

Private
STAFF SUMMARY OF MEETING

OTHER COMMITTEE COMMITTEE ON INDEPENDENT CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

		Attendance	
		Jolie Brawner	X
		Martha	X
Date	04/12/2021	Coleman	
		Moussa	*
Time	02:08:05 PM to 05:35:48 PM	Diawara	
		Paula Espinoza	X
Place	SCR 354	Jason Kelly	X
		William Leone	*
This Meeting was called to order by	Carly Hare	JulieMarie	
		Shepherd	X
		Macklin	
This Report was prepared by	Elizabeth Burger	Danny Moore	X
		Lori Schell	X
		Elizabeth	X
		Wilkes	X
		Simon Tafoya	*
		Carly Hare	X

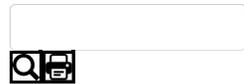
X = Present, E = Excused, A = Absent, * = Present after roll call

Hearing Items	Action Taken
Discussion of the Creation of Additional Subcommittees	Committee Discussion Only
Report from Subcommittee on Outside Counsel	Committee Discussion Only
Update from Subcommittee on the Management and Review of Public Comment	Committee Discussion Only
Update from the Map Creation Subcommittee	Committee Discussion Only
Update from the Rules and Procedures Subcommittee	Committee Discussion Only
New Business	Committee Discussion Only

02:08:52 PM
Chair Hare called the committee to order. She reviewed the agenda, and commissioners commented on the agenda. Meeting materials can be accessed on the commission's website (<https://redistricting.colorado.gov/>) or through the commission's Box account (<https://coleg.box.com/s/dx4vaep1a2s2k45hdyngz35e75q25oej>).

Discussion of the Creation of Additional Subcommittees - Committee Discussion Only

- 02:10:14 PM Chair Hare began the discussion on the creation of an additional subcommittee on public hearings. Chair Hare reviewed the subcommittee's responsibilities and membership. Commissioner Shepherd Macklin will be the chair.
- 02:13:08 PM Commissioner Moore was added as a member of the public hearings subcommittee. Commissioner Wilkes also asked to be added to the subcommittee. Chair Hare commented on the subcommittee membership.
- 02:14:35 PM Chair Hare discussed issues raised in the last meeting, including having a meeting with the Legislative Redistricting Commission regarding outside counsel.
- 02:23:41 PM The commission discussed having the commission chair and vice-chair communicate with the Legislative Redistricting Commission.



Report from Subcommittee on Outside Counsel - Committee Discussion Only

- 02:29:59 PM Commissioner Leone reviewed the work of the subcommittee on outside counsel. He discussed the request for proposals (RFP) process that would be issued to solicit outside counsel, how the RFP would be shared, and the deadlines for response. The commission will receive an update on the applicants at the April 26 commission meeting. Commissioners commented on the draft RFP, and discussed amending the RFP to require the attorneys working on the issue to disclose their political affiliation and to require each firm to disclose whether it has represented a party in connection with a redistricting issue in the past. Commissioner Leone discussed the procurement of counsel and the confidentiality of negotiations with counsel.
- 02:33:00 PM The commission further discussed the RFP and solicitation process.
- 02:42:37 PM Commissioners commented on the interview process that would be used to select the counsel.
- 02:46:46 PM The committee discussed conducting the interviews in executive session, and how other commissioners may participate in the process. Commissioner Leone suggested that the interviews be noticed so that commissioners can be aware of when the interviews are occurring. Commissioner Leone moved that the commission approve the draft proposal, that the RFP remain open until April 23, and that it be distributed as widely as possible, including to various bar associations. Commissioner Diawara seconded the motion. Commissioner Leone clarified his motion.

02:56:40 PM I move that the commission approve the draft RFP, as amended, that has been distributed to the commissioners, that it remain open until April 23, and it be distributed as widely as possible, including to a variety of bar associations.

Motion

Moved William Leone

Seconded

Jolie Yes

Brawner Yes

Martha Yes

Coleman Yes

Moussa Yes

Diawara Yes

Paula Yes

Espinoza Yes

Jason Kelly Yes

William Leone Yes

JulieMarie Shepherd Yes

Macklin

Danny Yes

Moore Yes

Lori Schell Yes

Elizabeth Wilkes Yes

Simon Yes

Tafoya Yes

Carly Hare Yes

YES: 12 NO: 0 EXC: 0 ABS: 0 FINAL ACTION: PASS

Update from Subcommittee on the Management and Review of Public Comment - Committee Discussion Only

- 03:02:14 PM Commissioner Coleman updated the full commission on the work of the subcommittee on public comments and communities of interest. She discussed the types of comments that have been received so far, and how the comments are being addressed. She stated that the commission has received 184 comments or letters, and discussed the breakdown of comments received by topic.
- 03:07:00 PM Julia Jackson, Colorado Independent Redistricting Commissions Staff, discussed how public comments would be made publically available on the commission's website. Commissioner Espinoza discussed her research on existing documents and communities of interest, highlighting information provided by staff, guidance provided by the Colorado Constitution, and information received through the public comment process.



- 03:10:48 PM Commissioner Espinoza asked for clarification from the staff about how it will use public comment to create the staff maps. Ms. Jackson responded to questions from the commissioners about the use of public comment in the mapping process, and explained that the staff will engage in its own public comment review process separate from that of the commission. Jeremiah Barry, Colorado Independent Redistricting Commissions Staff, responded to questions from the commission on the issue.
- 03:17:09 PM Jessika Shipley, Colorado Independent Redistricting Commissions Staff, further discussed how information about public comments could be shared between the commission and the staff.
- 03:22:22 PM Commissioner Brawner discussed a draft talking points document for members of the commission when addressing media and engaging in public speaking opportunities. Commissioner Brawner noted that the Legislative Redistricting Commission is also working on creating talking points, and discussed adding additional information to the draft talking points document about the differences between the two commissions. Commissioner Brawner further noted that she is planning to coordinate with the public meetings subcommittee.
- 03:27:03 PM Commissioners suggested amendments to the draft talking points document.

Update from the Map Creation Subcommittee - Committee Discussion Only

- 03:29:46 PM Commissioner Schell noted that the map creation subcommittee is set to meet for the first time this week. She discussed adding to the commission's agenda discussion about redistricting deadlines. Commissioner Hare suggested adding discussion of that issue to a future full commission meeting. Commissioners commented on the map creation subcommittee's role.
- 03:33:50 PM The commissioners further discussed the purpose and role of the map creation subcommittee.

Update from the Rules and Procedures Subcommittee -

- 04:03:32 PM Chair Hare discussed the formation of the rules and procedures subcommittee, and noted that the subcommittee's role would include drafting procedures for choosing a chair.

New Business - Committee Discussion Only

- 04:06:00 PM Commissioner Coleman moved a resolution regarding diversity. The language of the resolution is as follows: Let it be resolved that: The Colorado Independent Congressional Redistricting Commission serves all Coloradoans with equity and embraces the letter and intent of Amendments X and Y by recognizing, respecting, and supporting the full diversity of Colorado's communities of interest. We denounce in the strongest terms possible all degrading, derogatory, or hateful language aimed toward any Coloradoan community, group, or individual.
- 04:09:03 PM Commission discussion on the proposed resolution ensued. The committee discussed adding bias training to its scheduled trainings.
- 04:11:09 PM The commission discussed coordinating the resolution with the Legislative Redistricting Commission. The commission amended the language of the motion to correct the references to the constitutional amendments and to add the phrase "and actions."



04:16:43 PM

Motion Let it be resolved that: The Colorado Independent Congressional Redistricting Commission serves all Coloradoans with equity and embraces the letter and intent of Amendments Y and Z by recognizing, respecting, and supporting the full diversity of Colorado's communities of interest. We denounce in the strongest terms possible all degrading, derogatory, or hateful language and actions aimed toward any Coloradoan community, group, or individual.

Moved Martha Coleman
Seconded

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

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

04:17:09 PM Commissioner Wilkes listed a number of efforts that she requested the commission to consider to improve public accessibility.

04:22:24 PM The commissioners commented on public accessibly tools and improvements.

04:25:14 PM Mr. Barry discussed the interest of the General Assembly in assisting the commission to obtain an audience before the Colorado Supreme Court, and the timing of that process in relation to the adjournment of the legislature sine die. Commissioners commented on Mr. Barry's presentation.

05:35:48 PM The committee adjourned.

