

**INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, October 20, 2021
6:00 PM**

Commission Members:

DISTRICT 1 – TERRY NICOL
DISTRICT 2 – JESSE SUSSELL
DISTRICT 3 – LISA M. TRAN
DISTRICT 4 – CURTIS W. HANSON
AT-LARGE – DELORES COOPER
AT-LARGE – CARLY MICHELE ALEJOS
AT-LARGE – SHERRY SMITH

DISTRICT 5 – WINSTON RHODES
DISTRICT 6 – ELISABETH WATSON
DISTRICT 7 – RANA CHO
DISTRICT 8 – ANDREW FOX
AT-LARGE – LUPE GALLEGOS-DIAZ
AT-LARGE – RONALD K. CHOY

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Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and the state declared emergency, this meeting of the Independent Redistricting Commission will be conducted exclusively through teleconference and Zoom videoconference. The COVID-19 state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person and presents imminent risks to the health of attendees. Therefore, no physical meeting location will be available.

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Roll Call 6:02 p.m.

Present: Alejos, Cho, Choy, Fox, Hanson, Toub (for Nicol), Rhodes, Smith, Sussell, Tran, Watson

Absent: Cooper, Gallegos-Diaz

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters – 0 speakers.

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Commission's consideration and approval.

- 1. Minutes - October 2, 2021 and October 6, 2021**
Action: M/S/C (Rhodes/Alejos) to approve the minutes of 10/2/21 and 10/6/21.
Vote: Ayes – Alejos, Cho, Choy, Fox, Hanson, Toub, Rhodes, Sussell, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – Smith; Absent – Cooper, Gallegos-Diaz.

Commission Action Items

The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for action as the item is taken up.

- 2. Random Draw for Appointment of District 7 Alternate Commissioner**
From: Independent Redistricting Commission
Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900
Action: Random draw conducted. Steven Allen Weissman selected as District 7 Alternate Commissioner.
- 3. Appointment of At-Large Alternate Commissioner**
From: Independent Redistricting Commission
Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900
Action: 0 speakers. M/S/C (Watson/Rhodes) to appoint Vetri Velan as the 5th At-Large Alternate Commissioner.
Vote: Ayes – Alejos, Cho, Choy, Hanson, Toub, Rhodes, Smith, Sussell, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – Fox; Absent – Cooper, Gallegos-Diaz.
- 4. Report on Public Submissions for Community of Interest Forms and Maps**
From: Independent Redistricting Commission
Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900
Action: 0 speakers. Report from the Map & COI Subcommittee. Discussion regarding the process for reviewing public map submissions and COI forms. Staff to contact other jurisdictions regarding best practices.

5. **Report on Page Views and Traffic Metrics for the Hub and Maptitude**
From: Independent Redistricting Commission
Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900
Action: 0 speakers. Brief update from staff on page views for redistricting hub and user accounts created in Maptitude.

Subcommittee Reports

Subcommittees may provide verbal reports on their activities and discuss topics under their purview with the full commission. To take action on a subcommittee item, the topic must be agendaized on the commission's Action Calendar.

6. **Verbal Report from Map and Community of Interest Review Subcommittee**
- Report given under Item 4.
7. **Verbal Report from Community Outreach Subcommittee**
- Discussion of current and future efforts including OpEd pieces, potential in-person outreach, and timing for end-of-public-submission-period outreach push.

Items for Future Agendas and Meeting Calendar

- **Discussion of items to be added to the next scheduled meeting calendar**
 - Review of public maps submitted
 - Review of COI forms
- **Discussion and possible modifications to the meeting calendar**
 - Discussion of schedule for January – March 2022. More meetings than two per month; varying days; varying formats including more informal “workshop” settings.

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Rhodes/Alejos) to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Ayes – Alejos, Cho, Choy, Fox, Hanson, Toub, Rhodes, Smith, Sussell, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Cooper, Gallegos-Diaz.

Adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Independent Redistricting Commission meeting held on October 20, 2021.

Mark Numainville
City Clerk

Communications

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