

### CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE MEETING



CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS 550 LANDA STREET

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021 at 5:30 PM

#### AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

 A) Consideration and approval of the minutes of the <u>21-1199</u> meeting on October 26, 2021

#### 4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

- A) Selection of Redistricting Committee Chairperson <u>21-1200</u>
- B) Map drawing session that includes demonstration by <u>21-1196</u> demographer of mapping software utilized to create the maps for the City of New Braunfels redistricting process.

#### 5. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

#### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the above Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the New Braunfels City Hall.

#### Board Liaison

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Agenda Item No. A)

**PRESENTER:** Savannah Koehler, Paralegal

**SUBJECT:** Consideration and approval of the minutes of the meeting on October 26, 2021

**DEPARTMENT:** City Attorney's Office

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: N/A

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

First meeting of the Redistricting Committee held on October 26, 2021 at 5:30, Council Chambers.

**ISSUE:** Approval of the minutes

**FISCAL IMPACT:** N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approval of the minutes



# CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE October 26, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The Redistricting Committee of the City of New Braunfels, Texas convened on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the New Braunfels City Hall located at 550 Landa Street, New Braunfels, Texas.

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by City Attorney, Valeria Acevedo at 5:34 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the City of New Braunfels City Hall located at 550 Landa Street, New Braunfels, Texas.

# 2. Roll Call – Committee Members present were:

Andres Campos-Delgado, District 1 Christopher Willis, District 2 Atanacio Campos, District 3 Wayne Peters, District 5 Stuart Hansmann, District 6 Kim Farlow, At Large Sherry Harrison, At Large Rob Smith, At Large

### **Commissioners not present were:**

Meg Guerra, Mayoral Appointment Jay Hogue, District 4

## **City Staff present were:**

Val Acevedo, City Attorney Nathan Brown, Assistant City Attorney Savannah Koehler, Paralegal

## 3. Introductions.

Val Acevedo introduced Rezzin Pullum, outside legal consultant who was providing the training and presentation of the redistricting process.

# 4. Training on Redistricting Process.

Rezzin Pullum, legal consultant from Bojorquez Law Firm presented and discussed training on the redistricting process and answered any and all questions presented by the Board Members.

### 5. Presentation on the Initial Assessment.

Rezzin Pullum, consultant, presented and discussed the Initial Assessment process and answered any and all questions presented by the Board Members.

## 6. Discussions for the following Resolutions:

- a. Resolution No. 1 Recommendation to City Council to approve a Resolution that will adopt the criteria for use in the City's 2021 redistricting process. A motion to approve this Resolution with amendments made deleting the following language in paragraph #5: "and current population estimates from other reliable sources" was made by Sherry Harrison and was seconded by Christopher Willis. This Resolution, with agreed amendments, was approved by unanimous vote.
- b. Resolution No. 2 Recommendation to City Council to approve a Resolution that will adopt guidelines for the 2021 redistricting proposals submitted by outside interested parties. A motion to approve this Resolution was made by Christopher Willis and was seconded by Andres Campos-Delgado. This Resolution was approved by unanimous vote.

## 7. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned by Val Acevedo at 6:42 p.m.



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Agenda Item No. A)

**PRESENTER:** Savannah Koehler, Paralegal

**SUBJECT:** Selection of Redistricting Committee Chairperson

**DEPARTMENT:** City Attorney's Office

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** N/A

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

At its meeting on October 26, 2021, the committee agreed with the City Attorney, Val Acevedo, that they would like to select a chairperson for the committee who will lead the meetings and ensure they run smoothly.

ISSUE: N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT:** N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:** N/A



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Agenda Item No. B)

### **PRESENTER:**

Valeria M. Acevedo, City Attorney/Rezzin Pullum, Redistricting Consultant

### SUBJECT:

Map drawing session that includes demonstration by demographer of mapping software utilized to create the maps for the City of New Braunfels redistricting process.

**DEPARTMENT:** City Attorney's Office

### COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

At the October 26<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Redistricting Committee expressed interest in a demonstration by the demographer, Jeremy McMahen, of the mapping software.

#### **ISSUE:**

The Redistricting Committee wants an interactive map drawing session with the demographer so they can better understand the mapping software being utilized for City's redistricting process.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommended