



# Independent Redistricting Commission

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – DRAFT

**Date:** 4/7/2022  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Zoom

### Regular Session

#### A. Call To Order

Vice Chair Gilmer called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

#### B. Roll Call

**Present:** Bahles (exited at 7:44 p.m. and returned at 7:45 p.m.), Erhart, Gilmer, Hill, Marquardt, Saad, Wolter  
**Absent:** Arellano, Kissel  
**Staff:** City Clerk Judi A. Herren, Administrative Assistant Sarah Sandoval, Assistant City Attorney Tamar Burke

#### C. Public Comment

None.

#### D. Consent Calendar

D1. Accept the Independent Redistricting Commission minutes for March 31, 2022 (Attachment)

Administrative Assistant Sandoval provided an update on item D1.

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Bahles/ Hill), to accept the Independent Redistricting Commission meeting minutes for March 31, 2022, passed 6-0 (Arellano absent).

#### E. Public Hearing – 6:10 p.m.

E1. Sixth public hearing to receive public input regarding draft maps of the City's proposed voting Districts, and select by minute order the final map for adoption at the Commission's final meeting and approve a preliminary redistricting plan and draft map along with a written statement of findings and reasons for proposed adoption, which shall include the criteria employed in the process and a full analysis and explanation of decisions made by the IRC. (Staff Report #22-013-IRC)

Assistant City Attorney Tamar Burke and GEOinovo Demographer Alex Sainz introduced the item.

Vice Chair Gilmer opened the public hearing.

Vice Chair Gilmer closed the public hearing.

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Bahles/ Erhart), to remove maps 1-115 and 1-115.1 from further consideration, passed 6-0 (Arellano absent).

The Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) took a recess at 7:18 p.m.

The IRC reconvened at 7:32 p.m.

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Saad/ Erhart), to remove map 131.2 from further consideration, passed 6-0 (Arellano absent).

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Erhart/ Saad), to remove map 1-131 from further consideration, passed 6-0 (Arellano absent).

Vice Chair Gilmer reopened the public hearing.

- Joan Skurnick requested the remaining two maps to be displayed on the screen.
- Pam Jones spoke on developments in District 1 that will lead to eventual changes in population.

Vice Chair Gilmer closed the public hearing.

The Commission received clarification on which Districts will vote in the next election.

Vice Chair Gilmer reopened the public hearing.

Vice Chair Gilmer closed the public hearing.

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Bahles/ Erhart), to select proposed map 1-131.1 for adoption at the April 14, 2022 meeting, failed 3-3 (Hill, Saad, and Gilmer dissenting, Arellano absent).

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Saad/ Hill), to select proposed map 1-120.2 for adoption at the April 14, 2022 meeting, failed 3-3 (Bahles, Erhart, and Wolter dissenting, Arellano absent).

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Gilmer/ Saad), to select proposed map 1-131.1 for adoption at the April 14, 2022 meeting, passed 6-0 (Arellano absent).

The Commission drafted a report for their reasoning and findings to include in the preliminary redistricting plan.

## **F. Reports and Announcements**

F1. Commissioner reports

None.

## **G. Staff Updates**

G1. Staff updates

Administrative Assistant Sandoval informed the Commission of current vacancies in other advisory bodies and encouraged them to apply before the application deadline of April 13, 2022 at 5 p.m.

## **H. Adjournment**

Vice Chair Gilmer adjourned the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Sarah Sandoval, Administrative Assistant