



# LOS ANGELES COUNTY REDISTRICTING 2021

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Executive Director Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough, Ph.D., Report on Agenda Item 7d  
for Special Meeting – Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

*Commissioner Daniel Mayeda, Co-Chair*  
*Commissioner Jean Franklin*  
*Commissioner David Holtzman*  
*Commissioner Mary Kenney*  
*Commissioner Mark Mendoza*  
*Commissioner Apolonio Morales*  
*Commissioner Nelson Obregon*

*Commissioner Carolyn Williams, Co-Chair*  
*Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura*  
*Commissioner Hailes Soto*  
*Commissioner Saira Soto*  
*Commissioner Brian Stecher*  
*Commissioner John Vento*  
*Commissioner Doreena Wong*

### **Agenda Item 7d. Consider Establishment of an Ad Hoc Working Group or Subcommittee to Discuss and Review Maps Submitted and Organize Them for Commission Consideration — Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda**

The primary mission of the LA County CRC is to draw the final Supervisorial District maps. The goal of this Agenda Item is to:

- ***Ensure that all Commissioners feel as if they can fully participate in map-related decisions*** – whether as a member of an Ad Hoc Working Group (Ad Hoc WG) or by providing input to an Ad Hoc WG as a non-member
- ***Establish a process that moves the Commission forward toward map options*** and solicits the public to provide input on those options
- ***Ensure transparency as much as possible*** in how the LA County CRC conducts its business
- ***Assist the LA County CRC by initially narrowing the number of submitted maps to a manageable number*** for consideration by the full Commission

#### ***Role and Responsibility***

ARCBridge will initially review the submitted maps for validity as per LA County CRC's criteria (posted on the website) and instructions and group similar valid maps together.

This Ad Hoc WG's role would be advisory only; it would be responsible for:

- Review of submitted and grouped maps





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- Determination of a smaller set of maps (e.g., all or many of the maps that keep the San Fernando Valley intact; all or many of the maps that divide the north county area in a north/south fashion; etc.) to present to the full Commission for further discussion, public input, and refinement

## *Shared Hub of All Map Submissions*

All submitted maps will be available for the Commissioners and the public to review in a shared hub because Commissioners and the public will likely:

- Want to know what other maps or map ideas were submitted but not put forth to the full Commission
- Request people or organizations who submitted maps to make public comments regarding their specific maps or map ideas

In addition, Commissioners will likely prepare and submit their own maps for consideration as they become conversant at using the mapping software and more of them will have their own ideas and proposed maps.

## *Potential Options for Commissioners' Approach for Reviewing Submitted Maps*

Below are options for the LA County CRC Commissioners to consider. None of the options supplant or usurp the responsibility and authority of the full Commission to adopt the final map. The Ad Hoc WG would merely prep a selection of map options to begin the conversation with the full Commission.

**Note:** The LA County CRC Bylaws, Section 6.07, places a cap of 6 Commissioners on Subcommittees or Ad Hoc Working Groups. If the LA County CRC would like more than 6 on the Ad Hoc WG, it will need to amend the Bylaws. The Co-Chairs are responsible for appointing Ad Hoc Working Group membership.

Options	Maximum Number	Considerations
1. Expand charter of the existing Ad Hoc WG on Demography to perform this task	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Currently 5 Commissioners</li><li>▪ Expand participation to 6-8 Commissioners</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Work with ARCBridge to prepare groups of maps to consider before the full Commission when the public can provide additional input<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>September-October:</b> Ad Hoc WG can share works-in-progress before the full Commissioner as “coming attractions” to allow for public input as part of our commitment to transparency.</li></ul></li></ul>





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2. Use the full Commission to perform this work at regularly posted meetings	▪ All 14 Commissioners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>November:</b> Full Commission proposes redistricting mapping options for public hearings.</li><li>▪ Post as a public meeting</li><li>▪ Accept public comments at meeting</li></ul>

### *Commission's Ultimate Authority and Future Dissolution of the Ad Hoc WG*

The Ad Hoc WG does not have the authority to approve any maps. It can only make recommendations to the Commission as a whole as to which maps to adopt. Once this Ad Hoc WG has performed its initial duties of reviewing submitting maps for the full Commission's deliberation and the public to react to, it can be dissolved with future direction on mapping coming from the full Commission to the Demographer/ARCBridge and LA County CRC staff.

