

COMMISSION on EQUITABLE HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT

Equitable Housing Strategies Subcommittee Minutes

September 17, 2024, 1pm

[Equitable Housing Strategies September 2024 \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

Equitable Housing Subcommittee of the Commission on Equitable Housing and Development
meeting via Zoom

Call to Order/Roll Call, and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 1pm by Chair Jay Young. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

No Action Taken

Members present: Jay Young, Kenny Wong, Raye Winch, Laurie Mazerbo

Members absent: Vicki Cuscino, Tisha Tallman

Members of public present – one from the audience, Lena Porell, Jason Jurjevich, Ernesto Portillo

Mapping Presentation – Jason Jurjevich from Mapping Racists Covenants Project

Jason shared the following PowerPoint presentation:

- Slide 1: Project Funding
- Slide 2: Community Partners (5 organizations)
- Slide 3: Project Advisory Board (which is voluntary)
- Slide 4: Research Team
- Slide 5: Overview
- Slide 6: What are CCRs – sets of rules that govern the use of a real estate parcel
 - Examples were listed
- Slide 7: Showed an example of CCR from 1947
- Slide 8: Showed an example of CCR from 1947
- Slide 9: What was the rationale for racist covenants?
 - When were racist covenants enacted? 1900-1968
- Slide 10: News article from 1931 in AZ Daily Star
- Slide 11: Another news article
- Slide 12: Research Aims (mapping 1912-1968)
- Slide 13: Considerations and Limitations

- Slide 14: Research Process
- Slide 15: Research Support – Community Volunteers
- Slide 16: Data Overview
- Slide 17: Takeaway #1
- Slide 18: Map of Historical Racist Exclusion in Tucson
- Slide 19: Takeaway #2
- Slide 20: Map of Historical Racist Exclusion by Subdivision that exclude people of color
- Slide 21: Map of Historical Racist Exclusion by Subdivision that exclude African Americans
- Slide 22: Map of Historical Racist Exclusion by Subdivision that exclude Asians
- Slide 23: Takeaways #3 & #4
- Slide 24: Overview of the mapping which includes a disclosure that you need to click onto to acknowledge to continue due to the content
- Slide 25: Examples of data which you can navigate with filters, etc. This mapping tool can be located at mappingracistcovenants.org
- Slide 26: New AZ law targets relics of race-based housing discrimination
- Slide 27: Midtown Residents want Mansfield Park name changed news report from KVOA on 8/24/24 resulting from CCR
- MRC Website (mappingracistconvenants.org)

-Jason opened with Q&A

-Jay thanked Jason for taking the time and all his work on this presentation.

COT Office of Equity Update – Jay and Laurice:

-Laurice spoke about demographic data, equity index and the Equity Action Plan and how these are used from the data collected and used around the city. Jay spoke about using the mapping project and measuring equity going forward so the city can understand if we're improving equity or not and that the mapping project really creates a baseline in framework, as a subcommittee and full commission how we can bridge the gap between HCD and other departments that are dealing with housing to use this great tool that has been developed to start that measurement process so equity can be measured year to year.

-Laurice talked about the draft of the Equity Implementation Plan and how that plan came about and now that draft is in with a consultant team in finalization phase and will be brought back to the subcommittee for review and any additional feedback. Hopefully by next spring each department within the city should have their own individual department specific Equity Plan.

COT HCD UPDATES – Lena updated on P-CHIP and a feedback form is available with the draft plan and opened until September 24th for public feedback, she shared the link in the chat. She shared the draft definition on Equity in Housing and asked for feedback from the members. Lena will email all members for any feedback. Jay shared the definition of equity from CEHD's webpage of shared language.

-Ernesto updated that a 1.5-million-dollar grant awarded to HCD from Choice Neighborhood Planning Grant from HUD will be directed to support the 29th Street Thrive Initiative. This is the 3rd highly competitive HUD Choice grant that the city has received, the first two were directed to the Thrive in the 05 project.

WORK PLAN – Due to time constraints, Jay wants these items carried over onto the agenda for the next meeting.

ACTION ITEMS FOR EHS – due to time constraints, this will on the agenda for the next meeting.

ACTION ITEMS FOR CEHD - Nothing new to add, normal summary at the next meeting

CALL TO AUDIENCE – Nothing

NEXT STEPS –

- Jay will send via email a draft agenda for the next meeting, focusing on the Work Plan
- Jay will use this meetings agenda using the main points to report to the full commission
- Equitable Housing meeting, October 15th
- Full Commission, October 3rd

Adjournment – 5:27 pm