



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

Independent Redistricting Commission

MEETING MINUTES

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Kenneth Inman
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Arvid Larson
Fernandez Ponds
John Russ
Rameses Surban

Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 2:00 PM

I. Called to Order at 2:02 p.m.

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Commission Members David Bame, Colleen Brown, Amy Caterina, Chris Chen, Sonia Diaz, Elidia Dostal, Carmen-Rosette Garcia, Barbara Hansen, Kenneth Inman, Kristina Kruglyak, Arvid Larson, Fernandez Ponds, John Russ, Rameses Surban; and Erin Demorest, Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

(Note for the record: California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 on March 17, 2020, relating to the convening of public meetings in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and to maintain the orderly conduct of the meeting, all members of the Independent Redistricting Commission attended the meeting via teleconference and participated in the meeting to the same extent as if they were present.)

III. Non-Agenda Public Communication: Members of the public may address the Independent Redistricting Commission on subject matters within the Commission's jurisdiction, but not an item on this agenda. Each speaker is limited to two minutes.

Jean-Huy Tran from the Center on Policy Initiatives spoke to the Commission regarding the importance of hiring of outside consultants who uphold the Voting Rights Act.

Comments were heard and referred to staff.

IV. Commission Business

1. Approval of Minutes from the March 25, 2021 Regular Meeting

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Larson, the Commission approved the Minutes from the March 25, 2021 Regular Meeting.

AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Dostal, Garcia, Hansen, Inman, Kruglyak, Larson, Russ, Surban

ABSENT: Ponds (due to technical difficulties)

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2. Discuss SB 594 and Revised Timeline and Possible Appointment of Ad Hoc Committee to Develop Legislative or Other Recommendations Regarding the Timeline for Redistricting

ACTION 2.1:

ON MOTION of Commissioner Russ, seconded by Commissioner Chen, the Commission approved the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to develop legislative or other recommendations regarding the timeline for redistricting, with a four-fold purpose to: (1) monitor developments regarding the delay in delivery of the Census data, (2) assess potential impacts on the duties and timelines of the Commission, (3) gather information from other affected agencies and organizations regarding those matters, and (4) report back to the full Commission with recommended options for action, including but not limited to action(s) regarding a bill pending in the Legislature called 'S.B. 594'.

AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Dostal, Inman, Kruglyak, Larson, Ponds, Russ

NOES: Garcia, Hansen

ABSTENTIONS: Surban

ACTION 2.2:

ON MOTION of Commissioner Russ, seconded by Commissioner Chen, the Commission appointed Commissioners Diaz, Garcia, Inman and Russ to the Ad Hoc Committee to develop legislative or other recommendations regarding the timeline for redistricting.

AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Dostal, Garcia, Hansen, Inman, Larson, Ponds, Russ, Surban

ABSENT: Kruglyak

3. Discussion and Possible Approval of Request for Proposal (RFP) Documents from the Outreach and Engagement Services RFP Ad Hoc Committee

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Commissioner Ponds, seconded by Commissioner Inman, the Commission approved the Request for Proposal (RFP) documents from the Outreach and Engagement Services RFP Ad Hoc Committee.

AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Dostal, Garcia, Hansen, Inman, Larson, Ponds, Russ, Surban

ABSENT: Kruglyak

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4. Ad Hoc Committee Reports

A. Demographic Services Request for Proposals (RFP)

Commissioner Inman provided an informational update on the status of the Demographic Services RFP.

B. Commissioner Training

Commissioner Ponds provided an informational update on the status of Commissioner training.

C. Outreach and Communications

Commissioner Garcia provided an informational update on the status of the interim outreach and communications plan.

D. Redistricting Budget Recommendation

Commissioner Caterina provided an informational update on the redistricting budget recommendation.

5. Recess for Closed Session

A. Public Employment (Gov. Code § 54957(b)(1))

Title: Legal Counsel

6. Reconvene in Open Session

A. Announcement of any Reportable Action Taken in Closed Session.

The Independent Redistricting Commission met in Closed Session starting at 4:26 p.m. and ending at 6:13 p.m. There were no reportable actions taken.

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Pursuant to Article III, Section 6 of the *Bylaws and Operating Procedures of the County of San Diego Independent Redistricting Commission*, staff identified a total of 10 members of the public present during the meeting.

ERIN DEMOREST

Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Diego, State of California

NOTE: These Minutes set forth all actions taken by the County of San Diego Independent Redistricting Commission on the matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.

Supporting documentation and attachments for items listed on this agenda can be viewed online at www.sdcounty.ca.gov/redistricting or in the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at the County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402, San Diego, CA 92101.

Approved by the Commission: April 22, 2021