

Meeting Minutes King County Districting Committee

Tuesday, November 23, 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, Tania Santiago Pastrana, Erin Arya, Mike Sinsky and Mari Isaacson

Districting Master:

King County GIS: Dennis Higgins

1. Call to Order

Chair Schindler called the meeting to order at about 7:03 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes from November 18, 2021

Member Saka moved approval of the minutes from November 18, 2021. Member Danenberg seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- 3. Disclosure of contacts per Operating Procedure 4.6 and the Districting Master MOU Chair Schindler disclosed that she briefed the King County Council earlier today at their 12:30 p.m. briefing meeting with an overview of the directed changes for the map. Staff disclosed that District 7 staff inquired about impacts to precincts and that staff worked with District 6 staff to coordinate the briefing from the chair. There were no other disclosures.
- 4. Presentation of the final draft plan by the Districting Master Dennis Higgins presented the Districting Master proposed districting plan to the committee.
- 5. Discussion of public hearing and process for completing the work of the Committee Chair Schindler noted the final public hearing will be held on November 30. At the chair's request, staff provided an update on outreach and advertising efforts underway to promote the public hearing. Chair Schindler reviewed the process for the public hearing with the Committee.

6. Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)(iii)

The Committee went into Executive Session at 7:42 p.m. for 23 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)(iii) to discuss with legal counsel legal risks of a proposed action when public knowledge of the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal consequence to the County.

The Committee came out of Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. Member Danenberg moved to schedule a special meeting on December 1 in the event the Committee needs to consider amendments to the Districting Master draft districting plan. Member Saka seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously. Chair Schindler directed staff to work with Committee members to schedule the meeting on December 1.

7. Districting Master updates

No updates.

8. Staff updates

Staff provided an update on the drafting of the report to the Committee to include in the submittal of the final plan.

9. Chair updates

No updates.

10. Adjournment

Chair Schindler adjourned the meeting at about 8:13 p.m.