CITY OF PASADENA REDISTRICTING TASK FORCE **MINUTES**

WESTRIDGE SCHOOL, STUDENT COMMONS 324 MADELINE DRIVE, PASADENA, CA 91105 **DECEMBER 7, 2011**

SPECIAL PUBLIC FORUM MEETING

OPENING

The Chair called the meeting of the Redistricting Task Force to order at

6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

William A. Crowfoot, Chair

Richard A. McDonald. Vice Chair

R Michael Alvarez Alan Caldwell Wendelin Donahue Alex Guerrero

James Marlatt (Absent) Mary Machado Schammel

Elizabeth S. Trussell

Staff:

Mark Jomsky, City Clerk

Theresa Fuentes, Assistant City Attorney Latasha McLemore, Recording Secretary Douglas Johnson, Redistricting Consultant

INTRODUCTIONS

Councilmember Madison provided opening statements welcoming the

public and thanked the Task Force for their work.

Ken Chawkins, Chair of the Pasadena Unified School District Districting Task Force, conducted a PowerPoint presentation to provide an update

on the progress of the PUSD Districting effort.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES It was moved by Member Schammel, seconded by Member Donahue, to approve the minutes of November 2, 2011, as submitted. (Motion

unanimously carried) (Absent: Member Marlatt)

PRESENTATION ON REDISTRICTING PROCESS, CITY **DEMOGRAPHICS, AND SAMPLE PLANS PREPARED BY** REDISTRICTING CONSULTANT

Douglas Johnson, National Demographics Corporation, conducted a PowerPoint presentation providing information on the redistricting process, City demographics, including a detailed overview of Sample Map 1 and Sample Map 2, and responded to questions.

Following discussion, on order of the Chair, and by consensus of the

Task Force, the materials were received and filed.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE CONSULTANT'S PRESENTATION, CITY DEMOGRAPHICS, SAMPLE PLANS, AND/OR THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS

The following individuals provided input, comments, and/or expressed concerns in regards to the Redistricting process:

Joe Feinblatt, Pasadena Resident, expressed concern regarding the Consultant's Sample Map 2, which shows the Washington Square Neighborhood Association being completely moved out of District 5 and into District 3, and mentioned that he supports minimal changes since it would maintain the existing level of continuity.

Cynthia Adams, Pasadena Resident in the Rio Lake Neighborhood Association, spoke in support of Sample Map 1, which provides minimal changes, specifically relating to District 5.

Jonathan Edewards, Downtown Pasadena Neighborhood Association, stated concerns with the current configuration of the Downtown Pasadena Neighborhood Association being divided into four City Council districts.

Following discussion and in response to questions by members of the Task Force, Mr. Edewards confirmed that the Downtown Pasadena Neighborhood Association will submit a map that will address their stated concerns.

Chair Crowfoot encouraged members of the community to attend the next scheduled Redistricting Task Force Public Forum meeting on December 10, 2011, 6:30 p.m., at Caltech Institute of Technology, Hameetman Auditorium – 1216 East California Boulevard.

He also suggested that the Task Force consider whether there is a need for an additional public meeting to be scheduled to accommodate individuals who were unable to be present due to the recent windstorm in Pasadena, and requested that it be added to the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Chair, the special meeting of the Redistricting Task Force adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Redistricting Task Force

ATTEST:

City Clerk