



# CITY OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

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## **Minutes of the ReDistricting Advisory Commission Special Meeting-Public Hearing April 11, 2011**

The 2011 ReDistricting Advisory Commission of the City of San José convened in a Public Hearing session on April 11, 2011 at City Hall 200 E. Santa Clara Street Room 120 at 6:30 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners De La Rosa, Williams, Schoennauer, Flaugher, Shelton, Schumb, De Rollo, Mace, Chirco and Fadness

Absent: Commissioner Cobb

### **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

The Commission unanimously approved the Orders of the Day.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were no items on the consent calendar.

### **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **4. Commissioner Reports**

Commissioner Mace reported that Sr. Deputy City Attorney Lisa Herrick and Senior Planner Michael Bills and Commissioner De Rollo attended the District 8 Community Roundtable meeting which was a great discussion with the group about what they would like to see and how the process works.

Commissioner Flores Shelton reported that she presented to the 680 East Valley NAC.

#### **5. DISCUSSION OF POPULATION TRANSFER AREAS**

- a. Staff presentation on starting point exercise with up to 10% population range between Council Districts, as requested by the Commission on April 4, 2011

- b. Commission questions and comments regarding the 10% exercise and previously presented 1%, 5%, and 7.5% variation exercises
- c. Questions and Comments from the Public
- d. Commission Discussion
- e. Commission direction to Staff

Documents Filed: City of San Jose City Council ReDistricting Plan Exercise "SP-10" 2010 Population Variation revised April 6, 2011; (2) City of San Jose City Council ReDistricting Plan Exercise "SP-10" Population Transfer Area Criteria and Data revised April 6, 2011; (3) City of San Jose 2010 Population by Race and Ethnicity (Hispanic Inclusive1) ReDistricting Plan Exercise "SP-10" vs. Existing Council Districts revised April 6, 2011; (4) City of San Jose 2010 Population by Race and Ethnicity (Hispanic Exclusive1) ReDistricting Plan Exercise "SP-10" vs. Existing Council Districts revised April 6, 2011.

Senior Planner Michael Bills presented the 10% Starting Point (SP-10) exercise prepared as directed by the Commission. He mentioned that the Commission has a good full range of plans with a considerable amount of time left before them. He explained the SP-10 plan as an exploratory plan that was prepared on the basis of a few objectives: 1) to make minimal incremental moves that were necessary in order to satisfy legal requirements and see what happened as a result of that; 2) try to explore alternatives to what has been presented to date. With the preparation of the SP-1, SP-5 and SP-7.5 plan he mentioned that they have seen a fair amount of difference in terms of population transfer areas that have been put forward. He sensed from the commission from the previous meeting a desire to have as many alternatives as possible so he took those objectives in mind when preparing the SP-10. He walked the Commission through the different flow process (Districts 1, 6 and 9; Districts 3, 4 and 5; Districts 8, 7, 2 and 10) and commented on modifications.

Chair De La Rosa invited those community members who submitted a speaker card to speak at this time.

Ty Grieves acknowledge the work of staff and the Commission. He urged the Commission to personally stand aloof from the plan until they have had the opportunity to listen to the public.

Commission discussion ensued.

The Commissioners each voiced their priorities for transfer areas as follows:

Commissioner Mace said she likes the 8-7 shift and expressed her willingness to do the 8-5 shift (Lake Cunningham area) and potentially okay to go under 97,000.

Commissioner Williams expressed looking at an adjustment to keep the Oak Grove elementary School District willing to the 10-2 transfer to help District 7.

Commissioner Shelton commented on Commissioner De Rollo's statement about shared sacrifice, she realizes that District 5 is not on the edges of the 10% deviation. In terms of the guidelines regarding the Communities of Interest the more she speaks with people there is the concern of being split down King Road. There are issues that she is looking into to resolve. She said she would be open to Commissioner Mace transfer area between 8-5 (Lake Cunningham area).

Commissioner Schumb met with the Hamman Park Association and apprised them of 6-1aa being discussed and would like to hear back from them before he makes a decision, he is not 100% comfortable with these transfer areas as of yet and would like to hear the communities feedback.

Commissioner De Rollo mentioned that transfer areas 7 and 8 make sense and he also thanked Mr. Bills for taking his comments into consideration regarding the Seven Trees transfer area 7-2. He would like to keep Hellyer School in District 7. He is open to explore other opportunities between 3 -7 if necessary.

Commissioner Chirco was not satisfied with the 10% deviation she would be more comfortable with a 7.5% deviation and would like to see more logical arterial divisions.

Commissioner Fadness expressed his appreciation for Commissioner Williams and De Rollo's open minded approach with respect to the improbability of bringing in all school districts into one Council District.

An interactive exercise followed with flow process of Districts 1, 6, and 9 and then 3, 4, and 5. Senior Planner Michael Bills briefly explained the mapping system he would use for this exercise.

Public Comments:

Allen Rice mentioned that he was glad to see the Commission using the tools and the manipulation of actual numbers. He shared his observations from this evenings meeting he would like to see some cooperation between Districts 9 and 6.

**6. COMMISSION WORKPLAN UPDATE**

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were none.

**8. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Members of the Public are invited to speak on any item that does not appear on today's Agenda and that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Each speaker may be limited to two (2) minutes or less, at the discretion of the Chair.*

**9. ADJOURN**

The Commission adjourned at 8:36 p.m.



RICHARD DE LA ROSA, CHAIR  
REDISTRICTING ADVISORY COMMISSION

ATTEST:  
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