



REDISTRICTING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DALLAS CITY HALL, ROOM 6ES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

Commission Members Present:

Jesse D. Oliver (Chairman)	(District 15 – Attended In-Person)
Robert Stimson	(District 1 – Attended In-Person)
Roy Lopez	(District 2 – Attended Virtually)
Kebran Alexander	(District 4 – Attended In-Person)
Domingo Garcia	(District 5 – Attended In-Person)
Ricardo Medrano	(District 6 – Attended In-Person)
Diane Ragsdale	(District 7 – Attended Virtually)
Randall Bryant	(District 8 – Attended In-Person)
Brent Rosenthal	(District 9 – Attended Virtually)
Matthew Garcia	(District 11 – Attended Virtually)
Jonathan Neerman	(District 12 – Attended Virtually)
Barbara Larkin	(District 13 – Attended Virtually)

Commission Members Absent:

All appointed Commission Members present.

NOTE: At the time of the retreat, commissioners for District 3, District 10, and District 14 have not been appointed.

City Staff Present:

Brett Wilkinson, Director, Office of Government Affairs
C.C. Gonzalez-Kurz, Government Affairs Manager, Office of Government Affairs
Christopher Nolfi, Government Affairs Coordinator, Office of Government Affairs
Bert Vandenberg, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office
Laura Morrison, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office
Willow Sanchez, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office

10:03 A.M. Meeting called to order by Chairman Jesse D. Oliver

1. Welcome & Opening Remarks

- Jesse D. Oliver, Chairman, welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the 2021 Redistricting Commission

2. Introduction of Commissioners
 - Jesse D. Oliver, Chairman, introduced himself and his background.
 - Each appointed commissioner in attendance introduced themselves, their background, and what they hoped to contribute to the commission.
3. Introduction of Redistricting Staff & Consultant
 - Office of Government Affairs Director Brett Wilkinson introduced himself, his staff, and the Assistant City Attorneys in attendance.
 - Brett Wilkinson also introduced the Redistricting Consultant, ARCBridge Consulting & Training, Inc, who were in attendance.
4. Texas Open Meetings Act & Parliamentary Procedure
 - Presentation provided by Bert Vandenberg, Assistant City Attorney on the important procedural requirements associated with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Robert's Rules of Order, and other Parliamentary Procedure expected of the Commission in the execution of their duties.
5. Charter Provisions & Redistricting Guidelines
 - Presentation provided by Laura Morrison, Assistant City Attorney, and Willow Sanchez, Assistant City Attorney on the relevant sections of the City of Dallas Charter that governs redistricting, and what is expected of the Commission in the execution of their duties.
6. 2020 Census Update
 - Presentation provided by Sam Mathur, ARCBridge Consulting & Training, Inc, and Priti Mathur, ARCBridge Consulting & Training, Inc, on the 2020 Census results for each district of the City of Dallas, including general demographic information and the under/overpopulation percentages by district.
7. Review of Redistricting Process
 - Presentation provided by Sam Mathur, ARCBridge Consulting, and Priti Mathur, ARCBridge Consulting, on the Redistricting Process.
8. Redistricting Work Plan & Timeline
 - Jesse D. Oliver, Chairman, asked the Commission to begin considering how often they would like to convene.
 - The Commission agreed that a formal calendar of future meetings would be adopted at a later date.
 - Brett Wilkinson, Office of Government Affairs Director, presented a timeline to the Commission of past and upcoming dates of importance related to the Redistricting Commission and their overall responsibilities.

9. Questions & Final Remarks

- Jesse D. Oliver, Chairman, thanked all presenters for their participation in the meeting and opened up the floor to the other members of the Commission for any questions.
- General questions were asked by other Commissioners for clarification on their roles and responsibilities versus the roles and responsibilities of ARCBridge Consulting & Training, Inc,

10. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at **11:58 A.M.**



JESSE D. OLIVER, CHAIRMAN

NOTE: For detailed information on the above meeting, please refer to the available video recording located on the City of Dallas City Secretary's Office website.