

EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

DATE: November 4, 2021

MEMO TO: Board of Directors

THROUGH: Clifford C. Chan, General Manager *CCC*

FROM: Rischa S. Cole, Secretary of the District *RC*

SUBJECT: Redistricting Ad Hoc Committee Minutes – October 26, 2021

President Doug A. Linney called to order the Redistricting Ad Hoc Committee meeting at 8:00 a.m. He announced that in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e), this meeting would be conducted by webinar and teleconference only. A physical location was not provided for this meeting. Directors John A. Coleman and Marguerite Young were present at roll call. All Directors participated remotely. Staff participants included General Manager Clifford C. Chan, General Counsel Derek T. McDonald, Assistant General Counsel Lourdes Matthew, Senior Software Engineer George F. McQuary, Executive Assistant II Robyn S. Johnson, and Secretary of the District Rischa S. Cole.

Public Comment. None.

Presentations/Documentation. 1) Presentation entitled “2021-2022 Redistricting Update – Redistricting Proposals,” dated October 26, 2021.

2021-2022 Redistricting Efforts and Update. Secretary of the District Rischa S. Cole and Senior Software Engineer George F. McQuary provided an update regarding the District’s 2021-2022 redistricting efforts. In response to questions raised during the September 28, 2021 Committee meeting, Ms. Cole reviewed three maps, the definition of communities of interest and information on whether the Board of Directors can consider projected population growth in determining ward boundaries and target ward populations. Next, Mr. McQuary presented final ward population data based on final census data released by the U.S. Census Bureau on September 30. Mr. McQuary reported the updated census data changed the District’s total service area population from 1,475,290 to 1,477,418 and changed the target ward population from 210,756 to 211,060. Based on the Committee’s adopted target ward population deviation of three percent, the updated data still indicates Ward 5 is above the adopted deviation at 3.23 percent and a ward population of 217,878, and that Ward 7 still has the second highest deviation at -1.92 percent and a ward population of 207,016. All other wards remain within the three percent target ward population deviation (+/- 6332 or between 204,728 and 217,392). Mr. McQuary presented the following three proposals to adjust the boundaries between Wards 5 and 7 to bring both ward populations within three percent of the target ward population of 211,060:

- **Proposal 1:** move an area of San Lorenzo that is east of Highway 880 from Ward 5 to Ward 7. This area is south of San Lorenzo Creek between 880 and the Southern Pacific Railroad and has a population of 4,637. This proposal would decrease the Ward 5 population from 217,878 to 213,241 and increase the Ward 7 population from 207,016 to 211,653.

- **Proposal 2:** move an area of San Lorenzo that is east of Highway 880 and south of Lansing Way from Ward 5 to Ward 7. This area is a subset of Proposal 1 and would move one census block with a population of 508 from Ward 5 to Ward 7. This proposal would decrease the Ward 5 population from 217,878 to 217,370 and increase the Ward 7 population from 207,016 to 207,524.
- **Proposal 3:** move the Greenhouse Marketplace area in San Leandro from Ward 5 to Ward 7 which extends along San Lorenzo Creek. The City of San Leandro is already divided between Wards 5 and 7 by Highway 880. This proposal would decrease the Ward 5 population from 217,878 to 217,271 and increase the Ward 7 population from 207,016 to 207,623.

The Committee discussed the proposals, and Mr. McQuary confirmed Proposal 1 would not result in splitting a census tract. After additional discussion, the Committee agreed to submit Proposal 1 to the Board for review and consideration at the Regular meeting on November 23, 2021. Director Young asked staff to confirm the population data listed for Kensington in Attachment 3 of the October 21, 2021 memo and said if in-person meetings are allowed in 2022, staff should consider holding a public meeting in San Lorenzo to update the affected residents about the District's redistricting proposals. The Committee also requested a map showing all proposals and that includes census block information in the area depicting Proposal 1. It was moved by Director Young, seconded by Director Coleman and carried (3-0) by roll call vote to submit Proposal 1 to the Board for review and consideration to present at public hearings in 2022.

Adjournment. President Linney adjourned the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

CCC/RSC