# King County Districting Committee

### **Meeting Materials**

October 26, 2021

Draft Minutes from October 14, 2021 Draft Minutes from October 17, 2021 Draft Minutes from October 19, 2021 Draft Minutes from October 20, 2021 Draft Minutes from October 21, 2021 Summary of Legal Criteria



Thursday, October 14, 2021 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

#### **Members Present:**

Ann Schindler, Chair, Sophia Danenberg, Paul Graves, Cherryl Jackson-Williams and Rob Saka

#### **County Staff:**

Patrick Hamacher, Erin Arya, Tania Santiago Pastrana, Mike Sinsky and Mari Isaacson

#### **Districting Master:**

King County GIS: Dennis Higgins, Josh Popelka and Mary Ullrich

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Schindler called the meeting to order at about 7:04 p.m.

#### 2. Approval of the minutes from September 30, 2021

Member Graves moved approval of the minutes from September 30, 2021. Member Jackson-Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### 3. Disclosure of contacts per Operating Procedure 4.6 and the Districting Master MOU

There were no disclosures from committee members and the Districting Master. Patrick Hamacher disclosed he provided guidance to District 4 staff on how to read the draft maps.

#### 4. Public comment

There was no public comment.

#### 5. Review of consolidated map

Dennis Higgins with King County GIS presented an overview of Draft Map A, which consolidates Preliminary Draft Map 1 and Preliminary Draft Map 2 into one map.

#### 6. Preparation for the town hall meetings on October 17, 19, 20 & 21

Chair Schindler provided an overview of the proposed run of show for the town hall meetings. The Committee agreed that Members Saka, Jackson-Williams, Graves and Danenberg will each present at one of the four town hall meetings.

#### 7. Districting Master updates

Dennis Higgins provided more written detail as requested and guidance on how to read the comparison maps. He noted they will make sure to present the draft maps so that the public can see the full drafts.

#### 8. Staff updates

Staff provided an update on the town hall meeting communications and outreach activities underway. Staff reviewed procedures for public disclosure requests and relayed a media inquiry.

#### 9. Chair updates

No updates.

#### 10. Adjournment

Chair Schindler adjourned the meeting at about 9:02 p.m.





Sunday, October 17, 2021 2:00 p.m.

#### **Members Present:**

Ann Schindler, Chair, Sophia Danenberg, Paul Graves, Cherryl Jackson-Williams and Rob Saka

#### **County Staff:**

Patrick Hamacher and Erin Arya

#### **Districting Master:**

King County GIS: Dennis Higgins

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Schindler called the meeting to order at about 2:06 p.m.

#### 2. Welcome

Chair Schindler welcomed participants and provided a brief overview of the procedures for the town hall meeting.

#### 3. Brief overview of districting

Committee Member Rob Saka presented an overview of the work undertaken by the districting committee thus far, the legal requirements for districting and next steps.

#### 4. Presentation of the draft maps

Dennis Higgins with King County GIS presented each of the three draft maps highlighting how each of the drafts differs from the existing council district boundaries.

#### 5. Public comment

The following individual provided public comment: Linda Newing.

#### 6. Adjournment

Chair Schindler adjourned the meeting at about 3:02 p.m.



Tuesday, October 19, 2021 2:00 p.m.

#### **Members Present:**

Ann Schindler, Chair, Sophia Danenberg, Paul Graves, Cherryl Jackson-Williams and Rob Saka

#### **County Staff:**

Patrick Hamacher, Tania Santiago Pastrana and Erin Arya

#### **Districting Master:**

King County GIS: Dennis Higgins

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Schindler called the meeting to order at about 2:06 p.m.

#### 2. Welcome

Chair Schindler welcomed participants and provided a brief overview of the procedures for the town hall meeting.

#### 3. Brief overview of districting

Committee Member Cherryl Jackson-Williams presented an overview of the work undertaken by the districting committee thus far, the legal requirements for districting and next steps.

#### 4. Presentation of the draft maps

Dennis Higgins with King County GIS presented each of the three draft maps highlighting how each of the drafts differs from the existing council district boundaries.

#### 5. Public comment

The following individuals provided public comment: Alicia Bush, Beth Bazley, Lori Liddle, June Campbell, Diana Hart, Karol Brown, Martin Buckley, Nancy Kick and Janice Bristol.

#### 6. Adjournment

Chair Schindler adjourned the meeting at about 2:56 p.m.



Wednesday, October 20, 2021 2:00 p.m.

#### **Members Present:**

Ann Schindler, Chair, Sophia Danenberg, Paul Graves, Cherryl Jackson-Williams and Rob Saka

#### **County Staff:**

Patrick Hamacher, Erin Arya, Tania Santiago Pastrana and Melani Pedroza

#### **Districting Master:**

King County GIS: Dennis Higgins

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Schindler called the meeting to order at about 2:05 p.m.

#### 2. Welcome

Chair Schindler welcomed participants and provided a brief overview of the procedures for the town hall meeting.

#### 3. Brief overview of districting

Committee Member Paul Graves presented an overview of the work undertaken by the districting committee thus far, the legal requirements for districting and next steps.

#### 4. Presentation of the draft maps

Dennis Higgins with King County GIS presented each of the three draft maps highlighting how each of the drafts differs from the existing council district boundaries.

#### 5. Public comment

The following individuals provided public comment: Stacy Valenzuela, Susan Glicksberg, Kathleen Heiman, Paula Harper-Christensen, Mira Latoszek, Joanna Cullen and Jeannie Williams.

#### 6. Adjournment

Chair Schindler adjourned the meeting at about 3:10 p.m.



Thursday, October 21, 2021 7:00 p.m.

#### **Members Present:**

Ann Schindler, Chair, Sophia Danenberg, Paul Graves and Rob Saka

#### **County Staff:**

Patrick Hamacher, Tania Santiago Pastrana and Erin Arya

#### **Districting Master:**

King County GIS: Dennis Higgins

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Schindler called the meeting to order at about 7:06 p.m.

#### 2. Welcome

Chair Schindler welcomed participants and provided a brief overview of the procedures for the town hall meeting.

#### 3. Brief overview of districting

Committee Member Sophia Danenberg presented an overview of the work undertaken by the districting committee thus far, the legal requirements for districting and next steps.

#### 4. Presentation of the draft maps

Dennis Higgins with King County GIS presented each of the three draft maps highlighting how each of the drafts differs from the existing council district boundaries.

#### 5. Public comment

The following individuals provided public comment: Victoria Hunt and Steve Christensen.

#### 6. Adjournment

Chair Schindler adjourned the meeting at about 7:53 p.m.

# Redistricting legal criteria

State law (RCW 29A.76) and the King County Charter (KCC Section 650) prescribe committee criteria for developing the new district boundaries:

## Nearly Equal Population

 Districts shall be as nearly equal in population as possible to each other

### Compact and Contiguous

 Districts are to be compact and comprised of contiguous territory

### Existing Natural Boundaries

 To the extent feasible, district boundaries shall coincide with existing recognized natural boundaries and be composed of economic and geographic units

### Communities of Interest

 To the extent feasible, districts boundaries shall preserve existing communities of related and mutual interest

### Census Tracts + Municipalities

 As nearly as practical, district boundaries shall correspond with the boundaries of municipalities and census tracts

### Not favor or disfavor a group

 Population data may not be used for purposes of favoring or disfavoring any racial group or political party