

ARIZONA INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Location: Virtual via GoogleMeets

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Date: Tuesday, April 27, 2021

Time: 9:00 a.m.

The Commission reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda. The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for any item listed on the agenda, for the following purposes: discussion or consideration of personnel matters pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1), for discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2), obtaining legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), consultation with attorneys regarding pending or contemplated litigation pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4), or any other purpose as authorized under A.R.S. § 38-431.03. The executive session is not open to the public and all legal action will take place in a meeting that is open to the public.

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All matters on the agenda may be discussed, considered and are subject to action by the Commission. The Commission reserves the right to table any item on the agenda.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call.
 - A. Call for Quorum
 - B. Call for Notice
- II. Approval of minutes from April 20, 2021.
 - A. General Session
 - B. Executive Sessions
- III. Opportunity for Public Comments.

Public comment will open for a minimum of 30 minutes and remain open until the adjournment of the meeting. Comments will only be accepted electronically in writing on the following form: <https://forms.gle/qVvRZqrgopZMhBq7A> (comments will be limited to 3000 characters).

Please note: Members of the Commission may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

- IV. Discussion on Public Comments received prior to today's (April 27, 2021) meeting.
- V. Discussion and Possible Action on Legal Counsel Briefing.
 - A. Initial legal research and briefings
 - B. Policies, procedures, and training
 - C. IT system
 - D. Expert consultants/witnesses

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice to further implement and/or advance these legal issues (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)).

- VI. Executive Director's Report and discussion thereof.
 - A. Office update
 - B. Budget update, including potential future legal cost appropriations
 - C. FTE positions
 - D. Discussion on ADOA resources /updates:
 1. IT
 2. Human Resources
 3. Procurement
 4. Finance
 5. Facilities

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice with respect to acquiring the resources referenced in the Executive Director's Report (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)).

VII. Discussion and Possible Action on Public Information Officer and other potential hires, and duties of all IRC staff positions.

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice with respect to staffing issues (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)), as well as for the purpose of discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2)).

VIII. Discussion and Possible Action on options for mapping consultant:

- A. Scoring and Evaluation of Mapping Consultant applicants
- B. Option for opportunity of offerors to provide clarification information, without modification to proposal material, and existence of open meeting public comments related to procurement process.

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)), as well as for the purpose of discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2)) (pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-2534(D), the content of proposals submitted under the state's request for proposal procurement process is confidential until contract award "so as to avoid disclosure of contents prejudicial to competing offerors during the process of negotiation.").

IX. Open meeting law training and discussion.

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice with respect to open meeting law compliance (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)).

X. Discussion and Possible Action on Census Data and delay and ways to mitigate its disruption.

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice with respect to census data and delays (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)).

XI. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on Guzman complaint, provided by legal counsel, including written response to the investigation inquiry.

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice specifically related to the Guzman Open Meeting Law complaint (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)), for discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2), as well as for consultation with attorneys regarding pending or contemplated litigation pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4).

XII. Discussion of future agenda item requests.

XIII. Discussion and Possible Action on the scheduling of future meetings.

- A. Travel Schedule

- XIV. Announcements.
 - A. Next Meeting Date

- XV. Closing of the Public Comments.

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- XVI. Adjournment.