

REGULAR DISTRICTING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
LAKESIDE COMMUNITY CENTER
1999 CITY CENTER CIRCLE
PORT ORANGE, FLORIDA
OCTOBER 6, 2021

THE REGULAR DISTRICTING COMMISSION MEETING of the City of Port Orange was called to order by Chairman Stan Schmidt at 5:30pm.

Roll Call	Present:	John Junco Lance Green Newton White Stan Schmidt Bobby Ball Ray Donadio Kristine Cunningham Debbie Connors Marilyn Strout
	Absent:	Tom Jordan (excused)
	Also Present:	Carly Meek, Assistant City Attorney Robin Fenwick, City Clerk Shelby Field, Assistant City Clerk Penelope Cruz, Planning Manager Chris Carson, Senior Planner Craig Cory, GIS Technician Ashlee Malone, GIS Technician

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION

2. Approval of Minutes – August 25, 2021

Motion was made to approve the August 25, 2021 minutes as presented by Commissioner Cunningham and Seconded by Commissioner White. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

3. Discussion of Current Boundaries & Options for New District Boundaries

Penelope Cruz, Planning Manager, provided details of the four new options provided in the agenda packet. Due to census block changes small adjustments were made on each option to keep census blocks intact as required. Options 1-3 are closest to the current boundaries with option 4 being the most dramatic change.

Discussion was held on the pros and cons of each option.

Commissioner Junco liked several of the options presented but prefers not disrupting subdivisions and likes the clean lines on option 4.

Commissioner Green liked either option 3 or 4 and agreed with Commissioner Junco regarding the clean lines on option 4.

Commissioner White believed option 4 was the least intrusive and does not want to split subdivisions.

Commissioner Strout liked option 4.

Commissioner Donadio liked option 1 or 3. He believes option 1 has the least amount of movement of people and the least deviation. He did not support option 4 as it deviates too much from the current city district boundaries.

Commissioner Connors liked option 3 and 4 and believed at some point big changes like option 4 need to happen.

Commissioner Cunningham liked options 3 and 4 but is concerned any big changes could affect voter turnout.

Commissioner Ball initially liked option 3 but prefers the logic of option 4.

Carly Meek, Assistant City Attorney, believes option 3 stays the closest to the current city district boundaries and does not recommend approval of option 4. She advised the Commissioners that option 4 deviates from the current districts drastically and reminded them that one of the requirements is to not deviate too much from current boundaries.

Chairman Schmidt liked option 4 and believes it will be easy to explain to citizens.

Mrs. Cruz spoke regarding the 2011 redistricting and the changes made to the districts then.

Robert Reinhausen, citizen, identifies as an eastside resident and would prefer not to be on the westside but is okay with option 4.

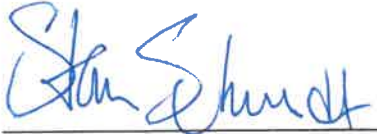
Motion to recommend option number 4 as the new districting boundaries to City Council was made by Commissioner Junco and Seconded by Commissioner White. Motion carried 8-1 with Commissioner Donadio voting no.

4. Delegation of Approval of Meeting Minutes by Chairman

Motion to delegate approval of the meeting minutes to the Chairman was made by Commissioner Connors and Seconded by Commissioner Ball. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

C. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – There were no additional comments from the public.

D. **ADJOURNMENT** – 6:30 p.m.



Chairman Stan Schmidt