

Timestamp	Meeting Date	Agenda Item	First and Last Name	Representing	Comments
2/2/2021 9:32:4	February 2, 2021	General Comments	Rob Wilson	Self	<p>Commission members. You are faced with a difficult task that is made even more so by the restrictions caused by the Covid virus. I believe you have an opportunity to set the standard for transparency and public involvement non the less. I would like to encourage you to consider the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.Do NOT limit public participation. The current method of accepting public comment is a 30 minute time slot that has no defined start time. This limits comments unnecessarily and should be modified immediately. IF you can only receive written public, it should be allowed starting at the beginning of the meeting and extend for at least 1 hour following. This will allow the public to engage without having to watch the entire meeting to find out when the current 30 minute block is active.</li> <li>2.You should work towards actual live public comment at the beginning and end of each meeting as soon as possible. Ultimately, it would appear that most of your meetings for the next several months will be virtual and this issue needs to be addressed as soon as possible.</li> <li>3.The commission CAN begin the public input process BEFORE the actual census data is received. Both 9 and 10 district grid maps could be generated using rough data and presented for education and discussion with the public.</li> <li>4.The commissions web site should be the primary portal for providing data to the citizens of Arizona. It does not appear that the site has been updated for some time. This is where the public will go for information and it needs to be current and accurate.</li> <li>5.Do not use the past commission's schedule as a reference of what works. The 2010 commission pretty much ran out of time at the end of their mapping exercise. I would encourage you to front load the process as much as possible.</li> <li>6.ONLY use executive session when it is absolutely necessary. Don't let staff drive you into hiding.</li> <li>7.48 hours should be the minimum advance notice of meetings. For meeting designed to solicit public input, I'd recommend a minimum of 7 days notice.</li> </ol> <p>While the process of selecting IRC Commissioners is still fresh in everyone's mind, I would encourage you to better document this process from start to finish so that future applicants better understand what is involved. A basic handbook that addresses</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.Time frames for the application process</li> <li>2.How the selection and public input to the selection process works.</li> <li>3.How and who to communicate with about the selection application and process</li> <li>4.Who applicants can and cannot communicate with</li> <li>5.How applicants are notified of the status of their application (example, were applicants not selected, ever formally notified)</li> <li>6.A general description of the duties and responsibilities of a commissioner and the potential impacts on their lives.</li> </ol>
2/2/2021 9:34:2	February 2, 2021	Public Comment	Rob Wilson	Self	When public comments are released to the press/general public, I'd recommend removing PII data beyond the names. Email, phone numbers and physical addresses should remain confidential.
2/2/2021 9:38:4	February 2, 2021	Public Comments	Sharon Edgar	self	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Please provide a "contact us " or comments portal that is open 24/7 with an ability to upload documents.</li> <li>•Please provide an opportunity for public comment at the beginning and end of each meeting as well as during each agenda item.</li> <li>•Public comments should NOT be limited to a specific day and a specific 30-minute time period, as has been done in the first three Commission meetings.</li> <li>•Please make Public Comments available to the public.</li> </ul>
2/2/2021 9:39:2	February 2, 2021	redistricting	Allan Gerston	myself	Please allow better opportunities for public comment, and good transparency.

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2/2/2021 9:42:00	February 2, 2021	All	Debra Gibson	Protect Our Water Arizona	<p>I believe we will all be better partners in this process if we can agree there are five commissioners, but six chairs at the table . The sixth chair being for the public.</p> <p>The public should be able to submit comments in real time, not just retrospectively on what the AIRC has already decided.</p> <p>Please provide a "contact us " or comments portal that is open 24/7 with an ability to upload documents.</p> <p>Please provide an opportunity for public comment at the beginning and end of each meeting as well as during each agenda item.</p> <p>Public comments should NOT be limited to a specific day and a specific 30-minute time period, as has been done in the first three Commission meetings.</p> <p>Please make Public Comments available to the public.</p>
2/2/2021 9:42:22	February 2, 2021	Public Comment	Ann Heitland	self	Please allow public comments for a longer period of time and keep them open before and after the meeting.

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2/2/2021 9:45:2	February 2, 2021	Public comments and participation	Christa Sadler	myself	<p>The public needs to have more of a seat at the table with the AIRC. We should be allowed to submit comments in real time, and not be limited to a specific day, and only 30 minutes (perhaps a comments portal on the website that allows us to upload documents and comment when we need to). There should be an opportunity for public comment during each meeting regarding specific agenda items, and all public comments should be made available to the public. What the five people on the AIRC decide affects every citizen of this state and ultimately can affect the citizens of this country. It is only right that the public be allowed to express our thoughts and concerns. If the members of the AIRC feel this would be too much work, perhaps they should ask themselves how much work they are willing to do to protect our democracy and allow every Arizonan to have a voice in how our state is run.</p>
2/2/2021 9:45:3	February 2, 2021	I would like to see more public representation and comments at your meetings	Sallie Kladnik	Myself/ Coconino County Democrat	<p>There should be more opportunity for public comments and involvement.</p>
2/2/2021 9:47:4	February 2, 2021	Opportunity for Public Comments	Deborah Howard	self	<p>Thank you for taking the opportunity for public input seriously. I appreciate just this meeting your sustaining a public session while the legal counsel was giving comment on regularly scheduled meetings. Going that extra step to keep the public involved will serve the goals of the commission well. I would like to suggest the Commission think through how the public could be involved in forward facing discussion with the commission - not always a week behind. Having all comment backwards facing creates a "Monday morning quarterback" dilemma. Always looking for what could have been done better - or what was left out.</p> <p>Again, I appreciate the openness with which you have approached this issue and hope we can continue to increase and strengthen opportunities for public participation.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>

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2/2/2021 9:48:4	February 2, 2021	Public comments	Don Howard	myself	<p>Dear Commissioners,</p> <p>First of all thank you for taking on this most important process to help keep our Democracy alive. I would ask that you make this process as transparent as possible. Please allow we, the public, to have greater access to make public comments. It seems to me that currently public comments are very limited. I would like to be able to make comments other than this 30 minute period which at times I won't be able to access.</p> <p>I believe that more public access allows for greater integrity in the process which, especially during these challenging times is essential for citizens to believe in the fairness of this critical process.</p> <p>Thanks again for taking this on.</p> <p>All the Best, Don Howard Flagstaff</p>
2/2/2021 9:54:3	February 2, 2021	Discussion and Possible Action for time, place, and manner of meetings.	Deborah Howard	Self	<p>Commissioner Mehl suggested in this discussion that the commission could do preliminary mapping before census data is received. I STRONGLY urge the commission to not proceed in such a manner. The census delay offers the commission an opportunity to have in depth conversations with communities throughout the state that can inform your decision when you get to mapping.</p> <p>Beginning mapping without census data would be meaningless as the very first criteria that must be met is population equality. You can not guess about that.</p> <p>And as I understand Prop 106 the first mapping of the commission requires what is called grid maps to create districts of equal population. I believe the 2011 commission created dozens of these maps before adding in any of the other criteria.</p> <p>Although mapping is premature, discussions with communities will be extraordinarily valuable as you do begin mapping. Thank you for your consideration of these comments.</p>
2/2/2021 9:55:5	February 2, 2021	Public comments	Karyn Riedell	Self	Please provide a comments portal that is open 24/7.
2/2/2021 9:59:5	February 2, 2021	Explain what standard criteria the board utilizes for determining district's.	Edward Ayala	Myself	Let the voters know how you make the decision's.