

# Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

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**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](http://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
Brittni Kellom	Present
Rhonda Lange	Present
Steve Lett	Present
Marcus Muldoon	Present
Cynthia Orton	Present

<b>Rebecca Szetela</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Janice Vallette</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Erin Wagner</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Richard Weiss</b>	<b>Present</b>

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

**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.