

**Minutes  
City Council Meeting  
April 16, 2016**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Mayor Rob Cullen.

**2. FLAG SALUTE:**

The flag salute was led by Mayor Cullen.

**3. ROLL CALL:**

City Manager Adams conducted roll call.

City Council: Council Members Hendrickson, LeBarre, Acosta, Mayor Pro Tem Jernigan, and Mayor Cullen  
City Staff: City Manager, Steven Adams, City Attorney Martin Koczanowicz

**4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**5. PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. Consideration: draft plans and receive public input relative to potential voting district boundaries.

Douglas Johnson, President, National Demographics Corporation presented King City Draft Districting Plans

Mr. Johnson went over the timeline for the districting explaining that changes to the ordinance need to be done prior to July and the County needs time to get 5 precincts up and running for the November Election.

He went over Federal Law and Traditional Redistricting Principles, Challenges of drawing the lines, Population Density which varies greatly based off of the Census blocks.

Draft Maps Mr. Johnson went over are:

Draft A – compact districts(vacant D4)

Draft B – creates an Eastern district (vacant D4)

Draft C – An alternative western district configuration (vacant D4)

Public Draft D1 – compact and neighborhood-focused, but not population balanced (vacant D1)

Draft D2 – balance D1 with Councilmembers in the same districts as in D1 (vacant D1)

Draft D3 – balance D1 but Councilmembers shift (vacant D4)

Council Member Acosta stated that there had been some discussion in the public of electing a Mayor at large. Mr. Johnson stated that would require a whole new districting.

City Manager Adams asked about the best demographics of voters.

Jim Stireman stated this is all on the website so the public can see it better.

Luis Alvarez Tostado asked about the number of potential voters.

Mr. Johnson stated that Draft C is best balanced for registered voters and B is best balanced for eligible voters.

John Jernigan wanted to know if there was any consideration for multi-family dwellings and have mobile home parks been split in different districts.

Luis Alvarez Tostado asked if the maps are changeable.

Mr. Johnson stated Council has to revisit after each census and every 10 years after.

Carlos Victoria feels Draft B or C is good.

Council Member LeBarre felt Draft B and C good and B was more appropriate.

Sarah Nash asked if you can play with the map numbers on the internet and the consultant stated yes.

Luis Alvarez Tostado stated that Draft C makes more sense to him.

Mayor Cullen asked for a show of hands and more of the public preferred Draft C.

Mayor Pro Tem Jernigan liked Draft C except for the little notch coming down. The consultant explained that the population in the census blocks made it necessary to have the notch.

Mr. Johnson wanted the public to go on the internet and make up any maps that they would like to turn in to him for consideration. RJ Rivera ask what is the preferred method to give map suggestions. Mr. Johnson stated any form is accepted even on a napkin. If people were making changes on an already created map, use a dark pen so it would show up.

Council Member Acosta inquired about 3 people being up for re-election and may not be in the districts. Mr. Johnson stated that there will be an adjustment period and the ones that are not in the correct district will be "at large" during the adjustment period.

Jim Stireman feels the north is going to grow so changes will need to be made.

Mr. Johnson stated that changes will be made to address that in 2021.

Mayor Pro Tem Jernigan stated it seems Map C geographically is balanced and she likes that it seems logical. She asked if the Council felt C was logical to where they live.

Council Member LeBarre was looking at populations so he liked B and C, numbers are good.

Samantha Bengtson asked if something was sent out to people who are not on the internet.

Mayor Cullen stated that they can come into City Hall, it was in the newspaper and on the radio.

City Manager Adams asked if all the maps should be on the internet or only those that are determined to be finalists. Mr. Johnson said to leave all the drafts up, but comment on which was preferred.

Jim Stireman feels people don't know what is going on and maybe a letter going out with a copy of maps would be good. He realizes it is expensive.

Mayor Pro Tem Jernigan asked that the Rustler print maps in the paper. She thanked everyone for coming and asked that they tell 2 or 3 people they know what is happening to help spread the word. She appreciates what Mr. Johnson has done.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Cullen adjourned the meeting at 2:20 pm.

**Approved Signatures:**



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Mayor, Robert Cullen  
City of King



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City Clerk, Steven Adams  
City of King