



Long Beach
Independent
Redistricting
Commission

Process / Methods
April 20, 2021



Overview

This outlines the process and methods that will be used by the commission, city staff, demographer and legal counsel in order to receive and make best use of all public engagement.

- Map Submissions
- Map Analysis
- Mapping Hearings
- Final Adoption



Map Submissions

Online Map Submissions will be available in the coming month after the city completes development / hosting of the Maptitude Online Redistricting software

Three types of expected input:

- Community of Interest Maps (May – End of Process)
- Plans Based on 2010 Data (May – Release of 2020 Data)
- Plans Based on 2020 Data (Release of Data – Final Adoption)

The Commissioners will refrain from drawing or submitting maps until 21 days after the data is released.

Map Submissions

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- All maps produced in same formats:
 - PDF map with data tables
 - Google type street-level map
 - GIS / Shapefile

- All Maps posted to the website within 24 hours.

Map Analysis

No community of interest maps or full districting plans will be excluded from consideration. To assist in evaluation there will be two pieces of analysis for the commission:

- Demographer report:
 - o Equal Population (Deviation)
 - o Voting Rights Act (CVAP data)
 - o Neighborhood divisions
 - o Any other criteria?

- Legal Counsel report:
 - o Voting Rights Act Compliance

Mapping Hearings

Initial Draft Map Selection

The Initial Draft Map Selection Hearing can be held 21 days after the release of census data. The following are options for the commission to use in that hearing:

Option 1: Nomination Process then Vote on a Draft Plan

Option 2: Motion and Vote on Draft Plans (Without Nomination)

Option 3: Direct Staff to Develop Draft Plans Based on Criteria

Option 4: Live Line Drawing

The selected maps and their data tables will be posted on the website for seven (7) days prior to any further action.

Mapping Hearings

Community Feedback on Draft Maps

A Community Feedback Hearing should occur to provide opportunity for the public to comment on the draft plans.

At this hearing the Commission can:

- provide direction to staff to modify drafts,
- ask the demographer about impacts of changes
- conduct a live line drawing to amend draft plans

Any draft plans that are modified will be posted to the website for seven (7) days.

Mapping Hearings

Hearing to select Proposed Final Map

A “Proposed Final Map” selection hearing is required.

- Requires nine affirmative votes for a map that will become the official proposed final map.
- Upon passage of a proposed final map it is publicized and made public on the website for 7 days, during which time staff and demographer will prepare a final report on the district lines.
- If no vote is successful, commission can request additional changes to maps for a future hearing and repeat this map selection hearing until they get the votes.

Final Adoption

Selection on plan that has been public for 7 days

A Vote on the Final Map that has been public for seven days, and a report on district lines Report will need to be adopted.

- Up or Down vote, no changes.
- Vote of nine commissioners
- Map and data will be submitted to the county and will be effective by the next election.

Final Action

Approval of final report to council

Per the charter, sixty days after the adoption of the final map. A final report with recommendations for future independent redistricting commissions will be provided to the City Council.



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