

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (ICRC) August 11, 2021 at 6:00 pm **Video Conference**

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CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS:

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

Dr. Sterling Lands

Hoang Le Shaina Kambo Sara Inés Calderón Selina Yee

Christina Puentes, Chair

Joshua Blank Camellia Falcon

Members in Attendance	Staff In Attendance
Christina Puentes, Chair	Matthew Dugan, City's Planning Manager
Luis Gonzalez, Vice Chair	George Korbel, Mapping Specialist
Joshua Blank	Christine Granados, ICRC Administrative
Erin Dempsey	Manager
Camellia Falcon	-
Errol Hardin	
Shaina Kambo	
Prabhu Kannan	
Dr. Sterling Lands	
Hoang Le	
Brigham Morris	
Eugene Schneider	
Selina Yee	

Minutes

Meeting Goals: Receive Updates from Working Groups/Subcommittees; Hear Presentation from Austin Independent School District

Chair Puentes called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with 10 members present. Commissioner Morris joined the meeting at 6:04 p.m., Commissioner Le joined at 6:14 p.m. and Commissioner Lands joined at 6:33 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

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 addressed the ICRC and opted to withhold comment at the public meeting

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Discussion and possible action on the Aug. 4, 2021, ICRC meeting minutes.

The Aug. 4, 2021, meeting minutes were approved without objection.

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

A. Update from Public Forum Working Group on calendar changes

Vice Chair Gonzalez gave update about upcoming public forums and new county precinct forums.

3. NEW BUSINESS

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

A. Presentation from AISD

AISD's Jacob Reach, chief of government relations and board services; Beth Wilson, executive director of planning and asset management and Geronimo Rodriguez board of trustee president (D6) presented campus and trustee maps and gave a timeline of their school redistricting.

B. Update from Communications Working Group

Commissioner Dempsey gave update about website, RFP sent out for PR firms, efforts to push interactive map and Chair Puentes mentioned ICRC interviews/stories aired on FOX 7 and KOOP 91.7.

C. Update from Finance Subcommittee

Commissioner Morris gave update about additional Zoom expense and reminder about getting all invoices in by end of fiscal year.

D. Update from Final Report Subcommittee

Nothing to report.

E. Housekeeping

Chair Puentes gave update on administrative manager's city email and signup form for commissioners to meet one-on-one with Korbel before he draws up first version of a map.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Invitation to Lila Valencia, Austin City Demographer to speak about Census data
- Invitation to City transportation department to speak to commission
- Invitation to City Watershed Protection Department to speak to commission about boundaries Aug. 18 or Aug. 25 meeting
- Invitation to someone who can talk about neighborhood associations and how they factor into political process
- Addition of Lynn Carter, Austin city attorney or someone from the office, to discuss open records
- Signup form with Korbel
- Discussion on the mapping process
- *Updates from Working Groups/Subcommittees*

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Puentes adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m. without objection.

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