# INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

# Wednesday, November 3, 2021 6:00 PM

#### Commission Members:

DISTRICT 1 – TERRY NICOL
DISTRICT 5 – WINSTON RHODES
DISTRICT 2 – JESSE SUSSELL
DISTRICT 3 – LISA M. TRAN
DISTRICT 7 – RANA CHO
DISTRICT 4 – CURTIS W. HANSON
DISTRICT 8 – ANDREW FOX
AT-LARGE – DELORES COOPER
AT-LARGE – CARLY MICHELE ALEJOS
AT-LARGE – RONALD K. CHOY
AT-LARGE – SHERRY SMITH

# PUBLIC ADVISORY: THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH VIDEOCONFERENCE AND TELECONFERENCE

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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#### **MINUTES**

Roll Call: 6:00 p.m.

**Present:** Alejos, Cho, Choy, Cooper, Fox, Gallegos-Diaz, Hanson, Nicol, Rhodes,

Sussell, Tran, Watson

Absent: Smith

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters** – 0 speakers

## **Minutes for Approval**

Draft minutes for the Commission's consideration and approval.

#### 1. Minutes - October 20, 2021

Action: M/S/C (Rhodes/Fox) to approve the minutes of 10/20/21.

Vote: Ayes - Alejos, Cho, Choy, Fox, Hanson, Rhodes, Sussell, Tran, Watson; Noes

None; Abstain – Cooper, Gallegos-Diaz, Nicol; Absent – Smith.

#### **Commission Action Items**

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

# 2. Review of Community of Interest Form Submissions From: Independent Redistricting Commission

Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900 Action: M/S/C (Watson/Cooper) to adjust the "COI Identified" column to be "COI Summary," to modify the "Mappable" column to have "Yes/No/Other Concerns Identified" heading, to change the column "Should it have a boundary change" to two columns – "Boundary Change Requested" and "Boundary Change Recommended," and to provide the general direction that the subcommittee will fill out the matrix based on the forms received and submit the matrix to the full commission for discussion and modifications.

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

#### 3. Review of Map Submissions

#### From: Independent Redistricting Commission

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

**Action:** 1 speaker. The commission discussed the potential process for map review and factors such as the volume of maps and available data. Also requested additional map layers including the Berkeley Unified School District school zones.

#### **Commission Action Items**

4. Appointment of At-Large Alternate Commissioner

From: Independent Redistricting Commission

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

Action: M/S/C (Fox/Rhodes) to appoint Flynn Louis Walsh as the fifth at-large

alternate commissioner.

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

# **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 agendized on the commission's Action Calendar.

- 5. Verbal Report from Map and Community of Interest Review Subcommittee
  - Update covered by Items 2 and 3 above.
- 6. Verbal Report from Community Outreach Subcommittee
  - Staff to conduct final reminder push through available channels for end of map submission period.

## **Information Reports**

## Items for Future Agendas and Meeting Calendar

- Discussion of items to be added to the next scheduled meeting calendar
  - o Items 2 and 3 held over to next agenda
  - o 2022 Meeting schedule item including information on in-person meetings
- Discussion and possible modifications to the meeting calendar
  - o None

# **Adjournment**

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

Vote: Ayes - Alejos, Cho, Choy, Cooper, Fox, Gallegos-Diaz, Hanson, Nicol, Rhodes,

Sussell, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Smith.

Adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Independent Redistricting Commission meeting held on November 3, 2021.
Mark Numainville, City Clerk

#### **Communications**

Communications submitted to the Independent Redistricting Commission are on file in the City Clerk Department at 2180 Milvia Street, 1st Floor, Berkeley, CA and are available upon request by contacting the City Clerk Department at (510) 981-6908 or redistricting@cityofberkeley.info or may be viewed through Records Online.

## Item #2: Review of Community of Interest Form Submissions

1. Betty Kano