Holidays; no action taken

C. Affordable Housing

- Meeting Cancelled due to Holidays; no action taken

11. Next Steps

A. *Commission meets February 1, 2024, 4-6 pm.*

B. *Commission Retreat February 2, 2024, 12-6pm.*

B. *Affordable Housing Subcommittee, Jan. 17, 4-6 pm*

C. *Housing Desegregation Subcommittee, Jan. 25th 1-2:30p*

D. *Housing First Subcommittee, January 30th 4-5:30pm*

12. Adjournment – 6:01 pm

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