

**MEETING MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY DISTRICTING COMMITTEE
December 7, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.**

(Note: These minutes are action item only minutes and are not verbatim. Audio recordings are available at the [Pierce County Districting Committee website.](#))

1. Call to Order

The December 7, 2021, meeting of the Pierce County Districting Committee was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Chair Cuthbertson via teleconference.

2. Roll Call

Linda Medley, Meeting Clerk, called the roll.

Committee Members Present: The Honorable Frank Cuthbertson, Chair; and Sharon Hanek, Justin Leighton, Doug Richardson, and Joy Stanford, Members.

Also Present: Steven Garrett, Districting Master.

Staff Present: Auditor's Office – Kyle Haugh and Mike Rooney; Pierce County Council Office – Brynn Grimley, Susan Long, and Linda Medley; and Prosecuting Attorney's Office – Michelle Luna.

3. Approval of Agenda

Without objection, the agenda was approved as presented.

4. Approval of Minutes:

- November 30, 2021, regular meeting; and
- December 6, 2021, Special meeting.

Leighton moved approval of the November 30, 2021, Districting Committee minutes as presented; motion seconded and carried on a roll call vote of 5 to 0 (aye: Cuthbertson, Hanek, Leighton, Richardson, and Stanford).

Leighton moved approval of the December 6, 2021, Districting Committee minutes as presented; motion seconded and carried on a roll call vote of 5 to 0 (aye: Cuthbertson, Hanek, Leighton, Richardson, and Stanford).

5. Districting Plan Amendments

Chair Cuthbertson stated the Committee will begin with the technical amendments submitted by the Elections Division of the Auditor's Office. Kyle Haugh, Auditor's Office, explained the amendments (a copy is contained in the meeting file and also attached to these minutes).

Hanek moved to adopt the technical amendments presented by the Elections Division of the Auditor's Office, and that those amendments will be incorporated into the final map of the Districting Committee. Leighton requested clarification of the motion. The motion was seconded and discussion followed. Leighton spoke in support of the amendment and thanked the Auditor's Office for their work. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 to 0 (aye: Cuthbertson, Hanek, Leighton, Richardson, and Stanford).

Chair Cuthbertson noted that the Committee also has proposed amendments from Leighton and Hanek.

Leighton moved Leighton Amendment No. 1 (a copy is contained in the meeting file and also attached to these minutes), and he explained his proposed amendment. The motion was seconded.

Hanek explained her proposed Hanek Amendment No. 1 (a copy is contained in the meeting file and also attached to these minutes). Discussion followed.

Chair Cuthbertson proposed proceeding with Leighton Amendment No. 1. Discussion on the amendment followed. Leighton called a Point of Order to clarify that four affirmative votes are needed for an amendment to pass. The Chair ruled the Point of Order was well taken and confirmed the vote requirement to pass an amendment. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 4 to 1 (aye: Cuthbertson, Leighton, Richardson, and Stanford; nay: Hanek).

Hanek moved Hanek Amendment No. 1; motion seconded. Hanek spoke to her proposed amendments. The motion failed on a roll call vote of 2 to 3 (aye: Sharon Hanek and Doug Richardson; nay: Cuthbertson, Leighton, and Stanford).

Procedural discussion followed.

6. Meeting Schedule Finalization

[Note: Luna experienced technical difficulties during her presentation. The Committee advanced to Item 7., Public Comment, and then returned to Item 6.]

7. Public Comment

Dr. Jim West, President, Dash Point Social and Improvement Club; Patrick Plumb; Marianne Lincoln; Mayor Bill Pugh, City of Sumner; Kit Burns; and Gayle Sommers testified.

6. Meeting Schedule Finalization (return)

Luna explained her sample timeline. Discussion followed.

8. Other Business

Discussion occurred regarding timing and distribution of the final draft map.

Without objection, the Committee will hold a Special meeting on Thursday, December 16, 2021, at 5:30 p.m., and will cancel the regular meeting scheduled for December 14, 2021.

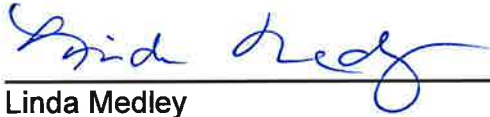
Discussion occurred regarding the procedure for approving the meeting minutes.

Chair Cuthbertson spoke in support of the decorum shown during public testimony at last night's meeting.

9. **Adjournment**

The meeting of the Districting Committee adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Approved:



Linda Medley
Meeting Clerk