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# CITY OF SAN MATEO

## Special Meeting Minutes

### City Council

City Hall  
330 W. 20th Avenue  
San Mateo CA 94403  
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**Tuesday, July 6, 2021**  
**Remote 5:30 PM**  
**Special Meeting**

**CALL TO ORDER** This meeting is being held under the provisions of State of California Governor Gavin Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20; in which Brown Act regulations are relaxed to allow members to remote in due to the Coronavirus Covid-19 health emergency.

Roll Call

Remote: Mayor Rodriguez, Deputy Mayor Bonilla, Council Members: Papan, Lee and Goethals

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Public Comment: Scott Rafferty, plaintiff's attorney, spoke about the need to focus on map drawing as quickly as possible. Council asked clarifying questions of Mr. Rafferty about his commitment for a 90-day extension, meaning of the resolution of intention, a discussion ensued regarding interpretation of the law, what commitments were made and timing of the process.

Following the opportunity for public comment, the City Council convened into Closed Session to consider:

#### **1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: one potential case.

Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(2): "[a] point has been reached where, in the opinion of the legislative body of the local agency on the advice of its legal counsel, based on existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the local agency."

The Council will discuss potential litigation regarding a transition from at-large elections to district-based elections under the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA).

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

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Eric Rodriguez Mayor

SUBMITTED BY:

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Patrice M. Olds, City Clerk