



Redistricting Commission

Record of Action | Virtual Meeting (Zoom Webinar)
Tuesday, August 24, 2021 | 5:30 p.m.

This meeting aired live on the City's Zoom Webinar platform.

Commissioners Present

Fred Kosmo
Roy MacPhail
Kenneth Malbrough
Alan Nevin
Mitz Lee
Justine Nielsen
Monica Hernandez
Thomas Hebrank

City Staff Present

Lora Fleming, Redistricting Commission Chief of Staff

Commissioner Roll Call

- Redistricting Commission Chair Hebrank called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and the roll was called to confirm Commission member attendance.
 - **Present:** Fred Kosmo, Roy MacPhail, Kenneth Malbrough, Alan Nevin, Mitz Lee, Justine Nielsen, Monica Hernandez, Thomas Hebrank;
 - **Not Present:** Val Hoy

Non-Agenda Public Comment

- Four public comments were submitted prior to the meeting and were posted on the website and distributed to the Commissioners.

Item 1 - Brief Overview of the Redistricting Process

- Commissioner MacPhail presented an overview of the redistricting process including an explanation of why the boundary lines are redrawn every 10 years, the Commission's responsibilities and parameters, the current timeline, community mapping resources, how residents can get involved, and ways to stay connected to the Commission.
- Two people spoke during public comment.

Name:	Organization:	District or Community	Non-Agenda or Agenda Item Public Comment	Comments Summary:
Fidel Espinosa		District 8	Agenda item 1	Commented on the roads within the district and asked if the Redistricting Commission could do something about it.
Trinity Vang			Agenda item 1	When will the dates for the public hearings be made available to the public on the Redistricting website.

Item 2- Review Rules of the Meeting:

- Chief of Staff Lora Fleming provided a presentation on some basic rules and helpful suggestions for members of the public to follow when providing public testimony. This included limiting comments to 2 minutes, directions for when the speaker is called on, instructions for calling in, and a reminder that commissioners and city staff will not be responding to questions pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.
- One person spoke during public comment.

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John Stump			Agenda item 2	Requested that a timer be put so residents who speak to the Commission can know how much time they have left.

Item 3- Public Comment:

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Cynthia Suero-Gabler	APAC	District 6	Agenda item 3	In favor of creating a Asian empowerment district. APAC is working on creating a map and presentation for the Redistricting Commission. Requesting the data of the 10 highest API populated cities with San Diego.
John Stump			Agenda item 3	District 8 is underpopulated by 4 to 5 thousand people and requests that its northern boundaries be increased into Marina which is the next neighborhood up. Also, asks the commission about school districts in District 8 and if any are impeding on other districts like District 9. Wants data on school attendance within the district.
Julie Corales		District 8	Agenda item 3	Wants to keep the historic Barrio Logan, Logan Heights, Sherman Heights, Grantville and Shelltown together because they all deal with similar issues. Does not think adding prodominantly white neighborhoods will help the very diverse communities of District 8. Thinks expanding District 8 into the east would suit the community better.
Jerry Butkiewicz		District 7	Agenda item 3	Advocating for Tierrasanta and the four Navajo neighborhoods to stay together because they are the core of District 7. This will also allow more oportunities for federal and state grants for fire protection, etc. Communities of interest is about communities with similar legislative concerns not just race and ethnicity. So, with the environmental needs of the community it makes the most sense to keep them together.
Marissa Cassani	Barrio Logan Maintenance Assessment District	District 8	Agenda item 3	Is advocating for the historic Barrios to be kept together and would like to see District 7 expanded into the Marina and/or to the east.
Lisa Q	Casa Familiar	District 8	Agenda item 3	Wants to keep the hisoric Barrios together. Also, feels that San Ysidro is neglected with its district placement. Supports the idea of renumbering the districts. Would like to see District 8 be turned into Distrct 1 which would shift the dynamic and increase attention on issues within the district.

Item 4- Adjournment

- Chair Hebrank adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m. until the next special district meeting scheduled at 5:30 p.m. on September 1, 2021.