

**SPECIAL MEETING
of the
LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING COMMISSION
CONTINUED MEETING**

**Monday, September 20, 2021
5:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

**Tuesday, September 21, 2021
5:00 PM – 9:00 PM (or until conclusion of business)***

**Monday, September 27, 2021
4:00 PM – 8:00 PM (or until conclusion of business)**

Minutes of the Special Meeting of September 20, 2021

Members Present:	Fred Ali (Chair)	David Hyun (VC)	Michele Prichard
	Edward Anderson	Richard Katz	Valerie Lynne Shaw
	Elissa Barrett	Nam Le	Alexandra Suh
	Charisse Bremond		
	Maria Brenes	Miguel Martinez	
	Denis Cagna	Tammy Membreño	
	Rocky Delgadillo	Wendy Mitchell	
	Sonja Diaz (VC)	Carlos Moreno	
	Andrew Garsten	Richard Polanco	

Members Absent: None

Meeting called to order: 5:03 pm

Roll Call

The Commission took member roll call.

Disclosure of *Ex Parte* Communications

- Chairman Fred Ali received a call from Ackley Padilla, Chief of Staff for Council District Six on September 20, 2021 at 4:09 PM. The conversation involved a review of the process that will be used for tonight’s meeting as well as the process going forward for the Commission and its deliberations.
- Commissioner Richard Polanco received communication on September 14, 2021 at 3:30 PM from Councilmember Cedillo and Chief of Staff Debbie Kim regarding the regional reports.

- Commissioner Richard Polanco received communication on September 14, 2021 at 4:15 PM from Councilmember Cedillo's office regarding clarification of the public maps submitted.
- Commissioner Andrew Garsten reported a meeting with Councilmember O'Farrell and staff on September 13, 2021 at 11:00 AM, to talk about the commissions progress.
- Commissioner Michele Prichard reported an email communication with Chad Molnar, Chief of Staff for Councilmember Mike Bonin in CD 11 on Saturday, September 18, 2021 at 10:19 AM requesting a meeting to discuss the status of the Commission's work. Commissioner Prichard replied the next day, September 19, 2021 at 11:50 AM stating she was available to meet, but subject to disclosure as apart of restrictions per the commission's Ex Parte resolution adopted in February.
- Commissioner Sonja Diaz received a meeting request on Friday, September 17, 2021 at 5:00 pm from Jennifer Barraza, Councilmember Kevin De Leon's Chief of Staff. The meeting was held September 20, 2021 at 2:30 PM, along with her colleague Nathan Hayward, to discuss the inner region memo and to also update the next steps for public map drawing.
- Commissioner Richard Katz reported a contact on Friday, September 17, 2021 at 4:30 PM with Councilmember Blumenfield and his Chief of Staff Lisa Hansen updating them on what was happening with the Commission, and the progress of the timeline.
- Commissioner Richard Katz reported a text message exchange with Lisa Hansen on Sunday, September 19, 2021 at 8:30 PM, updating her on the new things being posted on the website.
- Commissioner Alexandra Suh reported a phone conversation on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 with Councilmember Raman's staff member, Najeeba Syeed in which they discussed what had happened at the Monday meeting and explained details of the content of the regional reports
- Commissioner Denis Canga reported a phone call from Hugh Eston, Councilmember Aid for Councilmember Krekorian in CD 2 on Friday, September 17, 2021 at 6:00 PM extending a dinner invitation. They spent five minutes discussing the Commission and his perspective; No work or Councilmember's work were discussed the remainder of dinner.
- Commissioner Denis Cagna reported an interaction on September 20, 2021 at 4:45 PM with Yolanda Ramos confirming a meeting for September 21, 2021 at 3:00 PM with Councilmember Krekorian to discuss the Commission's work.
- Commissioner Miguel Martinez reported a meeting with Councilmember Curren Price, his Chief of Staff, and Director of Engagement, on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 8:00 PM regarding a summary and the wrap up of the initial public hearings.
- Commissioner Miguel reported a meeting on September 19, 2021 at approximately 6:30 PM Councilmember Curren Price, his Chief of Staff, and

Director of Engagement to give them a summary of the inner regional process and tonight's process.

Public Comment / Agenda Item Comments

Discussion with Neighborhood Council Representatives on Neighborhood Council Resolutions or Community Impact Statements filed with City Clerk Relative to any item listed or being considered on this agenda for the Los Angeles City Redistricting Commission.

Items Noticed for Public Hearing

Item No. (1): Commission discussion and possible action regarding a recommended draft map of new council district boundaries, including but not limited to, providing direction to staff to prepare and present a recommended draft map for future Commission action. Disclosure of Ex Parte Communications

The Commission engaged in discussion regarding potential draft maps for public review.

Motion 1: The Draft Maps will be grounded in the imperative that district lines comply with the Voting Rights Act so that the protected classes have an equal opportunity to elect candidates of their choice consistent with the Act.

Made by Commissioner Polanco, Seconded by Commissioner Martinez
Passes Unanimously

Motion 2 Amended: The Commission's Draft Maps will adhere to the Los Angeles City Charter's requirement of keeping neighborhoods, Neighborhood Councils and communities of interest intact to the extent feasible, while taking into consideration the impact of the 2020 Census undercount while referencing the regional memos drafted by the commission.

Tabled to second part of meeting on 9.21.21

Amendment to Motion 3: "The Commission will agree to a contiguous San Fernando Valley Region, with one bridge district to the balance of the City, if feasible. "

Proposed by Commissioner Garsten, seconded by Commissioner Delgadillo. Amendment Does Not pass

Ali – No	Bremond –	Katz – No	Polanco No
Diaz – No	Absent	Le – No	Prichard – No
Hyun – No	Brenes – No	Martinez – No	Shaw – No
Anderson – No	Cagna – No	Mitchel – No	Suh Yes
Barrett – Abstain	Delgadillio – Yes	Membreño – No	
	Garsten – Yes	Moreno – No	

Motion 3: The Commission will agree to a contiguous San Fernando Valley Region, with one bridge district to the balance of the City.

Made by Commissioner Katz, Seconded by Senator Polanco. This Motion Passes

Ali – Yes	Cagna – Yes	Membreño – Yes
Diaz – Yes	Delgadillio – No	MoreNo – Yes
Hyun – Yes	Garsten – No	Polanco –Yes
Anderson – Yes	Katz – Yes	Prichard – Yes
Barrett – Yes	Le – Yes	Shaw – Yes
Bremond – Absent	Martinez – Yes	Suh – No
Brenes Yes	Mitchell – Yes	

Motion 4: The Commission will agree to reduce the current Council District splits of Koreatown

Offered by Commissioner Prichard, Seconded by Commissioner Polanco

All voted Yes to pass the motion, Commissioner Bremond was absent.

Motion to Recess:

Commissioner Martinez, Seconded by Commissioner Barrett.