



**County of Santa Cruz Board of Supervisors**

**Agenda Item Submittal**

**From:** Manu Koenig, Vice Chair, First District Supervisor  
(831) 454-2200

**Subject:** First District Appointment to the Redistricting Advisory Commission

**Meeting Date:** April 13, 2021

**Recommended Action(s):**

Approve appointment of Cheri O'Neil to the Redistricting Advisory Commission, in accordance with Elections Code Section 23002.

**Executive Summary**

Approve appointment to fill a supervisorial district appointee position for the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Background**

For the past three redistricting efforts in 1991, 2001 and 2011, the County established a Redistricting Task Force to produce various plans and maps for the Board's consideration and eventual adoption. In 2011, the Task Force consisted of one representative from each supervisorial district with staff support and technical assistance provided by the County Administrative Office (CAO), County Counsel, County Clerk-Elections, and Information Services/Geographic Information Services (GIS).

In 2018, the Elections Code was amended to provide new requirements on establishing advisory redistricting commissions. Elections Code Section 23001 provides that a local jurisdiction may establish by resolution an advisory redistricting commission composed of residents of a local jurisdiction to recommend to the legislative body changes to district boundaries. The Board may determine the manner in which members are appointed (Elections Code Section 23002(b)) but shall not appoint themselves, other County elected officials, or their family members, staff members, or paid campaign staff to serve on the commission (Elections Code Section 23002(c)).

At the February 23, 2021 Board meeting, the Board voted to establish an Advisory Redistricting Commission and set the deadline of April 13, 2021 for final appointments. Ms. O'Neil is not an elected official, family member, staff member, or paid campaign staff member from this District. Therefore, in accordance with Elections Code Section 23002, I recommend the appointment of Cheri O'Neil as a supervisorial district appointee to the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Submitted by:**

Manu Koenig, Vice Chair, First District Supervisor



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**From:** Zach Friend, Second District Supervisor  
(831) 454-2200

**Subject:** Second District Appointment to the Redistricting Advisory Commission

**Meeting Date:** April 13, 2021

**Recommended Action(s):**

Approve appointment of Michael Watkins to the Redistricting Advisory Commission, in accordance with Elections Code Section 23002.

**Executive Summary**

Approve appointment to fill a supervisorial district appointee position for the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Background**

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At the February 23, 2021 Board meeting, the Board voted to establish an Advisory Redistricting Commission and set the deadline of April 13, 2021 for final appointments. Mr. Watkins is not an elected official, family member, staff member, or paid campaign staff member from this District. Therefore, in accordance with Election Code Section 23002, I recommend the appointment of Michael Watkins as a supervisorial district appointee to the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Submitted by:**

Zach Friend, Second District Supervisor



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**From:** Ryan Coonerty, Third District Supervisor  
(831) 454-2200

**Subject:** Third District Appointment to the Redistricting Advisory Commission

**Meeting Date:** April 13, 2021

**Recommended Action(s):**

Approve appointment of Kris Reyes to the Redistricting Advisory Commission, in accordance with Elections Code Section 23002.

**Executive Summary**

Approve appointment to fill a supervisorial district appointee position for the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Background**

For the past three redistricting efforts in 1991, 2001 and 2011, the County established a Redistricting Task Force to produce various plans and maps for the Board's consideration and eventual adoption. In 2011, the Task Force consisted of one representative from each supervisorial district with staff support and technical assistance provided by the County Administrative Office (CAO), County Counsel, County Clerk-Elections, and Information Services/Geographic Information Services (GIS).

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At the February 23, 2021 Board meeting, the Board voted to establish an Advisory Redistricting Commission and set the deadline of April 13, 2021 for final appointments. Mr. Reyes is not an elected official, family member, staff member, or paid campaign staff member from this District. Therefore, in accordance with Elections Code Section 23002, I recommend the appointment of Kris Reyes as a supervisorial district appointee to the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Submitted by:**

Ryan Coonerty, Third District Supervisor



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**From:** Greg Caput, Fourth District Supervisor  
(831) 454-2200

**Subject:** Fourth District Appointment to the Redistricting Advisory Commission

**Meeting Date:** April 13, 2021

**Recommended Action(s):**

Approve appointment of Peter Radin to the Redistricting Advisory Commission, in accordance with Elections Code Section 23002.

**Executive Summary**

Approve appointment to fill a supervisorial district appointee position for the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Background**

For the past three redistricting efforts in 1991, 2001 and 2011, the County established a Redistricting Task Force to produce various plans and maps for the Board's consideration and eventual adoption. In 2011, the Task Force consisted of one representative from each supervisorial district with staff support and technical assistance provided by the County Administrative Office (CAO), County Counsel, County Clerk-Elections, and Information Services/Geographic Information Services (GIS).

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At the February 23, 2021 Board meeting, the Board voted to establish an Advisory Redistricting Commission and set the deadline of April 13, 2021 for final appointments. Therefore, in accordance with Elections Code Section 23002, I recommend the appointment of Peter Radin as a supervisorial district appointee to the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Submitted by:**

Greg Caput, Fourth District Supervisor



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**From:** Bruce McPherson, Chair, Fifth District Supervisor  
(831) 454-2200

**Subject:** Fifth District Appointment to the Redistricting Advisory  
Commission

**Meeting Date:** April 13, 2021

**Recommended Action(s):**

Approve appointment of Les Gardner to the Redistricting Advisory Commission, in accordance with Elections Code Section 23002.

**Executive Summary**

Approve appointment to fill a supervisorial district appointee position for the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Background**

For the past three redistricting efforts in 1991, 2001 and 2011, the County established a Redistricting Task Force to produce various plans and maps for the Board's consideration and eventual adoption. In 2011, the Task Force consisted of one representative from each supervisorial district with staff support and technical assistance provided by the County Administrative Office (CAO), County Counsel, County Clerk-Elections, and Information Services/Geographic Information Services (GIS).

In 2018, the Elections Code was amended to provide new requirements on establishing advisory redistricting commissions. Elections Code Section 23001 provides that a local jurisdiction may establish by resolution an advisory redistricting commission composed of residents of a local jurisdiction to recommend to the legislative body changes to district boundaries. The Board may determine the manner in which members are appointed (Elections Code Section 23002(b)) but shall not appoint themselves, other County elected officials, or their family members, staff members, or paid campaign staff to serve on the commission (Elections Code Section 23002(c)).

At the February 23, 2021 Board meeting, the Board voted to establish an Advisory Redistricting Commission and set the deadline of April 13, 2021 for final appointments. Mr. Gardner is the owner of several businesses and an investor. Mr. Gardner is not an elected official, family member, staff member, or paid campaign staff member from this District. Therefore, in accordance with Elections Code Section 23002, I recommend the appointment of Les Gardner as a supervisorial district appointee to the Redistricting Advisory Commission.

**Submitted by:**

Bruce McPherson, Chair, Fifth District Supervisor