



## Ward Realignment Committee

### Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 7, 2023

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

**Committee Members Present:** Lou Hyman, Barbara Knepp, Greg Meekins, Talibah Chikwendu, Carlos Estin

**Committee Members Absent:** Jim Sicks, Tabria Cornish

**Staff present:** Cheryl Hannan, Gavin Woolford, Scott Shores

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Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM

Committee members introduced themselves.

Discussed the mission of the committee and organizational items such as need for a recurring meeting schedule, a chairman and vice chairman, and meeting attendance and participation.

Greg Meekins made a motion to elect Jim Sicks as Chairman. Barbara Knepp seconded. All voted in favor.

Barbara Knepp made a motion to elect Greg Meekins as vice chairman. Carlos Estin seconded. All in favor.

Everyone agreed to use the end of October as our target delivery date and to reach that goal we should have weekly meetings with "homework" done in between. Tentatively, Thursdays at 6 pm was agreed, but will be confirmed at the Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> meeting once everyone has a chance to review their schedules. Meetings should be confined to 1 hour (e.g., 6 -7 PM)

Discussed materials previously distributed at a City Council Work session. Clarified data and objectives.

Requested City staff to provide a map that details block demographics for blocks that are on the borders of the existing wards and distribute it in advance of the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.