


REPORT OF THE CHIEF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST

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TO: Honorable Members of the City Council

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Council File No. 21-1472, 22-1196
Assignment No. 23-08-0449

SUBJECT: Rack Up for Independent Redistricting Charter Reform

SUMMARY

Motion (Krekorian, Raman – Martinez, CF 21-1472) instructed the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) to report with options for a ballot measure for the November 2022 ballot to amend the City Charter to create an Independent Redistricting Commission for the City of Los Angeles. The Motion included an extensive list of components that would govern an independent redistricting process, and directed that best practices for these components be identified. The Motion was adopted in October 2022.

On March 20, 2023, the CLA released a report in response to Motion, addressing the wide ranging issues required to establish and operate an Independent Redistricting Commission, as well as options associated with changing the number of Council Districts in the City. The Ad Hoc Committee on City Governance Reform (Ad Hoc Committee) then held eight meetings and hearings, including hearings in South Los Angeles, West Los Angeles, and the San Fernando Valley, to discuss the CLA report and to obtain input from interested organizations and the general public. The Ad Hoc Committee then instructed the CLA to consolidate the information received in these meetings into a single program for consideration.

Table 1, termed the Rack Up, provides Suggested Terms for the Action Items discussed by the Ad Hoc Committee during its several hearings. The Ad Hoc Committee did not vote on or recommend any specific actions for any of the Action Items. The discussions at the public hearings, the materials provided by interested organizations, and public comment provided guidance as to the options that could be included in the final program. The proposals in the Rack Up are provided as a starting point for the next phase of discussion. Further, the text is a summary of the concepts. Actual ballot language of the proposal for presentation to the voters will be prepared by the City Attorney and Chief Legislative Analyst.

NEW ISSUES AND ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

Public input and discussions at the public hearings raised questions or concepts that have resulted in either the refinement of issues previously identified or new issues for consideration. For example, testimony provided by Common Cause at the August 21, 2023, Ad Hoc Committee hearing included a recommendation to implement the new redistricting process by placing all Council Districts on the 2032 ballot and having those new district boundaries be effective with that election. Some of this information is addressed through the various Action Items identified

in the CLA Report, but several issues require additional consideration. As with the previous report, these new issues are presented below with several options.

Further, during the Ad Hoc Committee's hearings, several issues were raised related to the redistricting program components discussed in the CLA Report. The following provides additional information for reference or consideration.

2032 Election

Common Cause suggested that in 2032, all City Council Districts should appear on the ballot. This proposal is relative to an increase in the number of Council Districts from 15 to some higher number. By placing all Districts up for election at the same time, many of the potential complications associated with transition to a higher number of districts could be resolved, such as impacts on the alignment of communities of interest, District numbering, and representation by elected officials in office at that time. This would be a one-time adjustment to the election cycle.

Under this proposal, odd numbered districts will be on the ballot in 2030 for a two-year term and again in 2032 for a four-year term. Even numbered districts would be presented in 2032 for a two-year term and again on the 2034 ballot for a four-year term.

If all Council Districts are placed on the 2032 ballot, officials elected to a two-year term may be limited in the number of years they could serve on the City Council due to the current formulation of Term Limit provisions in the Charter. With regard to City Council Term Limits, the Charter currently provides that:

No person may serve more than three terms of office as a member of the City Council. These limitations on the number of terms of office shall apply only to terms of office that began on or after July 1, 1993. These limitations on the number of terms of office shall not apply to any unexpired term to which a person is elected or appointed if the remainder of the term is less than one-half of the full term of office.

If all Council Districts are placed on the 2032 election, with two-year terms for members elected in odd numbered districts in 2030 and two-year terms for even districts in 2032, the Councilmembers elected in each of these elections would be eligible to serve three terms with a total of 10 years on Council. It may be appropriate to allow that Councilmembers elected to two-year terms in either the 2030 or 2032 elections would be eligible to serve an additional fourth term. For some members, they could potentially serve on the Council for up to 14 years not accounting for any additional time filling an unexpired term.

One other effect of placing all Council Districts on the 2032 ballot relates to the concurrent election of Citywide Offices. The Mayor, City Attorney, and City Controller will appear on the 2030 ballot concurrently with odd Council Districts. As a result of the two two-year terms for all Council Districts, the Citywide offices would next appear on the 2034 ballot with the even numbered Council Districts. Potential impacts of this shift, absent alternative measures, have not yet been identified.

Finally, a consequence of shifting the election cycle of odd and even Council Districts relates to the election of Citywide offices (Mayor, City Attorney, and City Controller) and the federal election cycle. Currently, odd Council Districts appear on a ballot with the Governor and the Citywide offices; even Council Districts appear on a ballot with the President. The shift associated with two-year terms in 2030 and 2032 will flip this ballot relationship. If the current alignment of Council District elections, Citywide office elections, and State and federal office elections is preferred, it would be necessary for odd numbered Council Districts to run for a two-year term in 2030 and another two-year term in 2032.

ACTION	
<p>New A.9 Election Terms – Odd numbered Council Districts on the ballot in 2030 will serve a two-year term. All Council Districts shall be on the ballot in 2032, with even numbered districts having a term of two years and odd numbered districts having a term of four years. The term for all subsequent elections for all Council Districts will be four years.</p>	
<p>New A.10 Term Limits – Councilmembers elected to two-year terms in 2030 and/or 2032 are eligible to serve an additional fourth term.</p>	

Effective Date

With regard to the effective date for the newly adopted maps, the City practice has been that new boundaries are effective upon adoption of the final map by the Council. The Suggested Term for Action H.7 would continue this practice, revised to be effective upon the City Clerk posting the the Independent Redistricting Commission’s adopted plan on the Council File Management System (CFMS). However, some jurisdictions do not implement the new boundaries until after the next election for that district, when the winners of the election take office. This means that the new boundaries may be adopted by a Commission, but the boundaries would not take effect for several months for half of the Districts and two years for the remaining half of the Districts after adoption by the Commission.

The proposal for all Council Districts to be presented for election in 2032 would accommodate a map effective date tied to election timing. But in 2042 and future redistricting processes, if the effective date is set to the timing of elections, it may result in some residents represented by two Councilmembers and some residents without representation. This has been the result in some past State legislative redistricting processes.

A primary concern in setting an immediate effective date for new District boundaries is that voters could initiate a recall election following redistricting of a member that previously had not represented them. The practice of setting the effective date with the results of elections is

intended to address this issue and provides alignment between the voters and the official they elected until the next election.

As noted above, Action H.7 currently provides for implementation of the new Council District and LAUSD Board boundaries adopted by the Independent Redistricting Commissions upon posting on the CFMS by the City Clerk. The Ad Hoc Committee had discussed setting the effective date a certain number of days after the posting on CFMS to allow for the filing of any challenges. Additional consideration would be required to draft terms that describe this condition. The establishment of this implementation date is a policy matter for consideration.

Location of Commission Offices

The LA Governance Reform Project recommended that the Independent Redistricting Commissions obtain office space outside City Hall. The initial Advisory Redistricting Commissions in 2001 obtained office space outside City Hall, but the 2011 and 2021 Commissions both had offices in City Hall to reduce program costs. Inclusion of this provision in either the Charter or Administrative Code is possible, but could be addressed as a matter of policy when the Council considers requests for the use of City Hall office space.

Incarcerated Population Adjustment

The California Elections Code (Section 21601) requires that all jurisdictions use the Census PL-94 data file. This section further requires that an incarcerated person shall not be counted in their City of origin, unless that person's previous last known address can be assigned to a Census Block. As a result of this provision, the State prepares an adjusted Census PL-94 data file for local jurisdictions to use that makes adjustments for the State's incarcerated population in compliance with this section of State law. Unlike other provisions in the California Elections Code that allow Charter Cities to adopt their own provisions for redistricting, no provision allows Charter Cities to use any other population file. This was the datafile used by the City Council Advisory Redistricting Commission in 2021.

The draft program currently requires compliance with the federal Voting Rights Act and the State Constitution, which would by reference include compliance with the California Elections Code which requires using the PL-94 adjusted to account for incarcerated persons as provided in the law.

STRUCTURE OF THE RACK-UP

The Ad Hoc Committee held eight hearings concerning the question of Independent Redistricting. Five of those hearings were focused exclusively on the CLA report of March 20, 2023 (CLA Report); a sixth meeting was dedicated to presentations by the Los Angeles Government Reform Project (LA GRP), Common Cause, and OurLA, who presented findings and recommendations for the Ad Hoc Committee's consideration. Each meeting addressed sections of the report, with Ad Hoc Committee members considering the content of the report and additional options. The public were then able to comment on the CLA Report and the issues discussed by the members of the Ad Hoc Committee.

The Ad Hoc Committee did not take any votes on or provide recommendations on the solution for any of the specific issues that would comprise the final Independent Redistricting proposal.

The discussions, however, suggested a course for many of those issues. The information provided in discussions, presentations, and comments during the hearings has been organized into this report. All sections in the CLA Report are referenced here, in a format referred to as the Rack-Up.

The Rack-Up is a Suggested Term Sheet for each of the Action Items identified in the CLA Report to guide continued conversation on the Independent Redistricting program. Rather than continue a discussion on the range options, the Suggested Terms provided in the Rack-Up are intended to allow for a more focused discussion and completion of a final Term Sheet.

In the Rack-Up, the column titled “Suggested Term” has been developed based on the sense of the discussion by the members of the Ad Hoc Committee, input provided by the public, and by comments and recommendations provided by the Los Angeles Governance Reform Project, Common Cause, and OurLA. These Suggested Terms offer, where possible, a specific option for the Independent Redistricting program. If the Ad Hoc Committee did not provide substantial direction and public comment did not address the issue, the Suggested Term is based on the research presented in the CLA Report in consideration of the California Elections Code and recommendations by LA GRP, Common Cause, and OurLA.

With each Suggested Term, a recommendation is made as to whether that matter should be documented in the Charter, in the Administrative Code, or in both.

Finally, notes are provided on some Suggested Terms to indicate the recommendations of LA GRP, Common Cause, and OurLA, as well as other recommendations or comments of note.

The Rack-Up, however, does not provide Suggested Terms for some issues where discussions were extensive but did not lead to a clear preference. As a result, the following identifies key Suggested Terms that require additional consideration by the Ad Hoc Committee.

A.1 Number of Council Districts

During the Ad Hoc Committee’s discussion regarding the number of Council Districts, members from the public expressed broad support for expanding the size of the City Council. Although a wide range of suggestions were provided concerning how large the Council should be, the majority of public comment indicated a preference for a Council that is equal to or greater than 21 members. However, the Committee and public did express concerns regarding increasing the size of the Council to an amount that is equivalent to other large cities, such as New York City (51 members). Additionally, organizations such as Common Cause expressed their support for the Fixed Population Growth Methodology. During the Committee’s discussion, concerns were made by both the Ad Hoc Committee and members of the public as to whether a larger Council would affect community services and overall City service delivery.

During the CLA’s presentation, the Ad Hoc Committee also engaged in a discussion on whether and how the Council’s duties and responsibilities could shift if the Council were to be expanded with a particular focus on the Council’s role as a policymaking body. The CLA indicated that any potential impacts to the Council’s role as a policymaking role and effects to service delivery cannot be determined at this time, but noted that any increase to the Council would need a

corresponding increase to City departmental budgets in order to meet the additional demands of a larger Council. The CLA Report also raised questions concerning the balance of authorities between the Mayor and the Council at its current size, and impact of increasing the size of that balance. The Ad Hoc Committee may want to further consider options related to Council size with this factor in mind.

Finally, Ad Hoc Committee deliberations and public comment included questions concerning the opportunity to create larger, regional Council Districts. The LA GRP report later recommended that the Council be increased to 21 members with four additional members elected by large regional districts. No preference on an outcome with regard to this option was expressed. It should be noted that State law does not favor At Large districts. Recent State legislation has moved in the direction of requiring that local jurisdictions elect council members by District, rather than At Large, where there is evidence of polarized voting patterns. This has resulted in a number of cities across the State moving to District elections. It is unclear how the formation of large regional districts in the City would be evaluated in the context of State law.

As the Ad Hoc Committee hearings did not provide a clear option with regard to Council size, the Rack-Up does not provide a Suggested Term on this matter.

B.1 Commission Purpose

The Ad Hoc Committee discussed several key terms that would define the Commission Purpose. Common Cause has provided a substantial description of the Commission Purpose, while OurLA provided a succinct proposal for the same language. The CLA Report recommends that the text provide a balance that provides meaningful context for the administration of an Independent Redistricting program without being too specific.

The Ad Hoc Committee may have additional input on this subject. Completion of this text may be most appropriately completed as a final Independent Redistricting program takes shape.

C.3 Commission Term

Two options were presented in the CLA Report concerning the term of the Commission. In some jurisdictions, commissions are seated for the time needed to complete their work. In others, commissions are seated for 10 years. The Ad Hoc Committee did not indicate a preference for the 10 year term. During the hearing presentations by LA GRP, Common Cause, and OurLA, each group recommended a 10 year term. The Ad Hoc Committee then expressed an interest in further considering the 10 year term.

The Rack-Up provides a Suggested Term that is limited to the time needed to complete the Commission's work. The Ad Hoc Committee may want to discuss this issue in further detail.

D.1 Commissioner Qualifications

The CLA Report identified several objective and subjective qualifications that applicants for Commissioner must meet. The Ad Hoc Committee expressed a clear preference for only one objective qualification, with concern over the inclusion of any subjective qualifications. Recommendations from LA GRP, Common Cause, and OurLA provide a range of qualifications for the Ad Hoc Committee's consideration, including both objective and subjective criteria.

The Rack-Up only provides one qualification for consideration. The Ad Hoc Committee should identify whether any additional qualifications should be included.

D.8 Ex Parte Communications

The Ad Hoc Committee indicated support for restrictions on ex parte communications, a recommendation that was also provided in public testimony and by LA GRP and Common Cause. The details concerning the structure of the ex parte communication restriction require additional consideration, however.

As initially presented in the CLA Report, Commissioners would be restricted from communicating with any elected official concerning redistricting outside of a public hearing or meeting. However, there are some models that actually restrict communications with any person regarding the redistricting process outside of a public hearing or meeting. This broader restriction seeks to ensure that Commissioners are not being influenced by anyone, other than their staff, consultants, and legal counsel, in a private setting with regard to the map drawing process. Common Cause recommends this more stringent provision.

Further clarification is also required whether some form of ex parte communication restriction should be placed on Commission staff, consultants, and legal counsel. It may not be appropriate, for example, for the mapping consultant to be in private communication with elected officials concerning District boundaries.

To ensure that the Commission is able to conduct its work effectively, though, it should be clear that Commissioners and Commission staff are able to communicate concerning administrative matters. For example, if the Commission is having difficulty with securing a lease for office space, it would be appropriate for the Chair of the Commission to contact an elected official to obtain assistance.

E.1 Commission Selection Process

The Ad Hoc Committee expressed a preference that the City Clerk lead the application process for Commissioner following discussion of the range of City offices that could lead such an effort. Public comment included reference to the City Clerk and the Ethics Commission, with a recommendation that the City Clerk lead the effort with the Ethics Commission providing oversight. This later suggestion may be appropriate to allow for a review and challenge process during the application process.

The consequence of designating the City department to process the application process is dependent upon the Term of the Commission. If the Commission Term is limited to the time required to complete their work, the designated City department would be required to conduct an application process every 10 years. If the Commission Term is 10 years, then the designated City Department would implement the application process once, and then each Commission would conduct the application process every 10 years thereafter.

The Rack-Up provides a Suggested Term that recognizes the initial sense of the Ad Hoc Committee that the term of the Commission would be limited to the time required for them to

complete their work. If the Commission term of service is set at 10 years, then this Suggested Term and related elements should be revised.

E.8a Step-One Commissioner Selection

The CLA Report described a Dual Step Commissioner selection process that balanced geographic representation and diversity representation among the Commission. The CLA Report identified Regional Planning Areas and Neighborhood Council Regions as the basis for geographic selection. LA GRP recommended that five geographies be created, with two commissioners selected from each, and Common Cause recommended that commissioners be selected from seven unspecified geographies. Public comment included references to the geographies in Step-One, with a concern over using Regional Planning Areas as the geographic basis.

As noted in the CLA Report, the number of Commissioners to be appointed would guide the type of geography used for the Step-One selection process. CLA analysis of other jurisdictions suggests that approximately half of the commissioners should be selected in Step-One, with the remainder selected in Step-Two. With 17 Commissioners, that would result in 8 or 9 Commissioners selected in Step-One. This would require 8 or 9 geographic regions with one commissioner per region; or 4 geographic regions with two commissioners per region.

Additional discussion is required to determine the Ad Hoc Committee's preference on this matter.

F.2 Redistricting Criteria

The CLA Report and the recommendations from LA GRP, Common Cause, and OurLA all affirm the importance of compliance with the U.S. Constitution, the federal Voting Rights Act, the State Constitution, and the requirement that Council Districts have a reasonably equal population, except where deviation is required to comply with federal law (F.1).

The CLA Report also identified several secondary criteria to be included in the program. The recommendation is that these should not be enumerated in order of descending importance, but rather that each future Commission determine which of the criteria are most important at the time. Further, the CLA Report includes criteria identified in State law that may be relevant to include in the Charter.

LA GRP, Common Cause, and OurLA identified secondary criteria of importance, and ranked them. Each indicates that the Commission should make decisions based on this ranking. Although there is general agreement among these organizations as to which criteria should be included, they are not assigned the same rank.

It should be noted that the criterion currently in the Charter that Neighborhood Councils be a priority is not expressly identified by the organizations in their ranking. Further, the organizations do not recommend criteria related to the preservation of population cores or recognizing voter deferral.

Additional work is required to reconcile the information provided in this section. The Ad Hoc Committee should provide additional direction as to priorities, particularly with regard to the criteria included in the California Elections Code. Further discussions with LA GRP, Common Cause, and OurLA should lead to greater clarity.

G.1 Public Meetings and Public Comment

The Ad Hoc Committee expressed an interest in providing general guidance in the criteria related to Public Meetings and Public Comment, as prescriptive requirements could harm the ability of the Commission to conduct their work program. Other comments and recommendations from the public and OurLA are more detailed and could affect the ability of the Commission to implement its work program in a timely manner. This is particularly relevant when criteria are included in the Charter rather than the Administrative Code.

The Rack-Up includes criteria from the CLA Report that are based on the California Elections Code. The Suggested Terms could be revised if the Ad Hoc Committee would prefer a more prescriptive approach.

Redistricting Rack-Up

- X = include in the Charter or Administrative Code
- X ➡ = include initial reference in Charter, with additional provisions in Administrative Code
- ** = included in the California Elections Code and may be appropriate to include in the City program

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Number of Council Districts	A.1	The Council shall consist of ___ members, elected by district as provided elsewhere in the Charter.	X		L.A GRP: 21 members + 4 at large OurLA: 23 to 31 Public Comment: Broad interest in an increase, preponderance for increase by a specific number.																				
	A.2 to A.4, A.6 A.8	Proposal to base the number of districts on population as an alternative to a fixed number of Council Districts			Common Cause: – The number of Council Districts shall be adjusted based on the decennial Census, with ideally no more than 150,000 residents per District. – There should be a minimum of 15 districts but no maximum.																				
	A.5	Linked to H.7. Further discussion of the Effective Date is required.	See H.7		Common Cause: effective in the year ending in 2 and every decade thereafter.																				
	A.7	Identify and revise regulations concerning appointment authorities for commissions and boards based on Council District representation.																							
	A.8	Revise Charter Sections 245, 250(c), 254 (Legislative Branch) to revise the veto threshold from two-thirds to _____.	X		Vote Threshold <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th># members</th> <th>%</th> <th>2/3</th> <th>3/4</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>15 members</td> <td></td> <td>10</td> <td>12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>17 members</td> <td></td> <td>11</td> <td>12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>19 members</td> <td></td> <td>12</td> <td>13</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>13</td> <td>14</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	# members	%	2/3	3/4	15 members		10	12	17 members		11	12	19 members		12	13			13	14
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		<p>Revise Charter Section 273(b)(3) (Settlements Involving Only Money Damages) to revise the veto threshold from two-thirds to _____.</p> <p>Revise Charter Section 315 (Council Consideration of Mayor's Veto Message; Final Adopted Budget.) to revise the veto threshold from two-thirds to _____.</p> <p>Revise Charter Sections 341(b) and 342(c) (Transfers.) to revise the veto threshold from two-thirds to _____.</p> <p>Revise Charter Section 710(c) (Appointment of Special Prosecutor.) to revise the vote threshold from two-thirds to _____.</p> <p>Revise Charter Section 302(b)(3)(ii) (Funds. Transfers from the Emergency Reserve Account) to revise the veto threshold from three-fourths to _____.</p> <p>Revise Charter Section 514(a) (Transfer of Powers, Charter Created Powers and Duties) to revise the veto threshold from three-fourths to _____.</p> <p>Revise Charter Section 607(a) (Limitations on Franchises, Concessions, Permits, Licenses and Leases. Length) to revise the veto threshold from three-fourths to _____.</p> <p>Revise Charter Section 680(b) (Other Enterprises. Entry into Public Utility Competition.) to revise the veto threshold from three-fourths to _____.</p> <p>Revise Charter Sections 1168, 1330, 1428, 1516, 1518, 1528, 1616, 1618, 1628, 1716, 17118, 1726 related to Employment Provisions, to _____.</p> <p>Any other supermajority votes.</p>			<p>21 members 13 14 16</p> <p>25 members 15 17 19</p>

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<p>Commission Purpose</p>	<p>B.1 B.2</p>		<p>X</p>		<p>Common Cause: The redistricting Commission for the City of Los Angeles should be an Independent Redistricting Commission, meaning a body, other than the City Council, that is empowered to adopt the District boundaries of the City Council. The purpose of the Independent Redistricting Commission should be to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure the integrity, fairness, transparency, and accessibility of the redistricting process, prohibit discriminatory redistricting practices, and protect the people from an unrepresentative and dilutive electoral system. • Ensure the City's redistricting process is free from political or partisan influence. • Ensure that requirements to guarantee minimum standards of transparency and accessibility in the redistricting process are met so that the public is able to provide information to assist the Commission in adopting fair and equitable District maps. • Ensure that mandatory districting and redistricting criteria to promote fair and effective representation for all people, neighborhoods, and communities, and particularly for disadvantaged, historically marginalized, under-resourced, low-income, and underrepresented neighborhoods and communities will be respected. • Respect the voters' will to prioritize

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					<p>keeping whole neighborhoods and communities of interest together, facilitate political organization and constituent representation, and prohibit gerrymandering, including prohibiting incumbent-protection gerrymandering.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give voice and power to the residents of the City to lead a fair redistricting process that empowers communities that have historically been left out or underrepresented. <p>OurLA: – To strengthen the governance of the City by empowering its communities to have their diverse needs served through fair, transparent, and inclusive representation.</p>
Commission Organization	C.1	There shall be 17 Commissioners.	X		<p>The Ad Hoc Committee considered several criteria, which in combination suggest either 17 or 19 Commissioners.</p> <p>LA GRP: 17 members OurLA: 21-25 members Common Cause: 14 members</p>
	C.2a	There shall be 4 Alternate Commissioners	X		Common Cause: 2 members
	C.2b	Commission vacancies shall be filled by the Chair of the Commission randomly drawing the name of an Alternate Commissioner.	X		
	C.2c	An expedited application process shall be conducted, with the Commission randomly selecting replacements from a pool of	X		This did not rise to an issue of significant discussion. If this matter is to

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		eligible applicants.			be included in the program, the suggested language allows the Commission to proceed with full independence in the matter.
	New C.2d	Alternate Commissioners shall be able to participate in Commission hearings, meetings, training, and discussions, but shall not have a vote. Alternate Commissioners shall attend Commission meetings. Alternate Commissioners who do not attend Commission meetings shall be subject to removal.	X X	 X	
	C.3	The term of the Commission shall be from the time of the appointment of the first Commissioner until the adoption of the final redistricting plan, and if recalled by a Court to address any litigation.	X		L.A GRP: 10 years, and assign other duties such as reporting on voter engagement and decennial census planning and coordination. Common Cause: 10 years. OurLA: 10 years
	C.4a	An application process to identify prospective Commissioners shall commence by April 1 in a year ending in the number 9.	X		L.A GRP: No later than Fall of a year ending in 9. Common Cause: A year ending in 8.
	C.4b	The City Clerk shall manage the Commissioner application process.		X	Common Cause: Ethics Commission
	C4c	The Commissioner application process shall include an outreach and education program to ensure that there is wide awareness that the Commission application process is open, with efforts to reach underserved communities and with efforts conducted in multiple languages.		X	

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	C.5	The application process shall be completed within one year and Commissioners shall be appointed to commence their term and begin their work no later than April 1 of a year ending in 0. Commissioners shall be sworn into service by the City Clerk.	X		LA GRP: January of a year ending in 0. Common Cause: A year ending in 9.
	C.6	A special Redistricting Process shall commence immediately upon approval of this measure by the voters, with revised Council District boundaries to be effective no later than for the election in 2026.			Common Cause: No special redistricting.
New	C.7	Commissioners shall receive training with regard to redistricting.	X		LA GRP: Provide training to Commissioners. Common Cause: Provide training to Commissioners.
Commissioner Qualifications, Responsibilities, and Restrictions	D.1a D.1b D.1c D.1d D.1e D.1f	Candidate must be a registered voter in the City of Los Angeles. Candidate must be a resident of the City. Candidates must have voted in the City in at least _____ elections in the prior _____ years. Candidates should possess experience that demonstrates analytical skills relevant to the redistricting process and voting rights, and possess an ability to comprehend and apply the applicable State and federal legal requirements. Candidates should possess experience that demonstrates an ability to be impartial.	X		LA GRP: – Resident of the City at least three years consecutive prior to application – Disclose political contributions – Letter of recommendation or other evidence of community engagement – Adults over 18 Common Cause: – Registered voter of the City – Resident at least four years – Voted in at least one City election in the last four years – Possess relevant analytical skills, ability to be impartial, and appreciate City diversity OurLA: – Relevant skills, such as public and

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		Candidates should possess experience that demonstrates an appreciation for the diverse demographics and geography of the City of Los Angeles.			community outreach education and engagement – Appreciation for City diversity – Resident at least three years
	D.2 and D.4	Candidates shall not be eligible to serve on or be appointed to the Commission if any of the criteria in State Elections Code Section 23003(d) apply, except that a person may not have contributed \$500 or more in a year to any candidate for an elective office of the City, the LAUSD, the County of Los Angeles, or the State of California. In addition, a person who has served as a City Commissioner within the previous 4 years may not be seated as a Commissioner. A person may only sit on one Redistricting Commission, including County and State commissions, at a time.	X		See Attachment A. Q: Should former elected officials be disqualified? If so, for a limited time or unlimited time?
	D.3	A City employee or an individual who has been employed by the City within the previous 8 years may not be seated as a Commissioner.	X		Common Cause: Same.
	D.5a	During service, a Commissioner shall not endorse, work for, volunteer for, or make a campaign contribution to an elective office of the City	X		Common Cause: Same.
	D.5b	A Commissioner shall be ineligible, for a period of 5 years beginning from the date of their appointment, to hold City elective office. ** or limited only to Council?	X		Common Cause: 10 year disqualification from running for office.

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		Persons who accept appointment to the Commission, at the time of their appointment, shall file a written declaration with the City Clerk stating their understanding of this restriction.			
D.5c		A Commissioner shall be ineligible, for a period of 5 years beginning from the date of their appointment, to be appointed to another City commission, to serve as paid staff for or as a paid consultant to any City elected official, to receive a non-competitively bid contract with the City, or to register as a City lobbyist.	X		Common Cause: 4 years
D.6		<p>Commissioner duties shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conduct themselves in a manner to ensure integrity and fairness of the process, including ex parte communication restrictions. ○ Attend and participate in commission meetings and hearings. ○ Train on redistricting and ethics. ○ File appropriate statements, such as Form 700. ○ Use an assigned e-mail for commission business. ○ Conduct self and business in an impartial manner 	X		
D.7		If the Commission is seated for 10 years, identify additional duties to be assigned, if any.	X		<p>LA GRP: Additional duties to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – commission a report on city voter engagement – coordinate with decennial Census outreach
D.8a		All ex parte communications between Commission members and any other person concerning development of the map are prohibited. This does not restrict communication among Commissioners and their staff, consultants, or legal counsel, or communication with City staff regarding administrative	X X		<p>LA GRP: Restrict ex parte communication with Councilmembers.</p> <p>Common Cause: Restrict ex parte communication with any organization or</p>

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		matters. This does not restrict educational presentations to the public.			individual.	
	D.8b	All ex parte communications between Commission staff and any elected City official, candidate for City elected office, or their staff concerning development of the map shall be prohibited.	X			
	D.8e	Shall ex parte communication restrictions apply to elected officials and the staff of elected officials at any other level of government?			Unnecessary if the ex parte term under D.8a is included. Otherwise, this should be reconsidered.	
Commission Selection Process	E.1	The City Clerk shall prepare the application for Commissioner and ensure wide publication and outreach to ensure that the public is aware of the application process.	X		<p>– Align with C.4b, E.2, E.4c</p> <p>LA GRP: City Clerk, Ethics Commission, or other</p> <p>Common Cause: Ethics Commission</p> <p>OurLA: Entity must work with CHRED.</p> <p>Public Testimony: City Clerk, with Ethics Commission oversight.</p>	
	E.2	People interested in becoming a Commissioner apply for the position, submitting the application to the City Clerk.	X		<p>Common Cause: Ethics Commission</p> <p>Public Testimony: City Clerk, with Ethics Commission oversight.</p>	
	E.3a	The application screening process shall be conducted by the City Clerk.	X		<p>Common Cause: Ethics Commission</p> <p>Public Testimony: City Clerk, with Ethics Commission oversight.</p>	
	E.3b	Applications received are screened for eligibility in two				

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		phases by different entities:			
	E.4a	Establish a pool of the most qualified candidates, composed of 105 applications for the position of commissioner, with at least five qualified candidates in each geographic area (17 Commissioners per Action C.1 x 5 = 105).	X		Ad Hoc Committee: The number of qualified candidates would be 5x the total number of commissioners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 45 with 9 commissioners • 65 with 9 commissioners and 4 alternates • 65 with 13 commissioners • 85 with 13 commissioners and 4 alternates • 85 with 17 commissioners • 105 with 17 commissioners and 4 alternates Common Cause: Pool of 35, five candidates from each of seven geographic regions
	E.4b	The names of the final pool of qualified candidates shall be posted for public review.	X		Common Cause: Same. OurLA: Same.
	E.4c	The public may register a concern with any name posted for public review with the City Clerk and seek dismissal of that candidate from the pool. Any names submitted for exclusion shall be evaluated by the Ethics Commission, who shall make the determination concerning exclusion.	X		Common Cause: Any person may submit concerns or provide references for these candidates. OurLA: Public may seek dismissal.
	E.5	Combined with E.4a.	See E.4a		
	E.6	If the pool of qualified candidates does not meet the threshold of 105 candidates, the City Clerk shall, in this order: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconsider applications received in the initial application period and 	X		

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reopen the application period for the time necessary to establish a full pool of qualified candidates. 			
	E.7	Once a pool is established, an entity is required to conduct the selection process. This entity should be different from the entity that manages the application process.			
	E.8	Commissioners selected in a Dual-Step Process.	X		LA GRP: Recommend. Common Cause: Recommend
	E.8a	Step One: the pool of qualified candidates shall be divided into (...#...) sub-pools based on geography and one Commissioner shall be selected randomly from each geographic area.	X		LA GRP: – Group Community Plans into five geographies. Select two commissioners randomly from each geography, for 10 Commissioners. Independent entity defines geography. Common Cause: – Establish seven geographic areas – Select one name randomly from each geographic region.
	E.8b	Step Two: The sub-pools shall be recombined into a single pool of qualified candidates. Commissioners selected in Step One shall review the applications of all remaining applicants to select an additional seven (7) Commissioners. Selection shall be made in a manner to balance the diversity of the Commission based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Race and ethnicity ● Sex and Gender ● Sexual orientation ● Profession ● Geography ● The Commission may consider other factors as 	X		LA GRP: – Select seven more commissioners by an undesignated process. Recommend that the public provide input on this. Common Cause: – The seven randomly selected commissioners select the remaining seven to represent diversity.

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		<p>appropriate, subordinate to the primary factors listed above.</p>			
	<p>E.9 to E.13a-c</p>	<p>Commissioners may be removed by a supermajority (two-thirds) vote following a pre-removal process for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Substantial neglect of duty ● Gross misconduct in office ● Inability to discharge duties of office ● Failure to meet commissioner qualifications ● Unexcused absences within ___ days ● Working or volunteering for, contributing to, or endorsing a candidate for an elective office in the City or LAUSD ● Transparency violation ● Moving out of the City <p>Commissioners may be removed immediately by a supermajority vote of the Commission for the following reason:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Charge of a serious crime or felony <p>The position of a Commissioner who pleads guilty or no contest to or is convicted of a felony shall immediately be vacated.</p> <p>The pre-removal process shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Notice of public hearing ● An opportunity to respond in writing ● An opportunity to respond at the noticed Public Hearing 	<p>X</p>		<p>Note: Supermajority is defined as two-thirds.</p> <p>Common Cause: Supermajority vote of Commissioners to remove a Commissioner for specified cause.</p>
	<p>E.14</p>	<p>Shall there be an appeal process in case of suspension, removal, or automatic removal?</p>			

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Redistricting Criteria	F.1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Compliance with the U.S. Constitution 2. Compliance with the federal Voting Rights Act 3. Compliance with the State Constitution 4. Each district shall have a reasonably equal population with other districts, except where deviation is required to comply with the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.) or as allowable by law. 	X		<p>These priorities are required by the California Elections Code, which includes using the PL-94 population file adjusted to include locating an incarcerated person at their home address.</p> <p>LA GRP: – Adjust for incarcerated people at their home address, not prison address.</p> <p>Common Cause: – Same criteria.</p> <p>OurLA: – Affirm.</p>
	F.2	Additional criteria may be considered when drawing district boundaries, though such criteria should be considered without violating the requirements of federal or State law.	X		CLA Report recommends that these additional criteria should not be ranked in order of priority to allow the Commission to determine those priorities that are relevant for that redistricting cycle.
	F.2a	<p>All lines must correspond to census blocks or census voting districts in order to preserve the validity of data and avoid arbitrary boundaries</p> <p>Refined: Integrity of a City or Census designated place shall be respected to the extent practicable</p>	X		<p>LA GRP: Priority #3 retain integrity of Census Blocks</p> <p>Common Cause: Priority #4 retain integrity of Census Blocks</p> <p>OurLA: Priority #3 retain integrity of Census Blocks</p>

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	F.2b	** Council district boundaries should be easily identifiable and understandable by residents. To the extent practicable, council districts shall be bounded by natural and artificial barriers, by major streets, or by the boundaries of the city.	X		LA GRP: Priority #5 Common Cause: Priority #3 – From natural boundaries, etc. OurLA: Priority #5
	F.2c	To the extent feasible, utilize natural boundaries or street lines.			Redundant to F.2b
	F.2d	To the extent feasible, geographic integrity of Neighborhood Councils shall be respected in a manner that minimizes their division to the extent possible.	X		
	F.2e	** Districts shall be geographically contiguous; areas that meet only at the points of adjoining corners are not contiguous; areas that are separated by water and not connected by a bridge, tunnel, or regular ferry service are not contiguous.	X		LA GRP: Priority #1 Common Cause: Priority #1 OurLA: Priority #2
	F.2f	** To the extent feasible, be geographically compact.	X		LA GRP: Priority #4 Common Cause: Priority # 5 OurLA: Priority #4
	F.2g	** Neighborhoods and communities sharing a common language, history, culture and identity should not be divided so as to dilute their voting power.	X		
	F.2h	** A community of interest is a contiguous population which shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.	X		LA GRP: Priority #2 Common Cause: Priority #2 OurLA: Priority #1

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	F.2i	** The place of residence of any incumbent or political candidate shall not be considered in the creation of a map.	X		LA GRP: Priority #6 Common Cause: Include this provision. OurLA: Priority #6
	F.2j	Boundary changes should limit voter deferral where possible.	X		
	F.2k	Preserve population cores that have consistently been associated with each council district.	X		
	F.2l	Commission may adopt additional criteria that do not conflict with the other requirements and criteria listed in this section or with State or federal law.	X		Common Cause: Priority #6
	F.3	** Council District boundaries shall not favor or discriminate against a political party.			Common Cause: Include this provision. OurLA: Include this provision
	F.4	Council Districts shall be numbered in a manner that, for as many residents as possible, the number of the Council District they reside in remains the same	X		
Public Meetings and Public Comment	G.1	<p>The commission shall take steps to encourage residents to participate in the redistricting process, including those in underrepresented communities and non-English speaking communities.</p> <p>The commission shall actively engage and provide information through good government, civic engagement or community groups or organizations that have requested to be notified concerning redistricting.</p>	X →	X	<p>Common Cause: Same.</p> <p>OurLA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Suggestion box/system. - Literacy access - Address digital deserts - Various formats for public comment - Immediate technical assistance - Partner with CBOs with funding, to provide educational outreach, to distribute written information.

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	G.2	The Commission shall arrange for the live translation of a public hearing or workshop in an applicable language if a request is made at least 72 hours prior to a hearing or workshop.	X		Common Cause: Same. OurLA: Same.
	G.3	The Commission shall make public the date, time, and location for any public hearing or workshop on the internet at least five business days before the meeting, or three days if within 28 days of the deadline to adopt boundaries.	X		Common Cause: Same. OurLA: 14 days advance notice.
	G.4	The Commission should consider public testimony in their deliberations, as well as any full or partial maps provided in writing and at public hearings and meetings.	X		Common Cause: Same.
	Rev. G.5a	The Commission shall provide materials in the languages required by federal and State law, with best efforts to provide outreach materials and meeting agendas in all languages required under the federal Voting Rights Act for elections.	X ➔	X	Common Cause: Same. OurLA: – Require support for all languages spoken by at least 5 percent of the City population. – Team of professionals hired by IRC. – Work with CBOs to provide culturally appropriate translation.
	G.5b	The Commission shall publish all documents produced for the public in all languages required by the Voting Rights Act for election			
	G.6	The Commission shall develop and implement an Accessibility Plan to ensure that people with disabilities and seniors are able to access and fully participate in Commission meetings and hearings. This plan shall be developed prior to the initiation of public hearings.	X ➔	X	Common Cause: Same. OurLA: Provides details concerning accessibility.
	G.7	The Commission shall encourage elected officials to provide testimony at public hearings, including the provision of	X		Common Cause: encourage residents, including elected officials...

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	G.8 to G.12 a-c	<p>adequate time to provide such testimony.</p> <p>The Commission shall hold public hearings that ensure the public has the opportunity to participate and comment, that are held in a manner that is geographically distributed across the City, with a portion of the meetings held evenings after 6 or weekends, _____, _____, _____ and _____ in each phase of the redistricting process. Public hearings are intended to focus on receiving public testimony and presentation of information concerning the redistricting process, while public meetings are designed to conduct the business of the Commission.</p>	<p>X</p> <p>➔</p>	<p>X</p>	<p>Common Cause: Require a minimum number of hearings in each phase, with weekend and evening hearings and locations accessible to the public, including public transit proximity.</p> <p>OurLA: – At least three meetings per phase. – At least 80% of meetings in the evening and weekends – All accessible online, phone, and social media.</p> <p>Unresolved: provide detail or be less prescriptive to allow Commission to determine best solution</p>
Commission Process	H.1	The final map shall be adopted no later than September 30 of a year ending in 1.	<p>X</p>		<p>Common Cause: 205 days (State law) or a different date as approved by a supermajority vote of the Commission.</p> <p>OurLA: By September 30 or 180 days before next regular election.</p>
H.2a		Quorum of the Commission shall be a simple majority.	<p>X</p>		<p>Common Cause: Supermajority to make quorum</p>
H.2b		<p>Commission votes shall be approved by a simple majority vote, except:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – a vote for the final map shall be approved by a supermajority – a vote to remove a Commissioner shall be approved by a supermajority, as described in E.9 	<p>X</p>		<p>Common Cause: Supermajority for major votes, including hiring staff removing Commissioners, and approval of final map.</p> <p>OurLA: Supermajority for final map.</p>

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	Revised H.3	The Commission shall accept full or partial draft maps from the public for consideration. Commissioners shall individually be allowed to prepare and present full or partial draft maps for consideration by the Commission.	X		OurLA: Same.
	Revised H.4	Consideration of principles for the selection of boundaries for draft and final maps shall be made in a public meeting or hearing and approved by vote of the Commission.	X		
	Revised H.5	Map principles, draft maps, and final maps shall be posted for public consideration for a minimum of seven (7) days before consideration at a Commission hearing or meeting.	X		Common Cause: at least seven days before any public hearings to consider draft maps; three days to consider final map. OurLA: - 72 hours for draft map. - Final map 3 weeks prior
	H.6a	A supermajority of the Commission shall be required to approve the final map.		X	
	H.6b	If a supermajority vote is required for the final map, shall an impasse provision be included to address any failure of the Commission to adopt a final map?			
	H.7	Upon approval of a final map, the Commission shall submit the map, final report, and any other accompanying materials to the City Clerk and publish this material on the redistricting website. The final map will be effective the day the City Clerk posts to the public record.	X		
Records and Data	I.1	The Commission shall comply with the California Public Records Act, commencing with section 6250 of the	X		Common Cause: Same.

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		California Government Code, or its successor, and any City laws regarding public records, to the degree they require greater disclosure and retention of Commission records than is provided in this article.			
	I.2	The Commission shall comply with the Brown Act and other open meeting laws.	X		Common Cause: Same. OurLA: Same.
	I.3	The Commission and its subcommittees shall keep minutes of all discussions and actions taken at public meetings. The minutes should be adopted at the next public meeting of that body. To the greatest extent practicable, all public meetings of the Commission and its subcommittees shall be audio or video recorded.		X	Common Cause: Same. OurLA: Include.
	I.4	All records of the Commission relating to redistricting, and all data considered by the Commission in drawing a draft map or the final map, are public records.	X		Common Cause: Same. OurLA: Include.
	I.5a	The Commission shall make available to the public a free electronic mapping tool, populated with relevant sociodemographic and geographic data, which tool can be used to create draft maps and draft partial maps.		X	Common Cause: Same. OurLA: Fund Public Libraries as a location for access to the mapping tool
	I.5b	The Commission shall provide redistricting training and workshops for the public, including by providing grants to community organizations to conduct such training and workshops.		X	Common Cause: Same. OurLA: Same, to be provided before map principles process begins.
	I.6	The Commission shall establish an internet web page dedicated to redistricting. ** The City Clerk shall maintain the website for at least 10 years after the adoption of new Council District boundaries.	X		OurLA: Include.

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	I.7	All data available to the Commission and its staff shall also be available to the public.			
	New		X		OurLA: All public meetings be video recorded and made accessible
Funding	J.1	The City Council and Mayor shall provide sufficient funds to meet the operational needs for the formation and operation of the Commission, conduct any outreach program to solicit broad public participation in the redistricting process, and, if necessary, defend the Commission in any legal proceeding.	X		Common Cause: – Council and Mayor shall provide funds equivalent to 2021 Commission adjusted by CPI, with requirement to fund response to any legal proceedings.
	J.2	The City Council and Mayor shall provide funds to all City departments involved with the formation of a Commission, providing support to the Commission, and maintaining records as required by law.	X		
Administrative and Operational Issues	K.1	The Commission shall hire an executive director and redistricting, technology, or outreach staff, whose positions shall be exempt from the civil service provisions of the Charter.	X		L.A GRP: Same.
	K.2	The Commission shall have the authority to hire consultants through a competitive bidding process consistent with City contracting provisions.	X		
	K.3	The City Clerk shall be designated to provide support to the Commission in accessing City resources as needed.		X	
	K.4	** Each member of the Commission shall be a designated employee in the conflict of interest code for the Commission pursuant to State law.	X		Common Cause: Same.

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	Revised K.5 (K.5a and K.5b)	<p>The Commission may recommend revisions to the Independent Redistricting process in the Charter or Administrative Code by submitting a report to the City Ethics Commission with findings, analysis, and data that support the proposed revisions. The Ethics Commission may adopt, amend, or disapprove the Redistricting Commission proposals, subject to Council approval.</p> <p>Within 60 days of submission of an Ethics Commission report with recommendations, the Council shall hold a public hearing concerning the matter and act to approve or disapprove the Ethics Commission report. If the Council fails to disapprove within the 60 day period, the rule or regulation shall be presented to the Mayor for approval or veto, and to the Council for override of the Mayor's veto. If approved by the Mayor, or the Mayor fails to act, or approved by the Council on override of the Mayor's veto, the rule or regulation shall have the force of law.</p> <p>Charter changes require approval by the voters.</p>	X		Common Cause: Ordinance changes approved by a supermajority of the Commission and confirmed by a supermajority of the Council. Changes must further independent redistricting.
	K.6	<p>Shall components of the Independent Redistricting program included in the Charter be eligible for amendment by ordinance?</p>			
	K.7	<p>Should a statement be provided concerning legal counsel? If so, select an approach:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designate the City Attorney to represent the Commission and allow the City Attorney to determine how the Commission would be represented by legal counsel • Designate the City Attorney to represent the Commission and specify that the City Attorney represent the Commission 	X		L.A GRP: Independent Counsel

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require that the Commission be represented by outside counsel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ If this option is selected, Charter Sections 272 through 275 may need to be revised • Provide the Commission with the authority to choose their legal counsel, including the City Attorney <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ If this option is selected, Charter Sections 272 through 275 may need to be revised 			
	K.8a and K.8b	Commissioners shall be compensated in a manner described in the Administrative Code.	X →		LA GRP: per diem
	K.9	No longer applicable. Addressed in H.7.			
	K.10	Inter-Census Redistricting is allowed only by order of a Court, and must be conducted consistent with the Independent Redistricting requirements of the Charter.	X		Common Cause: Allowed by court order. AB 764 proposes to include settlement of a legal claim as another reason to allow Inter-Census Redistricting.
	New	Require that the Commission Office be located outside City Hall.	X		This concept is proposed by LA GRP.
Legal Matters	L.1	The effective date for the final date shall be the date as defined in H.7.	X		
	L.2	The certified map shall be subject to referendum in the same manner that a statute is subject to referendum.	X		Common Cause: Same.
	L.3	Any registered voter in the City may file a petition for a writ of mandate or writ of prohibition			Ad Hoc Committee expressed deference to the Courts to decide.
	L.4				Common Cause: Any registered voter in the City may file a petition for a writ of mandate or writ of prohibition within 60

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City Data Bureau	M.1a	<p>There shall be a City Data Bureau to prepare and manage demographic and geographic data for the City, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - data required to support the City and LAUSD Independent Redistricting Commissions; - programs and projects necessary to respond to the U.S. Census Bureau's decennial population c 	<p>X ➡</p>	X	<p>days after the Effective Date, to bar the implementation of all or a portion of the new Council District boundaries on the grounds that the final map violates this article.</p> <p>Common Cause: Support creation of the City Data Bureau.</p>
	M.1b	Structure to be determined	<p>X ➡</p>	X	Models for structure include City Ethics Commission and LADWP Office of Public Accountability.
	M.2	City departments to be instructed to support the City Data Bureau in the performance of its duties.	X		
	M.3	Include other duties, to be assigned.	See M.1		
	M.4	If the number of Council Districts is determined based on a population value rather than a set number, the City Data Bureau should be assigned to confirm the number of Council Districts based on the results of the decennial Federal Census PE-94 results.	See C.3		If the number of Council Districts is set each 10 years by population, this would then be relevant.

**Attachment A
Disqualification from Becoming a Commission Candidate**

Disqualifications per State Elections Code §23003(d)		
Restriction	Applicant and their Spouse	Applicant's Family Member
Elected, appointed, or candidate for an elective office	8 Years ▲ ● ◆ □	8 years ▲ --- □
Served as an officer of, employee of, or paid consultant to, a campaign committee or a candidate for elective office	8 years ▲ ● 1 □	4 years ▲ --- □
Served as an officer of, employee of, or paid consultant to, a political party or as an elected or appointed member of a political party central committee	8 years ▲ ● 2 □	4 years ▲ --- □
Served as a staff member or consultant to, or who has contracted with, a currently serving elected officer of the local jurisdiction	8 years ▲ ● ◆ □	4 years ▲ --- □
Been registered to lobby the local jurisdiction	8 years ▲ ● ◆ □	4 years ▲ --- □
Contributed \$500 or more in a year to any candidate for an elective office of the local jurisdiction (can adjust for CPI).	8 years ▲ ● 3 □	4 years ▲ --- □
Additional Disqualification Factors		
City Employee	8 years ▲ 4 ◆ □	4 years ▲ --- □
City Commissioner	4 years ▲ ● ◆ □	▲ --- --
Redistricting Commission in Another Governmental Jurisdiction	Current ▲ ● ◆ □	▲ --- --

- ▲ CLA Report
 - LA Governance Reform Project (LA GRP)
 - ◆ OurLA
 - Common Cause
 - Not considered
- 1 – OurLA recommends 4 years instead of 8
 2 – OurLA recommends 4 years instead of 8
 3 – OurLA recommends 4 years and \$900
 4 – LA GRP recommends that exempt employees be disqualified, but that civil service employees be eligible