



County of Santa Barbara
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Redistricting Commission**

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Commissioner Kathryn Adams, Member-At-Large

**COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CITIZENS INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION
PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA**

June 16, 2021, 6 p.m.
Virtual Zoom Meeting

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Call to Order – Roll Call

Public Comments

Public comment will be allowed on items on this agenda at the time each item is considered. At the end of the agenda under General Public Comments the public may speak on items not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Commission, provided that no action may be taken on off agenda items except as authorized by law. Speakers are limited to no more than three minutes.

Public Hearing

1. Public Hearing to receive an overview of the redistricting process and public input on communities of interest and the composition of districts.

Informational Items

2. Commissioner disclosure of [ex parte communications](#) pursuant to County Ordinance Code Sec. 2-10.9A(5)(h) are posted on the commission website at www.DrawSantaBarbaraCounty.org.
3. Community-Based Organizations for Outreach Information.

To submit the name of a community-based organization that the Commission should consider contacting with outreach information, visit www.DrawSantaBarbaraCounty.org. Please review the existing the "suggest outreach" list; and, if the organization is not already listed, submit public contact information for the organization using the outreach [form](#). Questions, suggestions, or other information can be emailed to redistricting@countyofsb.org.

Consent Calendar (Items 4-5)

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless an item is removed by a Commissioner for separate consideration.

4. Approval of Minutes of June 2, 2021, regular meeting and June 2, 2021, special meeting.
5. Receive and file the resignation of Fifth District Commissioner Jannet Rios to be effective July 7, 2021.

Discussion Items

6. Discussion and direction on filling the Fifth District vacancy due to the resignation of Commissioner Rios effective July 7, 2021.
7. Discussion and possible action regarding future agenda items.

General Public Comments

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Commissioner Comments

Adjournment

Attachments

Item 4 Minutes of June 2, 2021, regular meeting and June 2, 2021, special meeting
Item 5 Jannet Rios Letter of Resignation
Item 7 Calendar



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

CITIZENS INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Summary of Proceedings 2020 Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission

Date: **Wednesday, June 2, 2021**
Time: **6:04 PM – 10:01 PM**
Place: **Remote Virtual Participation Only**

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MRS. TILTON EXPLAINED HOW RESIDENTS REQUIRING SPANISH INTERPRETATION CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING.

BOARD ACTION SHOWN IN CAPS

1. Commission Convened

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Adams, Bradley, Bray, McClintock, Morris, Ochoa, Olmedo, Rios, Trosky, Turley, Twibell

Commissioners Absent: None

CHAIR MORRIS EXPLAINED THAT AGENDA ITEM 2 AND 3 ARE INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

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CHAIR MORRIS ANNOUNCED THIS IS THE TIME FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA, AND PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS WILL BE HEARD AFTER THE INTERVIEWS.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

GERARDO GONZALEZ HEARD (VIA INTERPRETER) REGARDING THE ORDINANCE AND THE NEED FOR LATIN REPRESENTATION OVER POLITICAL PARTY.

GINNI PONCE, HEARD REGARDING THE CITY OF GUADALUPE, AND IN SUPPORT OF LUPE ALVAREZ.

JESUS MORALES, HEARD (VIA INTERPRETER) IN SUPPORT OF LUPE ALVAREZ.

LEE HELLER, HEARD REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR COMMISSION CANDIDATES.

ANDY CALDWELL, HEARD REGARDING SPANISH TRANSLATION.

WRITTEN COMMENT:

SADIE STERN, WROTE REGARDING DESIGNATING LAND OF THE COASTAL FIRST NATION AS SOVEREIGN IN THE MAP.

GARRET MATSUURA, WROTE IN SUPPORT OF LUPE ALVAREZ.

LEE HELLER, WROTE REQUESTING KEVIN KASEFF BE CONSIDERED AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT VACANCY.

SPENCER BRANDT, WROTE REGARDING A NEWS ARTICLE FROM THE SANTA MARIA SUN QUOTING LUPE ALVAREZ AS SUPPORTING A SEATED COUNTY SUPERVISOR.

LATA MURTI, WROTE REQUESTING KEVIN KASEFF BE INTERVIEWED AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT VACANCY.

MRS. TILTON CLARIFIED INFORMATION REGARDING CANDIDATE KEVIN KASEFF AND EXPLAINED THE NEED FOR A SPECIAL MEETING.

5. Approval of Minutes of May 12 and 19, 2021.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 12 AND 19, 2021.

MOTION CARRIED: 10 AYES

6. Receive and file letter of resignation submitted by Benjamin Olmedo, Former Third District Commissioner.

MOTION TO ACCEPT WITH REGRETS THE RESIGNATION SUBMITTED BY COMMISSIONER BENJAMIN OLMEDO.

MOTION CARRIED: 10 AYES

7. Commission applicant interviews to fill the Third District vacancy.

CHAIR MORRIS GAVE AN OVERVIEW OF THE PROCESS AND MENTIONED THE QUESTIONS WILL BE POSED IN ORDER BY THE SAME COMMISSIONERS AS THE MAY 19 INTERVIEWS.

QUESTION #1 – ASKED BY COMMISSIONER BRAY (DISTRICT 4)

- WHY DO YOU WANT TO SERVE ON THE REDISTRICTING COMMISSION?

QUESTION #2 – ASKED BY COMMISSIONER RIOS (DISTRICT 5)

- GIVEN THE COMMISSION'S SEATED MEMBERS, AND WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT THEIR BACKGROUNDS AND SKILL SETS, COULD YOU HIGHLIGHT ELEMENTS OF YOUR PERSONAL BACKGROUND, EXPERIENCES, SKILLS, AND KNOWLEDGE OF SANTA BARBARA COUNTY THAT YOU THINK WILL ADD TO THE OVERALL DIVERSITY OF THE COMMISSION?

QUESTION #3 – ASKED BY COMMISSIONER TROSKY (DISTRICT 1)

- HOW WOULD YOU HELP THE COMMISSION TO DRAW LINES THAT PROMOTE “COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST?”

QUESTION #4 – ASKED BY COMMISSIONER TWIBELL (DISTRICT 1)

- COULD YOU DESCRIBE A PROJECT OR OTHER EXPERIENCE IN WHICH YOU HAD TO COLLABORATE WITH A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS IN ORDER TO REACH A COMMON GOAL? WHEN YOU DISAGREED WITH OTHERS, HOW DID YOU HANDLE THOSE DISAGREEMENTS?

QUESTION #5 – ASKED BY COMMISSIONER BRADLEY (DISTRICT 3)

- HOW DO YOU THINK THE COMMISSION SHOULD ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH ON REDISTRICTING TO HELP ENCOURAGE BROAD PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMISSION'S WORK? WHAT

ARE SOME IDEAS YOU HAVE FOR THE COMMISSION TO SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT ON THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS, AND METHODS OF PUBLIC OUTREACH TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY?

THE COMMISSIONERS INTERVIEWED CANDIDATE ALBERT BEYERLE.

THE COMMISSIONERS INTERVIEWED CANDIDATE MIKE BRADY.

RECESSED THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING AT 6:51 PM. CANDIDATE KEVIN KASEFF WAS INTERVIEWED DURING THE SPECIAL MEETING.

RECONVENED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:13 PM IN OPEN SESSION.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

LUPE ALVAREZ, HEARD REGARDING CLARIFICATION OF COMMENTS FROM HIS CANDIDATE INTERVIEW, AND HIS WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS.

CARLOS AGUIRRE, HEARD IN SUPPORT OF LUPE ALVAREZ.

PHILLIP SEYMOUR, HEARD REGARDING BALANCING THE COMMISSION BY APPOINTING A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE.

LEE HELLER, HEARD REGARDING DEMOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY, PARTISAN PARITY, ORDINANCE LANGUAGE AND THE LAW.

KELLY ROSE, LOS OLIVOS RESIDENT, HEARD IN SUPPORT OF CANDIDATE KEVIN KASEFF.

JUAN GARCIA, HEARD (VIA INTERPRETER) IN SUPPORT OF CANDIDATE LUPE ALVAREZ.

WALLY, HEARD IN SUPPORT OF CANDIDATE KEVIN KASEFF.

JOE PIERRE, HEARD REGARDING APPOINTING A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE AND IN SUPPORT OF CANDIDATE KEVIN KASEFF.

CRUZ RAMOS, HEARD IN SUPPORT OF CANDIDATE LUPE ALVAREZ.

SPENCER BRANDT, HEARD CLARIFYING HIS PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED WRITTEN COMMENT, ALLOWING CANDIDATE PUBLIC COMMENT, AND IN SUPPORT OF CANDIDATE KEVIN KASEFF.

ANDY CALDWELL, HEARD IN SUPPORT OF CANDIDATE LUPE ALVAREZ.

SHIRLEY BOYSTON, HEARD IN SUPPORT OF CANDIDATE LUPE ALVAREZ.

8. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action regarding the commissioner appointment for the Third District Commissioner and administer oath of office.

MOTION TO APPOINT LUPE ALVAREZ TO THE THIRD DISTRICT VACANCY.

MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

COMMISSIONER TWIBELL ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION ON POLITICAL PARTY AND ETHNICITY, AND MS. ORDIN REVIEWED THE ORDINANCE.

MOTION TO APPOINT KEVIN KASEFF TO THE COMMISSION.

COMMISSIONER TROSKY COMMENTED ABOUT THE UNDERREPRESENTATION OF HISPANICS, PARTISAN PARITY, THE LENGTHY INTERVIEW PROCESS, EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT KEVIN KASEFF, AND SUPPORTS CANDIDATE LUPE ALVAREZ.

VICE CHAIR TURLEY COMMENTED ABOUT THE CANDIDATE POOL'S LACK OF DIVERSITY, ETHNIC REPRESENTATION, THE IMPORTANCE OF APPEARANCE AND IMPARTIALITY, AND SUPPORTS CANDIDATE KEVIN KASEFF.

COMMISSIONER RIOS EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH LUPE ALVAREZ, AND THE IMPORTANCE OF ETHNICITY.

COMMISSIONER TWIBELL INQUIRED ABOUT THE RELEVANCY OF THE ARTICLE FROM 2010 REFERENCING LUPE ALVAREZ.

COMMISSIONER BRAY COMMENTED ABOUT CANDIDATE SELECTION AND THE ORDINANCE.

COMMISSIONER McCLINTOCK COMMENTED ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF PARTISAN BALANCE, AND THE NEED FOR LUPE ALVAREZ'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE PROCESS.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MENTIONED THAT THE SELECTION MUST BE MADE FROM THE POOL, EXPRESSED CONCERN REGARDING LUPE ALVAREZ'S LEVEL OF IMPARTIALITY, AND SUPPORTS APPOINTING A DEMOCRAT AND CANDIDATE KEVIN KASEFF.

MOTION CARRIED: 8 YES 2 NO

JACQUELYNE ALEXANDER, COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, ADMINISTERED THE OATH OF OFFICE TO KEVIN KASEFF.

RECESSED THE MEETING AT 8:11 PM, AND RECONVENED AT 8:16 PM.

9. Training 7: Outreach presentations, talking points, website, and marketing materials. Review by legal counsel on the Ralph M. Brown Act, including ex parte disclosures, social media communications, and communications with the press.

MRS. TILTON INTRODUCED RYDER SMITH AND JERALD LA MADRID FROM TRIPEPI SMITH, AND GAVE AN OVERVIEW AND DEMONSTRATION OF THE WEBSITE. THE WEBSITE WILL HAVE A NEW URL AND MUST REMAIN LIVE FOR 10 YEARS.

COMMISSIONER BRADLEY ASKED WHAT THE PLANS ARE FOR ORGANIZING PAPER MAPS. MRS. TILTON STATED THEY WILL BE TREATED LIKE AN ONLINE MAP, AND NDC WILL PRODUCE THE MAP.

COMMISSIONER BRAY ASKED IF THE EXISTING WEBSITE WILL AUTOMATICALLY REDIRECT USERS TO THE NEW WEBSITE. MR. SMITH STATED THERE WILL BE TEXT ON TOP OF THE EXISTING WEBPAGE WITH A LINK TO THE NEW WEBSITE.

COMMISSIONER McCLINTOCK SUGGESTED PAPER AND HAND DRAWN MAPS BE SCANNED AND MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. NDC STATED ALTHOUGH THE ORIGINAL MAP SUBMISSIONS TYPICALLY ARE NOT POSTED ON THE WEBSITE, THEY ARE KEPT IN THE PUBLIC COMMENTS HISTORY.

COMMISSIONER TROSKY ASKED WHO WILL MONITOR THE EMAIL. MRS. TILTON STATED THAT FOR PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUESTS AND RECORD KEEPING PURPOSES, THE COUNTY WILL RECEIVE THE REQUESTS, AND FORWARD TO NDC FOR PROCESSING AND RESPONSE.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS ASKED IF THE WEBSITE PAGE WILL BE BILINGUAL. MR. SMITH STATED THAT THEY ARE WORKING ON THE WEBSITE'S SPANISH TRANSLATION, AND GOOGLE TRANSLATOR WILL BE AVAILABLE TO TRANSLATE TEXT ON THE WEBPAGE IN MANY LANGUAGES. COMMISSIONER ADAMS EXPRESSED CONCERNS ABOUT CITIZENS RESPONSES TO EMAILS SUBMITTED THROUGH THE COUNTY AND QUESTIONED IF COMMISSIONERS SHOULD RECEIVE INFORMATION ABOUT EMAILS FROM CITIZENS. MS. ORDIN REVIEWED THE SECTION OF THE BYLAWS THAT ADDRESSES EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS.

VICE CHAIR TURLEY SUGGESTED CREATING A LISTSERV (SUBSCRIBE TO THE LISTSERV AND WHEN AN EMAIL IS SENT FROM THE LISTSERV, IT GOES TO ALL SUBSCRIBERS). DR. JOHNSON CAUTIONED THAT EMAILS COULD BE MISSED AND BECOME PROBLEMATIC. COMMISSIONER TROSKY COMMENTED THAT THE NUMBER

OF EMAILS RECEIVED COULD BE OVERWHELMING, AND COMMISSIONER ADAMS OPPOSES THE POSSIBILITY OF RECEIVING MORE EMAILS.

MRS. TILTON GAVE AN OVERVIEW OF AND DEMONSTRATED THE POWERPOINT PRESENTATION (INTRODUCTION FOR INITIAL PUBLIC OUTREACH) TO ENGAGE, EDUCATE AND EMPOWER RESIDENTS.

- WHAT IS REDISTRICTING?
- WHY DOES IT MATTER?
- WHO DRAWS THE LINES?
- RULES FOR DRAWING THE LINES
- DEFINING COMMUNITIES
- DIRECT IMPACT ON HOW THE LINES ARE DRAWN
- TALKING POINTS (WILL BE PROVIDED TO COMMISSIONERS)

CHAIR MORRIS ASKED WHEN THE PRESENTATION WILL BE AVAILABLE, AND MR. SMITH STATED, IF NO MAJOR CHANGES, IT SHOULD BE AVAILABLE IN 48 HOURS.

COMMISSIONER McCLINTOCK ASKED ABOUT THE “WHO DRAWS THE LINES” SLIDE, AND CLARIFICATION REGARDING COMMISSIONERS DRAWING/NOT DRAWING MAPS. MS. ORDIN STATED THAT COMMISSIONERS CANNOT DRAW MAPS AT ALL PRIOR TO THE FIRST SEVEN (7) HEARINGS. DR. JOHNSON STATED THAT COMMISSIONERS NOR NDC CAN DRAW ANY MAPS UNTIL THE OFFICIAL CENSUS DATA IS RELEASED, AND ONLY RESIDENTS CAN START DRAWING MAPS.

“WHO DRAWS THE LINES?” SLIDE CHANGE SUGGESTIONS:

- CHANGE TO: WHO’S IN CHARGE?
- CHANGE TO: WHAT OR WHO IS THE COMMISSION?
- MAKE TWO SLIDES: 1) WHO IS THE COMMISSION; AND 2) WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FINAL MAP?
- USE ORIGINAL LANGUAGE: YOU DRAW THE LINES

COMMISSIONER BRADLEY EXPRESSED CONCERNS ABOUT RESIDENTS FOCUSING ON WHAT LINES THEY DO NOT WANT AND RECOMMENDED THE SLIDES HAVE AN AFFIRMING TONE.

MS. ORDIN RECOMMENDED A MEETING WITH NDC TOMORROW TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS AND SUGGESTIONS.

COMMISSIONER KASEFF COMMENTED THAT ON THE “WHO DRAW’S THE LINES?” SLIDE, THE BULLET POINT BELOW THE HEADING DISCUSSES THE COMMISSION, AND MAY BE INTERPRETED TO MEAN THE COMMISSION IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DRAWING

THE LINES.

CHAIR MORRIS COMMENTED ABOUT COMMISSIONERS DRAWING MAPS, AND THE COMMISSION'S ROLE TO GATHER MAPS FROM THE PUBLIC.

COMMISSIONER TWIBELL SUGGESTED COMBINING THE "ENGAGING RESIDENTS" AND "YOU DRAW THE LINES" SLIDE, AND ADDING "WHAT THE COMMISSION IS" RIGHT BEFORE COMMISSIONER BIOS.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS SUGGESTED USING "WHAT WE DO" TO DESCRIBE THE COMMISSION'S WORK.

MS. ORDIN PRESENTED INFORMATION ON GUIDANCE ON PUBLIC OUTREACH MEETINGS:

- EX PARTE DISCLOSURES
- ORDINANCE SUBSECTION (5)(G) – AUTHORIZES SHARING & SOLICITING INFORMATION
- ORDINANCE SUBSECTION (6)(C)-(D) – NUMBER & PURPOSE OF PUBLIC OUTREACH MEETINGS
- ORDINANCE SUBSECTION (4)(J)(1)(A) – MEETING ATTENDANCE
- BYLAWS CONSIDERATIONS
- BROWN ACT CONSIDERATIONS
- BROWN ACT CONSIDERATIONS – SERIAL MEETINGS
- BROWN ACT CONSIDERATIONS – SOCIAL MEDIA

DR. JOHNSON MENTIONED THIS REFERS TO PROVIDING INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC. COMMISSIONERS WILL BE PROVIDED WITH FORMS TO GIVE TO RESIDENTS TO COMPLETE WITH THEIR QUESTIONS AND/OR COMMENTS DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS AND GATHERINGS.

MRS. TILTON STATED THAT NDC WILL SEND THE PRESENTATION SLIDES TO COMMISSIONERS AND POST ON THE WEBSITE. TRIPEPI SMITH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING THE OUTREACH MATERIALS (FORMS, POWERPOINT, VIDEO ACCESS, AND WEBSITE TIMELINE) TO THE COMMISSIONERS.

COMMISSIONER BRAY ASKED WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT COMMISSIONERS DO NOT BOOK THE SAME EVENT. DR. JOHNSON STATED THAT NDC AND TRIPEPI SMITH WILL COORDINATE MEETINGS.

MR. SMITH WAS NOT ABLE TO PRESENT THE VIDEO DUE TO TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES, HOWEVER, THE LINK WILL BE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE.

10. Discussion and possible action regarding future agenda items.

- WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 6 PM (REGULAR MEETING)
- SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 10 AM (PUBLIC HEARING)

MS. ORDIN ANNOUNCED THE PURPOSE FOR CLOSED SESSION IS A STATUS REPORT ON THE PENDING LAWSUIT.

RECESSED THE MEETING FOR CLOSED SESSION AT 9:41 PM.

11. Conference with legal Counsel—Existing Litigation
Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9

Name of case: The Coalition of Labor, Agriculture & Business of Santa Barbara County v. Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors; County of Santa Barbara Citizens' Independent Redistricting Commission, Frederic D. Woocher; Strumwasser & Woocher, LLP; Case No. 21CV01642

RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION AT 10:01 PM.

12. Announcement of any reportable action taken in closed session.

MS. ORDIN ANNOUNCED THERE WAS NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION.

ADJOURNMENT – The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at 6 p.m.

Agenda Packet Items:

Item 07 Interview Schedule

Item 07 Interview Questions

Item 07 Candidate Applications

Item 10 Proposed Future Agenda Items

Item 11 Mark P. Meuser of Dhillon Law Group Inc., COLAB



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

CITIZENS INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Summary of Proceedings of the Special Meeting 2020 Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission

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Commissioners Absent: None

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

ANDY CALDWELL, HEARD REGARDING NOTICING AN EMERGENCY MEETING AND THE BROWN ACT.

MS. ORDIN CLARIFIED THIS IS A SPECIAL MEETING AND NOT AN EMERGENCY MEETING, REQUIRES 24 HOURS NOTICE, AND CAN BE HELD THE SAME DAY AND TIME AS THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING.

3. Interview of Kevin Kaseff along with those applicants identified in the regular agenda meeting packet to fill the Third District vacancy.

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QUESTIONS WILL BE POSED IN ORDER BY THE SAME COMMISSIONERS AS THE MAY 19 INTERVIEWS.

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THE COMMISSIONERS INTERVIEWED CANDIDATE KEVIN KASEFF.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

LAWANDA LYONS-PRUITT, SANTA MARIA-LOMPOC NAACP, HEARD REGARDING THE IMPORTANCE OF LATINX AND PEOPLE OF COLOR REPRESENTATION OVER POLITICAL PARTY.

ADJOURNMENT – The Special Meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM.

From: Jannet Rios
Date: June 10, 2021
Subject: Resignation

Dear Commissioners:

It is with regret and bittersweetness, that I submit my formal resignation from the County of Santa Barbara Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission, effective July 7th, 2021.

Coming to this decision was not easy since it means leaving home, but I have recently accepted an amazing employment opportunity in the Bay Area that will require me to relocate.

I am grateful to this amazing commission and the Citizens of Santa Barbara County for trusting me and for allowing me to serve them these past several months as I have learned so much from everyone! I offer my best wishes to the commission as the task of redistricting continues.

Sincerely,

Jannet Rios
Former District 5 Commissioner

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
CITIZENS INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Meeting Type	Date	Time	Quorum	Location	Description
Hearing 1	Wednesday, June 16, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location (Virtually Only)	Redistricting overview, public input on communities of interest and the composition of districts. Business meeting.
Hearing 2	Saturday, June 19, 2021	10 a.m.	No	Location (Virtually Only)	Redistricting overview, public input on communities of interest and the composition of districts.
Hearing 3	Wednesday, July 7, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location (Virtually Only) Focus: District 1	Redistricting overview, public input on communities of interest and the composition of districts. Mapping tools training. Business meeting.
Hearing 4	Friday, July 9, 2021	2 p.m.	No	Location (Virtually Only) Focus: District 2	Redistricting overview, public input on communities of interest and the composition of districts. Mapping tools training.
Hearing 5	Monday, July 12, 2021	6:15 p.m.	No	Location (Virtually Only) Focus: District 4	Redistricting overview, public input on communities of interest and the composition of districts. Mapping tools training.
Hearing 6	Wednesday, August 4, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Betteravia Hearing Room 511 East Lakeside Parkway Santa Maria, CA	Redistricting overview, public input on communities of interest and the composition of districts. Mapping tools training. Business meeting.
Hearing 7	Thursday, August 12, 2021	6 p.m.	No	Location District 3 Street Number TBD City TBD	Redistricting overview, public input on communities of interest and the composition of districts. Mapping tools training.
Release of State Adjusted Counts	early to mid October				If released prior to 9/17, then 21-day waiting period before NDC draws maps; if 9/17 through 10/16, then 7-day waiting period; after 10/17 no waiting period.
Commission Meeting	Wednesday, October 6, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Betteravia Hearing Room 511 East Lakeside Parkway Santa Maria, CA	Review of 2020 Data, Review of existing districts for population balance. Business meeting.
Deadline to Submit Initial Draft Maps	Monday, October 18, 2021				

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
CITIZENS INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Meeting Type	Date	Time	Quorum	Location	Description
Hearing 1 Maps	Wednesday, November 3, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Betteravia Hearing Room 511 East Lakeside Parkway Santa Maria, CA	Presentation of Draft Maps, identify 3-5 focus maps (Round 1), direction on any map modifications. Business meeting.
Hearing 2 Maps	Friday, November 12, 2021	3 p.m.	No	Location District 2 Street Number TBD City TBD	Public Input on Focus Maps (Round 1)
Hearing 3 Maps	Monday, November 15, 2021	6 p.m.	No	Location District 3 Street Number TBD City TBD	Public Input on Focus Maps (Round 1)
Hearing 4 Maps	Thursday, November 18, 2021	11 a.m.	No	Location District 4 Street Number TBD City TBD	Public Input on Focus Maps (Round 1)
Hearing 5 Maps	Monday, November 22, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Planning Commission Room 123 East Anapamu St Santa Barbara, CA	Review Focus and Newly Submitted Maps Narrow to 3-4 focus maps (Round 2) Direction on map modifications. Business meeting.
Hearing 6 Maps	Wednesday, December 1, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Betteravia Hearing Room 511 East Lakeside Parkway Santa Maria, CA	Identify preferred map. Direction on map modifications, if any. Business meeting.
Post Map 3 Days Prior to Adoption	Sunday, December 5, 2021				
Hearing 7 Maps Map Adoption	Wednesday, December 8, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Planning Commission Room 123 East Anapamu St Santa Barbara, CA	Adopt map. Business meeting.
Adoption Deadline	Wednesday, December 15, 2021				