

**INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, January 27, 2022  
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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# MINUTES

**Roll Call:** 6:03 p.m.

**Present:** Alejos, Cho, Cooper, Fox, Gallegos-Diaz, Hanson, Nicol, Smith, Sussell, Tran, Watson

**Absent:** Choy, Rhodes

Commissioner Choy present at 6:09 p.m.

Commissioner Rhodes present at 6:10 p.m.

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters:** 4 speakers

## Minutes for Approval

*Draft minutes for the Commission's consideration and approval.*

### 1. Minutes – January 10, 2022 regular meeting

**Action:** M/S/C (Hanson/Gallegos-Diaz) to approve the minutes of 1/10/2022.

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

## Public Hearing

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

### 2. Discussion, Review, and Direction on Draft City Council District Maps From: Independent Redistricting Commission

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing to discuss, review, and provide direction on the draft city council district maps.

Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900

**Public Testimony:** Chairperson Watson opened the public hearing. 31 speakers.

Recess 7:42 p.m. – 7:52 p.m.

**Action:** M/S/C (Nicol/Rhodes) to continue consideration of the Amber Map with modifications to the boundary between District 3 and District 8 near Ashby BART to prevent division of the community around the BART station.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Rhodes/Gallegos-Diaz) to remove the Blue Map from further consideration.

**Vote:** Ayes - Alejos, Cho, Cooper, Gallegos-Diaz, Hanson, Nicol, Rhodes, Smith, Sussell, Tran, Watson; Noes – Choy, Fox.

**Action:** M/S/C (Rhodes/Gallegos-Diaz) to 1) remove the Maroon Map from further consideration, and 2) create a new map with the Amber Map as the base map that moves the portion of the Northside neighborhood south of LeConte Avenue into the student-focused district, makes modifications to the boundary between District 3 and District 8 near Ashby BART to prevent division of the community around the BART station, and makes adjustments to District 4 in consideration of students and renters.  
**Vote:** Ayes - Alejos, Cho, Cooper, Gallegos-Diaz, Hanson, Nicol, Rhodes, Smith, Sussell, Tran, Watson; Noes – Choy, Fox.

**Action:** M/S/C (Sussell/Nicol) to remove the Orange Map from further consideration.  
**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Watson/Rhodes) to appoint Commissioner Fox to the Map Drafting Subcommittee.  
**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Alejos/Gallegos-Diaz) to create a new map with the Amber Map as the base map that creates two student-focused districts in a side-by-side orientation, makes modifications to the boundary between District 3 and District 8 near Ashby BART to prevent division of the community around the BART station. This direction for a new map may be combined with the previously requested new map if feasible.  
**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Gallegos-Diaz/Nicol) to extend the meeting past 9:00 p.m. to hear Item 3 and the remainder of the agenda.  
**Vote:** Ayes - Alejos, Cho, Choy, Cooper, Fox, Gallegos-Diaz, Hanson, Nicol, Rhodes, Sussell, Tran, Watson; Noes – Smith.

## **Action Calendar**

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

### **3. Review and Approval of Table of Contents for Final Report**

**From: Independent Redistricting Commission**

**Recommendation:** Review and approve the table of contents for the final map report to accompany the final map.

Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900

**Action:** M/S/Failed (Smith/Cooper) to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote:** Ayes – Alejos, Cooper, Smith; Noes – Cho, Choy, Fox, Gallegos-Diaz, Hanson, Nicol, Rhodes, Sussell, Tran, Watson.

**Action:** 1 speaker. Discussion of draft table of contents. No action taken. Item continued to February 17, 2022.

## 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.*

4. **Final Report Drafting Subcommittee**
  - Report provided under Item 3.
5. **Map and COI Subcommittee**
  - No report
6. **Outreach Subcommittee**
  - No report

## Items for Future Agendas and Meeting Calendar

- **Discussion of items to be added to the next scheduled meeting calendar**
  - Consideration of Maps
  - Table of Contents for Report
- **Discussion and possible modifications to the meeting calendar**

**Action:** M/S/C (Sussell/Gallegos-Diaz) to schedule a special meeting for Saturday, February 19, 2022.

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

## Adjournment

**Action:** M/S/C (Smith/Tran) to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Independent Redistricting Commission meeting held on January 27, 2022.

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Mark Numainville  
City Clerk

## Supplemental Communications

### Item #1: Discussion, Review, and Direction on Draft City Council District Maps

41. Allison, Jed, Avery, Eli and Emma
42. V. Sommer (2)
43. Anna Korn
44. Brenda Shank

45. Helga Recke, Buena-Cypress-McGee Neighborhood Group
46. Barbara Yoder
47. Antony J. Lepire
48. Betsy Morris
49. Sally Nelson
50. Tony Corman
51. Alfred Twu
52. Susan Payne
53. Jack Kurzweil
54. Pamela Speich
55. Stephanie Allan
56. Sabina McMurtry
57. David and Phyllis Ritvo
58. Nancy Holland and Wendy Alfsen
59. Alison Thomas
60. Summer Brenner
61. Berkeley Neighborhoods Council Executive Committee
62. Nicole Chabot
63. Kitty Calavita
64. Taylor Keep
65. Commissioner Ronald Choy (3)
66. Tom Lent
67. Jane Diamond
68. Rob Wrenn
69. Mickey Davis
70. Alex Sharenko
71. Gael Alcock
72. Brian Edquist
73. Jenny White
74. Holly Scheider
75. Lucy Smallsreed
76. Judy Grether
77. Noah Budnick
78. Max Ventura
79. Berkeley Neighbors for Housing and Climate Action
80. Jenny Wenk
81. Kara Yount
82. Dan Feinberg
83. Linda Zagula
84. Erin Branagan
85. Ginger Morris
86. Laralynn Rapoza
87. Cindy Shamban
88. Friends of Adeline
89. Associated Students of the University of California
90. Kelly Hammargren (2)

- 91. Christine Staples
- 92. Andrea Mullarkey, SEIU 1021 CSU/PTRLA

## **Supplemental Communications 2**

- 93. Jeff Vincent
- 94. Bruce H. Feingold
- 95. Robert Cohen
- 96. Barbara White
- 97. Catherine Huchting
- 98. Lauren Parsons
- 99. Madeline Feingold
- 100.       Vernon Theiss
- 101.       Chimey Lee
- 102.       Elsa Ramos
- 103.       Maryhunter Austin
- 104.       Daniel Tahara