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IOWA COLONY DISTRICT BOUNDARIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF MARCH 22, 2022

Members present: Douglas Chumley, Brenda Dillon, Rebecca Barnett, Brenda Ledbetter, Marge Madrianga, Perry Roberts, Robert Wall, Carol Wall, Michael Holton, Tim Varlack, Diana Tahitian, and Rebecca Hester

Members absent: Steven Byrum-Bratsen and Rosie Flores

Others present: Robert Hemminger, Larry Boyd, Councilwoman Arnetta Murray, Councilwoman Marquette Greene-Young and Gunnar Seaquist with Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, Acosta, LLP.

MEETING-6:00 P.M.

- 1. Chairman Douglas Chumley called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were recited.
- 3. Citizens Comments. There were no comments from the public.
- "An opportunity for the public to address the District Boundaries Commission on agenda items or concerns not on the agenda. To comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act, this period is not for question and answer. Those wishing to speak must observe a three-minute time limit."
- 4. Consideration and possible action to approve the March 8, 2022 meeting minutes. Michael Holton made a motion to approve the March 8, 2022 meeting minutes. Seconded by Margaret Madariaga. Approved unanimously.
- 5. Presentation by legal counsel of draft illustrative plan drawing single-member City Council districts based on 2020 census data. Gunnar Seaquist with Bickerstaff, Heath, Delagado, Acosta, LLP presented a draft map of Districts 1, 2, and 3. He explained the 2020 census boundaries and the population and how each district is accounted for. The committee members expressed their concerns including making sure the rural residents had a vote, the demographics were fair, and then collaborated to make revisions to the map to see how changes affected the population with in the districts.
- 6. Discussion of draft plan by the District Boundaries Commission and any amendments, if necessary, to finalize the draft plan for future adoption. City Manager, Mr. Robert Hemminger mentioned that the districts on the draft plans currently show District 1, 2, and 3 and should be changed to Districts A, B, and C per the City Charter. The committee members also asked that the color scheme of the different districts be changed accordingly. The committee decided they will present both draft plan A & B of the maps and the FAQ document for the public prior to the public hearing for citizens to review. This will be done through

the city website, social media, the bulletin board out front of city hall, maps posted in the Council Chambers and by committee members speaking with residents.

- 7. Set public hearing date for the purpose of receiving public comment with regard to the redrawing of councilmember district boundaries. Brenda Dillon made a motion to set the public hearing date for the purpose of receiving public comment with regard to the redrawing of the district boundaries to be on Tuesday, April 26 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Iowa Colony City Council Chambers. Seconded by Diana Tahitian. Approved unanimously.
- 8. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 26th DAY OF APRIL, 2022.

ATTEST:

Kayleen Rosser, City Secretary

Douglas Chumley, Chairman

