
City Council meeting was conducted this meeting in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-20-20 and N-35-20 and COVID-19 pandemic protocols. This meeting was open to the public with limited capacity seating.



MINUTES

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CITY OF CERES, CALIFORNIA

City Council Chambers, 2701 Fourth Street
Saturday, February 5, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lopez called the February 5, 2022 Special City Council Meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Mayor: Lopez
Vice Mayor: Silveira
Council Members Casey, Kline, Ryno

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Lopez

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS to the Council on matters not included on the agenda (five minutes).

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

Hearing Time 6:00 pm

1. Third Redistricting Public Hearing (City Attorney/City Clerk)

Doug Yoakam, Redistricting Consultant from National Demographics Corporation (NDC) gave presentation Redistricting Draft Maps.

Council Member Kline inquire on how NDC determined the ethnicity of a voter

Council Member Ryno inquired on deadlines for submitting draft maps.

Council Member Kline commented he was under the impression the meeting would have an interactive map process.

Mayor Lopez opened the public hearing and asked if anyone from the public had any comments. The following citizens spoke:

Jasmine Kaur commented she is involved in the Ceres Youth Commission, the Punjabi Sikh Community and has been a Ceres resident for 10 plus years. She expressed the importance of keeping communities of interest intact and her support of NDC map 101. She on behalf of the Punjabi Sikh Community that their concerns be taken into consideration.

John Osgood commented citizens of Ceres would like to see one contiguous district on the one side of the highway. He further commented he will be submitting his maps by February 28th. He was also under the impression that the meeting would be more interactive.

Paula Redfern commented on the last map that was proposed and she believes it is the closet representation of her district, District 2. She believes the previous map was designed around the council members at the time.

Council Member Kline would like to integrate the west side of the freeway into District 2 and east side of the freeway into District 4. He further commented District 2 and 4 will be up for re-election this year and even though he and Council Member Ryno may end up running against each other, they would get the representation on the west side of the freeway they tried to obtain 5 years ago.

Council Member Ryno does not believe in making a boundary based on an existing council member. She would like to see all the west side in District 2 and would like the numbers looked at before they make a decision.

Council Member Silveira commented he was prepared to make a motion to keep the districts as they are, but with Council Member Kline and Council Member Ryno feeling so strongly with the changes more aligned with what they saw today he believes it behooves us to put selecting a map off it off until the map received Saturday can be drawn for the public to as well.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting will be held on February 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located in the Community Center at 2701 Fourth Street, Ceres, CA
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There being no further business, Mayor Lopez closed the public hearing and adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Javier Lopez, Mayor

By Cristina Aguilar, Deputy City Clerk
for Diane Nayares-Perez, CMC, City Clerk

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