# **Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission**

Virtual Meeting via Zoom Webinar. Full agenda, presentations, and video recordings are available at <a href="https://www.Michigan.gov/MICRC">www.Michigan.gov/MICRC</a>.

Monday, January 29, 2024 9:00 a.m. – 5:02 p.m.

### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Elaine Andrade (remotely from Imlay Twp, MI)

Donna Callaghan (remotely from Mexico)
Juanita Curry (remotely from Detroit, MI)
Anthony Eid (remotely from Detroit, MI)
Rhonda Lange (remotely from Reed City, MI)
Steven Terry Lett (remotely from Lee County, FL)

Marcus Muldoon (remotely from Carleton, MI)
Cynthia Orton (remotely from Battle Creek, MI)

Rebecca Szetela (remotely from Wayne Co, MI) Janice Vallette (remotely Highland Twp, MI) Erin Wagner (remotely from Charlotte, MI)

Richard Weiss (remotely from Saginaw Twp, Saginaw, MI)

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Edward Woods III, MICRC Executive Director

Michigan Department of State ("MDOS") staff

Fink Bressack

John Morgan, Election Data Services Kim Brace, Election Data Services

Mark Braden, VRA Counsel

Taylor Thompson, VRA Associate

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Kellom

#### CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Commissioner Orton, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent

Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC), to order at 9:00 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met with 12 Commissioners present.

#### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

**MOTION:** Moved by **Commissioner Lett**, to approve the meeting agenda. Supported by **Commissioner Weiss**. **Commissioner Orton**, **Chair** held a vote by verbal reply. **MOTION APPROVED**.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS

Commissioner Vallette, Vice Chair, put forward a motion "To begin public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda" which was adopted. Four individuals provided remote public comment: Lori Lacey, Ryan Reese, Steven Walker, Robert Dindoffer.

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

**Presentation by MDOS Sarah Reinhardt,** "Deliberations of Draft Proposed Maps for Public Hearing" policy. Policy has been updated to "2024 Proposed MICRC Deliberations Process".

Commissioner Orton, Chair, yielded the floor to Executive Director Woods to make a tribute to Retired Commissioner Doug Clark who passed.

Presentation by Attorney Nate Fink regarding recommended deliberations procedures document.

MOTION: Commissioner Lett. Moved to recess until 1:00pm. Seconded by Commissioner Wagner. Commissioner Orton, Chair, held a verbal vote. MOTION APPROVED.

Commissioner Orton, Chair, called the meeting back to order to 1:00 p.m. and requested a roll call.

**Commissioner Vote** 

**Elaine Andrade** Present

**Donna Callaghan** Present

Juanita Curry Present

**Anthony Eid** Present

**Rhonda Lange** Present

Steve Lett Present

Marcus Muldoon Present

**Cynthia Orton** Present

**Rebecca Szetela** Present (late in at 1:33pm)

Janice Vallette Present

**Erin Wagner** Present

**Richard Weiss** Present

11 Commissioners present at the time of roll call, there is a quorum.

#### **MAPPING**

Collaborative mapping by the Commission.

#### REPORTS

Executive Director Woods discussed the portals that are available to submit public feedback/comments.

Executive Director Woods, through Commissioner Orton, Chair, yielded the meeting to Voting Rights Act Counsel Mark Braden and Taylor Thompson.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Moved by Commissioner Weiss, to Adjourn, Seconded by Commissioner Muldoon. Commission Orton, Chair, held a verbal vote. MOTION APPROVED.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.