

Private
STAFF SUMMARY OF MEETING

OTHER COMMITTEE COMMITTEE ON JOINT INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSIONS

Attendance

Aislinn Kottwitz	E
Amber	X
McReynolds	X
Blanca Uzeta	X
O'Leary	X
Constance	X
Hass	X
Danny Moore	X
Elizabeth	X
Wilkes	X
Gary Horvath	X
Heather Barry	X
Hunter Barnett	X
Jason Kelly	X
John Buckley	X
Jolie Brawner	X
JulieMarie	X
Shepherd	X
Macklin	X
Kevin Fletcher	X
Lori Schell	X
Martha	X
Coleman	X
Moussa	E
Diawara	E
Paula Espinoza	X
Robin	X
Schepper	X
Samuel	X
Greenidge	X
Simon Tafoya	X
William Leone	X
Carlos Perez	X
Carly Hare	X

Date 07/28/2021
 Time 07:03:45 PM to 09:33:38 PM
 Place Aurora
 This Meeting was called to order by
 JulieMarie Shepherd Macklin
 This Report was prepared by
 Matthu Beck

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

Hearing Items Action Taken

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Chair Shepherd Macklin gave opening remarks on living in Aurora and the community.

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Chair Barnett gave remarks on Aurora and introduced the informational video on redistricting.

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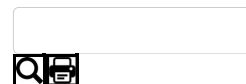
Ms. Gail Tipton, representing self, testified. She testified on how the Denver International Airport workers would be affected if it is separated from Denver. Commissioners asked follow up questions on the Green Valley Ranch area.

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Mr. Eriks Lindemanis, representing self, testified. He stated that the proposed state House district he resides in is currently grouped with east Colorado and would like to see it grouped with similar suburban areas in Aurora.

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Mr. Patrick McBride, representing self, testified. He stated that Aurora is a place where the community can be respected while still creating competitive state House districts.



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Hon. Su Ryden, representing self, testified. She stated that shifting district boundaries to affect communities of interest is creating another boundary. Commissioners asked follow up questions on how the state House and Senate districts should be adjusted to not create boundaries for the community.

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Mr. Simon Maghaky, representing the Armenian Community, testified. He stated that he would like to see Aurora and the surrounding area kept in a single congressional district.

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Ms. Alaina Belknap, representing New Era Colorado, testified. She stated concerns with the current maps placing prison populations with the place of incarceration instead of residency.

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Ms. Antonette Smith, representing self, testified. She stated concerns with the Centennial area being divided into multiple state house districts.

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Ms. Laura Lunn, representing the Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network, testified. She testified on why the federal ICE Detention facility should be kept in CD6 with Aurora.

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Mr. Salvador Hernandez, representing Mi Familia Vota, testified. He stated that the Latino population in state House districts 1 & 2 should all be together in state House district 1.

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Mrs. Annie VanDan, representing the Colorado Asian Culture and Education Network, testified. She spoke on the split of the Asian community in the area and proposed changes. Commissioners asked follow up questions on the Asian community.

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Mr. Charles Gilford III, representing self, testified. He stated that the current maps combine low and high income areas and dilute voices.

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Ms. Brenna Wicker, representing self, testified. She stated that North Aurora is a community that should be kept together.

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Mr. Idris Keith, Arapahoe County Commissioner, representing self, testified. He expressed concern with the maps being created without up-to-date census data and any potential legal challenges. Commissioners asked and answered questions regarding having the preliminary map without census data.

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Senator Rhonda Fields, representing self, testified. She spoke on Aurora as a community and the importance of keeping it whole. She stated that Denver International Airport belongs to everyone in the state.

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Councilmember Alison Coombs, representing self, testified. She testified that the immigrant and minority communities are located in the north and central parts of Aurora.

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Mr. Nebiyu Asfaw, representing the Ethiopian American Development Council, testified. He reiterated previous concerns that the current maps may dilute minority voices.



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Ms. Gena Ozols, representing self, testified. She shared information on how gentrification has affected the area.

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Ms. Cynthia Koenck, representing self, testified. She reiterated previous testimony that that Aurora suburbs should not be grouped with more rural areas.

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Mr. Douglas Schroeder, representing self, testified. He reiterated previous testimony on keeping Aurora intact as much as possible.

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Mr. Juan Marcano, City Council, representing self, testified. He stated concerns with communities in neighborhoods being carved up by current maps. He expressed concerns with multi-county house districts.

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PM The committee adjourned.

