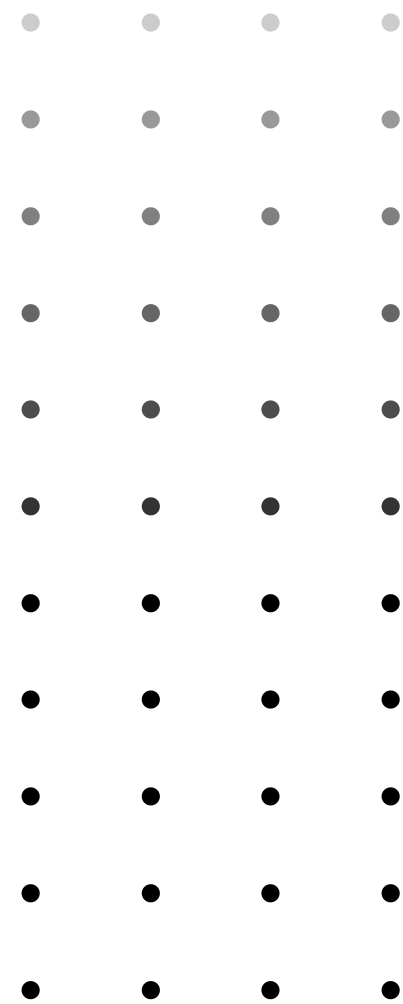


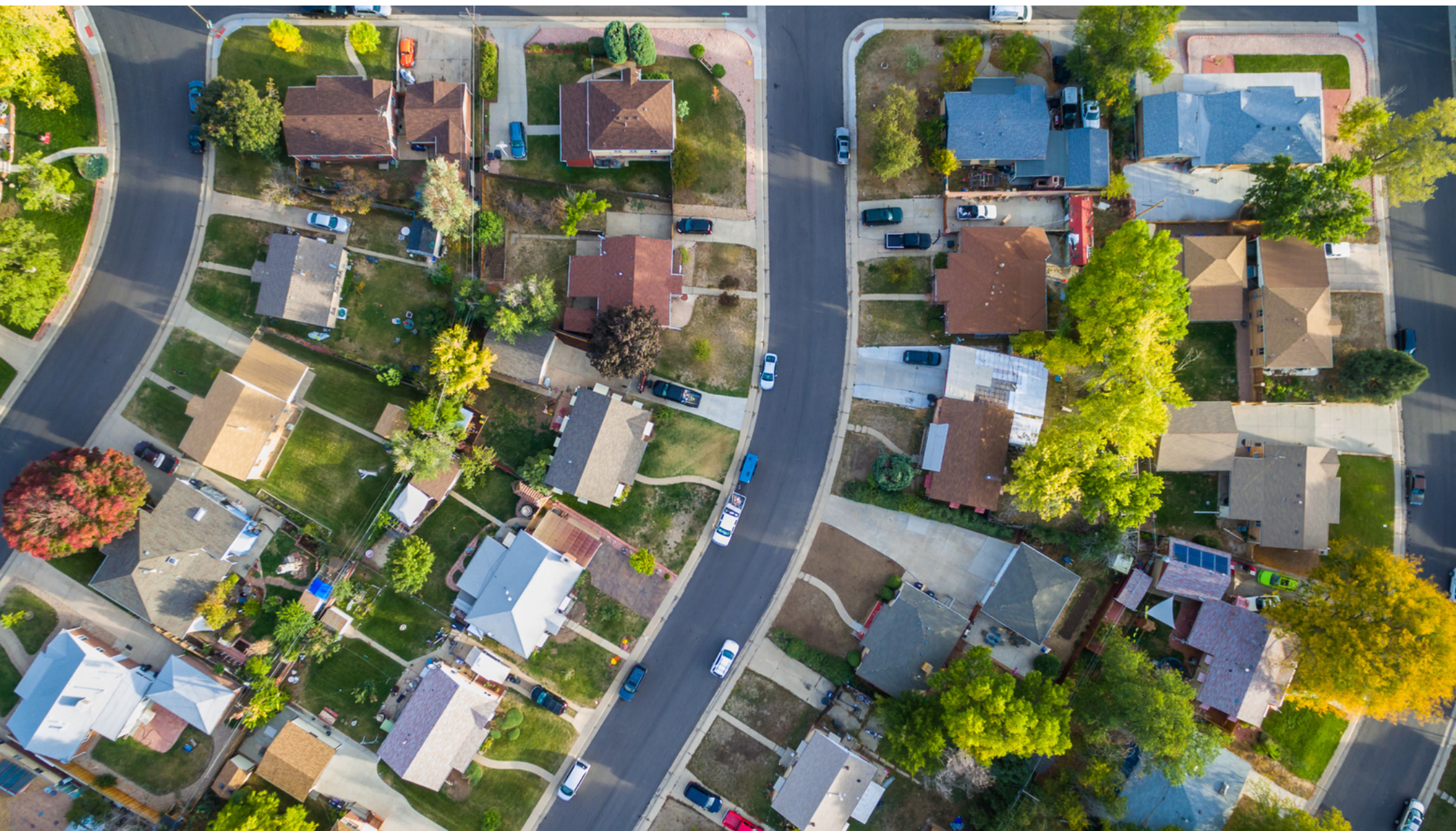


ZONING REFORM FOR HOUSING ATTAINABILITY

2023 Regional Solutions Event



WELCOME TO THE 2023 REGIONAL SOLUTIONS EVENT



Housing affordability is an issue that touches every corner of Salt Lake County, influencing the quality of life and economic opportunities for our residents

“Zoning Reform” has become a loaded term, garnering strong opinions across the spectrum. Salt Lake County’s decision to host the annual Regional Solutions Event on this topic is certainly timely but not intended to be an endorsement of state preemption of municipal land use authority.

Rather, the goal of this event is to convene many points of view - academics, policymakers, elected officials, practitioners, and advocates - to seek strategies through civil discourse and respect for the important and distinct roles we all play in bringing about solutions.

Local regulation is only one of many factors influencing housing attainability. Rising interest rates, escalating land costs, rising labor costs, shortages in skilled labor, supply chain constraints, material costs, and the reality that housing costs have for nearly a decade risen sharper and faster than household incomes are all factors contributing to today’s challenging housing market.

Municipal leaders are keenly aware of the housing crisis in their communities and are working to find solutions in the areas they can influence. Both state and regional leaders are also concerned about housing attainability and what part they can play in supporting policies to bring about needed change.

AGENDA

10:00-10:30	REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING
10:30-10:45	WELCOME
10:45-11:45	MORNING KEYNOTE: DR. ARNAB CHAKRABORTY
11:45-12:30	LUNCHEON
12:30-12:50	LUNCH KEYNOTE: JERUSALEM DEMSAS
12:50-1:05	BREAK
1:05-1:45	Q&A WITH JERUSALEM DEMSAS
1:45-2:15	THE GREAT RESET: CHRIS NELSON
2:15-2:25	BREAK
2:25-3:25	PANEL DISCUSSION: TURNER BITTON, CHRISTINE RICHMAN, ARNAB CHAKRABORTY; MODERATED BY CHRIS NELSON
3:25-3:40	CLOSING REMARKS

SPEAKER BIOS

Dr. Arnab Chakraborty, AICP



DEAN, UNIVERSITY OF UTAH COLLEGE
OF ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING

Arnab Chakraborty, PhD, AICP is the Dean of the University of Utah's College of Architecture and Planning, where he is also a professor of City and Metropolitan Planning. Chakraborty's research explores the relationship between zoning and housing affordability and collaborative planning techniques that can advance social and environmental outcomes. His work has been funded by the National Science Foundation, National Park Service, and US Department of Transportation, and has informed planning from local communities such as Lakewood, OH to national agencies such as the Federal Highway Administration. Chakraborty is an associate editor of Journal of the American Planning Association and a site visitor for the Planning Accreditation Board. Chakraborty moved to Utah in 2023 from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he was a professor of urban and regional planning.

Find examples of Dr. Chakraborty's work [here](#).



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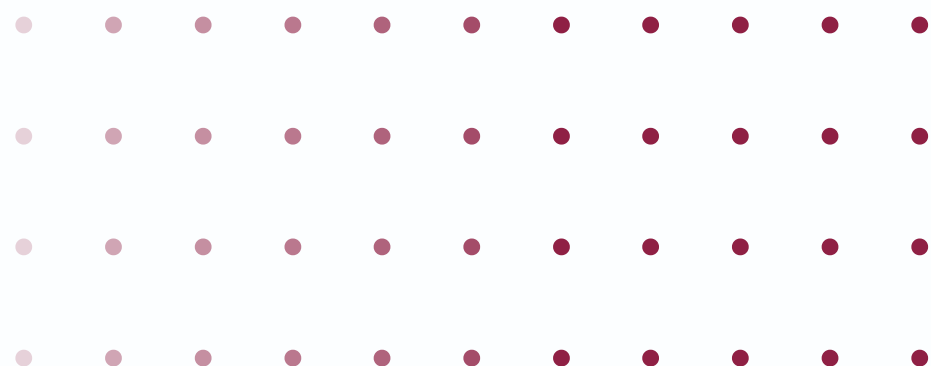
Jerusalem Demsas



As a staff writer for The Atlantic, Jerusalem Demsas writes about how states and cities are pursuing zoning reform to address the national housing crisis. Prior to her role at The Atlantic, Demsas wrote for Vox, where she co-hosted the policy podcast The Weeds. Her work transcends political divides and speaks to all policymakers by focusing on structural inefficiencies and institutional challenges.

Find examples of Jerusalem's work [here](#).

STAFF WRITER, THE ATLANTIC



SPEAKER BIOS

Dr. Arthur C. Nelson, FAICP



Arthur C. (Christian "Chris") Nelson was the founder of Utah's Metropolitan Research Center, Master of Real Estate Development program, and Doctor of Metropolitan Planning, Policy, and Design degree. He also crafted the nation's top-rated and most diverse online Master of Real Estate Development program for the University of Arizona. Chris founded the urban affairs and planning program for Virginia Tech's National Capital Region, as well as the dual master of city planning and juris doctor degrees between Georgia Tech and Georgia State University, the nation's only bi-university planning and law degree program. He is the author of more than 20 books and more than 400 other scholarly publications. Chris has also been a principal investigator for more than \$50 million in

EMERITUS PROFESSOR OF URBAN PLANNING AND REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, AND EMERITUS PRESIDENTIAL PROFESSOR OF CITY & METROPOLITAN PLANNING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

grants from the NSF, HUD, DOT, Commerce, and EPA as well as foundations, think-tanks, and numerous other sponsors. His current work focuses on how to improve planning based on demographic and housing trends.

Find examples of Dr. Nelson's work [here](#).



SPEAKER BIOS

Christine Richman, AICP



PRINCIPAL IN CHARGE OF PLANNING, GSBS ARCHITECTS

Christine Richman has more than 35 years of experience as both a public and private consulting planner, for the last thirteen years as the Principal in Charge of Planning at GSBS Architects & Consulting. GSBS is a full-service design firm that combines best practices in architecture, planning, landscape architecture, interior design, graphic design, and sustainability. She specializes in market-based strategies that combine community vision and priorities with real estate realities to pursue the art of the possible. Her most recent projects include the Sandy City General Plan update, Sandy City Station Area and Commercial Revitalization Plans, the North Murray Station Area Plan, and the North Lehi Station Area Plan. She has also worked closely with Cottonwood Heights for several years on implementation of their Moderate-Income Housing Plan.

Find examples of Christine's work [here](#).

SPEAKER BIOS

Turner Bitton



FOUNDER, SLC NEIGHBORS FOR MORE NEIGHBORS

Turner Bitton is a lifelong Utahn, raised on a cattle farm west of Ogden. Imbued with a love of service to his community by his parents' example, Turner has dedicated his adult life to working in the nonprofit sector. Turner is the founder and executive director of SLC Neighbors for More Neighbors. He is a recognized leader and serves our community through volunteer service with nonprofit organizations as well as in appointed positions in local and state government. Turner lives with his husband Chase and dogs, Melon and Moose, in the Glendale neighborhood of Salt Lake City where he also serves as the elected community council chair.

Find examples of Turner's work [here](#).

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