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

December 8, 2021, 6 p.m. In-Person and Virtual Planning Commission Room, 123 East Anapamu St, Santa Barbara, CA

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Call to Order - Roll Call

#### **Public Comments**

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To allow enough time for the Commission to fully deliberate on map selection, public comments will be limited to no more than one minute each. The Chair will establish a cut-off time for submitting requests to speak, which will be shortly after the staff report. Those participating in-person must submit a speaker slip and those participating via Zoom must raise their hands before the announced cut-off time.

# Informational Items (Items 1)

1. Commissioner disclosure of <u>ex parte communications</u> pursuant to County Ordinance Code Sec. 2-10.9A(5)(h) are posted on the commission website at www.DrawSantaBarbaraCounty.org.

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# **Recess for Closed Session (Item 2)**

2. Conference with Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation
Pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9

A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the legislative body of the local agency on the advice of its legal counsel, based on existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the local agency.

# Discussion Items (Items 3-4)

- 3. Approval of Minutes of December 1, 2021.
- 4. Presentation of draft maps to Commissioners, and discussion of draft maps by Commissioners and legal counsel regarding issues of voting rights compliance. Final adoption of a map determining electoral district boundaries for the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors.

Notice for those speaking regarding Item 4: To allow enough time for the Commission to fully deliberate on map selection, public comments will be limited to no more than one minute each. The Chair will establish a cut-off time for submitting requests to speak, which will be shortly after the staff report. Those participating in-person must submit a speaker slip and those participating via Zoom must raise their hands before the announced cut-off time.

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Reports from Legal Counsel, Demographer and Communications Consultant

**Commissioner Comments** 

Adjournment

#### **Attachments**

1. Minutes of December 1, 2021 (to be provided)



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# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CITIZENS INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

Date: December 1, 2021, 6:00 p. m.

Place: Joseph Centeno Betteravia Board Hearing Room, 511 East Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria, CA

(and virtual via Zoom)

#### Call to Order - Roll Call

Commission Convened at 6:00 p. m.

Commissioners Present: Bradley, Bray, Hartman, Kaseff, McClintock, Morris, Ochoa, Rios, Trosky,

Turley (Late), Twibell

Commissioners Absent: None

Chair Morris announced the process for in-person and Zoom public comments.

#### Informational Items (Items 1-2)

- 1. Commissioner disclosure of <u>ex parte communications</u> pursuant to County Ordinance Code Sec. 2-10.9A(5)(h) are posted on the commission website at www.DrawSantaBarbaraCounty.org.
- 2. 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 <a href="www.DrawSantaBarbaraCounty.org">www.DrawSantaBarbaraCounty.org</a>. Please review the existing the <a href="suggest outreach" list">"suggest outreach" list</a>; and, if the organization is not already listed, submit public contact information for the organization using the outreach <a href="form">form</a>. Questions, suggestions, or other information can be emailed to redistricting@countyofsb.org.

# **Discussion Items (Items 3-4)**

3. Authorization to use teleconferencing without complying with the teleconferencing requirements imposed by the Ralph M. Brown Act as allowed by AB 361.

Recommended Action: (1) Consider the circumstances of the state of emergency or measures to promote social distancing; and (2) Approve findings that, under existing circumstances, local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, and it is in the public best interest to

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continue teleconferencing without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Government Code 54953.

Motion to approve the recommended action.

Motion Passed: 10 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent

Vice Chair Turley joined the meeting during Item 4.

4. Presentation of draft maps to Commissioners, and discussion of draft maps by Commissioners and legal counsel regarding issues of voting rights compliance. Possible action to further refine focus maps and provide direction on map modifications (if any).

Chair Morris stated the goal of this meeting is to narrow the selection to 3 maps maximum to move forward for discussion.

Dr. Phillips presented the Focus Maps Round 2, with Commissioner suggested changes, and explained the naming process.

- Rules for Drawing the Lines
- Table of Focus Plans: 408B, 822, 801C, 818, and 821B
- Common Patterns:
  - o 408B and 822 combine Guadalupe with Orcutt, and Isla Vista with Santa Barbara
  - 801C, 818 and 821B combine Guadalupe with Santa Maria, and Isla Vista with Lompoc
- Commissioner Proposed Revisions:
  - 408B (Morris/Twibell)
  - 822 (Bray/Trosky/Turley)
  - o 801C (Ochoa)
  - o 818 (Turley)
  - 821B (Ochoa/Twibell)

#### **Commissioner Comments:**

- Outreach meeting in Cuyama on November 30.
- Consider moving Chumash Reservation into District 3 (get input from the Chumash community).
- Commissioner Ochoa withdrew her 801C revision submission population deviation is too high.

Chair Morris announced that in-person speakers for public comment complete a speaker form, and only those Zoom participants who use the "raise your hand" prior to the first public comment will have an opportunity to speak. Those who were not able to speak may submit written comments at www.drawsantabarbaracounty.org under the "Contact Us" tab.

Public Comments (Limited to one minute per speaker)

• Speaker 1, Nelda Martin: In support of map 408B and 822.

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- Speaker 2, Mike Cordero: Objects to comments that Santa Maria is racially slanted, and supports map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 3, Alice Patino: In support of map 408B and 822, and opposes 818, 801C and 821B.
- Speaker 4, Antonio Ramirez: Commented about the City of Guadalupe's resolution supporting a map with Santa Maria and Guadalupe together.
- Speaker 5, Andrew Oman: In support of map 818 and 821B, and opposes 408B.
- Speaker 6, Jenelle Osborne: Keep Lompoc Valley whole, and in support of 821B, 821C, and some configurations of 818C.
- Speaker 7, Rebeca Garcia: In support of map 821B and 821C, and opposes 408B and 822.
- Speaker 8, Yoselynn Vicente: In support of map 821B.
- Speaker 9, Natalia Bautista (via interpreter): In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 10, Jeremias Salazar (via interpreter): In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 11, Ana Huynh: In support of map 821B and 821C, and adding the Santa Ynez Chumash Reservation to District 3.
- Speaker 12, Hazel Davalos: In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 13, Reina Mendoza (via interpreter): In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 14, Jorge Ruiz (via interpreter): In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 15, Matilde Cortez (via interpreter): In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 16, Maria Ventura (via interpreter): In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 17, Paul Chounet: Commented about Cuyama.
- Speaker 18, Yolanda Navarro (via interpreter): In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 19, Thomas Widroe: In support of map 408B and 822, and opposes the 818 and 821 series.
- Speaker 20, Marell Brooks: In support of map 818 and 818C.
- Speaker 21, Chris Hartman: In support of map 408B, and suggested removing Isla Vista from District 3.
- Speaker 22, Pamela Baczuk: Commented about Cuyama Valley.
- Speaker 23, Carol Redhead: In support of map 408B or 822C.
- Speaker 24, Frances Romero: Commented about the letter submitted on November 11, in support of map 408B (either option) or 822, and opposes the Bray/Trosky/Turley option, 801C, 818 and 821B.
- Speaker 25, Vanessa Teran: In support of map 821B and 821C, and amending 821B to add the Santa Ynez Chumash Reservation to District 3.
- Speaker 26, Teri Doutney: In support of map 818.
- Speaker 27, John Kershaw: In support of map 408B or 822.
- Speaker 28, Peggy Wilson: In support of map 408B or 822.
- Speaker 29, Lynda Bohnett: In support of map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 30, Deb Robinson: In support of map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 31, Ignaao Hernandez: In support of map 408B and 822, and opposes 818 and 821B.
- Speaker 32, Spencer Brandt: SBCC students, renters district, and in support of map 821B.
- Speaker 33, Roberta Jaffe: Commented about Cuyama in District 1.
- Speaker 34, Connie Ford: In support of map 821B or 821C, 818 with revisions, and opposes 408B.
- Speaker 35, Jorge Sanchez: In support of map 822, opposes 801C, and the 818 and 821 series.
- Speaker 36, Maria Usuario (via interpreter): In support of map 408B and 822, and concerns about 818 and 801B.
- Speaker 37, Roy Reed: In support of map 408B and 822, and opposes map 801C, 818 and 821B.
- Speaker 38, Jazmin: In support of map 408B, opposes the CAUSE map, and the 818 and 821 series.

- Speaker 39, Yolanda Rodriguez: In support of map 408B and 822, and opposes map 818 and 821B.
- Speaker 40, Stephanie Velazquez: In support of map 408B and 822, and opposes 801C, 818, and 821B.
- Speaker 41, Lee Heller: Referenced written comments submitted, opposes 408B and 822, and in support of map 821B and 821C with changes.
- Speaker 42, Marian Shapiro: In support of map 818, a version of 821B, and opposes 408B and 822.
- Speaker 43, Maureen Ellenberger: In support of map 821B and 821C with changes.
- Speaker 44, Juan Perez: In support of map 408B and 822, and opposes 801C, and the 818 and 821B series.
- Speaker 45, JL Duncan: In support of map 818, and commented about diluting map votes.
- Speaker 46, Amy Blair: Commented about communities of interest, and in support of map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 47, Geneva Lovett: In support of map 821B extending the Chumash boundaries in District 3, and opposes 408B.
- Speaker 48, Leticia Sandoval: In support of map 821B.
- Speaker 49, Kathy Vreeland: In support of map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 50, Hillary Blackerby: In support of map 821B (with changes) and 821C, and the runner up is 818.
- Speaker 51, Lynn Carlisle: Adopt a map that supports the Cuyama Valley and water basin in District 1.
- Speaker 52, Kelly: In support of map 821B.
- Speaker 53, Angelo Caciola: In support of map 822 and second choice is 408B.
- Speaker 54, Michelle Escobar: In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 55, Ilene Pickle: In support of map 818 and possibly 821B.
- Speaker 56, Juan Garcia (via interpreter): In support of map 822 and 408B, and opposes 818, the 821 series and the CAUSE map.
- Speaker 57, Rosanne Crawford: In support of map 408B and 822, impressed with 822C, and opposes 801C.
- Speaker 58, Nadia Lee Abushanab: In support of map 821B and 818, and opposes 408B.
- Speaker 59, Ian Baucke: In support of map 821B, the Rios/Ochoa/Twibell edits, and opposes 408B.
- Speaker 60, Devon: In support of map 821B.
- Speaker 61, Colleen Estrada: Consider removing Isla Vista from District 3, and in support of map 408B or 822.
- Speaker 62, Lorena Gonzalez: In support of map 408B and 822, opposes 801C, and the 818 and 821 series.
- Speaker 63, Carlos Santos: In support of map 408B and 822, opposes 801C, and the 821 and 818 series.
- Speaker 64, Jesus Uribe: In support of map 408B and 822, opposes 801C, and the 821 and 818 series.
- Speaker 65, Antonio Medina: In support of map 408b and 822, and opposes the 818 and 821 series.
- Speaker 66, Kyle Richards: Rejects idea that Goleta is better served by one supervisor, and opposes 822.
- Speaker 67, Brenton Kelly: In favor of keeping Cuyama Valley whole within the watershed in District 1.
- Speaker 68, Marc Chytilo: Commented about Cuyama representation in District 1.
- Speaker 69, Laura Selken: In support of map 818, 818C, 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 70, Natalie Sanchez: In support of map 821B and 821C, and revision to add the Chumash Reservation to District 3.
- Speaker 71, Lindsey Baker: In support of 818, 821B with changes, and opposes 408B and 822.
- Speaker 72, Gail Teton-Landis: In support of map 818, 821B with changes, DistrictR map 8819, and the 821 variant.

Recessed the meeting at 8:38 p.m., and reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

- Speaker 72, Lisa Sloan: In support of map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 73, James Kyriaco: The City of Goleta voted in support of map 818 and 821B, and rejected map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 74, Constance Penley: In support of map 818 and 821B, and opposes map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 75, Michele WQ: Map 408B makes the most sense and 822 is a reasonable alternative.
- Speaker 76, Donna Will: In support of map 818 and second choice is 821B.
- Speaker 77, Daniel Segura: In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 78, Justin Shores: Commented about Goleta, and Isla Vista and Lompoc should not be together.
- Speaker 79, Julie Bischoff: In support of map 408B or 822.
- Speaker 80, Kaylee Ellis: In support of map 408B, second choice is 822, and opposes 801, 818 and 821.
- Speaker 81, Marc Vukcevich: Commented about UCSB, SBCC, Isla Vista and Lompoc.
- Speaker 82, Litzy Moreno: In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 83, George Relles: In support of variations of map 818 and 821B, and opposes 408B and 822.
- Speaker 84, Jovany Medina: In support of modified map 821B, and opposes 408B.
- Speaker 85, Larry Lahr: In support of map 822 or 408B.
- Speaker 86, Alan Ebenstein: In support of map 822.
- Speaker 87, Ed Fuller: In support of map 822.
- Speaker 88, Lata Murti: Consider the revised version of map 821B that she submitted (DistrictR ID 86965 and 8819), and supports 821C.
- Speaker 89, Kathy Sharum: In support of map 821B or 821C, and adding the Santa Ynez Chumash Reservation to District 3.
- Speaker 90, Debi Cloud: In support of map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 91, Ryan Tong: Isla Vista and UCSB should be in the same district as Santa Barbara and SBCC, and in support of map 822C.
- Speaker 92, Berkiel Molinard: In support of map 822C.
- Speaker 93, Dian Pulverman: In support of map 818 and 821B, and opposes map 822.
- Speaker 94, Ray Cloud: In support of map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 95, Yu Ling Zeng: In support of map 822C.
- Speaker 96, Karen Miller: In support of map 408B or 822.
- Speaker 97, Gabe Escobedo: In support of map 821B and 821C, and opposes map 408B.
- Speaker 98, Lee Grixit: Commented about Santa Maria, Orcutt and Guadalupe, and in support of 818 and 821.
- Speaker 99, Brad Joos: In support of map 408B.
- Speaker 100, Barbara: In support of map 408B and 822, and opposes 801C, 818 and 821B.
- Speaker 101, BL Borovay: In support of a modified version of map 818, Lata Murti's modification of 821B, and opposes 408B and 822.
- Speaker 102, Oscar Gutierrez: Keep the east and west side of Santa Barbara together, and opposes map 408B.
- Speaker 103, LeAnne: In support of map 408B and 822, and keep the Lompoc Valley together.
- Speaker 104, Michael English: In support of map 408B.

- Speaker 105, Arcelia Sencion: In support of map 818, second choice is 821B, and keep the Chumash land intact.
- Speaker 106, Lisa Ostendorf: In support of map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 107, Tania Lucero (via interpreter): In support of map 408B and 822, and opposes 801C, 818 and 821B.
- Speaker 108, Valeria Medina: In support of map 821B and 821C, and opposes 408B and 822.
- Speaker 109, Maria Kaestner: In support of map 408B and 822.
- Speaker 110, Erica Reyes: In support of variants of map 818 and 821B, and opposes 408B.
- Speaker 111, Casey Mata: In support of map 821B and 821C.
- Speaker 112, Denise El Amin: Commented about the Commissioner selection process and gerrymandering.
- Speaker 113, Meagan Harmon: The benefit of multiple representatives in one city, and opposes map 408B.
- Speaker 114, Emily Dieckmann: In support of map 822C.
- Speaker 115, Lucille Boss: In support of map 818 and 821B.
- Speaker 116, Kenji Hirokawa: Commented about UCSB, Isla Vista and Guadalupe, and in support of map 822C.
- Speaker 117, Sam Cohen: In support of map 818 and if necessary 821B.

Following discussion, the Commissioners selected two maps (maximum) each:

- Commissioner Rios: 821B (with Rios changes) and 818C (Turley)
- Commissioner Hartman: 822B and need to look closely at 818C (Turley)
- Commissioner Morris: 822 (with Bray/Trosky/Turley changes) and 821B (with revisions)
- Commissioner Bray: 822 (with Bray/Trosky/Turley changes) and second choice is 408B
- Commissioner Ochoa: 821 (with Rios changes) and 818C (Turley)
- Commissioner Bradley: 818C (Turley revisions) and 821C
- Commissioner Kaseff: 822B (with Bray/Trosky/Turley changes) second choice is 408B
- Commissioner McClintock: 818C (Turley) and 821C (with the Chumash Reservation to the Gaviota Coast)
- Commissioner Turley: 818C (Turley) and 821B
- Commissioner Trosky: 408B and 822
- Commissioner Twibell: 822 and 408B (both with revisions)

# Map Selection Tally:

• 6 mentions: 818 series, 821 series, and 822 series

• 4 mentions: 408B

# **Commissioner Comments:**

Public input on proposed changes to the maps.

Following discussion, the Commissioners selected the following maps to move forward for further consideration:

- Map 821C Rios (adding the Chumash to District 3) was selected from the 821 series
- Map 818C Turley
- Map 822

Motion to accept 818C (Turley), 821 (Rios) and 822B, as focus maps to move forward for further discussion and consideration at the next meeting.

Motion Passed: 11 Ayes, 0 Noes 0 Absent

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General Public Comments (Limited to one minute per speaker)

- Speaker 1, Spencer Brandt: Commented about demographic information.
- Speaker 2, Lee Heller: Suggestion for expediting speakers during public comment.

Written Public Comments are posted on the website.

Reports from Legal Counsel, Demographer and Communications Consultant

None.

**Commissioner Comments** 

None.

# Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:07 p. m. The next meeting is scheduled on Saturday, December 4, 2021, at 10 a.m., in the Planning Commission Room, 123 Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara (and virtually via Zoom).