

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (ICRC) June 16, 2021 at 3:00 pm VIA VIDEOCONFERENCING MINUTES

### **CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

Prabhu Kannan Brigham Morris Errol Hardin Eugene Schneider Erin Dempsey Luis Gonzalez, Vice-Chair Dr. Sterling Lands

#### **Members Present**

Prabhu Kannan Brigham Morris Errol Hardin Eugene Schneider Luis Gonzalez, Vice-Chair Hoang Le Shaina Kambo Sara Inés Calderón Selina Yee Christina Puentes, Chair Joshua Blank Hoang Le Shaina Kambo Sara Inés Calderón Selina Yee Christina Puentes, Chair Joshua Blank Place holder

# Members Absent Erin Dempsey

Dr. Sterling Lands

# **Staff Present**

Matt Dugan Lila Valencia Jane Goodall Lisa Rodriguez

Meeting Goals: Establish Working Groups/Committees, Select 14<sup>th</sup> Commissioner, Identify Dates for Staff Candidate Interviews

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Puentes called the meeting to order at 3:04pm with 10 members present. Commissioner Morris joined the meeting from 3:05 – 4:00pm, and Commissioners Dempsey and Lands were absent.

# CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first three speakers who register to speak no later than noon the day before the meeting will be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

Peck Young (NAACP Committee on Redistricting) addressed the ICRC.

# 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Discussion and possible action on the June 2, 2021, ICRC meeting minutes.

On Commissioner Blank's motion, Commissioner Hardin's second, the June 2, 2021, minutes were unanimously approved.

# 2. OLD BUSINESS

The ICRC may discuss and take action on the following agenda items:

A. Selection of Remaining Commissioner

On Commissioner Calderon's motion, Vice Chair Gonzalez's second, Camellia Falcon was unanimously elected to fill the remaining vacant seat.

B. Update from Hiring Working Group

On Commissioner Calderon's motion, Commissioner Yee's second, the board unanimously approved a motion for the Hiring Working Group to select three finalists from the ICRC staff candidate pool for each position, and to draft interview questions and a scoring rubric to present to the full board at the next meeting.

# **3. NEW BUSINESS**

The ICRC may discuss and take action on the following agenda items:

A. Icebreaker: "What influenced your decision to apply for placement on the ICRC?"

Vice Chair Gonzalez lead the icebreaker activity.

B. Presentation on Robert's Rules of Order: Kirk Overbey

Kirk Overbey gave the presentation.

C. Records Management: Jannette Goodall, City Clerk

Jannette Goodall suggested that the records management information could be distributed in a memo, and the Chair concurred.

- D. Commission Skills Survey Results:
  - 1. Establish Working Groups
  - 2. Establish Committees

On Commissioner Blank's motion, Commissioner Calderon's second, the ICRC unanimously approved the formation of the following Working Groups and Committees, with no more than five members each, appointed by Chair Puentes:

Working Groups		Committees	
<u>Communications</u>	Public Hearings	Finance	Final Report
Calderon	Gonzalez	Gonzalez	Blank
Dempsey	Lands	Hardin	Hardin
Kambo	Kambo	Le	Kannan
Puentes	Schneider	Morris	Puentes
Yee		Schneider	

# E. Updates from City:

- 1. Budget Increase Template
- 2. Available City Facilities for Public Hearings
- 3. Utilizing Other Video Conferencing Platforms?
- 4. ICRC Message Board?

Matt Dugan gave the updates.

### 4. STAFF BREIFINGS

Briefing on Austin demographics: Lila Valencia, Housing and Planning Department

Lila Valencia gave the briefing.

# FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Presentation on redistricting
- Presentation on Austin history from Peck Young (NAACP)
- Public Hearing schedule for July and August
- Communications Working Group report
- Finance Committee budget briefing

# **ADJOURNMENT** Chair Puentes adjourned the meeting at 5:25pm without objection.

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