



**Commission on Equitable Housing and Development
Housing Segregation Subcommittee**

Thursday, June 23, 2022, 1:00 pm

Zoom Meeting

<https://youtu.be/tikAH8e3v9k>

Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order, Statement, and Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by co-chair, Jay Young. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

No Action Taken

<u>Member</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Absent/Present</u>
Jay Young	Mayor & Council	Present
Laurie Mazerbo	HCD	Present
Mike Edmonds	Mayor & Council	Present

Others Present

Ernesto Portillo, City of Tucson Housing and Community Development

Joe Audino, Barrio Neighborhood Coalition

Vicki Cuscino, Direct Advocacy and Resource Center

2. **Review and Adoption of April 2022 Meeting Minutes**

March minutes were adopted.

3. **Subcommittee Purpose, Goals, and Membership**

a. Housing Equity Study

The proposed Housing Equity Study was presented to the commission in a past meeting but a vote on whether to recommend this to Mayor & Council was not held. It was decided that more conversation by the full commission was needed to determine what this study would look like. Since the initial meeting where it was proposed, however, the topic has not made it to a commission agenda for discussion.

Committee members reiterated that the Equity Study is essential to launching further actions because it will serve as baseline to understanding where the equitable distribution of housing stands in Tucson. This study should be a priority of the commission because equity is the commission's prime directive.

b. Frustrations with Commission

The committee's frustrations with the commission were discussed at length, in part due to the commission's lack of action on the proposed Equity Study. It was also agreed that commission meeting time is too focused on presentations.

Committee members proposed that the commission and/or committee instead invite members of other advocacy groups to speak. Some proposed groups included the Arizona Housing Coalition, Tucson Tenants Union, and the Barrio Neighborhood Coalition.

c. Tenant Protections

Tenant protections was raised as a topic of keen interest to the committee and it was determined to be within the committee's purview. Tenant protections were voted down by the chair of the CEHD, but needs further attention. No other conversations about other tenant protections (e.g., emergency evictions) have been raised. The committee would like to focus on identifying what tenant protections have been successful in other cities, which ones can be easily acted on in Tucson, and which ones require a bigger push.

No action taken.

5. **Call to the Audience** - *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.*

No members of the audience came forward.

6. **Next Steps**

None.

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a. Items for future meetings

No additional items were requested for future meetings. No action taken.

7. **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 2:27 PM