

Private
STAFF SUMMARY OF MEETING

OTHER COMMITTEE COMMITTEE ON INDEPENDENT CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Date 03/22/2021
Time 02:11:46 PM to 04:45:45 PM
Place LSB B
This Meeting was called to order by Carly Hare
This Report was prepared by Julia Jackson

Attendance	
Jolie Brawner	X
Martha Coleman	X
Moussa Diawara	X
Paula Espinoza	X
Jason Kelly	X
William Leone	X
JulieMarie Shepherd	X
Macklin Danny Moore	X
Lori Schell	X
Elizabeth Wilkes	X
Simon Tafoya	X
Carly Hare	X

X = Present, E = Excused, A = Absent, * = Present after roll call

Hearing Items	Action Taken
Adoption of Rules	Committee Discussion Only
Discussion of Chair and Vice-Chair Selection	Committee Discussion Only
Future Agenda Considerations	Committee Discussion Only

02:13:39 PM Commissioner Hare, temporary chair, introduced the meeting and reviewed the agenda. Commissioner Hare requested additional discussion of the 20-day public comment period for the development of preliminary maps. Commissioner Coleman requested additional discussion on letters received from the Governor and legislative leaders.

Adoption of Rules - Committee Discussion Only

02:18:44 PM Commissioner Shepherd Macklin, seconded by Commissioner Moore, moved to adopt Roberts Rules of Order as the commission's temporary rules of order. Commissioner Coleman amended the motion to clarify that the rules would be adopted except where they are proscribed by Article V of the Colorado Constitution, seconded by Commissioner Leone. Commissioners discussed the inclusion of Senate Bill 20-186 in the motion and decided to leave it out. The amended motion passed without objection.

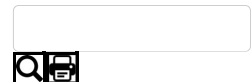
02:25:51 PM Commissioner Hare discussed procedures for evaluating support of various items as they are considered.

Discussion of Chair and Vice-Chair Selection - Committee Discussion Only

02:28:41 PM Jessika Shipley, Staff Director, noted the minimum requirements for commission chair and vice-chair. The two positions must be held by commissioners from different political affiliations, and their selection requires the affirmative vote of eight commissioners, including at least two unaffiliated commissioners.

02:30:59 PM Commissioner Hare suggested that those who wish to nominate themselves to be chair or vice-chair be given an opportunity to speak to the commission. Commissioner Coleman asked for consideration of the order in which the chair and vice-chair will be selected. Commissioner Shepherd Macklin asked that the method of voting be considered. Commissioner Tafoya added to the consideration of order, requesting that the commission decide whether to elect the two in sequence or as a pair. Commissioners clarified with Ms. Shipley that both the chair and vice-chair could be unaffiliated.

02:35:02 PM The commissioners discussed how candidates for chair and vice-chair would be nominated. They agreed that nominations would be taken through the chat feature of the virtual meeting. They also agreed to take public votes on chair and vice-chair.



- 02:44:01 PM Commissioner Wilkes suggested that the chair be selected first and then the vice-chair be selected. Commissioner Tafoya suggested that alternatively, the top two vote-getters could be selected as chair and vice-chair. The commissioners agreed to select the chair first and then reopen nominations for vice-chair.
- 02:48:38 PM Commissioner Hare clarified the agreed-upon selection process, including nominations, speeches, and the order of voting. Commissioner Wilkes, seconded by Commissioner Brawner, moved: two separate selection processes, nominations including self-nominations, speeches not to exceed 3 minutes, question period, open vote subject to voting rules. The motion passed without objection.
- 02:51:40 PM The commissioners discussed the voting process they would use to select a chair and vice-chair. Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Schell, moved that after each vote the lowest vote-getter be dropped until the necessary 8-vote threshold is met. The motion passed without objection.
- 02:55:29 PM Commissioner Hare opened up the floor for nominations. The following commissioners nominated themselves for chair: Tafoya, Wilkes, Leone, Moore.
- 03:00:00 PM Commissioner Wilkes, Democrat from Colorado Springs (CD-5), introduced herself and discussed her qualifications for commission chair.
- 03:02:27 PM Commissioner Tafoya, Democrat from Denver (CD-1), introduced himself and discussed his qualifications to be chair of the commission.
- 03:04:09 PM Commissioner Moore, Republican from Centennial (CD-6), introduced himself and discussed his qualifications to chair the commission.
- 03:07:05 PM Commissioner Leone, Republican from Westminster (CD-7), introduced himself and discussed his qualifications for chair of the commission.
- 03:14:05 PM The results of the first vote for chair were as follows: Tafoya - 5 (Brawner, Coleman, Diawara, Espinoza, Tafoya); Moore - 4 (Hare, Morore, Schell, Shepherd Macklin); Leone - 2 (Kelly, Leone); Wilkes - 1 (Wilkes). Commissioner Wilkes was eliminated from consideration.
- 03:21:48 PM The results of the second vote for chair were as follows: Moore - 6 (Hare, Kelly, Moore, Schell, Shepherd Macklin, Wilkes); Tafoya - 5 (Brawner, Coleman, Diawara, Espinoza, Tafoya); Leone - 1 (Leone). Commissioner Leone was eliminated from consideration.
- 03:24:52 PM The results of the third vote for chair were as follows: Moore - 7 (Hare, Kelly, Leone, Moore, Schell, Shepherd Macklin, Wilkes); Tafoya - 5 (Brawner, Coleman, Diawara, Espinoza, Tafoya).
- 03:26:59 PM The commission discussed how to resolve the vote so that a chair and vice-chair each receive 8 votes. They agreed that Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Tafoya would each offer an additional 45-second comment.
- 03:34:16 PM Commissioner Wilkes, seconded by Commissioner Kelly, moved to amend the previous rule so that once two candidates remain, the lowest vote getter would not be dropped. The commissioners discussed the motion. The motion passed 8-3 (Schell, Moore, Espinoza opposed), 1 abstention.
- 03:38:47 PM The results of the fourth vote for chair were as follows: Moore - 7 (Hare, Kelly, Leone, Moore, Schell, Shepherd Macklin, Wilkes); Tafoya - 5 (Brawner, Coleman, Diawara, Espinoza, Tafoya).
- 03:48:58 PM The results of the fifth vote for chair were as follows: Moore - 8 (Espinoza, Hare, Kelly, Leone, Moore, Schell, Shepherd Macklin, Wilkes); Tafoya - 4 (Brawner, Coleman, Diawara, Tafoya). With this vote, Commissioner Moore was elected chair.
- 03:52:05 PM The following commissioners nominated themselves for consideration as vice-chair: Hare, Tafoya.
- 03:53:51 PM Commissioner Tafoya, Democrat from Denver (CD-1), discussed his qualifications to serve as vice-chair of the commission.
- 03:54:40 PM Commissioner Hare, unaffiliated commissioner from Firestone (CD-4), introduced herself and discussed her qualifications to serve as vice-chair of the commission.
- 03:58:53 PM The vote for vice-chair was as follows: Hare - 8 (Brawner, Coleman, Espinoza, Hare, Moore, Schell, Shepherd Macklin, Wilkes); Tafoya - 4 (Diawara, Kelly, Leone, Tafoya). With this vote, Commissioner Hare was elected vice-chair of the commission.

Future Agenda Considerations - Committee Discussion Only



- 04:07:00 PM The commission agreed to move remainder of its agenda to its next meeting. Commissioner Leone requested that the commission hear an informational presentation at its next meeting about the letters it has received about the process and timeline, and the need to use provisional data. Ms. Shipley noted that Elizabeth Garner, Colorado State Demographer, could present on this topic.
- 04:07:07 PM Commissioners discussed the constitutional 20-day period for staff to accept public comment for use in the preparation of a preliminary plan. Ms. Shipley and Jeremiah Barry, Managing Attorney, noted that staff would draw this plan and would accept public comment at any time. Commissioner Coleman requested that the extended deadline be noted more prominently on the commissions' website. Commissioner Hare requested that the commission vote on a deadline extension.
- 04:10:16 PM Commissioners Tafoya, Leone, and Wilkes discussed the public comment period. Mr. Barry suggested that the commission move to authorize an extension of the deadline.
- 04:15:09 PM Commissioner Coleman moved to extend the comment deadline to 10 days prior to the date when staff needs to provide a plan, seconded by Brawner. Commissioner Tafoya moved to amend the motion to say that the period will not end sooner than 60 days (May 14), seconded by Commissioner Leone. The commission discussed the motion and the amendment. Ms. Shipley explained that staff must have 30-45 days after it receives the "necessary data" to prepare a preliminary plan.
- 04:30:42 PM Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Brawner, moved to extend the comment deadline to 10 days prior to the date when staff needs to provide a plan. Commissioner Tafoya, seconded by Commissioner Leone, moved to amend the motion to say that the period will be extended to at least 60 days from the commission's convening (May 13). The commission discussed the motion and the amendment. Ms. Shipley explained that staff must have 30-45 days after it receives the "necessary data" to prepare a preliminary plan.
- 04:33:06 PM After discussion, the commission voted unanimously to reconsider its vote on the amendment to the motion.
- 04:34:20 PM The motion on Commissioner Tafoya's amendment, providing a minimum 60-day period, passed without objection.
- 04:35:00 PM Commissioner Coleman's motion to extend the public comment period, as amended, passed without objection.
- 04:39:57 PM The commissioners discussed future meeting scheduling. Commissioner Hare offered to follow up on setting dates.
- 04:45:45 PM The committee adjourned.

