



County of Santa Barbara
**Citizens Independent
Redistricting Commission**

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(Vacant), Member-At-Large

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

Date: October 14, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

Place: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Call to Order – Roll Call

Commission Convened at 5:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Bradley, Bray, Hartman, Kaseff, McClintock, Morris, Ochoa, Turley, Twibell

Commissioners Absent: Trosky (Excused)

Informational Items (Items 1-2)

1. 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.
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 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.

Item 3 was pulled from the consent calendar and heard as a regular item.

Consent Calendar (Item 3)

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.

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

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

Commissioners discussed whether a state of emergency still exists and considered the necessity to continue to hold teleconferencing meetings. Attorney Ordin and Nancy Anderson explained the State of California requires this item be on the agenda for all Brown Act meetings, and that the Body vote every 30 days to continue with the virtual process based on the recommendation of the Public Health Officer.

Motion to accept the recommended action.

Motion Carried: 9 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent

Discussion Items (Items 4-5)

4. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action regarding the commissioner appointment for the At-Large Position and administer oath of office.

Public Comments (Limited to two minutes)

- Lee Heller: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Krya Solis: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Hazel Davalos: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Frances Romero: The need for Latino/Hispanic representation, and in support of Tom Martinez.
- Gail Teton-Landis: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Antonio Ramirez: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Sarah Hewit: Importance of the redistricting process, and in support of Tom Martinez, and Lupe Alvarez.
- Nadia Lee Abushanab: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Ian Baucke: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Rebecca Isabel Garcia: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Jovany: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Debi Cloud, District 5: In support of Tom Martinez.
- Jim Byrne: Importance of impartiality, concerns about appointing a candidate who resigned, and in support of Tom Martinez.
- Nelda Martin, Los Alamos-District 3: In support of Tom Martinez.
- Connie Alexander, Lompoc: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Alice Patino: In support of Tom Martinez.
- Rebecca Gowing: Concerns about appointing a candidate who resigned, and in support of Tom Martinez.

Motion to appoint Jannet Rios to the At-Large Position.

Motion Carried: 9 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent

Ms. Alexander administered the Oath of Office to Jannet Rios.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding future agenda items.
 - Consideration of a second map submission deadline (November 3)

General Public Comments

The General Public Comment period is reserved for comments on items not on this Agenda and for matters within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission. The Commission may adopt reasonable regulations, including time limits, on public comments. The Commission may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during the public comment section, except to decide whether to place a matter on the agenda of a future meeting.

General Public Comments (Limited to two minutes)

- Spencer Brandt: Frustration with NDC receiving updated data.
- Lee Heller: Inquired about adjusting maps, and submitting an accompanying narrative to explain a map.

Mrs. Tilton stated the best way to include a narrative is to use the send feedback option on the website and indicate the map number to identify your map.

- Hazel Davalos: Concerns about receiving updated data, and requested extending the map submission deadline.
- Lindsey Baker: Concerns about the map deadline and informing the community of the delay in receiving Census data.
- Gail Teton-Landis: Inquired about submitting a narrative with the map.

Written Public Comments

- Joshua Moran: Hope Ranch and More Mesa should be included in the Santa Barbara city limits, and developers and special interests would destroy Santa Barbara.
- Lee Heller: In support of reappointing Jannet Rios.
- Irene Cooke: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Michal Lynch: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Pamela Bury: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Pamela Wilkinson: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Julie Sullwold: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Ann Shaw: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Jackie Le Guellec Dearth: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Catherine Gautier-Downes: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Maureen Ellenberger: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Jane Fehrenbacher: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Marilyn Kandus: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Jana Zimmer and Richard Solomon: In support of Jannet Rios.

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- Sharon Broberg: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Cliff Solomon: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Phil Seymour: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Jonathan Abboud: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Lawanda Lyons-Pruitt: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Daisy Basulto: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Hazel Davalos: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Lata Murti: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Sara Macdonald: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Janet Blevins: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Erica Reyes: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Mary Ellen Brooks: 1) Keep Vandenberg Village, Mesa Oaks, and Mission Hills together as they share the same water aquifer; and 2) District 3 should include Isla Vista, UCSB, Gaviota (and other coastal zones), agricultural properties (including Hollister Ranch), Harris Grade Road (South side of the crest), and the area of LOGP.
- Spencer Brandt: Concerns about the release of Census data, mapping tools update, and request the map submission deadline be extended.
- Kathy Sharum: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Audrie Krause: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Charles Bell, on behalf of The California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce: Hispanic representation and in support of Tom Martinez.
- David Dennis: In support of Jannet Rios.
- Vijaya Jammalamadaka, League of Women Voters: Concerns about the release of Census data, mapping tools update, and request the map submission deadline be extended.
- Jaime Flores: Flores Map submission.
- Daniel Gonzalez: In support of Jannet Rios.

The Report from Legal Counsel, Demographer and Communications Consultant, and Commissioner Comments were heard out of order after Item 5.

Reports from Legal Counsel, Demographer and Communications Consultant

Attorney Ordin stated although meeting individually, and with groups outside of public hearings is acceptable, it is recommended that map advocacy be part of the public meetings and accessible to everyone.

Mrs. Tilton stated on September 21, 2021, the State released Official Prisoner Adjusted data, however, NDC discovered flaws, and notified the State. The State corrected and released the revised information on September 27. District R will be updated with the corrected data by October 20, and Maptitude by October 27. The initial submission date is still October 18, however, maps will be accepted after October 20. The maps will be accepted and the numbers can be adjusted after the official data is released to ensure legal compliance. Paper maps are available at County offices, and will be available at the meeting on November 3 in Santa Maria.

Commissioner Comments

- Add the dates to the website that the Official data is expected.
- Under the paper map option on the website, include address of all locations to obtain a free paper map (i.e., Library).
- Update website to clearly state where to send feedback.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, 6 p.m., at the Betteravia Hearing Room, 511 East Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria.