

REDISTRICTING TASK FORCE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO MINUTES

Held via Videoconference

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January 7, 2022 – 3:00 PM

Special 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 special session through videoconferencing, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on Friday, January 7, 2022. Chair Reverend Arnold Townsend called the meeting to order at 3:03 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. 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. Andrew Shen, Deputy City Attorney (Office of the City Attorney), answered questions raised throughout the discussion.

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

Member Hernández Gil, seconded by Member Pierce, moved to adopt an update to the Task Force meeting schedule as follows:

- Friday, January 14, 2022, special meeting to begin at 3:00 p.m., to be held remotely, rather than in City Hall, Room 400; and
- Saturday, January 22, 2022, special meeting to begin at 10:00 a.m., to be held remotely, rather than at Third Baptist Church, 1399 McAllister Street;

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Member Cooper, seconded by Member Chasel Lee, moved to adopt an update to the Task Force meeting schedule as follows:

- Adding a special meeting on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, to begin at 5:30 p.m., to be held remotely via videoconference;
- Adding a special meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022, to begin at 5:30 p.m., to be held remotely via videoconference;
- To change the start time for the special meeting on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and
- To adopt projected end times for all future Task Force meetings as may impact scheduling for future offsite in-district meetings.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

3. Mapping

Karin Mac Donald and 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; Sana Sethi (SF Rising); David Hooper; spoke on various concerns relating to the hearing matter.

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

4. Task Force Member Reports

Member Chasel Lee shared that he has had discussions with community leaders in the Tenderloin concerning the upcoming Task Force meeting of January 14, 2022. Member Hernandez Gil shared that he has had discussions with community leaders in the Tenderloin and SoMa areas concerning the upcoming Task Force meeting of January 14, 2022, and that he had a discussion with Supervisors Ronen and Safai on the status of Task Force business. Member Jeremy Lee shared that met with the API Council and reports that they intend to submit their proposed district-wide maps to the Task Force.

Speakers: None.

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

5. City Department Representative/Public Official Reports

Speakers: None.

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

6. General Public Comment

Speakers: Lauren Girardin (League of Women Voters San Francisco); shared concerns about the timeline for Task Force production of draft maps; Francisco da Costa; shared various concerns with the Task Force; David Pilpel; shared concerns about the timeline for Task Force production of draft maps.

7. Future Agenda Items

Members discussed possible future agenda items as follows:

• A discussion item on the timeline for developing draft maps.

Speakers: None.

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

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Redistricting Task Force adjourned at the hour of 4:58 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.

APPROVED: January 22, 2022 Redistricting Task Force