

BEFORE THE ARIZONA INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

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1 BE IT REMEMBERED that Pursuant to Notice, the
2 Public Meeting of the Arizona Independent Redistricting
3 Commission was taken before RABIN' MONROE, RMR, CR, a
4 Certified Reporter, in and for the County of Maricopa, State
5 of Arizona, on March 10, 2006, commencing at 2:30 p.m., at
6 the offices of the ARIZONA INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING
7 COMMISSION, 1400 West Washington, Suite B-2, Phoenix,
8 Arizona 85007.

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10 APPEARANCES:

11 MR. STEVEN W. LYNN, Chairman, by Telephone
12 MS. ANDREA MINKOFF, Vice Chairman, by Telephone
13 MR. JAMES R. HUNTWORK, Commissioner, by Telephone
14 MR. JOSHUA HALL, Commissioner, by Telephone
15 MS. LISA HAUSER, Counsel for Commission, by Telephone
16 MR. CAMERON ARTIGUE, Counsel for Commission, by Telephone
17 MR. ADOLFO ECHEVESTE, Executive Director

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19 STAFF PRESENT:

20 MS. KRISTINA GOMEZ, Staff Assistant
21 MS. LOU JONES, Executive Assistant
22 MS. LAUREN LOWE, Member of Public,
23 Perkins Coie Brown & Bain, P.A.

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

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3 MR. LYNN: Well, hopefully Jim will be able to
4 join us at some point. This is going to be a little bit
5 awkward because we're all on the phone, and so there's no
6 way of knowing what goes on in the room. So here's the way
7 this will work. I will call the meeting to order in just a
8 minute. I'll go through a role call by phone and see who's
9 on the line for the court reporter, and then we'll start
10 down the agenda and proceed as -- as the agenda suggests.

11 So this is Steve Lynn, I chair the Commission, and
12 I will call the meeting to order.

13 Miss Minkoff?

14 MS. MINKOFF: Yes, I'm here.

15 MR. LYNN: Mr. Hall?

16 MR. HALL: Here.

17 MR. LYNN: Mr. Huntwork is excused and Mr. Elder
18 is excused. Mr. Huntwork will be --

19 OPERATOR: Excuse me. I've got James Huntwork on.
20 James, are you there?

21 MR. HUNTWORK: Yes. Speaking.

22 MR. LYNN: Mr. Huntwork, this is Steve, and we are
23 just calling role, and you are present --

24 MR. HUNTWORK: I am.

25 MR. LYNN: -- by phone. Thank you very much.

1 We have Miss Hauser as legal counsel present by
2 phone, and we have IRC staff in the office.

3 The first order of business --

4 MS. HAUSER: You also have Cameron Artigue.

5 MR. LYNN: Thank you. Cameron Artigue of the --
6 of the same firm, Gamage & Burnham, on with Miss Hauser.

7 We'll call the meeting to order and ask if there's
8 anyone present who wishes to address the Commission under
9 public comment.

10 MR. ECHEVESTE: No, there's no one here that
11 wishes to address the Commission.

12 MR. LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Echeveste.

13 Item three, under ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) and
14 ARS §31-438.03(A)(4) (sic), is there a motion to convene an
15 executive session of the Commission?

16 MS. MINKOFF: This is Andy Minkoff, and I will so
17 move.

18 MR. LYNN: Is there a second?

19 MR. HUNTWORK: Second by Jim Huntwork.

20 THE WITNESS: Thank you, and appreciate your
21 identifying yourselves as we go forward.

22 Moved and seconded to go into an executive
23 session.

24 All those in favor of the motion signify by saying
25 "aye."

1 MS. MINKOFF: Aye.

2 MR. HUNTWORK: Aye.

3 MR. HALL: Aye.

4 MR. LYNN: Chair votes aye.

5 MR. ECHEVESTE: Give me a few moments, then, to
6 clear the room.

7 MR. LYNN: Just a second, Adolfo.

8 Any opposed?

9 Thank you. Motion carries unanimously.

10 And then Adolfo, if you will let us know when we
11 are secure back at the office.

12 MR. ECHEVESTE: Fine. Thank you.

13 (Whereupon an executive session was held from 2:37
14 to 3:02 p.m.)

15 MR. ECHEVESTE: Excuse me. We're back. Everyone
16 is here and ready for the public meeting.

17 MR. LYNN: All right. Then we are back on the
18 record in the regular meeting of the IRC.

19 Item four, possible discussion considering -- I
20 don't think we have anything under this item concerning
21 instructions to stay off consultant or counsel. I think we
22 are -- are ready to go.

23 Is there anyone who has anything under item four?

24 MS. HAUSER: No. Sorry.

25 MR. LYNN: Thank you.

1 Item five, public comment.

2 Is there anyone there, Adolfo, to speak to us?

3 MR. ECHEVESTE: No, not at this time.

4 MR. LYNN: Okay. Item six, report of the
5 executive director briefly?

6 MR. ECHEVESTE: Yes.

7 As indicated to you in the email that was sent to
8 you recently, Karen Osborn called and asked -- informed me
9 that Tim Johnson was leaving the County and wanted to talk
10 about our relationship.

11 I asked her to -- we talked about financial
12 arrangements. She called back and said no, she talked to
13 her people, and that they wanted us off their server within
14 60 days, and that they didn't have anybody like Tim Johnson
15 with the expertise he has in the County. So basically they
16 asked us to terminate the agreement.

17 And having had that put in an email, I then -- we
18 talked to Tim Johnson, which is leaving to go to the City of
19 Goodyear, and given the fact that he has the expertise that
20 is hard to find, we asked him if he would continue if we
21 could amend an agreement and give him a contract. He said
22 he'd be more than happy to. And that is where we're at.

23 We have contacted the Department of Administration
24 and are proceeding to enter into an agreement with Tim.

25 MS. MINKOFF: With Tim individually or with the

1 City of Goodyear?

2 MR. ECHEVESTE: No, it would be with Tim.

3 MR. LYNN: Would be with Tim as an independent
4 contractor.

5 MR. ECHEVESTE: Yes.

6 MS. MINKOFF: I see.

7 MR. ECHEVESTE: And then we will be looking to
8 place the Web site somewhere in State government if
9 possible. If not, we'll have to go to a private source.
10 And that's --

11 MR. LYNN: But in either case, we're going to
12 solve the problem and have the Web site.

13 MR. ECHEVESTE: Yes. We're moving on that
14 administratively.

15 MR. LYNN: Okay. Any questions of Mr. Echeveste?
16 If not, any comments by any of the Commissioners?
17 Hearing none, item eight, the Commission will
18 stand adjourned until the call of the chair.

19 MS. HAUSER: Steve?

20 MR. LYNN: Yes.

21 MS. HAUSER: Before you do that. Sorry. I guess
22 if you're talking you can't -- hard to break in on the
23 phone.

24 MR. LYNN: Oh, I'm sorry.

25 MS. HAUSER: Cameron and I have just consulted and

1 wish to go back to item number four briefly.

2 MR. LYNN: Sure.

3 MS. HAUSER: We --

4 MR. LYNN: Without objection? Item four.

5 MS. HAUSER: We did have some instruction, we
6 understood, from the Commission, and actually would prefer
7 that we have a motion that gives us that instruction.

8 MR. LYNN: On the record?

9 MS. HAUSER: Yes.

10 MR. LYNN: All right. Is there a motion to
11 instruct counsel?

12 MR. HUNTWORK: Mr. Chairman?

13 MR. LYNN: Mr. Huntwork.

14 MR. HUNTWORK: I move that we instruct Counsel to
15 I believe the correct procedure is take a special action to
16 the supreme court to review the decision of the court of
17 appeals denying our motion with respect to a change of
18 judge. Not our motion, but actually the motion of the --

19 MS. HAUSER: It actually would be a petition for
20 review.

21 MR. HUNTWORK: Okay. Petition for review.

22 MR. LYNN: Is there a second to that motion?

23 MR. HALL: Second.

24 MR. LYNN: Thank you.

25 Discussion on the motion?

1 All those in favor of the motion signify by saying
2 aye.

3 MS. MINKOFF: Aye.

4 MR. HUNTWORK: Aye.

5 MR. HALL: Aye.

6 MR. LYNN: Chair votes aye. None opposed. The
7 motion carriers four-zero.

8 Miss Hauser, does that take care of your needs
9 under item four?

10 MS. HAUSER: Yes. Thank you.

11 MR. LYNN: All right. Any other business for the
12 Commission?

13 Hearing none, the Commission will stand adjourned
14 until the call of the Chair. Thank you all very much for
15 participating on fairly short notice, and we'll see you next
16 time.

17 (The Public Meeting was concluded at 3:07 p.m.)

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1 STATE OF ARIZONA)
2) ss.
3 COUNTY OF MARICOPA)

4 BE IT KNOWN that the foregoing Public Meeting of
5 the ARIZONA INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION was taken
6 before me, RABIN' MONROE, RMR, CR, a Certified Reporter, No.
7 50653, in and for the County of Maricopa, State of Arizona;
8 that the proceedings were taken down by me in machine
9 shorthand and thereafter transcribed by computer-aided
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11 foregoing pages, numbered from 1 to 9, inclusive, constitute
12 a true and accurate transcript of all the proceedings had
13 upon the taking of said Public Meeting, all done to the best
14 of my skill and ability.

15 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am in no way related to
16 any of the parties hereto, nor am I in any way interested in
17 the outcome hereof.

18 DATED in Laveen, Arizona, this 19th day of March,
19 2006.

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