

**INDEPENDENT DISTRICTING  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
July 22, 2015**

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A. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair LOPEZ called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

B. ROLL CALL

1. Roll Call

Miguel Lopez, Kelly Roseman, Theresa McIntire, See Lee, Isabel Sanchez, Shane Smith, Maria Vega

**Clerk's Note:** All Committee Members were present, with the exception of Committee Members ROSEMAN and McINTIRE.

C. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation by Doug Johnson of National Demographics

Doug JOHNSON, National Demographics gave a slide presentation on districting and how the community can participate. Mr. JOHNSON answered audience and Committee questions regarding the dividing lines used in the maps.

Cindy MORSE, Kaye ALCORN and others from the Downtown Neighborhood Association (DNA) spoke in favor of the map submitted by the Association.

Daniel KAZAKOS spoke in favor of the map submitted by DNA.

D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Ryan HELLER, Merced – spoke in favor of keeping the downtown area together using Bear Creek as the dividing line.

Onis LENTZ, Merced – spoke about the districting process.

E. BUSINESS

1. City Attorney to Contact MALDEF About Dividing Line

Consultant Doug JOHNSON and Assistant City Clerk Miranda LUTZOW discussed challenges surrounding the issue of engaging in discussions with MALDEF. Mr. JOHNSON suggested that the Committee submit two maps, as required by the settlement, and an additional map that uses Bear Creek as the dividing line, if that is what the Committee would like to do.

2. Discussion of Committee Outreach

Committee Members discussed their outreach efforts.

F. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Committee Member SANCHEZ, seconded by Committee Member LEE, and with all in favor, the Committee voted to adjourn.

**Clerk's Note:** The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

By:

Approved:

Miranda Lutzow  
Assistant City Clerk

Miguel Lopez  
Chair