



REDISTRICTING TASK FORCE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO MINUTES

Held via Videoconference
(Remote access provided via teleconference)
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January 3, 2022 – 5:30 PM

Regular Meeting

Members: Jeremy Lee, Jose Maria (Chema) Hernández Gil, J. Michelle Pierce, Matthew Castillon, Arnold Townsend, Lily Ho, Raynell Cooper, Chasel Lee, Ditka Reiner

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Redistricting Task Force met in regular session through videoconferencing, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on Monday, January 3, 2022. Chair Reverend Arnold Townsend called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

On the call of the roll, Member Jeremy Lee, Member Hernández Gil, Member Pierce, Member Castillon, Member Townsend, Member Ho, Member Cooper, Member Chasel Lee, and Member Reiner were noted present. A quorum was present.

2. Resolution Making Findings to Allow Teleconferenced Meetings Under California Government Code, Section 54953(e)

Speaker: David Pilpel; spoke on various concerns relating to the resolution.

Member Chasel Lee, seconded by Member Pierce, moved that the Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Jeremy Lee, Hernández Gil, Pierce, Castillon, Townsend, Ho, Cooper, Chasel Lee, Reiner

3. Approval of Minutes from December 6, December 8, and December 10, 2021 Meetings

Speaker: David Pilpel; spoke on various concerns relating to the form of the December 6, 2021, regular meeting minutes. Clerk Carroll noted a clerical change to the December 6, 2021, regular meeting minutes.

Member Chasel Lee, seconded by Member Pierce, moved that the December 6, December 8, and December 10, 2021, meeting minutes be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Jeremy Lee, Hernández Gil, Pierce, Castillon, Townsend, Ho, Cooper, Chasel Lee, Reiner

4. Outreach Plan Update

Rosie Dilger (Civic Edge Consulting) and Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board (Office of the Clerk of the Board); presented follow-up information since the previous appearance of this agenda item and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Speakers: Jennifer Parkes; Lauren Girardin (League of Women Voters San Francisco); David Pilpel; Steven Currier; Maggie Weis (Portola Neighborhood Association) Jen Tse (League of Women Voters San Francisco); spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Chair Townsend declared the matter heard and filed.

5. Mapping

Seth Neill, Redistricting Consultant (Q2 Data and Research); presented an update on the roll-out of the San Francisco Redistricting Tool, and answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Speakers: Lauren Girardin (League of Women Voters San Francisco); David Pilpel; Jen Tse (League of Women Voters San Francisco) Steven Currier; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Chair Townsend declared the matter heard and filed.

6. Updates to Regular and Special Meeting Schedule

Wilson Ng, Deputy Director for Operations (Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors) presented an updated Task Force meeting schedule, sharing progress on planning various hybrid remote and in-person meetings which may be held throughout the districts of the City. Ana Flores, Deputy City Attorney (Office of the City Attorney), answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

Speakers: Steven Currier; Lauren Girardin (League of Women Voter San Francisco); Michael Vuong, Tenderloin Clubhouse Director (Boys and Girls Club San Francisco); Eileen Boken, President (SPEAK: Sunset Parkside Education & Action Committee); Jen Tse (League of Women Voters San Francisco); spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

Member Cooper, seconded by Member Chasel Lee, moved to adopt an update to the Task Force meeting schedule to schedule three hybrid remote and in-person meetings as follows:

- **Friday, January 14, 2022, special meeting to begin at 3:00 p.m. in City Hall, Room 400;**
- **Saturday, January 22, 2022, special meeting to begin at 10:00 a.m. at Third Baptist Church, 1399 McAllister Street; and**
- **Saturday, January 29, 2022, special meeting to begin at 10:00 a.m. at First Congregational Church; 1300 Polk Street.**

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - Jeremy Lee, Hernández Gil, Pierce, Castillon, Townsend, Ho, Cooper, Chasel Lee, Reiner

7. Task Force Member Reports

Member Chasel Lee shared that he had recently communicated with District 6 Supervisor Matt Haney, regarding the schedule of Task Force meetings to consider District 6 mapping. Member Cooper shared that he had recently communicated with the Clerk's Office on matters relating to the Task Force website. Member Jeremy Lee shared that he had met with the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, the Department of Elections, and the Office of the Clerk of the Board to discuss budgeting and resources for the Task Force and suggested that the Task Force may consider radio outreach strategies to reach the Chinese-speaking communities of San Francisco. Member Hernandez Gil shared that he had recently communicated with several District 6 community-based organizations, including SoMa Pilipinas, the East Cut Community Benefit District, Lower Polk Neighbors, and the SF Rising Alliance, to discuss upcoming District 6-focused Task Force meeting dates and mapping.

Speaker: David Pilpel; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Chair Townsend declared the matter heard and filed.

8. City Department Representative/Public Official Reports

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board, and Wilson Ng, Deputy Director for Operations (Office of the Clerk of the Board) shared a brief summary of the outreach newspapers which publish advertisements of Task Force meetings; shared that the City Librarian has pledged that library computers throughout the library system are available for accessing the Task Force website and mapping tools; and shared details about the functioning of future hybrid in-person and remote meetings. Ana Flores, Deputy City Attorney (Office of the City Attorney), answered questions relating to the hearing matter.

Speakers: None.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Chair Townsend declared the matter heard and filed.

9. General Public Comment

Speakers: Jen Tse and Lauren Girardin (League of Women Voters San Francisco); shared concerns about the future implementation of a Communities of Interest (COI) tool within the redistricting tool and recommended that the Task Force examine the California Redistricting Commission's public comment page for examples of successful public comment organization.

10. Future Agenda Items

Members discussed possible future agenda items as follows:

- *A discussion item on Covid safety and contingency as relates to potential future in-district meetings;*
- *A discussion item for developing a strategy for drafting maps; and*
- *A discussion item on the strategy and timelines for developing draft maps.*

Speakers: David Pilpel; Jen Tse (League of Women Voters San Francisco); spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Redistricting Task Force adjourned at the hour of 8:33 p.m.

N.B. The Minutes of this meeting set forth all actions taken by the Redistricting Task Force on the matters stated, but not necessarily in the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.