

CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS
Council Chamber
3191 Katella Ave., Los Alamitos, CA 90720

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING**

Monday, November 8, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

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All speakers shall observe civility, decorum and good behavior. Any item submitted to the City Council during the meeting shall become public record and subject to applicable disclosure laws.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC – This Agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. Except as provided by law, action or discussion shall not be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda. Supporting documents, including staff reports, are available for review at City Hall in the City Clerk’s Office or on the City’s website at www.cityoflosalamitos.org once the agenda has been publicly posted.

Each matter on the agenda, no matter how described, shall be deemed to include any appropriate motion, whether to adopt a minute motion, resolution, payment of any bill, approval of any matter or action, or any other action. Items listed as “for information” or “for discussion” may also be the subject of an “action” taken by the City Council at the same meeting.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Chirco
Mayor Pro Tem Hasselbrink
Council Member Bates
Council Member Doby
Council Member Nefulda

3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

A. Consideration of Providing Public Input to the 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission (City Clerk)

The 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission) is in the process of drawing new district lines for California’s boundaries of its Congressional, State Senate, State Assembly and State Board of Equalization districts. This is an opportunity for Council to provide input to the Commission. Additional information and the information contained in this report come directly from the Commission website: <https://www.wedrawthelinesca.org/>.

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 2021-29, entitled, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE CITY REMAIN IN AN ASSEMBLY, STATE SENATE, AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT BASED IN ORANGE COUNTY TO ENSURE THE CONCERNS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND ELECTORATE CAN BE ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED”.

4. CLOSED SESSION

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

City Negotiator: Chet Simmons, City Manager
Employee Organization: Los Alamitos Police Officers Association
Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6

B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

City Negotiator: Chet Simmons, City Manager
Employee Organization: Teamsters Local 911
Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6

C. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

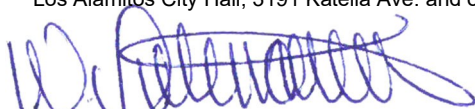
City Negotiator: Chet Simmons, City Manager
Unrepresented Employees: Executive Management, Middle Management and Non-Management Employees
Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6

D. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Title: City Manager
Authority: Government Code Section 54957

5. ADJOURNMENT

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing Agenda was posted at the Los Alamitos City Hall, 3191 Katella Ave. and online at www.cityoflosalamitos.org not less than 24 hours prior to the meeting.



Windmera Quintanar, MMC, City
Clerk Dated: November 4, 2021

City of Los Alamitos

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: November 8, 2021

ITEM NUMBER: 3A

To: Mayor Mark A. Chirco & Members of the City Council

Presented By: Windmera Quintanar, MMC, City Clerk

Subject: Consideration of Providing Public Input to the 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission

SUMMARY

The 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission) is in the process of drawing new district lines for California's boundaries of its Congressional, State Senate, State Assembly and State Board of Equalization districts. This is an opportunity for Council to provide input to the Commission. Additional information and the information contained in this report come directly from the Commission website: <https://www.wedrawthelinesca.org/>.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution No. 2021-29, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE CITY REMAIN IN AN ASSEMBLY, STATE SENATE, AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT BASED IN ORANGE COUNTY TO ENSURE THE CONCERNS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND ELECTORATE CAN BE ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED".

BACKGROUND

Every 10 years, after the federal government publishes updated census information, California must redraw the boundaries of its Congressional, State Senate, State Assembly and State Board of Equalization districts, so that the districts correctly reflect the state's population.

California voters authorized the creation of the Commission when they passed the VOTERS FIRST Act (Act) in 2008. It authorized the Commission to draw the new district lines. In 2010, the Congressional Voters FIRST Act added the responsibility of drawing Congressional districts to the Commission.

The 14-member Commission is made up of five Republicans, five Democrats, and 4 not affiliated with either of those two parties. The Commission must draw the district lines in conformity with strict, nonpartisan rules designed to create districts of relatively equal population that will provide fair representation for all Californians.

To approve new district boundaries, the Commission is required to define the geographic boundaries for the Congressional Districts, State Senate districts, State Assembly districts, and State Board of Equalization districts so that they contain reasonably equal populations.

Once the Commission has agreed on the geographic boundaries of the districts, the districts will be displayed on four maps: one map displaying the revised Congressional districts, a second map displaying the revised State Senate districts, a third map displaying the revised State Assembly districts, and a fourth map displaying the revised State Board of Equalization districts.

To be approved, each map must receive the affirmative vote of at least three Commissioners who are Democrats, three Commissioners who are Republicans and three Commissioners from neither of those parties. Once the Commission has approved the final maps, the maps are submitted to the Secretary of State with a report explaining the basis on which the Commission made its decisions.

DISCUSSION

The Commission is currently reviewing map visualizations and receiving public input. Map visualizations show hypothetical district-based boundaries for limited geographic areas in response to preliminary direction from the Commission. These map visualizations are created to allow the Commissioners to review potential options. Map visualizations are not statewide plans and may include multiple mutually exclusive scenarios. Current map visualizations can be found as handouts to upcoming meetings online here: <https://www.wedrawthelinesca.org/meetings>.

On September 22, 2021, the California Supreme Court directed the Commission to release the first preliminary statewide maps no later than November 15, 2021 and approve and certify final statewide maps to the Secretary of State by no later than December 27, 2021. The Commission's redistricting schedule is provided below and can be found online at: <https://www.wedrawthelinesca.org/timeline>.

February – July 2021: Education Presentations (California Redistricting Basics)

June – September 2021: Public Input Meetings (Communities of Interest)

August 12, 2021: Census Data Received by the State

September 20, 2021: Final dataset provided to Commission and Public with People in State Custody Reallocated

October – November 2021: Public Input Meetings/Line Drawing Sessions

No Later than November 15, 2021: Preliminary Draft District Maps Released

*14 days following the release of Preliminary Draft District Maps, the Commission may not display any other maps for public comment during this period.

November–December 2021: Following Release of Preliminary Draft Maps: Additional Public Input Meetings and Line Drawing Sessions

December 2021: Possible additional draft District Maps Released

No Later than December 23, 2021: Display of Commission Approved Final Maps

No Later than December 27, 2021: Final District Maps Certified to Secretary of State

A review of the most current visualizations shows the City of Los Alamitos being shifted into an Assembly District within Los Angeles County. This is troublesome given the City's geographic location within Orange County and the natural partnerships and joint services that are shared among Orange County cities. If adopted, the proposed visualization would seriously hinder the City's ability to play a substantive role in the State's legislative and funding discussions.

Fiscal Impact

None.

Submitted by: Windmera Quintanar, MMC, City Clerk

Approved by: Chet Simmons, City Manager

Attachment: 1: Resolution No. 2021-29

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-29**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE CITY REMAIN IN AN ASSEMBLY, STATE SENATE, AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT BASED IN ORANGE COUNTY TO ENSURE THE CONCERNS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND ELECTORATE CAN BE ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED**

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States requires a Census to be conducted every ten years; and,

WHEREAS, following the Census, the legislative districts across the country are reapportioned and redistricted to account for changes in population and to achieve equal representation; and,

WHEREAS, in 2008, the People of California passed Proposition 11 to create the California Citizens Redistricting Commission charged with redrawing the lines for State Senate, Assembly, and Board of Equalization districts in California, and Congressional districts with the passage of Proposition 20 in 2010; and,

WHEREAS, the California Citizens Redistricting Commission has begun the process for mapping legislative districts to cover the ten-year period beginning in 2022; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Los Alamitos is located in Orange County and has ties and communities of interest with Northwest Orange County, including the cities of Cypress, Seal Beach, and Westminster, the Los Alamitos Unified School District, the Rossmoor-Los Alamitos Sewer District, Orange County Fire Authority, public safety services through West Cities Police Communications Center; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Los Alamitos has separate and distinct interests from the City of Long Beach and Los Angeles County, despite geographical closeness, including home values, demographics, crime rates, and community pride; and,

WHEREAS, early visualization concepts have been requested to potentially place the City of Los Alamitos and other Northwest Orange communities with Long Beach where community public policy issues would not be adequately addressed.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Los Alamitos, California, finds that the above recitals are true and correct.

SECTION 2. The City Council supports the City of Los Alamitos remaining in an Assembly, State Senate, and Congressional District that is not shared with the City of Long Beach, and instead in Orange County based districts so that the concerns of our community and electorate can be adequately addressed.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall certify as to the adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 8th day of November, 2021.

Mark Chirco, Mayor

ATTEST:

Windmera Quintanar, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael S. Daudt, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) ss
CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS)

I, Windmera Quintanar, MMC, City Clerk, of the City of Los Alamitos, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a Special Meeting of the City Council held on the 8th day of November, 2021, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:

Windmera Quintanar, MMC, City Clerk