

Arizona Civil Rights

ADVISORY BOARD

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING

Minutes of Public Meeting (Held via Zoom)

May 5, 2026

Subcommittee Members Present

Heather Ross, chair
Enrique Davis-Mazlum, vice-chair
Holli Ploog
Nathan Smith
Chris Groninger

Subcommittee Members Absent

Tasha Lynch
Drew Schaffer
Pamela Bridge

Staff Members Present

Chris Carlsen, Unit Chief
Tina Rohe, Staff Liaison

I. Call to Order

A quorum being present, Chairperson Ross called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. The meeting took place via Zoom.

II. Introductory Remarks

Chairperson Ross welcomed all members to the meeting and introduced Chris Carlsen, Unit Chief from the Attorney General's Office.

III. Approval of March 3, 2026 Meeting Minutes.

Chairperson Ross asked for any amendments or corrections to the draft minutes. With none noted, Vice-Chair Davis-Mazlum moved to accept the minutes; the motion was seconded by Mayor Ploog. The draft minutes were deemed approved by unanimous vote.

IV. Topics for Discussion and Possible Action:

a. Updates from subcommittees

i. Fact sheets

No update.

ii. Stakeholder roundtable

Mr. Smith led a discussion of plans for a stakeholder roundtable convening to be held in the coming months. The group ultimately crafted a 3-prong goal for a stakeholder roundtable stemming from consensus on a basic logic model positing that evictions with civil rights implications exacerbate housing instability and homelessness in communities and statewide, and that there are policy opportunities to reduce evictions with civil rights implications. Mr. Smith will work with division staff to secure a date and location for a stakeholder roundtable event, targeting August in the training room at the Attorney General's office location in Phoenix. Ms. Rohe noted that training rooms do have Zoom capability to allow public attendance beyond the room's physical capacity.

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b. Reports from the Housing Justice Unit and Civil Rights Division

Mr. Carlsen provided an update on recent activities from the Housing Justice Unit and Civil Rights Division. Finalized work sharing agreement with HUD and funds are now available. Ongoing lawsuit against HUD noted.

c. Housing Update

Housing Forum for the AZ Department of Housing is taking place August 26-28, 2026.

V. Call to the Public

No members of the public were present.

VI. Adjournment

Chairperson Ross adjourned the meeting at 4:15 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Subcommittee will be held on Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. for 90 minutes.