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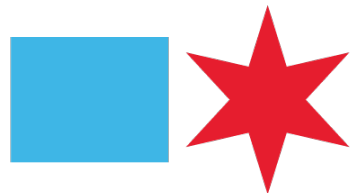
Advisory Committee

Meeting #9

April 5, 2022



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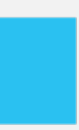
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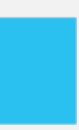
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AGENDA

- **Welcome + Updates**
- **Presentation: Research Pillar Co-Chairs Report**
- **Discussion: Pillar Co-Chairs**
- **Closing + Next Steps**

WELCOME + UPDATES



UPDATES

- **City Council Committee briefings have begun**
 - March 31 City Council Committee on Environmental Protection and Energy
- **Report-out from Pillar Co-Chairs today**



POLICY FRAMEWORK CREATION PROCESS

We are here



July 2021				Dec. 2021				June 2022			
								April			
STEP 1: SET THE STAGE				STEP 2: DEVELOP OBJECTIVES				STEP 3: SET POLICY FRAMEWORK + ASSESS PERFORMANCE			
Goal: Guiding Questions (Goals)				Goal: Objectives <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Define objectives• Refine objectives in small working groups• Incorporate what we've heard from engagement				Goal: Policy Framework+ Metrics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Incorporate additional community feedback• Outline policy framework and craft policies• Incorporate HREIA lens• Identify performance metrics			
								PILLAR REPORTS			
								Goal: Pillar Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review drafts and finalize Pillar reports			

POLICY UPDATES

Plan Pillars



RESEARCH PILLAR CO-CHAIR REPORTS

★ ARTS + CULTURE



Affirming a Safer South Side Community: Community Walk and Plant Day, September 20, 2021

Arts + Culture Pillar Co-Chairs

- **Erin Harkey + Amanda Carlson**, Chicago
Department of Cultural Affairs & Special Events
- **Melanie Wang**, Volunteer

ARTS + CULTURE – HIGHLIGHTS

1.1A: Regularly gather and analyze data to determine needs and the support systems available and identify where the gaps are.

2.2B: Expand funding eligibility to a wider variety of organizations engaged in cultural programming.

2.1C: Collaborate with City departments and other public and private organizations to provide opportunities.

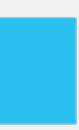
ARTS + CULTURE – CHALLENGES

1.1E: Advance the creation of accessible information center(s).

- *What is the best way to get information about arts and culture opportunities out to the people who need it?*

2.2A: Incentivize culturally responsive and locally-driven programming across City departments and governmental agencies, nonprofits, and creative industries.

- *How do we define what culturally responsive means?*



ARTS + CULTURE – CONTENT GAPS

- Rebounding from COVID and loss of organizations from that
- Focus on facilities and facilities support

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



*Sundays on State,
September 12, 2021*

Economic Development Pillar Co-Chairs

- **Kenya Merritt**, Chicago Department of Business Affairs & Consumer Protection
- **Lynnette McRae**, Volunteer



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – HIGHLIGHTS

1.4.B. Create an Office of Community Wealth Building (CWB) in the Mayor's Office or as a division within the Department of Planning and Development to raise awareness, provide technical support and training of CWB models

1.1.D. Establish a Chicago public finance/banking taskforce to help close financing gaps in private banking.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – CHALLENGES

1.4.C. Provide Community Investment Vehicles (CIVs) first access to acquisition of blighted, abandoned, foreclosed and/or other off-market properties.

2.2.A. Update and simplify commercial zoning to reduce the number of businesses needing a special use permit and standardize and publicize the zoning approval process in all 50 wards.

2.2.C. Partner with the appraisal industry to reduce barriers to entry and increase the number of Black and Latino commercial property appraisers.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – CONTENT GAPS

- Competitiveness
- Innovation
- Economic clusters
- Downtown as an economic driver



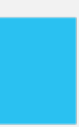
ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE, + ENERGY



*Outdoor Concert in Avondale,
August 12, 2021*

Environment, Climate, and Energy Pillar Co-Chairs

- **Angela Tovar**, Mayor's Office of Sustainability
- **Iyana Simba**, Volunteer



ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE, + ENERGY – HIGHLIGHTS

1.2B Establish an environmental impact assessment – include both environmental justice impact and climate impacts – to be used during development process

2.2E Understand and accommodate climate migrants and the impact on existing infrastructure

2.3B Acknowledge impact of loss of land and culture on affected communities as a result of climate change and evaluate options for repair

2.4A Prioritize resource distribution to resolve historic and future issues in industrial corridors and during the PMD review process



ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE, + ENERGY – CHALLENGES

- Policies addressing **environmental justice** and harms caused by **environmental racism**
- Lack of awareness of existing environmental policies leading to challenges with developing **bold goals to drive resiliency and fossil fuel divestment**
- How to hold **corporations accountable** for emissions transparency, waste reduction, pollution
- How to change **resident behaviors** around waste reduction



ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE, + ENERGY– CONTENT GAPS

- Incorporation of water quality including the Chicago River (*policy being created under Goal 4*)
- Bolder objectives + policies for Goal 5: Mitigate then eliminate sources of carbon emissions in alignment with national and global climate goals; (*Co-chairs, City Rep reviewing and making recommendations*)

HOUSING + NEIGHBORHOODS



*Photo Voice: The Exhibit,
November 6, 2021*

Housing and Neighborhoods Pillar Co-Chairs

- **Sendy Soto**, Chicago Department of Housing
- **Michelle E.L. Merritt**, Volunteer



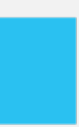
HOUSING + NEIGHBORHOODS – HIGHLIGHTS

1.1D - Provide civic education on development approval and other decision-making processes to support engagement [of residents, property owners, businesses].

1.2B - Create standard ward-based engagement processes with enforceable transparency standards.

2.2D - Support community ownership models like tenant rights of first refusal and limited-equity housing cooperatives.

2.3B - Expand eTOD programs that align public funding with local partnerships to achieve community goals.



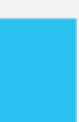
HOUSING + NEIGHBORHOODS – CHALLENGES

1.1A - Reduce barriers to public participation for Black, Latino, Native American and other communities who have not been included in decision making.

- *Challenge: crafting inclusive and sensitive language*

1.3D - Require inclusive and equitable participatory budgeting in all wards.

- *Challenge: 50 City Council members and ward oversight*



HOUSING + NEIGHBORHOODS – CONTENT GAPS

- **Gaps:** Population loss & density
- **Gaps action item(s):** Revised goal #5 and developed new objectives
 - Original goal - Strengthen neighborhood vibrancy and sustainability while recognizing existing disparities across community areas.
 - Revised goal - Attract and retain residents by strengthening neighborhood vibrancy and increasing density, especially on the South and West Sides.
 - New objective - Prioritize redevelopment of vacant land and buildings.

LIFELONG LEARNING



*Community Conversation at Uptown Library,
August 5, 2021*

Lifelong Learning Pillar Co-Chairs

- **Mark Potter**, City Colleges of Chicago
- **Guillermo Cruz**, Volunteer



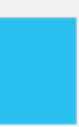
LIFELONG LEARNING – HIGHLIGHTS

Objective 1.1: Create Department of Learning within City to improve collaboration between citywide education-focused organizations to share learning opportunities available to the public.

Policy 2.3B: Provide additional funding and services to ensure equitable access to the workforce regardless of ability, language, age, and immigration status.

Policy 2.4A: Hire a dedicated City-funded partnership coordinator to support collaboration between key employers, workforce development programs and educational institutions (e.g. CPS, CCC, UIC, U of C, Loyola).

Policy 2.4B: Pursue partnerships between the City, key educational institutions, and key employers focused on serving communities that have been historically disenfranchised. (e.g. CPS)

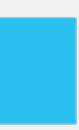


LIFELONG LEARNING – CHALLENGES

Idea: How do we reinforce existing programs and partnerships that are working but require more resources?

- *An additional level of complexity is added in developing a policy when we do not have full sight of what programs currently exist or are in the pipeline*

Idea: How can the City incentivize/encourage the private sector to provide workforce training and mentorship programs?



LIFELONG LEARNING – CONTENT GAPS


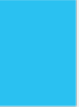
- How can we repair harm in communities where schools were closed?
(developing a new objective and policies to address this)
- How do we foster a sense of belonging in lifelong learning, regardless of race, gender, income level, age, ability, citizen status, and language proficiency?
(addressed by new pillar)



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November 6, 2021*

Public Health and Safety Pillar Co-Chairs

- **Alex Heaton**, Mayor's Office of Violence Reduction
- **Kate McMahon**, Chicago Department of Public Health

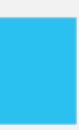


PUBLIC HEALTH + SAFETY – HIGHLIGHTS

1.2.B: Establish a funding program to reopen or open new local drugstores in Black and Latinx neighborhoods where there are gaps in pharmacy services.

PUBLIC HEALTH + SAFETY – CHALLENGES

- Develop impactful **public safety policies** through a **public health lens**
- Integrate **safe freedom of movement** policies as safety strategies that go **beyond transportation and traffic safety**
- Outline specific public safety policies that **benefit communities most impacted by the criminal-legal system**



PUBLIC HEALTH + SAFETY – CONTENT GAPS

- Short-term strategies to address crime across the City
- Post COVID-specific policies

TRANSPORTATION + INFRASTRUCTURE



*First Church of the Brethren, Garfield Park,
October 2, 2021*

Transportation and Infrastructure Pillar Co-Chairs

- **Jamie Simone**, Chicago Department of Transportation
- **Melvin Thompson**, Community Partner, The Endealeo Institute, Inc.

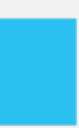


TRANSPORTATION + INFRASTRUCTURE – HIGHLIGHTS

1.1.F - Establish metrics and processes to ensure infrastructure funding is equitable across all wards

1.2.B - Coordinate across departments to leverage roadway maintenance and utility infrastructure projects as an opportunity to add co-benefits, such as safety enhancements, green infrastructure, fiber optic infrastructure, or electric vehicle charging stations

1.5.B - Ensure universal access for those in need by investing in high-speed, reliable, and affordable broadband service in areas of the city with the lowest rate of household connectivity.



TRANSPORTATION + INFRASTRUCTURE – CHALLENGES

- **Breadth** of items that fall under infrastructure
- **Inequities that remain** in our built environment
- Existing **policies that lack funding** or implementation support
- **Multiple jurisdictions** responsible for infrastructure



TRANSPORTATION + INFRASTRUCTURE– CONTENT GAPS

- Parks
- Airports
- Being a world-class port
- Broadband

DISCUSSION



IDENTIFIED CONTENT GAPS

A+C	Ec Dev	EE+C	H+N	LL	PH+S	T+I
COVID rebound	Competitiveness	Water quality, especially Chicago River*	Population loss	Repairing harm in communities where schools have closed*	Short-term strategies to address crime across the City	Airports
Facilities	Innovation	Bolder recs for Carbon mitigation	Density*	Fostering a sense of belonging in lifelong learning opportunities	Post-COVID specific policies	World-class port
	Economic clusters*					Access to Broadband
	Downtown as economic driver					

**Gap being addressed within pillar*

ADDRESSING CONTENT GAPS

Concurrent planning efforts

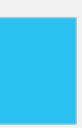
- Trails and Corridors announcement by DPD and CDOT (*T+I - Parks*)
- Chicago Connected (*T+I - Broadband*)
- Climate Action Plan (*EC+E – Carbon mitigation*)
- Central City Recovery Roadmap (*Ec Dev - Downtown recovery*)

Civic and Community Engagement Pillar (*Cross-pillar*)

Focus Groups

Engagement Task Order and Request for Proposals

NEXT STEPS



THANK YOU

Look forward to:

May:

- Civic + Community Engagement Pillar follow-up;
- Equity + Resiliency Data Dashboard;
- Phase III (Outreach & Implementation Planning)

June:

- Final meeting and celebration with entire We Will Chicago team
- Pillar Reports Finalized