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, Sept. 21, 2021

Time: 8:00 a.m.

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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 Sept. 14, 2021.
   A. General Session
   B. Executive Session (none)

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/GLF6LdiLiHUM26oi8 (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 (Sept. 21, 2021) meeting.

V. Update from the mapping Consultants, Timmons/NDC.
   A. Updates on mapping software
   B. Updates on racial polarization report and demographic and competitive measures

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice with respect to acquiring the resources referenced in the Consultant’s Update (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)).

VI. Executive Director’s Report and discussion thereof.
   A. Discussion/update of proposed timeline for IT integration and migration
   B. Update on Outreach strategy plan
   C. Public Sessions update
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VII. Discussion and possible action on presentations from economic drivers for the state.

VIII. Legal update from counsel.

A. Presentation on Latino voting rights and overview of redistricting case law specific to Latino communities.

B. Presentation on overview of principles involved in identifying and drawing majority-minority districts under federal law.

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IX. Discussion and possible action concerning proposed modifications from the Grid Map pursuant to the Arizona Constitutional criteria and applicable law and scheduling of map drawing meetings.

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X. Discussion of future agenda item requests.

XI. Announcements.

XII. Next Meeting Date.

XIII. Closing of the Public Comments.

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XIV. Adjournment.