

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (ICRC) October 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Permitting and Development Center (PDC); Event Center 6310 Wilhelmina Delco Dr.
Austin, TX 78752

CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Prabhu Kannan Hoang Le
Brigham Morris Shaina Kambo
Errol Hardin Sara Inés Calderón
Eugene Schneider Selina Yee
Erin Dempsey Christina Puentes, Chair

Luis Gonzalez, Vice-Chair

Dr. Sterling Lands

Camellia Falcon

Members in AttendanceStaff In AttendanceChristina Puentes, ChairMatthew Dugan, City's Planning ManagerLuis Gonzalez, Vice ChairPatricia Fraga, Corrie Stokes, City Auditor,Joshua BlankGeorge Korbel, Mapping Specialist,Sara Inés CalderónDavid Richards, Legal Counsel (virtually)Erin DempseyChristine Granados, ICRC Administrative

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Christine Granados, ICRC Administrative
Manager, Elizabeth Garcia, Notary, Amy
Dang, Photographer

MINUTES

Meeting Goals: Certification of Final Map; Discussion of Final Report; Receive Updates from Working Groups/Subcommittees

CALL TO ORDER

Eugene Schneider

Selina Yee

Chair Puentes called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. with 11 members present.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Peck Young, with the NAACP/Hispanic Coalition addressed the commission.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Oct. 6, 2021, meeting minutes were amended and approved without objection.

2. NEW BUSINESS

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

A. Certification of Final Map

Discussion of annexations

On Commissioner Yee's motion, Commissioner Land's second, after debate, the ICRC unanimously approved and adopted the final maps for City Council districts as they are on a roll call vote:

Commissioner Kannan-not present

Commissioner Morris-not present

Commissioner Hardin-Yes

Commissioner Schneider-Yes

Commissioner Dempsey-Yes

Vice Chair Gonzalez-Yes

Commissioner Lands-Yes

Commissioner Le-Yes

Commissioner Kambo-Aye

Commissioner Calderón-Yes

Commissioner Yee-Aye

Commissioner Blank-Aye

Commissioner Falcon-not present

Chair-Puentes-Aye

The motion passed.

B. Discussion and possible action on the procedure for the Final Report

Commissioner Blank gave an update on final report and documents being emailed to each commissioner.

Commissioner Hardin proposed translating the final report into different languages.

C. Discussion and possible action of dates for future meetings

Chair Puentes gave an update and Vice Chair Gonzalez proposed setting aside the third Wednesday evening of every month for future ICRC meetings: Nov. 17, 2021; Dec. 15, 2021; Jan. 19, 2022 and Feb. 16, 2022 as possible dates for future meetings.

D. Updates from Working Groups/Subcommittees

1. Social Media/Press Release Working Group

Commissioner Dempsey gave an update about creating an onboarding document for the final report subcommittee and continuing social media posts as needed.

2. Advertising/Website Working Group

Commissioner Yee gave an update about advertising efforts during the 2022 elections and about the new ICRC website.

3. Public Forum Working Group

Vice Chair Gonzalez reported the Public Forum Working Group dissolved.

4. Finance Subcommittee

Vice Chair Gonzalez reported that \$35,500 or 24% of the 2022 ICRC budget has been spent to date and the subcommittee is creating a spreadsheet to include in the final report.

C. Housekeeping

Chair Puentes reported on an invitation to Commissioner Schneider's house party Nov. 7, 2021.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- *Approving of new website*
- Approving of Final Report
- Discussion of Retention of ICRC Records and Documents
- Annexations
- Current commissioners' ability to continue with the ICRC
- Hiring of staff: Legal counsel's contracts during inactive period
- Lessons Learned Report
- Report from Travis County Election Officials on Election Precinct Modification

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Puentes adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m. with no objections.

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