

**INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, August 4, 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 – SAMUEL C. TAPLIN
DISTRICT 8 – ANDREW FOX
AT-LARGE – SIMELIA ROGERS
AT-LARGE – RONALD K. CHOY

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AGENDA

Roll Call: 6:02 p.m.

Present: Choy, Cooper, Fox, Nicol, Rhodes, Rogers, Smith, Sussell, Taplin, Tran, Watson

Absent: Alejos, Hanson

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters – 0 speakers

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Commission's consideration and approval.

1. Minutes - July 21, 2021

Action: M/S/C (Rhodes/Fox) to approve the minutes of 7/21/2021.

Vote: Ayes - Choy, Cooper, Fox, Nicol, Rhodes, Rogers, Smith, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – Sussell, Taplin; Absent – Alejos, Hanson.

Commission Action Items

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

2. Demonstration of Maptitude Redistricting Software

From: Independent Redistricting Commission

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

Action: Demonstration video of Maptitude software provided. Discussion held regarding the software and the Berkeley-specific version.

3. Introduction to Census Data and Map from 2010 Process

From: Independent Redistricting Commission

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

Action: Presentation made and discussion held.

4. Appointments to Public Submission Process Subcommittee

From: Independent Redistricting Commission

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

Action: M/S/C (Smith/Rhodes) to appoint Commissioner Rogers to the Public Submission Process Subcommittee.

Vote: Ayes - Choy, Cooper, Fox, Nicol, Rhodes, Rogers, Smith, Sussell, Taplin, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Alejos, Hanson.

Action: M/S/C (Nicol/Rhodes) to approve the October 2, 2021 date for the public hearing and opening of the public map submission period and the November 15, 2021 date for the close of the public map submission period.

Vote: Ayes - Choy, Cooper, Fox, Nicol, Rhodes, Rogers, Smith, Sussell, Taplin, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Alejos, Hanson.

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.

5. **Report from Community Outreach Subcommittee**
Action: Report from subcommittee regarding need for outreach leading up to October 2 hearing.
6. **Report from Public Submission Process Subcommittee**
 - a. Discussion of policies for submission – including guidance on deviation
 - b. Dates for public submission period**Action:** Report from subcommittee on activities to date to create public submission documentation and the allowable 10% deviation standard.

Information Reports

7. **Schedule of Meetings for 2021**
From: Independent Redistricting Commission
Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900
Action: M/S/C (Rhodes/Rogers) to approve the proposed meeting schedule for September through December 2021 with the September 1 meeting changed to September 8.
Vote: Ayes - Choy, Cooper, Fox, Nicol, Rhodes, Rogers, Smith, Taplin, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Alejos, Hanson, Sussell.

Commissioner Sussell absent at 7:37 p.m.

- **Discussion of items to be added to future agendas**
 - August 18 agenda to contain reports from subcommittees and a Maptitude Demo (if Berkeley version is installed and configured).
- **Discussion and possible modifications to the meeting calendar**
 - No action taken

Adjournment

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

Vote: Ayes - Choy, Cooper, Fox, Nicol, Rhodes, Rogers, Smith, Taplin, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Alejos, Hanson, Sussell.

Adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the regular meeting of the Independent Redistricting Commission held on August 4, 2021.

Mark Numainville
City Clerk

Communications

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