



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH CITY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE AGENDA

**OASIS Senior Center
801 Narcissus, Class Room 2
Corona del Mar, California 92625**

**Thursday, August 4, 2011
4:00 p.m.**

Committee Members:

**Council Member Steven Rosansky, Chair
Mayor Pro Tem Nancy Gardner
Council Member Keith Curry**

Staff Members:

**Patrick Alford, Planning Manager
Dan Campagnolo, Systems & Administration Manager
Michael Torres, Deputy City Attorney**

I. ROLL CALL

II. CURRENT BUSINESS

- 1. Approve July 21, 2011 meeting minutes**
- 2. Review potential Council District configurations**
- 3. Vote on the Committee's recommendation to the City Council**
- 4. Schedule next meeting (if necessary)**

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited on non-agenda items generally considered to be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee. Speakers must limit comments to three (3) minutes. Before speaking, please state your name for the record.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

This committee is subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act. Among other things, the Brown Act requires that the Committee's agenda be posted at least 72 hours in advance of each meeting and that the public be allowed to comment on agenda items before the Committee and items not on the agenda but are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee. The Committee may limit public comments to a reasonable amount of time, generally either three (3) or five (5) minutes per person.

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City Council Redistricting Committee
Meeting Notes

July 21, 2011
4:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

PRESENT: Council Member Steven Rosansky, Chairman
Mayor Pro Tem Nancy Gardner
Council Member Keith Curry

STAFF: Daniel Campagnolo, Systems and Administration Manager
Michael Torres, Deputy City Attorney
Patrick Alford, Planning Manager

The meeting began at 4:00 p.m.

I. Adopt agenda

The agenda was adopted without amendment.

Approve June 30, 2011 meeting minutes

Mr. Jim Mosher pointed out a typographical error.

The minutes were approved as corrected.

II. Review potential Council District configurations

Mr. Campagnolo gave a summary of the key points of Option 1 and Option 2.

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner said that she had played with a number of potential configurations. She indicated her preference towards Option 2.

Chairman Rosansky noted that a third option was submitted by Mr. Scott Peotter. He then invited the public to present their comments.

Mr. Scott Peotter explained his plan (referred to as "Option 3"):

- Keeps Newport Coast together, as suggested by Mayor Pro Tem Gardner
- Keeps the Peninsula together, as in Option 1 and 2
- Places Newport Shores in District 2, as in Option 1
- Places Corona del Mar in District 5
- Makes Corona del Mar more coastal, rather than extending it inland

Chairman Rosansky pointed out that Option 3 would place Mayor Pro Tem Gardner and Council Member Selich in the same district.

Mr. Peotter acknowledged this, but pointed out that Mayor Pro Tem Gardner would not be running for Council again and would be allowed to continue to represent her district.

Deputy City Attorney Torres confirmed that the City Charter provides that any changes cannot affect sitting council members.

Mr. Peotter added that the population distribution in Option 3 is similar to that of Option 1.

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner stated that the Corona del Mar Residents Association met that morning and they would like to see the 92625 Zip Code contained in a single district as much as possible and do not want to see their association dispersed.

Mr. Dan Purcell spoke against Option 3 and supported Option 1.

Mr. John Corrough spoke in favor of keeping Balboa Island in District 5:

- Access, utilities, and services are provided through District 5
- Balboa island should not be grouped with the Peninsula and Lido Isle
- Access, utilities, and services are physically linked to District 5
- There is a shared navigation channel and facing shorelines
- These relationships should be represented by a single Council member
- The relationship with Bayside Drive uses/development needs to be recognized
- There is no physical access, geographical, or support nexus with the Peninsula
- Supports Option 2 or Option 3

Mr. Tom Houston made the following comments:

- Balboa Island's connection to the mainland is with the bridge, not the ferry
- Supports Option 2
- Older districts have different needs than those of the newer districts
- Balboa Island would be better served by a Council member from Corona del Mar

Mr. George Schroeder made the following comments:

- Originally feared that Balboa Island would dominate District 1 under Option 1
- Now believes that Option 1 is the best choice
- Opposes Option 2
- Option 3 is acceptable

Mr. Ken Yonkers spoke in opposition to Option 1:

- Balboa Island would lose their Aviation Committee representative
- Access is through District 5
- The Peninsula and Balboa Island have different issues
- Supports Option 2 or Option 3

Mr. Ron Hendrickson made the following comments:

- Supports Option 1
- Keeps the boundaries almost the same
- Connecting Newport Ridge and Newport Coast is logical
- Newport Coast is large and splitting at Newport Coast Drive is logical
- Balboa Island has commonalities with the Peninsula

Ms. Novelle Hendrickson spoke in support of Option 1 and opposed Option 2 and Option 3.

Mr. Robert Rush made the following comments:

- Option 1 has a 6 percent variation
- Option 2 has a 30 percent variation
- Option 3 has a 7 percent variation
- The location of current Council residences should not be considered
- Proposed "Option 4," a variant of Option 2
- Option 4 would place Newport Shores in District 3
- Option 4 would be similar to Options 2 and 3

Mr. Jim Mosher spoke of the political ramifications of Option 2 and Option 4.

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner said that the comments were very interesting. She stated that Balboa Island more closely associates with District 5. She indicated that she likes how Districts 6 and 7 are treated in Option 1, but would like to keep Balboa Island in District 5.

Council Member Curry made the following comments:

- Agrees that Option 1 is the better map
- However, taking Balboa Island out of District 5 is not a good idea
- Proposed retaining the positives of Option 1, but keep Balboa Island in District 5
- Leave Balboa Island in District 5
- Extend District 1 to pick up Areas 1230 and 1260, but not Newport Shores
- Extend District 2 to include Areas 357, 2149, and Newport Harbor High School
- Extend District 2 to include Areas 1872 and 986, straddling the bay
- This option meets the Committee's goal and incorporates many public comments

- This will be called “Option 5”

Mayor Pro Tem Gardner saw Option 5 as having benefits vis-à-vis airport issues.

Chairman Rosansky proposed one more meeting to review the five options, and then sending the Committee’s recommendation to the City Council.

III. Schedule next meeting

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Thursday, August 4, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

IV. Public comments

There were no additional public comments.

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:50 p.m.