ARIZONA INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Erika Schupak Neuberg, Chair
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Location: Virtual via GoogleMeets

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Date: Tuesday, April 6, 2021

Time: 9:00 a.m.

The Commission reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda. The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for any item listed on the agenda, for the following purposes: discussion or consideration of personnel matters pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1), for discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2), obtaining legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), consultation with attorneys regarding pending or contemplated litigation pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4), or any other purpose as authorized under A.R.S. § 38-431.03. The executive session is not open to the public and all legal action will take place in a meeting that is open to the public.

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All matters on the agenda may be discussed, considered and are subject to action by the Commission. The Commission reserves the right to table any item on the agenda.
The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

I. Call to Order and Roll Call
   A. Call for Quorum
   B. Call for Notice

II. Approval of minutes from March 30, 2021.
   A. General Session
   B. Executive Sessions

III. Opportunity for Public Comments

Public comment will open for a minimum of 30 minutes and remain open until the adjournment of the meeting. Comments will only be accepted electronically in writing on the following form: https://forms.gle/frUZyE8efrcRUsKZ9 (comments will be limited to 3000 characters).

Please note: Members of the Commission may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

IV. Discussion on Public Comments received prior to today’s (April 6, 2021) meeting.

V. Discussion and Possible Action concerning parameters and use of subcommittees to evaluate applicants for the Executive Director Assistant and other administrative support positions.

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)).

VI. Discussion and Possible Action on Executive Director and other potential administrative support positions, and duties of all IRC staff positions.

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VII. Discussion and Possible Action on Data Census delay and ways to mitigate its disruption.

VIII. Discussion and Possible Action on options for securing legal counsel:
   A. Oral Presentations (the Commission reserves the right to change the order of presentations and to vary the length of time allowed for presentations):
      1. Ballard Spahr, LLC
      2. Osborn Maledon, P.A.
      3. Snell & Wilmer
      4. Statecraft PLLC

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IX. Discussion and Possible Action on options for securing legal counsel:
   A. Continue with the Attorney General’s Office representation.
   B. Hire legal counsel, that is already procured, from the Attorney General’s Outside Counsel List.
   C. Continue with the RFP/procurement process.

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X. Discussion and Possible Action on evaluating and scoring candidates for legal counsel.

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XI. Discussion and Possible Action on securing Mapping Consulting support.
   A. Presentation from ADOA/SPO on procurement process for Mapping Consultant.
   B. Scoring and Evaluation of Mapping Consultant RFP.

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XII. Discussion and Possible Action on Budget.

XIII. Possible Action on bill paying of incurred expenses.

XIV. Discussion on ADOA resources /updates:
   A. IT
   B. Human Resources
   C. Procurement
   D. Finance
   E. Facilities
XV. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on Howard Open Meeting Law complaint, provided by AGO legal counsel, including written response to the investigation inquiry.

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice specifically related to the Howard Open Meeting Law complaint (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)), for discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2), as well as for consultation with attorneys regarding pending or contemplated litigation pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4).

XVI. Discussion of future agenda item requests.

XVII. Discussion and Possible Action on the scheduling of future meetings.

XVIII. Announcements
   A. Next Meeting Date

XIX. Closing of the Public Comments

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XX. Adjournment