

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Certified Copy of Portion of Proceedings for the Meeting of July 20, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ESTABLISHING THE REDISTRICTING ADVISORY COMMISSION AND ADOPTING RULES AND PROCEDURES

WHEREAS, following each decennial census, and using that census as a basis, the Board of Supervisors (Board) must adjust supervisorial district boundaries within the County so that the supervisorial districts remain substantially equal in population, as required by the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, in adopting the supervisorial district boundaries, the Board shall use the criteria set forth in California Elections Code section 21500 and following—including the recent amendments implemented by Assembly Bills 849 and 1276 and Senate Bill 1108—and such boundaries shall comply with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965; and

WHEREAS, California Elections Code section 23001 allows the County to establish by resolution a redistricting advisory commission composed of residents of the County to recommend to the Board changes to the supervisorial district boundaries; and

WHEREAS, California Elections Code section 23002 further provides that the County may determine the manner in which members are appointed to the redistricting advisory commission, but prohibits “a person who is an elected official of the [County], or a family member, staff member, or paid campaign staff of an elected official of the [County]” from being appointed to serve on the commission; and

WHEREAS, a redistricting advisory commission composed of five members as more fully described below will satisfy the provisions of California Elections Code sections 23001 and 23002 and may be established to make recommendations concerning redistricting to the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges and understands that, pursuant to California Elections Code section 21501(a)(2), the Board must act upon such recommendations from a redistricting advisory commission and adopt the Final Map to adjust the supervisorial districts on or before December 15, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby establishes the Humboldt County Redistricting Advisory Commission (RAC) with the duty of recommending to this Board its findings for the need, if any, to change supervisorial district boundaries based upon the 2020 Federal Decennial Census, with such recommendations to be acted upon by the Board after holding the requisite public hearings no later than December 15, 2021; and
2. The RAC shall consist of five members with each member of the Board recommending one member who resides in the County, to be appointed by the full Board; and
3. All members appointed to serve on the RAC shall be residents of Humboldt County; and
4. The RAC shall follow Elections Code requirements as well as the Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code 54950 *et seq.*, and the Rules and Procedures attached hereto; and

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5. The RAC shall dissolve automatically after the Board take final action on the supervisorial district boundaries, but in no event later than December 15, 2021.

Dated: July 20, 2021

Virginia Bass, Chair
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

Adopted on motion by Supervisor _____, Seconded by Supervisor _____, and the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
County of Humboldt

I, KATHY HAYES, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true, and correct copy of the original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California as the same now appears of record in my Office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.

KATHY HAYES
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of
Humboldt, State of California

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Humboldt County Redistricting Advisory Commission
Rules and Procedures

1. The Commission will conduct its meetings in accordance with Elections Code sections 21507, 21507.1, and 21508 and the Ralph M. Brown Act.
2. The Commission shall select a chair and vice chair who will coordinate with County staff regarding meeting agendas. The chair shall preside over meetings, with the vice chair doing so in the absence of the chair.
3. A quorum shall be four members of the Commission. A quorum is required for the Commission to initiate the transaction of business at any meeting of the Commission. A motion passes only when a majority (3) of the membership seats (not just those members present or those seats that are filled) votes in support of the motion.
4. All Commissioners of the RAC shall be present at each training session, if they are unable, appointees shall advise Supervisor in advance of the series and another appointee shall be named.
5. No Commissioner shall be permitted to vote upon an item unless present (in-person or by video or tele-conference if properly noticed and implemented). Voting by proxy shall not be permitted.
6. The Commission members are prohibited from communicating about redistricting matters outside of a public meeting. This prohibition does not prohibit communication between commissioners, county staff, and consultants that pertain to meeting procedures such as scheduling meetings, preparing the agenda, or questions about the Brown Act, or any communications from or to the Office of the County Counsel.
7. Should input from non-commissioners be submitted to a Commissioner outside of a public meeting, commissioners will follow the process established by the County for collecting input, properly posting on the County's website, and notice communications during public meetings.