

SEATTLE REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Zoom Meeting

Approved on December 6, 2022

Commissioners Present: Eliseo EJ Juárez, Commission Chair Patience Malaba, Greg Nickels, Rory O’Sullivan, Neelima Shah

Commissioners Absent:

Commission Staff and Guests: Elsa Batres-Boni: Department of Neighborhoods, Ariel Schneier: Assistant City Attorney, Mary Ullrich: Districting GIS Consultant, Dennis Higgins: Districting GIS Consultant, Logan Drummond: Department of Neighborhoods,

(Transcriber’s Note: Seattle Redistricting Commission meeting minutes are not an exact transcript and represent key points and the basis of discussion. The recording of the meeting is available upon request.)

Meeting Minutes:

I. Call to Order

- To follow the recent amendment by Governor Inslee [House Bill 1329](#), of the Open Public Meeting Act to increase the accessibility of and participation in public meetings. This meeting was held online and in a physical location at the City of Seattle L280 Boards and Commissions Room on floor L2 at 600 4th Avenue, Seattle WA, 98104.
- This meeting was open to the public and was advertised through appropriate channels. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM once the Redistricting Commissioners had quorum.

II. Welcome & Housekeeping

- Reading of the agenda, welcome and land acknowledgement

III. Agenda Review and approval

- A motion was presented by Commissioner Nickels. the motion was seconded by Commissioner Shah and passed unanimously.

IV. Minutes approval

- The 11.08.2022 were up for approval at today’s meeting. The 11.08.2022 minutes were motioned for approval by Commissioner O’Sullivan and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Nickels. The 11.08.2022 minutes were then passed unanimously with five yes votes.

V. Received Public Comment Acknowledgement

- Commissioners acknowledged that they have reviewed the latest submitted public comments.

VI. Conflict of Interest Disclosure

- There were no conflict-of-interest disclosures made by Redistricting Commissioners at today's meeting.

VII. Submission Update

- Elsa Batres-Boni gave the Redistricting Commission an update on the final map submission, confirming that the City Clerk's office has confirmed receipt of the final map via email and in-person. The City Clerk has also delivered the final map materials to the King County auditor and King County elections.

VIII. Overall Process Remarks and Recommendations

- Commissioners discussed challenges, successes and recommendations throughout the process. Staff will compile all comments and draft a letter that will be addressed to City Council and Mayor for the next Redistricting process. Suggestions will be divided by operational changes and Charter amended suggestions. This letter will be reviewed at the next meeting.

I. Next Meetings – December 6th

- The Redistricting Commission's next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 from 12:00pm-1:30pm with an option to attend in-person at Room 370 on the 3rd floor of City Hall.
 - To enter, take the main elevators (set of four) from Floor 1 of City Hall to Floor 3. Go left. Room 370 will be on your left.

IX. Adjourn

- Commission Chair Malaba asked if there was a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Nickels motioned for adjournment, and Commissioner O'Sullivan seconded. The motion for adjournment was then passed unanimously.
- Questions and comments, please send them to Elsa.Batres-Boni@Seattle.gov