

**2021 Supervisorial District Lines Advisory Commission Meeting  
Saturday, September 11, 2021, 9:00 a.m.**

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**DRAFT MINUTES**

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Chair Jim Lawrence called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. Roll Call

**Present:**

Commission Members: Nathan Chan, Hermes Monzon-Ruiz, Kailen Sallander, Mark Olbert, Rudy Espinoza, Nicole Davis, Priscilla Romero, and Chair Jim Lawrence.

**Absent:**

Commission Members: Nirmala Bandrapalli, Marcus Barber, Benj Azose, Nadia Bledsoe-Popyack, Mark Dinan, Rita Chow, and Miguel Guerrero.

Staff: Justin Mates, Deputy County Manager; David Silberman, Chief Deputy County Counsel; Brian Kulich, Lead Deputy County Counsel; and Sukhmani Purewal, Assistant Clerk of the Board.

2. Action: Set the Agenda

**RESULT:** **Approved**

**MOTION:** Rudy Espinoza

**SECOND:** Priscilla Romero

**AYES [8]:** Nathan Chan, Hermes Monzon-Ruiz, Kailen Sallander, Mark Olbert, Rudy Espinoza, Nicole Davis, Priscilla Romero, and Chair Jim Lawrence.

**NOES:** None

**Absent [7]:** Nirmala Bandrapalli, Marcus Barber, Benj Azose, Nadia Bledsoe-Popyack, Mark Dinan, Rita Chow, and Miguel Guerrero.

Commissioner Rita Chow joined the virtual meeting at 9:11 a.m.

3. Discuss Public Hearing Format

Lead Deputy County Counsel Brian Kulich discussed the public hearing format for Item No. 4 and asked that verbal roll call votes be taken for all motions to meet the Brown Act requirements.

4. Pre-Mapping Public Hearing

a. Information Presentation: Redistricting Process and Mapping Tools

**Speaker(s):**

Kristen Parks, National Demographics Corporations

Commissioner Espinoza asked if “DistrictR” has been updated with the latest Census data release. Ms. Parks mentioned that “DistrictR” has not been updated yet because the State of California has not released the data, which might occur on or around September 20, 2021.

Commissioner Chan asked if there is a bubble map/chart that shows a large population of a district that can be moved around to another district so there is equal distribution of population among all five districts. Ms. Parks mentioned that in the “Maptitude” and “DistrictR” online tools, there is an option to move around the population but there is not a specific bubble chart. The online mapping tools do have data layers and drawing tool capabilities.

Commissioner Chan asked if the instructional YouTube videos on the mapping tools are also available in other languages besides English for the public. Ms. Parks mentioned that there is a function on YouTube’s auto generate but it’s not perfect and there is no closed captioning in other languages; however, staff can look into providing these videos in other languages.

Commissioner Monzon-Ruiz asked whether there is an option to create one more district to the County to serve our communities better. Mr. Mates and Counsel mentioned that this is not an option for this commission and can only be done by amending the County Charter.

b. Open Public Hearing to Receive Public Testimony Regarding Communities of Interest and Potential District Boundaries

Motion to open public hearing:

**RESULT:** **Approved**

**MOTION:** Rudy Espinoza

**SECOND:** Mark Olbert

**AYES [9]:** Nathan Chan, Hermes Monzon-Ruiz, Kailen Sallander, Mark Olbert, Rudy Espinoza, Nicole Davis, Rita Chow, Priscilla Romero, and Chair Jim Lawrence.

**NOES:** None

**Absent [6]:** Nirmala Bandrapalli, Marcus Barber, Benj Azose, Nadia Bledsoe-Popyack, Mark Dinan, and Miguel Guerrero.

No written or verbal public comments

c. Close Public Hearing

Motion to close public hearing:

**RESULT:** **Approved**

**MOTION:** Nicole Davis

**SECOND:** Rudy Espinoza

**AYES [9]:** Nathan Chan, Hermes Monzon-Ruiz, Kailen Sallander, Mark Olbert, Rudy Espinoza, Nicole Davis, Rita Chow, Priscilla Romero, and Chair Jim Lawrence.

**NOES:** None

**Absent [6]:** Nirmala Bandrapalli, Marcus Barber, Benj Azose, Nadia Bledsoe-Popyack, Mark Dinan, and Miguel Guerrero.

5. Next Hearing: Monday, September 13, 2021

Chair Lawrence announced Commission's next meeting and asked that other commissioners spread the word regarding these public meetings in their communities so there is more public participation.

Vice Chair Priscilla Romero asked for a moment of silence to remember the victims and fallen heroes that we lost 20 years ago.

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

**2021 Supervisorial District Lines Advisory Commission Meeting  
Monday, September 13, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**

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**DRAFT MINUTES**

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Chair Jim Lawrence called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. Roll Call

**Present:**

Commission Members: Nirmala Bandrapalli, Nathan Chan, Hermes Monzon-Ruiz, Kailen Sallander, Mark Olbert, Mark Dinan, Rita Chow, Miguel Guerrero, Priscilla Romero, and Chair Jim Lawrence.

**Absent:**

Commission Members: Marcus Barber, Benj Azose, Nadia Bledsoe-Popyack, Rudy Espinoza, and Nicole Davis.

Staff: Justin Mates, Deputy County Manager; David Silberman, Chief Deputy County Counsel; Brian Kulich, Lead Deputy County Counsel; and Sukhmani Purewal, Assistant Clerk of the Board.

2. Oral Communications and Public Comment

No written or verbal public comments.

3. Action: Set the Agenda

Motion to set the agenda and postpone Item No. 4 to the next Commission meeting:

**RESULT:** **Approved**

**MOTION:** Nirmala Bandrapalli

**SECOND:** Priscilla Romero

**AYES [10]:** Nirmala Bandrapalli, Nathan Chan, Hermes Monzon-Ruiz, Kailen Sallander, Mark Olbert, Mark Dinan, Rita Chow, Miguel Guerrero, Priscilla Romero, and Chair Jim Lawrence.

**NOES:** None

**Absent [5]:** Marcus Barber, Benj Azose, Nadia Bledsoe-Popyack, Rudy Espinoza, and Nicole Davis.

4. Action: Approval of the Minutes

Item postponed to the next meeting.

5. Pre-Mapping Public Hearing

a. Information Presentation: Redistricting Process and Mapping Tools

**Speaker(s):**

Kristen Parks, National Demographics Corporations (NDC)

Kristen Parks talked about non-adjusted 2020 population data and online Public mapping tools such as DistrictR and Maptitude. Demo was provided for Redistricting toolbox.

Commissioner Nicole Davis joined the virtual meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Commissioner Mark Dinan left the virtual meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Commissioner Monzon-Ruiz asked about anticipating future growth and hopefully showing this information in the maps. Ms. Parks mentioned that maps must be drawn based on the 2020 Census data and not what the future growth will be.

Chair Lawrence mentioned that the ethnicity of the County has shifted in the past few years where black and brown residents make 60 percent of the County's population and this is currently not reflected at the Board of Supervisors' level. Ms. Parks mentioned that NDC can bring snapshots of where this population is around the County at a future meeting.

b. Open Public Hearing to Receive Public Testimony Regarding Communities of Interest and Potential District Boundaries

Motion to open public hearing:

**RESULT:**           **Approved**

**MOTION:**           Mark Olbert

**SECOND:**           Nicole Davis

**AYES [10]:**       Nirmala Bandrapalli, Nathan Chan, Hermes Monzon-Ruiz, Kailen Sallander, Mark Olbert, Nicole Davis, Rita Chow, Miguel Guerrero, Priscilla Romero, and Chair Jim Lawrence.

**NOES:**               None

**Absent [5]:**       Marcus Barber, Benj Azose, Nadia Bledsoe-Popyack, Rudy Espinoza, and Mark Dinan.

No written or verbal public comments

c. Close Public Hearing

Motion to close public hearing:

**RESULT:**           **Approved**

**MOTION:**           Nirmala Bandrapalli

**SECOND:**           Priscilla Romero

**AYES [10]:**       Nirmala Bandrapalli, Nathan Chan, Hermes Monzon-Ruiz, Kailen Sallander, Mark Olbert, Nicole Davis, Rita Chow, Miguel Guerrero, Priscilla Romero, and Chair Jim Lawrence.

**NOES:**               None

**Absent [5]:**       Marcus Barber, Benj Azose, Nadia Bledsoe-Popyack, Rudy Espinoza, and Mark Dinan.

6. Commission Member Reports

Mr. Justin Mates mentioned that the County is using various forms of communication methods to inform the public regarding these meetings so community members can participate and provide testimonies.

Commissioner Chan stated that he is promoting these meetings with his internal groups.

Commissioner Romero asked if and when the Commission receives public comments and maps, will these need to be verified whether they were submitted by County residents or non-County residents? Counsel Silberman stated that there is no way of knowing whether the maps were submitted by County residents. Furthermore, the County cannot ask the submitters of these maps where they reside.

Commissioner Guerrero thanked County Staff for providing the option of different interpretation languages during these meetings.

Commissioner Bandrapalli asked if County Staff can do a presentation regarding this commission at upcoming City Council meetings. County staff can provide detailed information on what the commission does and its goals, so residents are motivated to attend and participate during public comment.

Commission Sallander mentioned that she would be happy to volunteer for in person events and help the Office of Community Affairs to promote this Commission's work.

7. Next Hearing: Saturday, September 18, 2021

Chair Lawrence announced Commission's next meeting date.

8. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.