

City of Austin Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission Quick Reference

The Commission consists of 14 members. II.3.(D)

Considerations for first 8 members choosing final 6 members: II.3.(I)(9)

- Racial diversity
- Ethnic diversity
- Gender diversity
- Relevant analytical skills
- Ability to be impartial
- Geographic diversity: at least three commissioners come from each of the four existing Travis County Commissioners districts, to the extent feasible
- Student member II.3.(D)(1)

In general, a Commission decision requires 9 votes II.3.(D)(3). In addition,

- Selection of the final 6 members requires 5 votes. II.3.(I)(9)
- Removal of a Commission member requires 10 votes. II.3.(J)(1)
- Appointment of a Commission member requires 9 votes. II.3.(J)(2)

A quorum is 9 members. II.3.(D)(3)

The Commission shall adopt a final plan by December 1, 2013. II.3.(G)

The plan shall be based on: II.(E)&(F)

- The United States Constitution
- The federal Voting Rights Act (federal and state law, generally)
- Geographic contiguity
- Neighborhoods and other communities of interest
- Geographic compactness
- Existing election precincts
- Geographically identifiable boundaries
- Not the interests of political groups, incumbent place of residence, or potential candidate place of residence.

Each member's term of office is approximately 10 years. II.3.(D)(2)

The Commission shall issue a final report. II.3.(G)(1)