HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERIM HEARINGS TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES APRIL 2, 2019

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The Honorable Phil King Chairman, House Committee on Redistricting Members of the Texas House Committee on Redistricting Texas State Capitol, Rm 1N.8 Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Mr. Chairman and Fellow Committee members,

The Subcommittee on Interim Hearings of the Eighty-Sixth Legislature hereby submits its report including recommendations for consideration by the Texas House Committee on Redistricting.

Respectfully,

Matt Krause, Chairman (R-HD93)

Ina Minjarez, Vice Chair (D-HD124)

Sheryl Cole (D-HD46)

Ben Leman (R/HD13)

Armando Walle (D-HD140)

James White (R-HD19)



INTRODUCTION

On February 28, 2019, of the 86th Legislative Session, the Honorable Phil King, Chairman of the House Committee on Redistricting, appointed seven members to the Subcommittee on Interim Hearings.

The Subcommittee membership includes: Chairman Matt Krause, Vice-Chair Ina Minjarez, Representative Sheryl Cole, Representative Ben Leman, Representative Four Price, Representative Armando Walle, and Representative James White.

During the 86th Legislative Session, Chairman King issued the following charge to the Subcommittee:

- (1) Identify locations across the State of Texas to conduct Texas House Committee on Redistricting interim hearings.
- (2) Determine the appropriate number of interim hearings.

PROCESS

On March 11, 2019, Chairman Matt Krause distributed recommendation cards for each member of the Subcommittee on Interim Hearings to propose two locations for the Texas House Committee on Redistricting to convene during the interim. Each member had until March 13, 2019, to return the recommendation card to Chairman Krause or Vice-Chair Ina Minjarez. All members returned their cards, and on that basis, the Subcommittee on Interim Hearings recommended holding interim hearings in the following locations:

Chairman Matt Krause: Fort Worth and Dallas Vice-Chair Ina Minjarez: San Antonio and El Paso Representative Sheryl Cole: Austin and McAllen Representative Ben Leman: Brenham and Rockport Representative Four Price: Amarillo and Marshall

Representative Armando Walle: Houston and Edinburg/Weslaco

Representative James White: Beaumont and Lufkin

A hearing location was added to Midland/Odessa and Laredo.



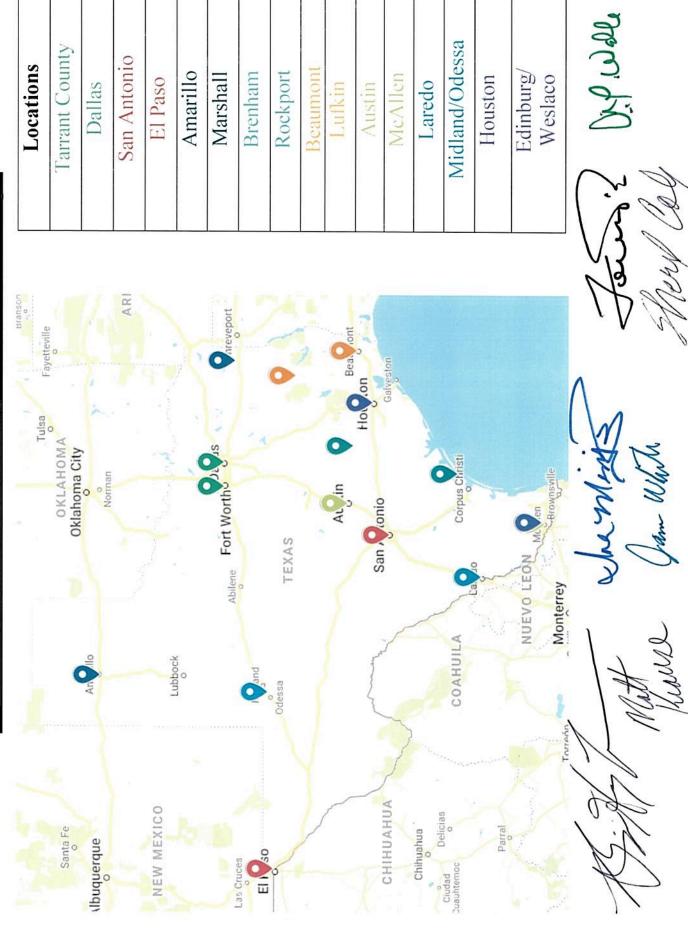
CONCLUSION

It is understood that the Chairman of the Texas House on Redistricting may have the flexibility to recommend additional locations in major geographical areas already identified to ensure input from both urban and suburban communities of interest and the flexibility to accommodate exigent circumstances (e.g. weather, availability of suitable meeting locations, etc.). Based on unanimous recommendation of the Subcommittee on Interim Hearings, it is concluded that the Texas House Committee on Redistricting intends to convene at the following locations:

PROPOSED LOCATIONS

- 1. Tarrant County
- 2. Dallas
- 3. San Antonio
- 4. El Paso
- 5. Amarillo
- 6. Marshall
- 7. Brenham
- 8. Rockport
- 9. Beaumont
- 10. Lufkin
- 11. Austin
- 12. McAllen
- 13. Laredo
- 14. Midland/Odessa
- 15. Houston
- 16. Edinburg/Weslaco

Proposed Meeting Sites for Redistricting Subcommittee on Interim Hearings





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ADDENDUM

(Clerk notes)

On April 4, 2019 the House Committee on Redistricting met to consider the Subcommittee on Interim Hearings report. An amendment was offered by Representative Jeff Leach to include Collin County to the proposed meeting locations in the interim. The amendment was adopted without objection. The amended report was adopted with 11 ayes and 0 nays. Based on the unanimous recommendation of the Redistricting Committee, it is concluded that the Texas House Committee on Redistricting intends to convene at the following locations:

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- 10. Lufkin
- 11. Austin
- 12. McAllen
- 13. Laredo
- 14. Midland/Odessa
- 15. Houston
- 16. Edinburg/Weslaco
- 17. Collin County