

Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

Hybrid in-person meeting and Virtual Meeting via Zoom Webinar. Full agenda, presentations, and video recordings are available at www.Michigan.gov/MICRC

Thursday, January 25, 2024

9:12am – 5:01 p.m.

**Cadillac Place
3044 W. Grand River Blvd
Detroit, MI 48202**

MINUTES

PRESENT

Elaine Andrade (*present*)
Donna Callaghan (*present*)
Juanita Curry (*remotely from Detroit, MI*)
Anthony Eid (*remotely from Detroit, MI*)
Brittni Kellom (*present*)
Rhonda Lange (*remotely from Reed City, MI*)
Steven Lett (*remote from Southfield, MI*)
Marcus Muldoon (*present*)
Cynthia Orton (*present*)
Rebecca Szetela (*remotely from Wayne Co, MI*)
Janice Vallette (*present*)
Erin Wagner (*remotely from Eaton Twp, MI*)
Richard Weiss (*remotely from Saginaw Twp, MI*)

ABSENT

N/A

OTHERS PRESENT

Edward Woods III, Executive Director
Michigan Department of State (“MDOS”) Staff
Nate Fink, Fink Bressack
John Morgan, EDS
Kim Brace, EDS

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Commissioner Orton, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 9:12 a.m.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Approve the agenda. Moved by Commissioner Andrade. Seconded by Commissioner Curry. Commissioner Orton, Chair, held a vote by show of hands.

MOTION APPROVED.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS

Commissioner Vallette, Vice Chair, submitted a motion “to begin public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda” forward without objection. **MOTION APPROVED.**

Ten individuals provided in-person public comment. Twelve individuals provided remote public comment: Susan Smith, Bo Snyder, Alex King, Najala Fahd, Chris Gilmer-Hill, Lama Chamseddine, Delaney McDermott, Ryan Reese, Alex McGuire, Micheal Davis, Robert Dindoffer, Anthony Scannell.

A complete inventory of live and written public comment is available at: www.Michigan.gov/MICRC.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – 6A

a. MAPPING DELIBERATIONS

LUNCH Break for Commission from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Orton, Chair asked MDOS to proceed with Roll call for the Commission.

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Present/Absent</u>
Elaine Andrade	Present
Donna Callaghan	Present
Juanita Curry	Absent (joined remotely at 3:52pm)
Anthony Eid	Present
Brittini Kellom	Present
Rhonda Lange	Present
Steve Lett	Present
Marcus Muldoon	Present
Cynthia Orton	Present

Rebecca Szetela	Present
Janice Vallette	Present
Erin Wagner	Present
Richard Weiss	Present

12 Commissioners present. A quorum has been met.

Commissioner Orton, Chair, shared that there’s been a request to move the Executive Director’s Report to this present time on the agenda.

REPORT

Executive Director Woods shared that he has two items for the Commission:

- 1) Notice to Vacate proceedings – Attorney Nate Fink presented this information
- 2) Virtual Town Hall Meeting – 234 people are registered for tonight’s Town Hall

MOTION: Commissioner Lett moved to adopt the notice to vacate procedures document changes within the Rules and Procedures as presented by Attorney Nate Fink. Seconded by Commissioner Weiss. Commissioner Orton, Chair, held a roll call vote. By a vote of **8-3-1**, **MOTION APPROVED.**

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Elaine Andrade	Yes
Donna Callaghan	Yes
Juanita Curry	Absent during vote
Anthony Eid	Abstain due to Conflict of Interest
Brittini Kellom	Yes
Rhonda Lange	No
Steve Lett	Yes
Marcus Muldoon	Yes
Cynthia Orton	Yes
Rebecca Szetela	No
Janice Vallette	Yes
Erin Wagner	No
Richard Weiss	Yes

Commission returned to map drawing.

MOTION: Commissioner Andrade moved to stop mapping and look at what is already drawn and mapped for discussion by the Commission. Seconded by Commissioner Muldoon.

MOTION WITHDRAWN.

Attorney Nate Fink shared that it would be appropriate and advisable that the map draft plans drawn do comply with the Constitution and ensure that the mapping plans are submitted whether individual or collaborative.

The Commission discussed the completed draft proposed maps they wish to move forward for VRA analysis. Those maps are as follows: Bergamot 1, Bergamot 2, Daisy 2, Spirit of Detroit, Water Lily, Peony, Tulip, Trillium 1 from MSP, Trillium 3As, Sunflower, Marigold, Promote the Vote, Rose Bud, Peony 2.

MOTION: Commissioner Eid moved to send all 14 map drafts over for VRA review & analysis. Seconded by Commissioner Wagner. Commissioner Orton, Chair, asked for verbal and hand vote. **MOTION APPROVED.**

NEW BUSINESS - None

REPORTS

- 1) Legal report – None
- 2) MDOS report – None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Eid moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Callaghan. Commissioner Orton, Chair, asked for a verbal and hand vote. **MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m.