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From: Jeanine Erikat <jeanine@panasd.org>
Sent: Monday, August 2, 2021 4:06 PM
To: David Richards
Subject: Re: Interpreted Redistricting Materials

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Hi Dave,

Thank you for the update! I am happy to hear the City will be able to pass an ordinance that will extend the timeline, since the proposed NDC timeline gives more opportunity for the community to engage compared to the quick turnaround of a 12/31 timeline. Will this update be shared with the public?

I understand how difficult scheduling the redistricting sessions are and considering how busy the months are, I hope the City would consider adding another public input hearing session. An additional public input hearing session would really create more opportunity for people with Limited-English Proficiency, those who work or have child care demands, or limited transportation to attend in person meetings.

Thank you again for your diligence and quick responses!

Have a great week,

Jeanine

On Thu, Jul 29, 2021 at 5:59 PM David Richards <DRichards@elcajon.gov> wrote:

Hi Jeanine,

Thanks for your feedback and reminders. To the Measure S item, our City Attorney will be preparing an ordinance to make an exception to the Charter this year given the Census is releasing the information late. I don't anticipate that we will have a pandemic in another 10 years, at least I hope not, so it will be a one-time exception.

I completely understand that September is a busy time for Redistricting. The chosen dates are based on the City Council's availability as well as availability of the various facilities. I tried to schedule the hearings on various days of the week, times and locations to provide as much opportunity for our residents to participate as possible.

Thanks again and I hope to see you at our next hearing.

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Hi David,

Thank you for sending these over and keeping me updated on where the City is in the process. I did want to flag that the CA Citizen's Redistricting Commission's September hearing, which has been finalized for many months now, is on the same date as the City of El Cajon's hearing. Similarly, there is a County hearing the following day. As I'm sure you can imagine having two different community input hearings in the same week, let alone the same day can be a barrier to individuals who want to present on their community at all levels of government. I ask that the City of El Cajon and NDC reconsider the September 8th hearing date.

Additionally I did want to follow up on where the status is regarding the current redistricting timeline, since the timeline presented by NDC and posted on the City's website is in conflict with Measure S. As you're well aware this information is paramount to moving forward and community participation, which is why I am hoping to get clarity sooner than later.

Thank you again for all your work and consistent updates.

Have a great evening,

Jeanine

On Thu, Jul 29, 2021 at 5:01 PM David Richards <DRichards@elcajon.gov> wrote:

Hi Jeanine,

I have received and posted Arabic, Spanish, and Somali interpretations of the City's first Redistricting Hearing presentation to the City's website. Please feel free to share this resource with your members. The City's next Redistricting Hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday September 8, at the Renette Recreation Center. During the next hearing, the City will continue to gather input about communities of interest and will introduce a new online mapping tool.

I have also attached a flyer promoting the City's upcoming Redistricting Hearing dates, times, and locations.

To learn more about the City's redistricting process, please visit our website at www.elcajon.gov/redistricting.

Have a great evening.

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