

**Private**  
STAFF SUMMARY OF MEETING

OTHER COMMITTEE COMMITTEE ON INDEPENDENT LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Date 09/03/2021  
Time 01:06:11 PM to 07:36:56 PM  
Place HCR 0107  
This Meeting was called to order by Carlos Perez  
This Report was prepared by Matthu Beck

Attendance	
Aislinn Kottwitz	X
Amber McReynolds	X
Blanca Uzeta	X
O'Leary	X
Constance Hass	X
Gary Horvath	X
Heather Barry	X
Hunter Barnett	X
John Buckley	X
Robin	X
Schepper	X
Samuel	X
Greenidge	X
Kevin Fletcher	X
Carlos Perez	X

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

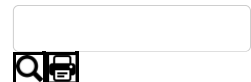
Hearing Items	Action Taken
Approval of Agenda and Summary of August 27, 2021 Meeting	Committee Discussion Only
Unfinished Business Executive session to discuss the interpretation of constitutional language in article V, section 48.1 (4)(b)	Committee Discussion Only
Subcommittee Reports Topics for Future Meetings	Committee Discussion Only
Workshop on redistricting major themes collected from the preliminary plan public hearings	Committee Discussion Only

**Approval of Agenda and Summary of August 27, 2021 Meeting - Committee Discussion Only**

01:07:07 PM The committee approved the agenda and the meeting minutes with no objection.

**Unfinished Business - Committee Discussion Only**

- 01:08:26 PM Commissioner Perez gave an overview of the internal timeline for the Legislative Commission.
- 01:09:30 PM Jessika Shipley, Colorado Independent Legislative Redistricting Commission Nonpartisan Staff, answered questions on the presentation of the staff plan and scheduling public hearings.
- 01:20:47 PM Chair Perez opened the floor to commissioners to discuss another round of virtual and/or in person public testimony hearings.
- 01:26:03 PM The commission discussed the September 14th Staff Plan presentation.
- 01:47:09 PM The Commission discussed dates for commission meetings, procedure for the staff plan presentation, and voting on plans.



02:05:37 PM The commission continued to discuss dates and times for future meetings.

02:07:00 PM Chair Perez called for a ten minute recess to get the dates and times for the schedule in order.

02:19:56 PM The commission resumed discussion of the schedule for meetings of the commission.

02:28:10 PM Motion I move to set the presentation for staff plan 1 at noon on September 14th and staff plan 2 at 1 on September 24th.  
 Moved Robin Schepper  
 Seconded

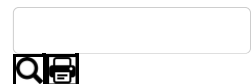
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YES: 0 NO: 0 EXC: 0 ABS: 0 FINAL ACTION: Pass Without Objection

02:30:21 PM Motion I move to move our meeting on September 24th from 1 to 2 o'clock.  
 Moved John Buckley  
 Seconded

Aislinn  
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02:40:20 PM Commissioner Perez gave an overview of the proposed policies and recognized Commissioner Horvath to give an overview of what they will be discussing regarding competitiveness.

02:50:53 PM Motion I move to adopt policy 6, directions to staff on maximizing competitiveness.  
 Moved Hunter Barnett  
 Seconded

Aislinn	Yes
Kottwitz	
Amber	Yes
McReynolds	
Blanca	
Uzeta	No
O'Leary	
Constance	Yes
Hass	
Gary	Yes
Horvath	
Heather	No
Barry	
Hunter	Yes
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Buckley	
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Schepper	
Samuel	Yes
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Kevin	Yes
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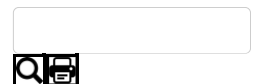
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02:50:56 PM Eric Braaten, Colorado Independent Legislative Redistricting Commission nonpartisan staff, gave a presentation on how staff will use the competitiveness guidelines provided.

02:52:34 PM Commissioner Perez gave an overview of the proposed policy for compactness.

03:04:10 PM Pierce Lively, Colorado Independent Legislative Redistricting Commission nonpartisan staff, answered questions on the proposed compactness policy and addressed staff concerns.

03:05:52 PM Commissioners discussed the merits of the compactness policy and Commissioner Greenidge raised concerns with the formulas being used.



03:20:29 PM Motion I move to approve policy 7 on compactness.  
 Moved John Buckley  
 Seconded

Aislinn	Yes
Kottwitz	
Amber	Yes
McReynolds	
Blanca	
Uzeta	Yes
O'Leary	
Constance	Yes
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Gary	Yes
Horvath	
Heather	Yes
Barry	
Hunter	Yes
Barnett	
John	Yes
Buckley	
Robin	Yes
Schepper	
Samuel	Yes
Greenidge	
Kevin	Yes
Fletcher	
Carlos	Yes
Perez	

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03:20:32 PM Commissioner Fletcher gave an overview of the policy for numbering districts.

03:34:35 PM Commissioner Perez made live edits to the policy for numbering districts.

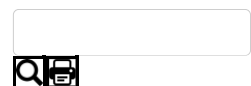
03:52:37 PM Motion I move that we adopt policy 8 on the senate and house district numbering policy.  
 Moved Robin Schepper  
 Seconded

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Kottwitz	
Amber	Yes
McReynolds	
Blanca	
Uzeta	Yes
O'Leary	
Constance	Yes
Hass	
Gary	Yes
Horvath	
Heather	Excused
Barry	
Hunter	Yes
Barnett	
John	Yes
Buckley	
Robin	Yes
Schepper	
Samuel	Yes
Greenidge	
Kevin	Yes
Fletcher	
Carlos	Yes
Perez	

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03:53:23 PM The commission took a recess.

04:08:37 PM The commission returned from recess.



- 04:09:22 PM Commissioner McReynolds gave an overview and opened discussion on policy 9 to direct staff on where to start when drafting maps.
- 04:23:53 PM Commissioners raised concerns and asked the staff for clarification on how this policy may affect their ability to draft maps.
- 04:36:28 PM Commissioners asked nonpartisan staff questions about what methodology was used when drawing the first staff plan.
- 04:58:19 PM The commission determined to table the policy on drawing methodology for the time being.

**Executive session to discuss the interpretation of constitutional language in article V, section 48.1 (4)(b) - Committee Discussion Only**

05:00:58 PM Motion I move the commission go into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402 (3)(a)(II) of the Colorado Revised Statutes for the purpose of receiving legal advice from legal counsel.  
 Moved Constance Hass  
 Seconded  
 Aislinn  
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 Perez

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05:01:01 PM The Commission moved into executive session.

06:26:57 PM The commission returned from executive session.

**Subcommittee Reports - Committee Discussion Only**

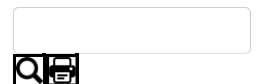
- 06:36:03 PM Commissioners O'Leary and Schepper both reported that their committees had no updates at this time.
- 06:37:14 PM Commissioner Horvath thanked the commission for approving the competitiveness policy.

**Topics for Future Meetings - Committee Discussion Only**

06:39:55 PM Commissioner Perez added the VRA discussion to next weeks meeting and invited Ms. Handley to speak with the commission.

**Workshop on redistricting major themes collected from the preliminary plan public hearings - Committee Discussion Only**

06:43:12 PM Commissioner Schepper started the conversation of major themes from public hearings.



06:55:00 PM The commission discussed the best way to go about sharing their insights from public hearings for discussion.

07:07:22 PM The commission continued to discuss how to handle determining methodology.

07:22:08 PM The commission discussed the best way to organize the important themes and thoughts from public comments.

07:33:28 PM Motion I move for the commission to have a meeting on Tuesday, September 7th at 4 PM.  
 Moved Robin Schepper  
 Seconded

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07:33:31 PM The commission went over the best way to organize themes and thoughts for the next meeting.

07:36:56 PM The committee adjourned.

