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Housing + Neighborhoods Meeting #13

June 9, 2022, 10:00AM | 2 hours

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ATTENDEES

- Fran Rood
- Victoria Moreno
- Jameson Skaife
- Paola Villegas
- Mare Ralph
- Patricia Fron
- Sendy Soto
- Juan Sebastian Arias
- Thomas Applegate /
- Myk Snider
- Linda Young
- Jackie Paige
- Michelle Merritt
- Ann McKenzie
- Vivian Zhang
- Grace Chan McKibben
- Freda Madison

Recording

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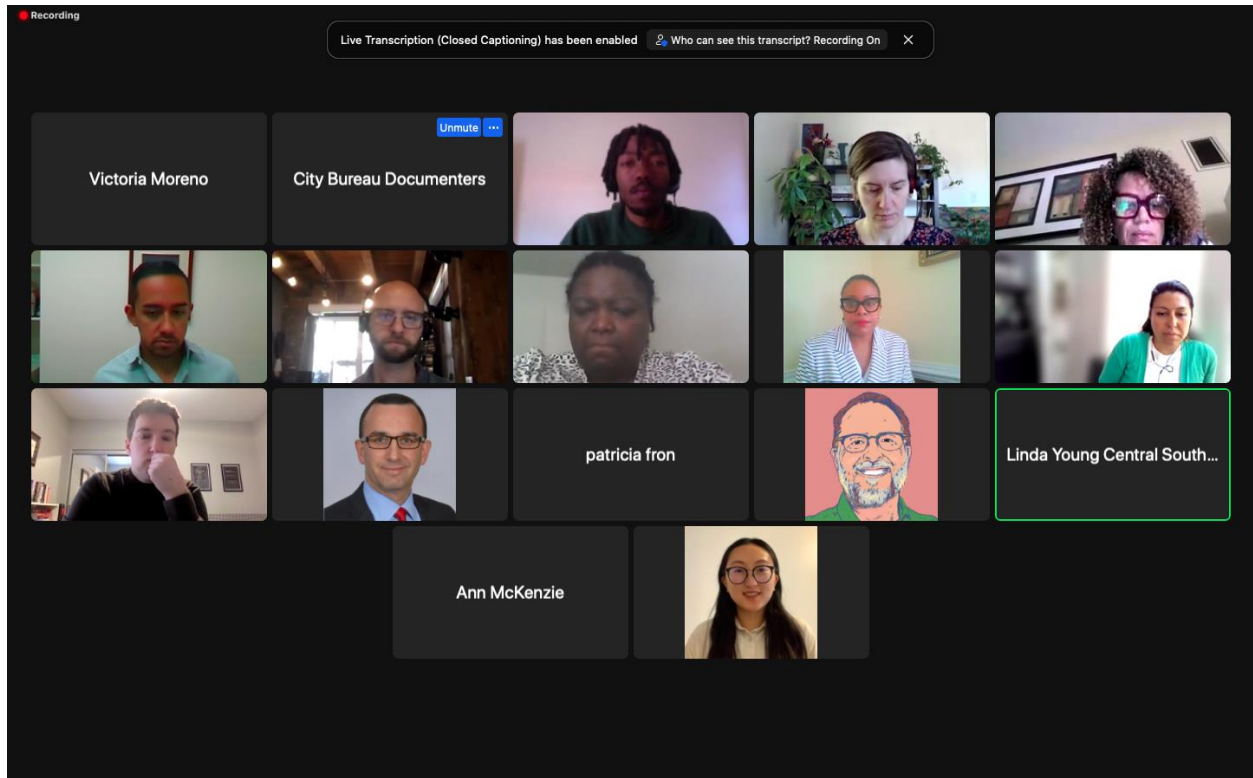
Victoria Moreno

City Bureau Documenters Unmute

patricia fron

Ann McKenzie

Linda Young Central South...

A Zoom meeting grid showing 15 participants. The participants are arranged in a grid: Row 1: Victoria Moreno (muted), City Bureau Documenters (muted), a man with a beard, a woman with a headscarf, and a woman with glasses. Row 2: a man in a light blue shirt, a man with glasses, a woman with glasses, a woman with glasses, and a woman in a green top. Row 3: a man in a dark shirt, a man with glasses, a black box labeled 'patricia fron', a man with glasses, and a black box labeled 'Linda Young Central South...'. Row 4: a black box labeled 'Ann McKenzie' and a woman with glasses.

MEETING GOAL

In the thirteenth Housing and Neighborhoods meeting, pillar members reviewed and closed out a yearlong worth of progress. The final work presented reflects the policies and decisions that members believe to uplift the housing climate within Chicago.

WHERE WE ARE



Step 1

We Are*Setting the Stage*

Step 2

We Have and Need*Develop A Policy Toolkit*

Step 3

We Will*Set Policy Framework*

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- 1 | We Will Chicago has developed a policy framework that would potentially positively impact the housing climate through sustainability and a strategic implementation plan.
- 2 | The Housing and Neighborhood Pillar Team of We Will Chicago dedicated time to hold all concluding questions, comments, and concerns. The space was open for members to be clarified and well-informed on how the work they've provided would be implemented in the near future.
- 3 | We Will Chicago has an implementation plan that will go from June 2022 until January 2023. The core values of this plan are the following: Framework Plan Draft Release, Broad Public Engagement, Incorporate Feedback into Framework Plan, Chicago Plan Commission.

CONVERSATION HIGHLIGHTS

“And one last thing, you have to stand on what you say. You can’t keep moving the goal post, because then that fosters mistrust. When you say something, let it be that thing that you say.”

Jackie Paige | Volunteer

NOTES

● **Before**○ **Recap of the Progress made between Meeting 12 and 13**

- Revision based on Pillar Team Feedback
 - Members vote on what revisions takes place with the policies created
- Additional stakeholder feedback was provided
 - Advisory Committee review and comments
 - Working sessions with a few Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) Cultural Advisory Council members
 - Overview conversation with DCASE Directors
- Revisions and additions were made
 - Back to Pillar Team for feedback
 - Conversations with Pillar members about supporting data
- Finalizing text and data bullets with DPD and consultant teams

During● **Draft Framework Plan**

- Three Steps make up the overall framework plan:
 - Making the Plan
 - We Will Chicago Pillars
 - Resources and References
- The final pillar reports will have the following components available per topic: GOAL Language, Supporting Text, Objectives, and Supporting Metrics/Infographics

● **Equity Analysis Report:**

- We Will Chicago believes that equity is both an outcome and process.
 - Key quote: “As an outcome, equity results in fair and just access to opportunity and resources that provide everyone the ability to thrive.”
- Full statement made available here: chicago.gov/Equity

● **Equity Lens Considered When Developing Policy:**

- Outcome
- Community Engagement
- Data
- Benefit/Burden
- Implementation
- Accountability an Engagement
- Health and Environmental Impacts
 - Consider Short-term and Long-term policies
 - Symptom vs. Structural Change
 - We Will Chicago uses this consideration as a developmental foundation.
- **Other Key Source:** GARE Racial Equity Toolkit: An Opportunity to Operationalize Equity
 - For Details on the next steps We Will Chicago will implement please follow up with Lauren or Kate
 - lauren.burdette@cityofchicago.org
 - kate.mcmahon@cityofchicago.org

● **We Will Chicago Roadmap:**

- Although pillar members participated in setting the policy framework, an implementation plan is still put in place. This process will begin late June until January of 2023.

● **Summer Engagement:**

- We Will Chicago Ambassadors
 - Over the course of the next few months, WWC desires to do more outreach across the city to spread awareness on the work being done. Below are a few opportunities made available for community members:
 - Pop-up engagement opportunities at summer and fall events
 - Surveys and conversations to gather feedback on framework
 - Swags and collateral to build excitement and awareness
- Focus Groups
 - Conversations focused on identities, experiences, issue areas and geographies that have been identified as content gaps in current draft policy framework
 - Key contact: david.king@cityofchicago.org
- Panel Conversations
 - Housing and Neighborhoods
 - June 9, 11:30AM-1PM
 - Arts and Culture
 - June 23, 12-1:30PM
- **2023 Implementation:**
 - As mentioned in the *We Will Chicago Road Map*, the goal is implement each policy to further move the needle for communities in Chicago.
 - Policies:
 - Implementation of policy ideas looks differently depending on context and the idea:
 - Department policy adoption
 - Ordinance adoption (with further detail/refinement)
 - Implementation Planning in 2023 will include policy refinements, timeline planning, and performance metrics
 - **Example Partnerships:**
 - Food Equity Council
 - River Ecology and Governance task Force (DPD)
 - ETOD Working Group (for ETOD Policy Plan)
 - Returning Residents Working Groups and Interagency Reentry Council
 - Gender Based Violence Strategic Plan Task Force
 - Partnership for Healthy Chicago (CDPH/MPC)

RESOURCES

WE WILL CHICAGO AT NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

[This is a link that leads directly to the We Will Chicago calendar.](#)

FLAVORS OF ALBANY PARK RESTAURANT CRAWL 2022

[This link leads to the Eventbrite page for the Flavors of Albany Park Restaurant Crawl 2022.](#)

JUNETEENTH FUNDAY EVENT

[Flyer for upcoming event on Saturday, June 18 hosted by Central South Shore Area Council.](#)

NEXT STEPS

- We Will Chicago has an implementation plan that will go from June 2022 until January 2023. The core values of this plan are the following: Framework Plan Draft Release, Broad Public Engagement, Incorporate Feedback into Framework Plan, Chicago Plan Commission.
- We Will Chicago plans to send draft plans to members by late June/early July, and will collect any additional comments. Throughout the summer, paid and volunteer opportunities to support engagement will be made available as well.
 - Contact: David (david.king@cityofchicago.org)
- Lastly, We Will Chicago will be hosting an in-person social gathering Thursday, July 14th from 6-8pm for members to celebrate the progress made thus far! Information will be made available within the next week.