



Legal Action Report and Minutes

City of Tucson Redistricting Advisory Committee (RAC)

DATE: Wednesday, November 30, 2022
TIME: 5:30 p.m.
LOCATION: City Hall
255 W. Alameda Street
Mayor and Council Chambers, 1st floor
Tucson, Arizona

1. Roll Call

The Redistricting Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by Chair Mark Crum.

Upon roll call, those present and absent were:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Appointor:</u>
Maribel Alvarez	Mayor
Patrick Robles	Ward 1
Jenifer Darland	Ward 2
Ed Hendel	Ward 3
Bobby Jaramillo	Ward 5
Mark Crum, Chair	Ward 6

<u>Absent:</u>	
Jon Aitken	Ward 4

Staff Present:
Suzanne Mesich, City Clerk
Yolanda Lozano, Chief Deputy City Clerk
Shawna Lee, City Clerk's Office
Randy Hammel, City Clerk's Office
Robert Hunter, City Clerk's Office
Dennis P. McLaughlin, Principal Assistant City Attorney
Jennifer Stash, Principal Assistant City Attorney

2. Continued Discussion and Recommendation of Redistricting Option(s) for Mayor and Council Consideration

Suzanne Mesich, City Clerk, reviewed the draft Recommendation prepared for the Committee's consideration.

Discussion ensued related to the inclusion of additional language in the Committee's Recommendation to Mayor and Council.

The Committee agreed to add the following additional language in Section III of the Recommendation:

“The purpose of this task force is to act as a study group that could help facilitate inclusiveness, transparency, common definitions and clarified values. To facilitate broad participation by holding meetings in each Ward with a meaningful approach to participation in precincts of specific or historical significance relative to previous redistricting efforts.”

The Committee agreed to add the following additional language as a stand-alone paragraph at the end of Section III of the Recommendation:

“This Committee recognizes that the population of the city will continue to grow and the establishment of one or two more Wards may be in the best interests of the City.”

The Committee agreed to the following additional language in Section IV of the Recommendation:

“The Committee feels Tucson has the opportunity for some very innovative imagining of how redistricting is approached in the future.

It was moved by Committee Member Robles, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 6 to 0 (Committee Member Aitken absent), to approve and officially recommend the Report and Recommendation to Mayor and Council.

3. Next Steps

Discussion ensued about the Committee's Report and Recommendation being considered by Mayor and Council at their afternoon Study Session and evening Public Hearing, both scheduled for December 6, 2022. Suzanne Mesich, City Clerk, said she anticipated the Ordinance approving the redistricting would be scheduled for the Mayor and Council Regular Meeting on December 20, 2022, with the changes taking effect on January 1, 2023. Discussion ensued regarding the parameters of allowable participation by Redistricting Advisory Committee members during those meetings.

4. Adjournment

It was moved by Committee Member Jaramillo, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 6 to 0 (Committee Member Aitken absent), to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

1 CLERK: And Mark Crum?

2 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Present.

3 CLERK: Honorable Chair, with six of seven members present,
4 a quorum of the Redistricting Advisory Committee is established.

5 MS. MESICH: And may I add that we have Mr. Hendel
6 (inaudible) appearing virtually.

7 MR. HENDEL: Yes, I'm here. Thank you.

8 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Okay. Just trying to behave myself this
9 time. Thank you.

10 MALE SPEAKER: (Inaudible)

11 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes, thank you. Okay. Item 2.
12 Continued Discussion and Recommendation of Redistricting Options for
13 Mayor and Council Consideration. And Suzanne worked on putting
14 together that draft recommendation. Suzanne, would you like to say
15 a few words?

16 MS. MESICH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. We worked as a team
17 this morning, Staff, on putting down some of the information that we
18 discussed last night, as well as just a kind of introduction on the
19 general proceedings of the Committee - what you had to consider and
20 the fact that you held three public hearings.

21 Then followed by the options considered by the Committee.
22 There's a description of what happened at each meeting, followed by
23 Section 3 which is the final recommendation to Mayor and Council, and
24 just has some of the information that we - you discussed last night
25 considering the vote on the three opt- -- or the three items that

1 wanted to point out to Mayor and Council, as well as presenting three
2 proposals for their consideration.

3 And lastly, just some of the standard reasons for your
4 final recommendation. Please, this is meant to be your recommendation
5 - not ours. So, we're here to edit and put it in final form for you.

6 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: And so, we're talking about any changes
7 that you may have on terms of additions, subtractions, rewording,
8 questions for each other to make sure we absolutely understand what
9 you clearly mean on what's, what's happening. So, with that, I'll
10 open it up for input.

11 MR. ROBLES: Chair Crum?

12 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes, sir.

13 MR. ROBLES: I very much appreciate the conversations
14 yesterday around the redistricting task force, and I love that it's
15 in Point One. However, I'd like to gauge my colleagues as to whether
16 we believe we should be a bit more specific as to what the role of the
17 task force should be because we leave it up for interpretation.

18 Should, should we define the task force as the Buffer
19 Committee that's in place prior to the officially-appointed members?
20 'Cause I, I think no matter who the Mayor and Council will be at that
21 time, or - well, I guess the current Mayor and Council. I think this
22 is very ambiguous. How are my colleagues feeling?

23 MS. ALVAREZ: I wonder if we could - I like that. Just
24 adding a line that maybe says that this task force or, or body, should

1 be constituted essentially as a study, as a study mechanism for study
2 sessions with wide participation. Something to that effect maybe.

3 By the way, I, I think you did a fantastic job in drafting
4 this. The language is so economical and so, so clear.
5 Congratulations.

6 MS. DARLAND: To that point, I wonder if it would be
7 advisable to recommend that the study, to your point about a study
8 capacity, recommending that they consider hosting study conversations
9 in specific areas, or specific - in, in each of the wards.

10 Especially thinking about the wards, or precincts that were
11 most, or have been historically most impacted by previous commissions
12 and potentially would be most impacted by future decisions of future
13 commissions.

14 MR. JARAMILLO: Crum?

15 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes.

16 MR. JARAMILLO: Thank you, thank you, Colleagues. I think
17 the discussion that's being carried out is exact on point to believe
18 that, to believe that the inclusiveness of the community issue should
19 be there. The transparency should be there as well. And the why this
20 has to be done in the future.

21 And the committee should be thoroughly who's gonna be
22 partaking in the committees, but make sure that it's inclusive to
23 include the communities and the wards that are gonna be affected by
24 the, by the, the recommendations the Committee would make to Mayor and

1 Council. And I would also say that the, the proposal was right on
2 target. Thank you so much.

3 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: And I like the work that the City
4 Clerk's Office did as well. Thank you very much. I think it's short
5 and to the point. And I think that, I think that's what the Mayor and
6 Council is used to as well. So, that's good because this thing could
7 go on forever and ever, and I, I appreciate that part of it.

8 The only thing that I have, and this - and if you go to the
9 maps, you can tell what's going on pretty easily. Should - is this
10 adequate? Or I was thinking perhaps just one paragraph which
11 basically summarizes each proposal in terms of the MPD for each one,
12 and where the, the changes are taking place.

13 But, of course, that's all done on the map already. So, is
14 it necessary to repeat that? And I'm not gonna be offended to hear
15 anybody say "no".

16 MR. JARAMILLO: Chairman Crum?

17 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes, sir.

18 MR. JARAMILLO: My feeling is the, the, the letter, the
19 attachment that goes with the maps, pretty much explains and, and
20 explains what the changes are that we recommended to be made. It's,
21 it's pretty much in black and white I feel, and my, my colleagues
22 feel.

23 But I mean, I, I don't think it would be worthy to state it
24 over again when it's already stipulated in the, in the letter and on
25 the map as well. So, that's, that's fine.

1 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: All right. Fine. Never mind. I
2 appreciate your honesty.

3 MR. JARAMILLO: Yes?

4 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes. You're welcome. Okay. Any other
5 changes or additions, subtractions?

6 MS. MESICH: Would you like us to add the language
7 regarding the role of the task force -

8 (Several Committee Members agree.)

9 MS. MESICH: - so you can see it?

10 MS. ALVAREZ: Whoever is your best editor?

11 MS. MESICH: Shawna. (Inaudible)

12 MS. LEE: Chair Crum, Members of the Committee, on the
13 first numbered item referencing the task force, at the end of this
14 paragraph, is that where you wanted to insert new wording? And what
15 would you like it to say?

16 MR. ROBLES: I think we would end the sentence after the
17 sentence that ends with "task force". And the purpose of this task
18 force is to act as a study group.

19 MS. ALVAREZ: That can help buffer?

20 MR. ROBLES: Yes. That, that can help, that can help
21 facilitate -

22 MS. ALVAREZ: Facilitate inclusiveness, transparency and
23 common, common definitions, clarify values, things like - something -

24 MR. ROBLES: Yes.

25 MS. ALVAREZ: - like that.

1 MR. ROBLES: Yes. I like the direction you're going, Dr.
2 Alvarez.

3 MS. ALVAREZ: Clarify that.

4 MR. JARAMILLO: Chairman Crum?

5 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes, sir.

6 MR. JARAMILLO: So, shall we stipulate maybe the concerns
7 that the community that would be affected be included there? I don't
8 know how we would say it, but -

9 MS. MESICH: So, how about ending the sentence after
10 "clarify values" and start a new sentence with, "To facilitate broad
11 participation by holding meetings toward -,"

12 MR. ROBLES: I like that a lot, Madam Clerk.

13 MS. DARLAND: With meaningful participation in precincts -
14 yeah. Well, I hope, hope that we avoid ward office meetings -

15 MR. ROBLES: Uh-huh.

16 MS. DARLAND: - because that isn't necessarily beneficial,
17 but maybe going, you know, to - with, with meaningful approach to
18 participation in precincts of specific, or historical significance
19 relative to previous redistricting efforts.

20 MR. ROBLES: Can you repeat?

21 MS. DARLAND: Oh, I wish that I could.

22 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: But, just one point on holding meetings
23 at wards. There may be other meetings as well which are held besides
24 at the ward office that may be convenient, -

25 MR. ROBLES: That may (inaudible)

1 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: - more convenient.

2 MS. DARLAND: Sure. I, I guess what I, what I see, and
3 this is just for the purpose of discussion and not necessarily for,
4 in forming the sentences. My concern is in - we've had a lot of
5 discussion around Ward thirty- -- or Precinct 37.

6 And I would - one of the things that I get concerned about,
7 right, is that we start to make it distant from the, from the
8 community. And then we, we run the risk of how do we alert folks?
9 How do we make sure the people are heard?

10 And, you know, by paying attention to where the, you know,
11 places where we - where, where one way or another, there's going to,
12 eventually down the road, be a conversation that's going to impact
13 that precinct either in two years - we, we should make an attempt to
14 be in that neighborhood where neighbors can connect more, or in that
15 very close (inaudible)

16 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Right. And indeed, that's what was just
17 mentioned is neighborhood centers, -

18 MS. DARLAND: Uh-huh.

19 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: - community centers, even churches. I
20 know we (inaudible)

21 MR. ROBLES: It could also, if I may, you could utilize
22 schools, public schools.

23 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Absolutely. So, -

24 MR. ROBLES: Libraries.

25 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes. Thank you.

1 MS. ALVAREZ: I support all of that. I believe that there
2 is possibly a chance for us to add a sentence on Section 4, Reasons
3 for the Committee's Final Recommendations, where - I, I think, by the
4 way, that first paragraph there is perfect because it captures in a
5 few sentences a lot, a lot of heavy things. And says it in the most
6 respectful way.

7 But maybe after the last sentence, "However, a major
8 disruption may be necessary as the population changes in the future,"
9 maybe just for, on the positive side, something that says that the
10 Committee - this Commission feels that the City of, of Tucson has the
11 opportunity for some very innovative re-imagining of, of how we
12 approach redistricting, you know, in the future. Something to that
13 effect that there is an opportunity.

14 And without that, we would be - well, we don't have to say
15 that we would be (inaudible) that place or anything. Just say we
16 believe there's an opportunity to really re-imagine this process
17 moving forward. Something like that. A unique opportunity, timely
18 opportunity, something like that.

19 MS. MESICH: So, Shawna has, "The Committee feels Tucson
20 has the opportunity for some very innovative imagining of how
21 redistricting is approached in the future."

22 MS. ALVAREZ: Yeah. That's great.

23 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes. Thank you. I like that.

24 MR. JARAMILLO: Chair Crum?

25 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes, sir.

1 MR. JARAMILLO: I know there was discussion of possibly
2 maybe to include an additional ward to the (inaudible), I mean a ward.
3 Should this be included in that as well, or no?

4 I know there was - we had some conversation on it. Maybe
5 there, there could be something there that we could elaborate, you
6 know, with the possibility of in the future that there could be
7 possible other wards placed in there.

8 MR. ROBLES: Absolutely. Thank you, Mr. Jaramillo. I
9 believe the sentence that I have in mind and related to that would be,
10 "This Committee recognizes that the population of the City of Tucson
11 is going to continue to grow, and the establishment of one to two
12 additional wards may be in, in the best interests -,"

13 MS. ALVAREZ: In the best interests.

14 MR. JARAMILLO: - "of the city."

15 MS. ALVAREZ: Would that be under -

16 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Roman numeral three, and adding four?
17 Should that be - that would be my recommendation is to have that as a
18 separate -

19 MS. ALVAREZ: (Inaudible)

20 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yes. Exactly.

21 MS. ALVAREZ: Because that, that's simply a recommendation
22 of our thoughts, since we know that the City Charter -

23 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Uh-huh.

24 MS. ALVAREZ: - will have to be amended. It's, it's just a
25 point of - it's just to note the point.

1 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Right.

2 MS. DARLAND: Well, and to that point, I think that it
3 could also be like a future - for, for - assuming that Mayor and
4 Council do, do put together a, a task force, or study committee
5 focus agendizing (sic) - some topics of consideration for the
6 community conversation would be the possible creation of a second,
7 or establish -

8 MR. JARAMILLO: Establish a ward.

9 MS. DARLAND: Yes. The other thing I would, I want to kind
10 of maybe - not to tag onto this one because I think this is separate
11 and a (inaudible) of its own is, you know, when we look at the
12 approaches to splits, you know, and, and looking at what we're - what
13 the splits end up doing to the point that I think that we've talked -
14 and Dr. Alvarez, you articulated quite well last evening with respect
15 to these ideas of what constitutes community and what this process
16 that may or may not do.

17 I, I think that it would be wise to recommend that we limit
18 - we really think thoughtfully about how many splits are we going to
19 allow within a certain ward, because I feel like it just fractures.
20 And it creates potentially future areas where we can't move the
21 conversation forward because we've fractured already a particular
22 precinct to satisfy folks who - you see, you see what I'm saying?

23 I, I just feel like what that does is it further convolutes
24 the process in what we're trying to do when we're trying to keep
25 piecemealing around the edges of a ward to satisfy folks; we make

1 basically an island within our city and within our wards. But I, I,
2 I am not wedded to that necessarily, but I just wonder if that's
3 something that potentially could be seen as a remedy to future
4 commissions and the consternation that it seems to - but maybe that's
5 a solution to the consternation. I have no idea.

6 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Well, I have the same concern about
7 splits. And I can only see that in the future, they will continue,
8 and they will continue to increase.

9 On the other hand, I can see why part of it is important
10 because we also have to pay attention to people's feelings. But it
11 can really get out of hand. And - go ahead. You were going -

12 MS. DARLAND: Yes. I, I absolutely agree. I think that
13 when - I wonder if it becomes sort of a methodology that when you
14 start to see so many spits arise within a ward, that's what would be
15 the metric by which we'd say, "Is that the tipping point for the
16 creation of yet another ward?" You know, what's the tipping point?

17 You know, I, I don't, I don't - I am not educated enough to
18 make a recommendation in that vein. But it just, from the minute that
19 we started, Chair Crum, you were very thoughtful in, in letting us
20 know that 82 was going to be a place of consternation.

21 And that was one of the splits that was eliminated, I think
22 in the first map that we saw that we knew was gonna be a thing, even
23 though that map got us to the same deviation, I believe, as the two of
24 the three recommendations we're putting before the Mayor and Council.

1 But I, I, I guess what I'm saying, if the overall gain or
2 the overall goal of what we're trying to propose that the Mayor
3 consider in having a committee or a task force, is to alleviate a lot
4 of the, the consternation or the frustration around what it does to
5 community to go through this process.

6 My concern is allowing the prevalence of splits does
7 nothing to that, and it just further exacerbates the problem and
8 allows for a get-out of the hard decisions that really move the
9 community in the direction it needs to go to have their adequate
10 representation on this dais that reflects the needs of a growing,
11 and more diverse populous.

12 MS. ALVAREZ: Chairman Crum, I believe this, this point is
13 really, really critical. But I wonder if we are getting to much into
14 the weeds of what I think the task force will eventually then tackle.

15 Another one that I would like to add along the same lines
16 is I believe geography is really important. If you live on the west
17 side, or you live in the nor- -- on the north side, the south side,
18 but you know, San Diego is west and is also south, you know, in
19 California. And San Francisco is west and north. So, there's some
20 points where these things come together.

21 So, in Tucson we see it, right? Like Valencia Road is
22 west, but it's also south. But it's not as south as, you know, Old
23 Vail, right? So, I believe that the same granular, you know, weedy
24 stuff will have to be in the commission, in that task force because
25 how do you respect the fact that people feel pride in the west side?

1 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Uh-huh.

2 MS. ALVAREZ: But at what point does the west side become
3 also equated with the ward boundary? Wherein 5, if you did do a map
4 of the west side, you could potentially take a whole bunch of, of 3
5 that is west. And you would then stop taking some parts of 5 because
6 that's more like south.

7 So, I - because it gets so specific, just to the same
8 points you were making those splits, I think we probably shouldn't
9 include it 'cause it's too much.

10 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: That would be fine. However, there's
11 not, that's not to stop us from, as individuals, including any or all
12 those public meetings to discuss some of the heartburn that we had to
13 go through that future committees shouldn't have to.

14 But, yeah, I think - and, and I agree with you, it's
15 getting too far down into the weeds. Although it is important for
16 future consideration because I can, you know, a, a split can occur
17 anywhere. But it's just - you're right. And I think we can mention
18 it and it should be dealt with, but it doesn't necessarily have to be
19 in this recommendation. Okay.

20 MS. DARLAND: No. But thank you for letting me share that
21 because that's been running around my brain for a few weeks.

22 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Well, -

23 MS. DARLAND: I thank you for your patience to hear me out.

24 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: - you're welcome. But usually when
25 somebody says something, it's been my experience, there's somebody

1 else sitting there saying, "Yeah." So, thank you for bringing it up.
2 Anything else?

3 MS. MESICH: Chair Crum and Members of the Committee, we do
4 need to decide where to put the language. Shawna's got it. I know
5 she does.

6 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Okay.

7 MS. MESICH: So, the last that I understood was to put what
8 Committee Member Robles was saying and place it under Roman numeral
9 three. But I don't know where under Roman numeral three (inaudible)

10 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: I think it needs to be its own item
11 since the first three items were voted on.

12 MS. MESICH: So, this is what I got from what Committee
13 Member Robles was saying. I did not capture that correctly.
14 (Inaudible) and I don't how the rest of this should continue.

15 MR. ROBLES: The possibility of additional wards -

16 MS. MESICH: What you said was, "Population will continue
17 to grow and the establishment of one or two more wards may be in the
18 best interests of the city."

19 MR. ROBLES: Yes. That sounds about right. Thank you,
20 Madam Clerk.

21 MS. MESICH: One or - the establishment of one or two more.

22 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: And I think it's wise to keep it that
23 general because if you get anymore specific, people are going to say,
24 "Well, we need a Republican ward." And by the way, that has come up.
25 That came up last time.

1 MR. ROBLES: Yeah.

2 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: And so, we need to - doesn't necessarily
3 have to be divisive.

4 MR. ROBLES: Uh-huh.

5 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: But it's good to recognize it.

6 MR. ROBLES: Right. Okey doke.

7 MS. ALVAREZ: Do we have any comments from our members on,
8 on the Zoom on -

9 MR. HENDEL: It looks good to me. I did see a typo, if you
10 scroll up. I'm not sure if this is the same section we're about to
11 vote on. But, yeah, right there. The sentence starts with, "The
12 purpose of this task force -," the word "and" is in front of the third
13 one, not the fourth one, right?

14 It should say "common definitions, comma, and clarified
15 values". Yeah. Yup, that's all. Overall, I really like this letter.
16 I think it was really well done, and I appreciate that it was done so
17 quickly on short notice. So, thank, thank you, Staff, for that.

18 MS. MESICH: Clarified could be, if you're referring to
19 "facilitating clarified values", or it could be, "Could help clarify
20 values". Depends on how the sentence was intended to be read.

21 MR. ROBLES: Yes, that sounds okay to me.

22 MS. MESICH: Can you scroll down and show -

23 MR. ROBLES: That looks okay, too. All right. So, what's
24 - do we have to make a motion, or what are we - yes?

25 MS. MESICH: Yes.

1 MR. ROBLES: I would like to motion, or move that the
2 Redistricting Advisory Committee approves and officially recommends
3 this report to the City Council.

4 MR. JARAMILLO: Second.

5 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: All in favor say "aye".

6 (Affirmative.)

7 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Okay. You're welcome to move ahead.
8 And now what will happen next is it will be - we'll get the final
9 version and we'll sign it tonight.

10 MS. MESICH: Actually, I was mistaken. That was a
11 different commission I was thinking of. You don't need to sign it.
12 So, it will be transmitted to Mayor and Council with your names -
13 doesn't require your signature, so, -

14 MR. ROBLES: Sounds good. And, and this would be -

15 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: I like that.

16 MR. ROBLES: Which, which meeting will -

17 MS. MESICH: So, Mayor and Council are meeting on Tuesday,
18 December 6th.

19 MR. ROBLES: Okay.

20 MS. MESICH: This item will be on the Study Session. It's
21 a long Study Session that starts at noon. And I believe this item is
22 towards the end of the agenda.

23 MS. ROBLES: Okay.

24 MS. MESICH: But you're welcome and we would appreciate any
25 of you who can attend. Additionally, there's the public hearing on

1 Tuesday, December 6th, and it's a 5:30 meeting for redistricting, for
2 Mayor and Council to have a public hearing. And, and we'll e-mail you
3 all this information - yes.

4 MR. ROBLES: Okay. Perfect.

5 MS. MESICH: On Tuesday, December 6th, we have the Study
6 Session that begins at noon. Like I said, this item will be towards
7 the end of the agenda. And then a public hearing at (inaudible) That
8 one will last about five hours.

9 Just so you know, the Study Session is where Mayor and
10 Council receives Staff reports and interact with Staff asking
11 questions and things like that. So, this will be their opportunity to
12 review your recommendation and the maps and find out if they have any
13 questions for either you. Mr. Crum can attend for our office.

14 MR. ROBLES: Okay.

15 MS. MESICH: At 5:30 that same day at their regular meeting
16 which is where they take official action.

17 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: That's when the meeting starts?

18 MS. MESICH: Correct.

19 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: That doesn't necessarily mean that
20 that's when the public hearing would be.

21 MR. ROBLES: Before this meeting concludes, just like to
22 thank all City Staff, Madam Clerk, for making this process as, as easy
23 as it can be for all of us. So, thank you, and thank you for taking
24 my motion about the pizza very seriously yesterday. I missed lunch.

1 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: I would encourage, you know, if you can
2 attend any or all of those meetings, please do. We're a team.

3 MS. ALVAREZ: Chairman Crum, I - my intent all along was to
4 be present for the public hearing. But I, I was confused and I have
5 an out-of-town visitor that evening. So, I probably will not be able
6 to attend the public hearing. But I'm gonna make an effort to attend
7 the Study Session to the best of my ability.

8 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Yeah. That's, that's where the action
9 is really going to occur before the Mayor and Council formally adopt
10 it, correct? At regular -

11 MS. MESICH: So, the regular meeting is scheduled for a
12 public hearing to receive public input and discuss the proposals with
13 the idea that it will probably come back on December 20th for official
14 action where they adopt the ordinance officially approving -

15 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Okay.

16 MS. MESICH: And so, you're all welcome. If you can't
17 attend, excuse me, to submit e-mails, written comments, -

18 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: It's -

19 MS. MESICH: - anything like that.

20 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: It's been my experience, it's a Study
21 Session where if there's going to be more extensive discussion of this
22 particular item, it will occur at the Study Session where there's,
23 again, my, my experience has been more give-and-take in terms of
24 concerns, if any.

1 MS. ALVAREZ: And if, if the Study Session starts at noon,
2 and you know the agenda already has many other items, you don't -
3 you're not recommending we be here at noon.

4 MS. MESICH: No. In fact, I will try to work out with the
5 Mayor's Office to find out if you're all here at 2:00, can it be the
6 next item taken out of order, something like that.

7 MS. ALVAREZ: Thank you.

8 MS. MESICH: We'll communicate that to you.

9 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: What Suzanne was saying, what is it?
10 There's something like 16 items?

11 MS. MESICH: (Inaudible) I think it was.

12 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: So, those are the next steps. Any other
13 steps we need to be aware of?

14 MS. MESICH: Any ordinance adopted would go into effect on
15 January 1st, and the City or, excuse me, the County Recorder's Office
16 would be sending out new voter registration cards to any voters in
17 affected precincts.

18 MS. ALVAREZ: Madam Clerk, at the Study Session, is there -
19 can we speak as members of the public or as members of the Commission,
20 or we speak only if we get asked questions by the Council?

21 MS. MESICH: It's the latter. The Mayor will recognize you
22 if she wants more infor- -- or she, or the Mayor and Council need more
23 information.

24 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: So, there's no cards to fill out or
25 anything like that?

1 MS. MESICH: Correct.

2 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Got it. So, if you want, if you want to
3 speak it should be arranged beforehand.

4 MS. MESICH: Do you want us to print this recommendation
5 and give you a chance to review a hard copy before you leave?

6 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: The answer is "no". Are we ready to
7 adjourn?

8 MR. JARAMILLO: Make a motion to adjourn.

9 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: All in favor?

10 (Affirmative.)

11 MS. ALVAREZ: Congratulations.

12 CHAIRPERSON CRUM: Thank you. Unanimous.

13 (Meeting was adjourned.)

I hereby certify that, to the best of my ability the foregoing is a true and accurate transcription of the original tape-recorded conversation in the case reference on page 1 above.

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