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Title: An overview of the Equity Atlas and Matrix created in collaboration with the Office of Equity, ITSD and Planning, and used by all Departments to apply an equity lens in a variety of decision-making processes; briefing on the equity and engagement strategy for the COVID-19 Recovery and Resiliency Plan. [Colleen M. Bridger, MPH, PhD; Zan Gibbs, MPH, Chief Equity Officer, Office of Equity]

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DEPARTMENT: Office of Equity

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Zan Gibbs, Chief Equity Officer

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT: Equity Atlas and Matrix and Community Engagement Strategy for the COVID-19 Recovery and Resiliency Plan.

SUMMARY:

This briefing will cover two items: The Equity Atlas and Matrix, and the equity and engagement components of the City’s Recovery and Resiliency Plan.

The Equity Atlas and Matrix is an interactive tool that highlights demographic census data for San Antonio. Maps relating to basic demographic indicators such as race, income and language are published in a standard format that includes consistent methodologies as it relates to breaking points, census tract data, and thresholds.

Due to the impact of COVID-19, the City of San Antonio received Coronavirus Relief Funds to address certain health and economic issues as a result of the pandemic. City leadership developed the COVID-19 Recovery and Resiliency Plan, incorporating themes and priorities from various City reports and COVID-19 Community Action Workgroups.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Equity Atlas and Matrix is one of the tools that City staff, community members, partners, and other decision makers can use to help ensure that they are making data-informed decisions addressing disparities across a variety of indicators. GIS maps are displayed by census tracts in an interactive platform.

The City of San Antonio received Coronavirus Relief Funds to address health and economic issues as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. City leadership, working with multiple departments and the Office of Equity developed the COVID-19 Recovery and Resiliency Plan, incorporating themes and priorities from various City reports, community coalitions and commissions, hotlines and COVID-19 Community Action Workgroups including:

- Comprehensive Domestic Violence Prevention Plan
- Collaborative Commission on Domestic Violence
- South Texas Trauma Informed Care Coalition
- Poverty Report
- Status of Women Report
- Homeless Strategic Plan
- Mayor's Housing Policy Framework
- Racial Equity Indicator Report
- Climate Action Plan
- Economic Transition Team
- Health Transition Team
- City and County COVID-19 Working Groups
- Homeless Hotline
- COVID-19 Hotline

While, not a typical engagement process for the City of San Antonio, this compendium approach allowed for the inclusion of previous community engagement and input to serve as the lodestar for the development of the Recovery and Resiliency plan in spite of the time and social distancing constraints.

ISSUE:

The Office of Equity would like the opportunity to brief the committee on the Equity Atlas and Matrix and Community Engagement Strategy for the COVID-19 Recovery and Resiliency Plan.

ALTERNATIVES:

This item is for briefing purposes only.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for briefing purposes only.