

**Colorado Independent Congressional Redistricting Commission
Public Comment and Communities of Interest Committee**

**April 27, 2021 – 3:00pm
Virtual Meeting**

Attendance:

Brawner	X
Espinoza	X
Kelly	X
Coleman	X

The meeting was called to order by: Commissioner Coleman

This report was prepared by: Julia Jackson

3:01 PM – Commissioner Coleman called the meeting to order and discussed the committee’s agenda and schedule. The committee agreed to not meet on Thursday unless the additional time becomes necessary.

3:10 PM – Commissioner Coleman presented the committee spreadsheet of public comment and discussed summaries of the comments. The committee discussed the advantages and disadvantages of creating a unique ID for each comment.

3:30 PM – The committee discussed how to summarize comments. They considered dividing the remaining comments and providing summaries and keywords.

3:42 PM – The committee discussed addressing comments that are not necessarily relevant to the commission’s work.

4:03 PM – Committee discussion on analyzing public comments continued. They assigned groups of comments to each commissioner to review.

4:14 PM – Commissioner Coleman explained a process for noting the communities of interest in the comments. The committee discussed a taxonomy for the communities of interest present in the constitution.

4:34 PM – The commissioners agreed to work on their portions of the comment review over the rest of the week. They noted they would save the “outreach” agenda item discussion for their Friday meeting. Commissioner Brawner agreed to contact the other commissioners for their thoughts on outreach.

4:38 PM – The committee discussed public comment periods at each committee meeting. Julia Jackson, commissions staff, explained the work she has done on this topic for the Independent Legislative Redistricting Commission. The committee discussed the frequency of public comment periods, suggesting possibly the first and third Wednesday meeting of the month. They agreed to a limit of five speakers at three minutes each.

4:47 PM – Committee discussion returned to outreach and the possibility of creating a short, shareable video on redistricting. Commissioner Coleman also expressed interest in contacting

public libraries for opportunities to share resources. The committee discussed thinking about the community groups in their congressional districts.

5:00 PM – The committee adjourned.