

Date: October 27, 2021

To: Independent Redistricting Commission

From: Kevin J. Jackson, Deputy City Manager

Subject: Redistricting Mapping Hearing Process for the Wednesday, October 27, 2021 Meeting

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On October 6, 2021, the Independent Redistricting Commission (Commission) provided direction to Redistricting Partners (Consultant) and City staff to draw City Council district maps that reflect the priorities of the Commission. On October 13, 2021, the Commission and the public were provided Consultant drawn draft maps based on Commission priorities and public draft map submissions to consider at the October 20, 2021 meeting.

At the October 20, 2021 meeting, the Commission took the following action:

- Moved IRC Draft Plan 1 to the October 27, 2021 hearing;
- Asked for four (4) public submitted maps to be amended to be within deviation (47248, 49564, 61852, 61537); and
- Requested all maps between October 12, 2021 to October 20, 2021 are provided to the Commission with data sheets.

Per the City Charter, a final map may not be adopted unless a proposed final map with **substantially similar Council district boundaries** has been adopted at least seven (7) days earlier at a prior public meeting.

Changes can only be made at two (2) of the remaining three (3) hearings. At the Wednesday, October 27, 2021 hearing, the Commission will be tasked with selecting proposed final map(s) to be considered as a final map at the final hearing.

The Wednesday, November 10, 2021 hearing is last opportunity for the Commission to make substantial changes to a final map, which will be adopted for approval on Thursday November 18, 2021.

At the final hearing on Thursday, November 18, 2021, the Commission will not be able to make substantial changes at to a map and adopt the final map. An example of a “major change” would be changing District I and District H on the IRC Draft Plan 1 from horizontal to vertical.

Therefore, the Commission will only have an opportunity to make substantial changes to a map at the meetings on Wednesdays, October 27, 2021 and November 10, 2021.



Please find an overview below of the process for the meeting for this Wednesday, October 27, 2021:

### I. During the Study Session

- The study session is **solely** for Redistricting Partners to provide a presentation on maps amended per the Commission's request and to receive public testimony.
- The study session in this meeting is **not** for Commissioner comments and questions. It is set up this way to avoid multiple discussions by the Commission during the item and to ensure there is an organization and structure to the Commission's discussion.
- After the study session, the Chair will start the hearing.

### II. During the Hearing

- For a map to be selected as a proposed final map, there must be a motion and a second on the floor. If there is no second on a motion, the map cannot be considered. (See Attachment A for Example Motions)
- The language in the motion above allows for a discussion by the Commission and allows for any proposed changes to be made by motion. Anyone, including the maker of the motion, above may propose changes to a map.
- To make changes to a map, a Commissioner must make a motion which must be seconded.
  - *If there is no second, the Commission cannot discuss the proposed changes.*
- Once there is a motion and second, the Commission may discuss the changes and ask questions. This process will be repeated until there are no additional changes and 7 affirmative votes are required to make a change to a map. (See Attachment A for Example Motions)
  - **NOTE:** For any changes to a map, **please be as specific as possible** to ensure that the public, demographer, staff, and the rest of the Commission understand what is being proposed.
- Once the Commission is finished making changes to a map, a Commissioner will need to make a motion to "adopt the map as a proposed final map with changes." The motion must be seconded and 9 affirmative votes are required for a map to be selected as a proposed final map. (See Attachment A for Example Motions)
  - Any maps that receive 9 affirmative votes will be considered at the next meeting.
- Once the Commission is finished considering and amending maps, the Chair will close the hearing.

### III. Notes

- Commissioners must use the “Request to Speak” feature on the tablets to make a motion on the floor, ask staff questions, to propose changes to a map, and to cue up for discussion. Commissioners may speak once acknowledged by the Chair.
- A motion and second must be on the floor for the Commission to discuss, ask staff questions, and propose changes to a map.

### Communities of Interest Testimony (COI)

The COI form submissions have been provided to the Commission. Please note that residents will still have the opportunity to provide input to the Commission about their community until the final map is adopted. Also, Commissioners can review the videos of prior meetings on the Commission’s website to view oral public testimony at <https://longbeach.gov/redistricting/agendas-meetings/>.

### Additional Resources

In addition to the COI documents, the [Redistricting Manual](#) and training documents, and the [video](#) of the presentation on Redistricting Fundamentals from the February 21, 2021, Commission meetings are available on the Redistricting website.

If you have any questions, please contact Bradley Bounds II at (562) 570-6787 or via email at [Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov](mailto:Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov).

ATTACHMENT: EXAMPLE MOTIONS – ATTACHMENT A

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## ATTACHMENT A

ACTION DESIRED	SAMPLE MOTION
To consider a map	"I make a motion for <i>(insert map name)</i> to be considered as a proposed final map."
To make changes to a map	"I make a motion make the following changes to this map..."
	"... to move the southern boundary of District I to run the length of South Street"
	"... to move the boundary of District B to Temple Ave and end at 7th Street."
	"...change District I and District H on from horizontal to vertical."
	"...to include Scherer Park in District G."
To adopt a map as amended	"I make a motion to adopt map (insert map name) as a proposed final map, as amended by the Commission."