



# City of Corpus Christi

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## Meeting Minutes

### City Council

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Monday, February 21, 2022

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

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#### SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING Developing Redistricting Plan

**A. Mayor Paulette M. Guajardo to call the meeting to order.**

Mayor Guajardo called the Special Meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

**B. City Secretary Rebecca L. Huerta to call the roll of the required Charter Officers.**

City Secretary Rebecca Huerta called the roll and verified that a quorum of the City Council and the required Charter Officers were present to conduct the meeting.

Charter Officers: City Manager Peter Zanoni, City Attorney Miles K. Risley and City Secretary Rebecca Huerta.

**Present:** 9 - Mayor Paulette M. Guajardo, Council Member Roland Barrera, Council Member Gil Hernandez, Council Member Michael Hunter, Council Member Billy A. Lerma, Council Member John Martinez, Council Member Ben Molina, Council Member Mike Pusley, and Council Member Greg Smith

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Guajardo opened the public comment period.

Tim Dowling, 8017 Villefranche Dr., spoke regarding the redistricting process.

Elisa Gonzalez, 4101 Brett St., spoke in favor of creating an Independent Redistricting Commission.

**D. BRIEFINGS:**

1. [22-0319](#) Presentation and discussion of 2022 Redistricting Illustrative Plan for City Council Districts; and development of a baseline City Council Districts Map for community engagement purposes.

City Secretary Rebecca Huerta introduced Redistricting General Counsel Cobby Caputo. Mr. Caputo described the draft illustrative map that was designed by his GIS Technician.

Council Members, Mr. Caputo, City Manager Peter Zanoni and City Attorney Miles Risley discussed the following topics: since District 2 does not have a growth area, it should be

the largest district coming out of redistricting; a Council Member's request for a spreadsheet that shows what voting precincts were impacted by the changes in these maps; a Council Member's request to see changes in the demographic data; and citizens' concerns that there is a conflict of interest for Council Members to be in charge of the redistricting process because they could consider their own incumbency within those districts.

City Secretary Rebecca Huerta presented the timeline as follows: February 22-March 8, 2022 - Community Input Sessions; March 8, 2022 - Community Input Wrap-Up session; March 22, 2022 - first reading ordinance approving redistricting plan; and March 29, 2022 - 2nd reading ordinance approving redistricting plan.

Mayor Guajardo recessed the Special Council meeting at 10:33 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on February 22, 2022.

Mayor Guajardo reconvened the Special Council Meeting on February 22, 2022 at 1:28 p.m.

Redistricting Attorney Cobby Caputo presented the revisions that were made to the redistricting map now called Plan B.

A Council Member and Mr. Caputo discussed the following topics: a Council Member's request for a precinct list; and a request for a chart with population percentage changes.

**E. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

2. [22-0334](#) **Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code § 551.071** and Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 1.05 to consult with attorneys concerning legal issues related to City Council's redistricting obligations and potential litigation related thereto.

This E-Session Item was withdrawn.

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Guajardo adjourned the Special City Council Meeting at 1:35 p.m.