

INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 17, 2021
6:00 PM

Commission Members:

DISTRICT 1 – JOSE LOPEZ
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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Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, this meeting of the Independent Redistricting Commission will be conducted exclusively through teleconference and Zoom videoconference. Please be advised that pursuant to the Executive Order, and to ensure the health and safety of the public by limiting human contact that could spread the COVID-19 virus, there will not be a physical meeting location available.

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Roll Call: 6:04 p.m.

Present: Alejos, Cooper, Fox, Hanson, Lopez, Rhodes, Smith, Sussell, Taplin, Tran, Watson

Absent: Choy, Rogers

Commissioner Choy present at 6:08 p.m.

Commissioner Rogers present at 6:08 p.m.

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Action: M/S/C (Rhodes/Fox) to elect Commissioner Watson as Chair.

Vote: All Ayes.

The Commission deferred action on the election of Vice-Chair to the next meeting.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters – 0 speakers

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Commission's consideration and approval.

1. Minutes - February 24, 2021

Action: M/S/C (Rhodes/Rogers) to approve the minutes of February 24, 2021.

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

Commission Action Items

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

2. Selection of District 6 Alternate Commissioner by Random Draw

From: Independent Redistricting Commission

Recommendation: Conduct a random draw to fill the vacancy in the position of District 6 Alternate Commissioner pursuant to the selection process outlined in Charter Section 9.5 and Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 2.10.

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

Action: 0 speakers. A random draw of eligible District 6 applicants was conducted and Susan Murphy was selected as the new District 6 Alternate Commissioner.

Commission Action Items

3. **Update from Commission Staff on Redistricting Process**

From: Independent Redistricting Commission

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

Action: 0 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held. The Commission requested more information on the 2010 Redistricting process and the significant issues that informed the final 2010 map, and more information on how the UC students were accounted for in the Census.

4. **Discussion of Commission Bylaws and Meeting Schedule**

From: Independent Redistricting Commission

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

Action: 0 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held. Meeting invites will be sent for April and May meetings with the addition of a meeting on April 29. The Commission requested that city staff develop the first draft of the bylaws for the Commission to review.

Recess 8:06 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

5. **Brown Act, Conflict of Interest, and Parliamentary Procedure Training**

From: Independent Redistricting Commission

Recommendation: Receive staff presentations on the Brown Act, Conflict of Interest, and Parliamentary Procedure.

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

Action: 0 speakers. Presentations made and discussion held.

Items for Future Agendas

- **Vice Chair election at next meeting**
- **Bylaws review in May**
- **Additional information on student Census count and 2010 map**

Adjournment

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Independent Redistricting Commission meeting held on March 17, 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](#).