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>> Commissioner Janice Vallette: Good afternoon, everybody.

(Humming.)

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: Good afternoon, everybody.

>> Marcus: Hey, Steve.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Good afternoon, everyone. I will take us live because we have a quorum and should be able to start right at 4:00.

>> Someone say my name?

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: No, I don't think so.

>> Okay, that's fine.

>> Yvonne Young: Good afternoon, everyone.

>> Hi.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Good afternoon, everyone.

>> Marcus: Hello. Hello.

>> Hello.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Looks like we're good to go. As chair of the commission, I call this meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

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We will now take the roll. For public watching and the public record, I will turn to the Department of State to take note of commissioners present.

>> Yvonne Young: Good afternoon, commissioners. Please say present when I call your name. If you're attending remotely, please announce during roll call you're attending remotely and unless your absence is due to military duty, announce your physical location by stating the county, city, township, village and state from which you're attend it can remotely.

I will again roll call alphabetically with Commissioner Andrade.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Present from Fairfax County, Falls Church, Virginia.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Callaghan?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Present attending remotely from Mexico.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Curry?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Present and attending remotely from Detroit, Michigan.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Eid?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Good afternoon, present remotely attending from Detroit, Michigan.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Kellom.

Commissioner Lange?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Present, Osceola, Michigan.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Lett.

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: Present, attending from Lee County, Florida.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Muldoon.

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Present from Carleton, Michigan.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Orton.

>> Commissioner Cynthia Orton: Present, attending remotely from Battle Creek, Michigan.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Szetela.

>> Commissioner Rebecca Szetela: Present, attending remotely from Oakland County, Michigan.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Vallette.

>> Commissioner Janice Vallette: Present, attending remotely from Highland Township, Michigan.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Wagner.

>> Commissioner Erin Wagner: Present, attending remotely from Eaton Township, Michigan.

>> Yvonne Young: Commissioner Weiss.

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: Present, attending remotely from Saginaw Township, Saginaw, Michigan.

>> Yvonne Young: And I'm going to go back to Commissioner Kellom. You have 12, a quorum.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, Ms. Young.

>> Yvonne Young: You're welcome.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: You can view the agenda at Michigan.gov/MICRC. I will entertain a motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting.

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: So moved.

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: Second.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: There is a motion by Commissioner Lett and second by Commissioner Weiss.

Is there any discussion?

Executive Director Woods?

You are muted, sir, we cannot hear you.

>> Executive Director Edward Woods, III: Thank you. I would like to pull the appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court until later date, possibly tomorrow. Just not today.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Okay. I will submit that as an amendment to the motion to table Item 7C, appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. We will move --

>> Commissioner Rebecca Szetela: Commissioner Eid, with all due respect, Mr. Woods is not a commissioner and we don't need that motion. We need a commissioner to make that motion but am happy to do that for him and move to amend the agenda to remove the Supreme Court appeal discussions.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, commissioner Szetela. I thought I was doing that, but you can submit that. We have an amendment by Commissioner Szetela and will second that amendment. Is there any discussion on the amendment?

Hearing none, all those in favor of the amendment to agenda to table 7C, appeal to the Supreme Court, please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Any opposed?

>> Nay.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: The ayes have it. We will now turn to the main motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Is there security discussion?

Seeing none, we will move to vote. All those in favor to adopt the agenda as amended, please say aye and raise your hand.

All opposed?

>> Nay.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: The ayes have it.

We will now move on to agenda item 4, public comment guidelines. Without objection, we will begin the public comment portion pertaining to agenda topics for today's meeting. Is there any objection?

Individuals who have signed up and indicated they would like to provide live, remote public comment to the commission will now be allowed. I will call your name and our staff will unmute you. If you are on a computer, you will be prompted by the Zoom app to unmute your microphone and speak. If you're on the phone, a voice will say the host wants you to speak and prompt you to press star 6 to unmute.

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We have three public comments today, three folks that signed up for public comment, the first of which is Brittany Washington.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: That participant is not present.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: All right, we will move on to the second person who signed up for public comment, and that will be James Gallant.

>> James Gallant: Yes, can you hear me now?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yes, we can hear you.

>> James Gallant: Thank you. These are my opinions, and I signed up for all five public comments this week and expect to get those. I'm here to pave the road to the Michigan Supreme Court with the good intentions of Chairman Anthony Eid; and of course doing the wrong thing for the right reasons is still wrong. First, we see that Secretary Benson is not here again as secretary. We have no secretary, which is a fundamental violation of common law. Chairman Orton and Secretary Benson did not ensure meeting minutes were approved for many meetings for almost 24 meetings.

Second under new business -- oh, I wait, iterations for each item is not new business, section 8.1 is the order of business and this is not the order of business. There is no considerations. It isn't one question at a time. Remember 316.

618, one question at a time. There will be multiple proposals for a question after you agree on a question and will move to consider after that. That is what will probably happen -- I believe some of you commissioners said choose not to answer and do not answer some of the required on your application things, I don't know who told you that, is that the way Secretary Benson identified Lett, Kellom, Szetela, say choose not to answer -- who told you to put that on that application?

(Timer.)

>> Anthony: Thank you, Mr. Gallant. We will now move on to the third speaker for today, Mr. Scannell.

>> Mr. Scannell: Thank you very much, MICRC. If you tabled the Supreme Court thing, I guess that means I'm not supposed to talk about it because it's not an agenda topic, but I think you're wasting our money and doing all kind of silly things over there, but so be it. I think you're defending a bad, a bad product, two bad products.

Anyway, okay, mapping procedures is one thing I'm worried about and worried about the names of the maps that come up, you know, you're making a new edit or someone changes one district here and you get 25-04-24_V2_SD_XYZ.

Can we get a new name if you will make a new version of a map like whatever it is, a flower, a place, person, place, noun, animal, mineral, whatever it is, just the string of numbers. You can keep it; it just doesn't tell the public a whole lot. I mean, I know what it means, but it's hard to keep track of it. Just please, can you give us a new name if you make a new edit on a map?

Okay, thank you.

Moving on, fast maps, I was actually -- I didn't know what that was and now that I learned what it was, I, uh, I would like to hear if the gentleman would be interested in presenting what was motioned towards last meeting. I think it is an interesting idea and he could totally submit a map for free if he has any ideas but kind of funny is it will be like a Wizard of Oz behind the curtain with a special algorithm, I don't think you should pay for that. Yeah, thank you.

(Timer.)

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, Mr. Scannell. That concludes our public comment for today's meeting. Please feel free to e-mail public comment to the commission at redistricting@michigan.gov. We appreciate everyone who offers public comment in whatever way you choose and invite you to keep sharing your thoughts.

Next up on the agenda is mapping. So we will be moving on to the mapping portion of this meeting. Without objection, we will move on to the mapping portion of our meeting. Is there any objection?

All right. Hearing none, do we have somebody from EDS with us today? Hello, Mr. Morgan.

>> John Morgan: Yeah, I'm here; Commissioner Callaghan has a hand raised.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you. It's always nice to have you with us. Commissioner Callaghan.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yeah, before we jump right into mapping again, I wonder if we could have a little context, level-setting, at least, for the new commissioners? It would be very instructive for me to hear from the commissioners who went through this exercise last time to talk about the linden map a little bit, how it changed from the map that was there before; what things about it you think are the strengths that were really good we should try to keep in place, at least for the districts we will be trying to redraw; what things were perhaps pushed aside because of the racial criteria that you were using to consider when you were drawing that map we will try not to do now; are there communities of interest that were not well represented just because they got deprioritized or not well accommodated? I mean, I know we got better partisan fairness, but what else did we do with the redraw we should keep; and what things do you think either from public comment or communities of interest were not well addressed we need to concentrate on this second time around? Is there anybody that can talk to any of that? I would like to hear from multiple commissioners, if possible.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Are there any commissioners that would like to speak to that at this time?

Commissioner Orton?

>> Commissioner Cynthia Orton: I don't know where to start with all that. I understand the questions, Donna, but I don't know really where to start. One thing that I can say you

said how it is different -- you asked how it's different than the map was before. We did not even look at the previous maps. We started from scratch when we drew it following - we started with communities of interest and then moved on. So I can at least give you that much information.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Were there places where you felt like you made a bad compromise in order to accommodate the goal of the keeping the voting age population racially where you wanted it; that now you look at it and say now I will have to do that or start -- we need to go back and address that thing that we didn't do very well the first time? Any mistakes you want to correct?

>> Commissioner Cynthia Orton: I can't think of one specifically but wonder if, John, could you put linden on the screen so we can look at least the Detroit area?

>> John Morgan: Okay. Let me share the screen.

Okay. So just to clarify here, this is the Senate Final Linden plan. I just put 2024 on it. Otherwise, it's exactly the plan that was enacted.

I zoomed in on the Detroit area. Let me move the data away.

Also, since this is the first time we're looking at this map, I just want to show here that there's no racial data in the plan as it stands now. I believe that's what the commission head has instructed us to do, based on the last meeting from the attorneys.

So here is the plan, and I can zoom around so you can see.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Wagner, I see your hand.

>> Commissioner Erin Wagner: Thank you. John, is there any way that you could also -- I don't know if you can pull up two maps? Because I know this is a very intense memory-sucking program, if you can put up two different maps, so linden and like linden with the areas we need to draw, taking out like you did for the House?

>> John Morgan: I haven't done that yet. I haven't done that yet. I assume that's where you want to begin, but no one said you actually want to begin that way exactly. The enjoined districts were 1 here; 3; sucks; 8; 10; and 11.

Again, this is just the map as it is now. If we want to make edits or delete districts or do something like that, I would make a copy and do that for you.

>> Commissioner Erin Wagner: I am just speaking to what Commissioner Callaghan was asking. Personally, if you want to know what we thought, I would say read the dissenting reports. I just think we just need to do what we did with the House and take out those and let's just start fresh.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yeah, those districts that we have to redraw were in Mr. Ken Brace's PowerPoint from last week as well. It is those six districts: 1, 6, 8, 3, 10, and 11.

I think when we get to actually drawing, that probably would be a good place to start.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: So it looks to me -- or everyone -- those districts are primarily long, skinny oblongs again. Is that the big objection? I mean, from generally speaking, that we're going from deep in Detroit to far north in the suburbs instead of having more square districts that are more compact geographically, cover less distance?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I'm not sure it's necessarily the shape. What the court tasked us to do was redraw these maps without looking at race.

The reason they look long and skinny is because, you know, we were looking at race last time; so not looking at race could produce a similar map to -- so pretty much what we did, if you're calling the House maps like districts 5 and 6, I would say it's a little similar to that scenario, if you recall 5 and 6 were the ones that stretched from Royal Oak down to Detroit.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yep.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: There's kind of a parallel in the way they're shaped that way, but personally, I don't think the shape really tells the full story.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: So is there any reason that 10, for example, goes from basically the Detroit riverfront so far north; or same thing for seven? It's a very northern district except it dips below Eight Mile. Is there a community of interest, or are you picking up a Black population?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Lett.

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: Probably will be about as unpopular as can be once I get done here; but the answer to your question, the Senate districts go north in order to lower the BVAP in the districts. One of the things that the commission considered starting was that the districts initially appeared to be packed, and the attempt was made to unpack them and to do that in two different ways. One would be to consider communities of interest as we were drawing; and secondly to consider the percentage of the population in order to come down to what we had been advised at the time would be sufficient to allow minorities to -- a minority population to have an opportunity to elect a person of their choice. Obviously that did not turn out to be the case, according to court, and accordingly, they made the ruling that we considered race too heavily in drawing these. But to say we drew these without considering communities of interest at all would not be accurate, in my opinion, anyway. I think we had, as a commission, a number of discussions, even as we were lowering the BVAP rates and looking at these and looking at communities of interest still as we drew these. I don't know if that helps you. If you have another question or inquiry of me while we're talking about this, I would be happy to entertain what it is you would like to know.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: A little, Steve -- that does help a little. Thank you.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Orton, I saw your hand.

>> Commissioner Cynthia Orton: Steve basically said what I was going to explain, just that the reason the districts go from Detroit up into the suburbs is we were trying not to pack because we were -- that's what we were taught with the VRA, that we need to avoid unpacking. The only way to do that is leave Detroit, you know, and go up. That's why they look like they do; but we did pay attention to communities of interest at the same time.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yeah. I think, you know, the two things on my mind were the VRA, you know, trying to make sure we were following the VRA; and also trying to make sure we had a politically fair map. Having the districts stretch out, I think, did create that politically fair map and will be interesting to see what we do now and if it makes a politically fair map. We won't know until we try it but at least in my mind those were the two main focuses. Really, there were three, the VRA, communities of interest, and political fairness.

Like district 7, for example, there were quite a few comments of folks wanting to combine Pontiac and Southfield together.

At least that's what I remember. Pontiac is up at the top of the district, and Southfield is towards the south end of the district. Are there any more comments on that question.

Well, I hope that helps, Commissioner Callaghan, provide some context.

So what do you say? Let's give this a shot.

So I think we will go in alphabetical order, and I'll just start with A. So let's see. Commissioner Andrade. You are lucky number one.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Yeah, lucky number one. I'll tell you, I think starting the way you had suggested taking out the -- well, overlaying this one, taking out 1, 3, 6, 8, 10, and 11 would be a good place to start.

>> John Morgan: Okay. So what I would suggest to accomplish that is to create a copy of the linden map and then delete those districts or unassign them, essentially?

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Yes.

>> John Morgan: That's what I will do. And, you know, I heard some comment about the naming conventions; but for the moment, I would encourage us to continue with the naming convention. You can add something to it at any time you want, but giving the date and the version number is helpful in tracking the changes over time. So unless you strongly object or order me to do otherwise, I will start with today's date and version 1, senate district.

>> Commissioner Erin Wagner: One quick question, John: does that allow you, when you name it, to put parentheses in there? So like we could just put Tuesday night or something? So people can track it easier with the date?

>> John Morgan: Um ...

>> Commissioner Erin Wagner: To do everything you normally do but just you know?

>> John Morgan: Yeah, what I would normally do is the version is just literally the map that was worked on today.

>> Commissioner Erin Wagner: Right.

>> John Morgan: For example, if you work all day, all afternoon on one map, it would be version 1. If you say, "Let's stop working on that map," and a commissioner want to create a completely new map; or start with the deleted districts and then move forward, you know, we can roll back and then move forward. So we can probably put a parentheses or something like that if you'd like as well.

>> Commissioner Erin Wagner: Thank you. Sorry.

>> John Morgan: Okay, I will have to check my own naming conventions in a second, see how close we got to that.

Yeah. okay. Pretty close. Okay. So then I'll open that plan.

Okay, I'm pretty sure there's a function where I can just delete an entire district; so give me a moment to look into that.

All right, so for example, here's District 1. If I click "Erase," it erases that one district. All right? So that's your intention, correct?

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Correct.

>> John Morgan: All right, I will do that for each of the enjoined districts: so 3, 6, 8, 10, and 11.

Okay, and then it would be helpful to me to save this not for purposes of editing but just as a template so that if someone wants to say, "Let's go back and start at this point," that would be a starting point.

Would that be agreeable?

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Sure.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Let me save this edited map.

And I'm going to copy that.

Okay, that way I will just refer to that if we need it and then go back to the plan we're working on, which is still open and active.

Okay, so this will show you that those districts in the matrix are zero population and then at the bottom should show you unassigned population equal to the amount of just unassigned.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Okay, and I'm going to ask some of the -- are any of the other commissioners -- if they think there are other districts we should unassign to make this flow?

So for example, 7. I mean, my first idea here was to take 10 and 11 and make 11 the top half and 10 the bottom and then you would have those two districts; but -- I think we can do that without changing anything else at this point. If anybody thought we needed to use some of the communities of interest that might go into seven or two, I would be happy to make those changes as well.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I can see Commissioner Lett's hand first.

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: Commissioner Andrade, keep in mind that the first thing you have to consider is population.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Right.

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: So when you say you will make the top half and the bottom half, you can't do that. I mean, you can do that but definitely are going to have to re-arrange others in order to get your population up.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Right, right, and like 8 is contiguous with 10 and 11 so we can grab some from there as well, as is 3. I think by taking out that whole block we have a pretty good --

>> John Morgan: Hang on here. Sorry about this. My mouse is fighting.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: We don't want to redistrict all of the US of A, John.

>> John Morgan: No, that takes longer.

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: You may want to consider where you could pull some population from in the other areas that we're having to redistrict, if it looks like you could do that and then work around to the ones we're not having to redistrict. Just a thought. I haven't really looked hard.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Yeah, if we start with 11, the northernmost, and go down until we reach the population for what is probably going to be the new 11, we can start there.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Orton has her hand raised. Go ahead.

>> Commissioner Cynthia Orton: I was raising my hand to answer should we erase others or do other things with the other districts. I think we should leave them like they are and touch them if we need to but not erase them totally.

But down by district 1, we're obviously going to have to do something or look like it looks right now.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Yeah.

>> Commissioner Cynthia Orton: Because -- you know.

>> John Morgan: This is the area of the former district 1 so these are the towns, some of the River Ridge, Allendale, Taylor, those are the towns outside of Detroit.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: For now, let's start up at what used to be 11.

>> John Morgan: Okay. I have the population of the entire township so let me -- I can also put the names on them here one moment.

Okay. All of Macomb Township, including this portion in district 24, is 91,000 people. The target number for a senate districts is 265,193. You can start by putting the balance of Macomb in this new district 11 if you wanted.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: That's what I'm going for.

>> John Morgan: Okay. I will lock district 24 and actually, let me change the color of district 24, if that's okay. It's kind of washed out with the unassigned -- one second.

>> Anthony: Commissioner Orton, did you have something to add?

>> Commissioner Cynthia Orton: No, sorry. I just forgot to put my hand down.

>> John Morgan: I just locked 24 because as you said, it's your intention not to take from 24 at this time.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Correct.

>> John Morgan: In this case, now that we're looking at the voting districts, probably don't need the name of the voting district; but you do have the population.

Okay, so I would suggest go ahead and select by voting district and then you said go ahead and take the rest of the township?

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Correct.

>> John Morgan: All right.

Okay, so the balance of Macomb Township is 73,000 so I will assign that to district 11; so if we go to the districts in review. Now district 11 needs 191,000 people.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Okay, and keep going down at least until Metro Parkway, if you can see that going across there.

>> John Morgan: Okay. So do you want to take from both Sterling Heights and Clinton Township?

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Yes.

>> John Morgan: To the Metro Corp? Okay. This precinct crosses the parkway. Is that okay for the moment?

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Sure.

>> John Morgan: Okay. I'm locking District 12. Okay, that's basically to metro Parkway and this portion of Sterling Heights.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Correct.

>> John Morgan: Okay, that's to Metro Parkway.

So that's two-thirds of a district at this point.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Let me change the color again so you have a better visual.

Okay, you still have a portion of Clinton Township and a portion of Sterling Heights and the next township is Fraser or city of Fraser.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Yeah, if you could take the area and then -- yeah, that area and keep going down to -- what is that? Fourteen Mile, all the way to the next district. But don't take Fraser.

>> John Morgan: Okay. One second. So that's the balance of Clinton Township and Fraser and Roseville are the next ones down so I will assign that.

Okay, so now you're 75% of the district, 69,000 people left. You have some of Sterling Heights, Fraser, Roseville, and Warren.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Take the area to the west of Fraser.

>> John Morgan: The balance of Sterling Heights?

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Yeah.

>> John Morgan: That's 24,000 people. Assign that. So if you wanted to go into District 9, you could -- district 12 -- or unassigned areas of Warren, Fraser, and Roseville.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Let's -- now add Fraser into that.

>> John Morgan: Okay. 14,700 people. That's a third of what you need. Now you need 30,000. Roseville, Warren, East Point are the next municipalities on the way.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: How about Roseville?

>> John Morgan: Okay. All of Roseville will be 47,000 so that would be more than you need. If you want to split, you can split --

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Right, along 696.

>> John Morgan: Okay. That's 18,000. You need 31,000; you need 29; and we'll remember that since there's a greater population in the Senate districts, your plus or minus margins will be greater. So 2,000 deviance is fine, usually. 1400 is half a percentage point. So different numbers than we were using.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Right. Good! Okay. I'll let the next person go, if they want to continue with this map.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: All right, thank you, Commissioner Andrade, for getting us started. I know it's not easy being first. You know, obviously all of this is pretty preliminary or getting your feet wet, but we will continue.

All right, next on the list in alphabetical order is Commissioner Callaghan.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Okay, I guess we'll just continue along with what Commissioner Andrade was doing. Why don't you take that area north of 8 Mile still unassigned and start what I guess would be district 10?

>> John Morgan: Okay, in Warren township or east --

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Start on the east there or go west.

>> John Morgan: The balance of Roseville and Eastpointe, north of the county line.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yeah, let's see what happens. North of the county line, I guess.

>> John Morgan: That's the balance of Roseville and Eastpointe so that's 50,000; into district 10.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Does anyone know any reason of to go south of Eight Mile specifically to keep communities there? Otherwise, I'll just follow Eight Mile.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I think Eastpointe could go either way in the Motown sound map we created, Eastpointe is paired with some areas below Eight Mile.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Maybe we can come back to that and take out when if we go west we have too much.

>> John Morgan: Okay. So you want to start taking part of Warren?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: You have that area east of 75 there, right? Madison Heights, Warren.

>> John Morgan: West -- oh, east?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: East of 75 --

(Overlapping conversation)

-- west of where you're drawing now.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: A nice square there.

>> John Morgan: That's Warren Township and Center Line.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yes. Yep.

>> John Morgan: Let's do this: I will change to township view for quick reference. You need 214 if you took all of Warren and Center Line. You still need 60,000-something.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Is that going all the way over to 75 coming down there?

>> John Morgan: Not yet. This is just the population of all of Warren and this is all of Center Line so that's 140, almost 150; so your deficit is 214. You need 65 more.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Take all of Warren and center line?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yes, please.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Let's see if this works.

Okay. Let's try one more time. All right, that's 147. And then you have one precinct unassigned in Sterling Heights.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: That seems rather odd.

>> John Morgan: That's the way the district was done, I guess.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: I mean, it has to be assigned somewhere and we'll take it for now and maybe tweak the edges later so maybe go ahead and put it in.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

So Madison Heights and then Hazel Park, depending on what you'd like to do, and then you would be into Royal Oak and looks like there's more split townships, too. Here's 75.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Go ahead and take over to 75 from Madison Heights.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Do you want to take only to 75 --

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yeah.

>> John Morgan: That takes you right up to 75, and this is a portion of Madison Heights excluded at the moment.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Go ahead and take the last piece of Madison Heights.

>> John Morgan: That's all Madison Height so we assign that 28,000, so now we need 34,000.

I'm just putting that population of the whole townships as a reference. So you're 15,000 in Hazel Park and then Royal Oak as a whole is 58,000; and then let's see -- Clawson is 12. And then this is a little precinct of -- what are we up here? Is that Sterling Heights?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: I don't really want Royal Oak.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Because I can't really take all of it, right? So let's pick up some of those little pieces that are still hanging out there.

(Overlapping conversation.)

Yeah, like right there.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Do you want to go into Clawson? I think this is Royal Oak here.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: where is Clawson?

>> John Morgan: It's right here.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: What is below 696?

>> John Morgan: This is Hazel Park.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yeah, let's go up into Clawson.

>> John Morgan: Okay. That is Clawson municipality, plus this extra precinct. That's 12,000. You will cover about a third of what you need if you assign that. Yes?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: I guess.

>> John Morgan: Okay. And then this is Royal Oak, and this is Hazel Park. That would be the next area, unless you want to adjust from district 9 or another district.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: I don't know, whys. What do you think? What is this jagged thing to the west that's going just beside Beverly Hills?

>> John Morgan: This is Berkley, I think?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Birmingham.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: I see. Why is that carved out like that?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Is that how the lines of the city are?

>> John Morgan: So I'm going to select but not assign it. So that's the entire city, so yes.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: That's Birmingham?

>> John Morgan: This is Birmingham; yes. And then that's Royal Oak. That's Hazel Park.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Andrade, I see your hand.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: I'm not as familiar with this mapping, but is it okay to make suggestions at this point?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yeah, I guess what I would -- please. I guess what I would probably do is head north and take some of this stuff we have already put in from the south out and go more across; but Andrade, do you have a different suggestion?

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Well, I was remembering some comments about net section of Detroit below Eight Mile that had more in common with the Warren area; so I was wondering if you could go into down south of the Wayne County line. Yeah.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Sure. Let's try that.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Do you remember when people were talking about some of those areas and communities of interest that went down that way?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yes, I do.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Yeah, okay.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Lett, do you have something to add?

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: I was just going to comment for Commissioner Andrade that, yes, any time you have something to add, feel free. This is collaborative mapping. Everybody can voice their opinion. Hopefully we do it in a reasonable manner.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Instead of going for the west, we take some of that off and head south to pick up some of the communities down below Eastpointe and Warren?

>> John Morgan: Do you want to take out Clawson or leave it in --

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yeah.

>> John Morgan: All right. So if I do the undo button, we'll see if it does what we want. And there it does. You have this dangling precinct, if you will, still unassigned; but all of Clawson is out.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Okay.

>> John Morgan: This is all in.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: We'll worry about the dangling precinct later.

Let's go down below Eastpointe --

>> John Morgan: Do you want neighborhoods as a reference or not at this time?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yes, please.

>> John Morgan: All right. I'm going to put the one that says "Neighborhoods" in. Then I'm also going to put the one in that says "Current neighborhoods." If anyone remembers which one we were using; if not, I can take a look at the house map and figure that out in a moment. Yeah, it looks like a minor difference in one area. So for the moment I think we can use either one of these, and I'll figure out which one we used in the House. Is that agreeable for the moment?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Sounds good.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yes.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Eventually we use the one from the House for consistency.

>> John Morgan: Yeah. Do you want the names of the neighborhoods on as well?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: It would help me.

>> John Morgan: All right. One second.

Okay. So these are the neighborhoods in Detroit. We can also reference roads if you need them.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Okay. Can you move that little active matrix thing? That's better. Elaine, do you have a suggestion for which one to put in here -- Regent Park, Michigan Regent? And south from there? Pulaski? I don't know these neighborhoods. Maple Ridge. Anybody?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: You're adding to 10? Is that what you're doing?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yes.

>> John Morgan: This is -- Commissioner Curry, this is Seven Mile, I believe, as a reference.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: This one here would be Eight Mile?

>> John Morgan: That's correct.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay. Well, I think this whole entire area -- well, let me see. Yeah, I really need my glasses.

>> John Morgan: I'll zoom in a little bit if that helps. Just a moment. These areas are between Eight and Seven Mile.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Should we take that whole mile block, Juanita?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Let's see how it looks.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Okay, let's take that whole mile block across.

>> John Morgan: Okay. So you can see Franklin is going to cross that. You can split Franklin or keep it together, presumably in 10. These are very small populations of a thousand people here.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Franklin is already split due to -- what is that street? Eight Mile?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Seven Mile?

>> John Morgan: This is Seven here.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: That is Seven Mile?

You want to split it?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Let's split it for now and come back. Let's just take stuff above Seven Mile and see where we are. We can tweak from there.

>> John Morgan: Okay, so starting with Regent Park.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Monica and Pulaski, Concrete.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Northtown, Sherwood.

>> John Morgan: I will assign this and come back and either take out or add in.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Can't you add in Franklin when you add in that --

>> John Morgan: Yes, I can add all of Franklin or just split it.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: What you think, just split something it right now?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Let's just split it for now.

>> John Morgan: Okay, let me look at this section of Seven Mile.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: You know, I'm not worried about the -- let's get it within close. We'll come back and Twitter with the little 500 people places.

>> John Morgan: Sure. So Sherwood and Northtown?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yes, please.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Okay, you will have Mount Olivet here, if I click this precinct, it will take all of that so we'll hold off on that for the moment.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Then you want Farwell?

(Overlapping conversation.)

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: We're still short a little bit. Yes. Farwell.

>> John Morgan: Okay. That will get you pretty close.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: You can't take that 1,282 to add with that? You want to add that? What would that population?

>> John Morgan: I can do that.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Well, Donna wants it.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: No, please, I think that's great. That's perfect.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Okay, and do you want to complete Farwell with these six --

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yes, please.

>> John Morgan: Okay, shall I take out this Pershing portion?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Where are we?

>> John Morgan: Under by 570 and have a few jagged edges like the balance of Northtown and a few that are below Seven Mile up here.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I think you need to take out that Pershing part.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yeah, put in the Northtown part.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

Okay. So Franklin is a split. It has a little below Seven Mile, and then Von Steuben has a little included and then a little of Mount Olivet.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I think you should take that out.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yes.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah, take that out.

>> John Morgan: Okay, so you're 0.31 underpopulated and minus 809.

Oh, it didn't do that. Let me work on that. Sorry. It doesn't let me use the select box; I have to do it individually.

Normally we have, we have built all the districts so we're just going from one district to another, but in this case we're still unassigned. And the program prefers to do things this way.

All right. Same plan. So now we're actually 1,500 under.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Is that within -- okay?

>> John Morgan: Oh, yeah, that's ... 0.59, your populated, so yeah.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Okay. Can you back it up just a little bit so I can see the whole thing?

>> John Morgan: Yeah.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: I will leave that at that for now and let someone else take a turn. Thank you, Commissioners Curry and Andrade, for helping.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah, turned out well.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Agreed.

Okay. Next up to draw is Commissioner Curry.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay. I need to see some familiar streets, John.

>> John Morgan: Sure. What part of Detroit do you want to start with, or do you want to work outside of Detroit?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: We're headed towards south, right? They want us to pull it down towards south? Is that the, what they're asking us to do? Bring it out of the north and pull it down? More or less, right? Is that what we're doing?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: You have this area clear, unassigned.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: You can do whatever you want. You can do an east side of Detroit -- that's what you're looking at now.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I can would like to do the southwest part of Detroit.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Okay, I will turn off the neighborhoods for just a moment so you can get your bearings.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: This is the extreme southwest here -- there's Melvindale.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Mm-hmm.

>> John Morgan: Fourth Street, I-75.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I'm familiar.

>> John Morgan: I understand. Jefferson Av.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: What's above that?

>> John Morgan: Here's Corktown. Southwest Detroit.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Wait. I see where -- who's that? Donna, where she stopped at? I want to bring it on down from there.

>> John Morgan: All right. All this area that's not filled in is available and not in a district.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Outside of Detroit, you've got the little towns, Melvindale, Allen Park, Lincoln Park, Ecorse, River Rouge, Taylor, if you want to mess with those, or not.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I do want to mess with those because they tend to need to be together. Let's kind of keep those together.

>> John Morgan: Okay. So you could include Taylor in that. That would look a lot like the district that we deleted if you took all --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Don't put Taylor in yet. Just do Melvindale and River Rouge and Ecorse and Lincoln Park and let's head towards the --

>> John Morgan: Okay. All right. Do you want to call this District 1?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay, I have no idea what I want to call it. Any suggestions, anybody?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I think one is fine for now.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: It can be one for now.

>> John Morgan: Okay. All right. I will click on the whole township so we can see how much population that is, and then if you want to assign it, we'll assign it.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Here's Melvindale or will be in a moment. It's about 13,000. Lincoln Park is 40,000.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: How many do we -- how many are we going to compact in that area?

>> John Morgan: We need a total of 265,000 for a Senate district --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: And let's see. River Rouge is 7,200; Ecorse is 9,300. This area is 70,000. That's a little less than a third of a district.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay. Let's add in --

>> John Morgan: I will assign those. That will happen. Okay. So there you go. You have Allen Park. You said don't take Taylor for now.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Right.

>> John Morgan: You want some or all of Allen Park --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Let's try all of Allen Park.

>> John Morgan: Okay. So if we do that, it's going to take a little bit away from District 2 but would be together; or I could take only the portion that's --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: You can leave them together. Leave them together; that will be fine.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Now, what's this area between River Rouge and Riverdale? What is that?

>> John Morgan: This is Detroit.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Fourth Street, electric.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Can you add that part?

>> John Morgan: Sure. Do you want to put the neighborhoods on or just go --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I know the neighborhoods so you don't have to put them on.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Okay, so that's just 6,000 people so we'll put that in.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: How many more do we need?

>> John Morgan: Quite a bit, 160,000.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay, keep going up.

>> John Morgan: Quite a ways here.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Let's go up in there.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Okay, that's about 8,000 people.

Now, this area here is Detroit. It's currently in District 2.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Can we put that and put it with Detroit?

>> John Morgan: Sure.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: You want to go up as far as this? This will be the portion that is in Detroit, not in --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay. What's this area where it says West Jefferson Av?

>> John Morgan: That was the West Riverfront is what it says here. That's very low population. North of that is --

(overlapping conversation)

-- Mexicantown is right here.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I kind of thought that was low population because of the water and everything.

>> John Morgan: Right. You're familiar.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Is Modos -- what's this? I mispronounced your name. I know he's familiar with Lincoln Park.

>> Commissioner Chairman Anthony Eid: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah. You got any input on that?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Not particularly. I just keep going up through that section where you're at and add it in to get the population up. It's got a long ways to go with it.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Let's go there, then.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: We might as well get Corktown.

>> John Morgan: You said yes to Corktown?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Now, this one, I will assign that. That's about 60% of a district. I'm just going to zoom out so you can see what you got. You did not take Taylor. You took this section of Detroit, this road is -- I'm missing my road reference -- 10.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Mm-hmm. I'm trying to -- Modo -- how do you pronounce your name?

>> Marcus: Muldoon. I think they had to put Taylor into that, Commissioner Juanita Curry, because otherwise nowhere else --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I was saying we should put Taylor in.

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Yeah, because there's nowhere else for it to go besides --

>> John Morgan: If you didn't put in the one, you could put it in two. You have taken a little bit of population from two at this point. I think we said Taylor is about 60,000 people.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Do all of Taylor if you want or could look at this district 4 here for Taylor.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Let's get all of Taylor.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Mr. Fink, I see your hand up here.

>> Nate Fink: The afternoon, everyone. Good evening. I just wanted to make an overall comment because we're having this discussion about whether or not to include Taylor and, you know, a good discussion to have; but a broader comment, which is those of you who hopefully all of you read the Court's opinion approving of the House remedial map, the Motown Sound map. One of the things the Court noted was -- sorry, the level of change in the districts that you redrew. They were approving of the fact there were significant changes from the previous map from the Hickory to the Motown Sound. I think that's just a consideration to keep in mind that, you know, at least change map, so to speak, is less ideal than one that does make, you know, changes, noticeable changes relative to the previous maps. I just want to mention that as an overall comment. I know you're just getting started but just wanted to mention that.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Thank you, Attorney Fink.

>> Nate Fink: Thank you, Commissioner.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: That had not crossed my mind while I was doing this. We'll add Taylor.

>> John Morgan: Yeah, it's about 63,000, and you're down 100,000; so that will cover a little over half of what you need.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Mm-hmm. Okay, where's MODO?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Muldoon.

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: I'm here.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: How is this looking?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: I think we're looking all right. If you wanted to -- I forget how far Dearborn comes down. You can always go down a little bit to -- and then because two can come up higher. You have room above it.

>> John Morgan: Dearborn Heights is here, and then Dearborn is here.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: You want to try it? Go up?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Yep.

>> Let's try that.

>> John Morgan: Let me first put Taylor in. Now, there's a little piece of Taylor south in district 4 here. You want me to not take that --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Take it and not touch district 4.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

Okay. So as it stand now, this district one has all the towns plus Taylor and then we're up to Route 10 here and it's, needs 46,000 people. So you could take a portion of Dearborn or continue into Detroit or could take a portion of Dearborn Heights --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Let's continue into Detroit.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Do you want to continue along the river? You already have Corktown, or do you want to go up this area here?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: That area would look pretty decent. Yeah.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Is that good for the moment?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: What do you guys think? Does it look okay?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I think so.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: I think so, yes.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Since we have not put the neighborhoods on and we're taking large areas, you might consider putting the neighborhoods on to look at that.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: You could. I'm very familiar with the neighborhoods. I don't know if Modo or -- who else live in Lincoln Park? Anybody else? I'm kind of familiar with the neighborhoods so we're okay with that.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Do you want to take this Woodbridge area or here's another area that looks like it's Tireman?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I'm trying to keep everything in kind of a block so it won't look too crazy. What you think, Muldoon? Should we go to that little area there? How many do we need, John?

>> John Morgan: Quite a bit, 38,000. These are about -- these are, you know, 600, 700; so you need quite a bit more.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay, let's keep going and take -- ooh, is that Tireman? Tireman area?

>> John Morgan: Okay. I can't see.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Lange, I see your hand.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: It's possible to do like an outline of the previous districts just like a red outline of where they were, just to have an idea of how we're working?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: That could be helpful for me.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah.

>> John Morgan: Let me see if I can do that. I'm not sure it's teed up. Let me see if it's in my selection or not. If it's not, it will take a moment for me to dig that up.

Okay, Yeah. it will take a moment if they want to do that now, they can. I don't know if anyone wants to take a break to let me load that or if you want me to take the time.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I need a break.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: We have been going about an hour and a half. I think we can entertain a motion for a 10-minute recess if anyone want to make one.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: So moved.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Second.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Is there discussion on the motion to take a 10-minute recess? All those in favor, please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Any opposed?

All right. We'll recess for 10 minute and be back at 5:35 p.m.

Okay.

(A break was taken.)

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: All right. Let's start back up. Do we need a new roll call after recess?

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: You didn't technically go into recess -- you just took a break -- so you don't need a roll call unless the chair would like one.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Hello, Ms. Reinhardt. Glad to have you here with us today.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Happy to be here.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Let's just take one because the motion was for a recess.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Sure. Commissioners, please say present when I call your name. Let us know if your location has changed from this morning's roll call; if it has, state your new location -- city, state, township.

I'll call on commissioners in alphabetical order starting with Commissioner Elaine Andrade.

>> Commissioner Elaine Andrade: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Commissioner Donna Callaghan.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Commissioner Juanita Curry.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid.

>> Commissioner Chairman Anthony Eid: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Brittini Kellom. Commissioner Rhonda Lange.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Commissioner Steve Lett.

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Commissioner Marcus Muldoon.

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Commissioner Cynthia Orton.

>> Commissioner Cynthia Orton: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Commissioner Rebecca Szetela. I'll come back to Commissioner Szetela.

Commissioner Janice Vallette.

>> Commissioner Janice Vallette: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Commissioner Erin Wagner.

>> Commissioner Erin Wagner: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Commissioner Richard Weiss.

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Returning to Commissioner Rebecca Szetela.

>> Commissioner Rebecca Szetela: Present.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: Thank you. 12 commissioners are present, and there is a quorum.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, Ms. Reinhardt.

Commissioner Curry, you were taking your turn drawing, and there was a request to put up the -- to overlay the lines of the linden map. Mr. Morgan, were wearable to pull that overlay up.

>> John Morgan: Yes. so before we put the overlay on, this is the current status of the new potential district 1. You need 33,000 more people to be a complete district. We borrowed a little bit or we have taken some population from District 2 so that's underpopulated by 24,000. I'll bring up the lines. I've saved this, if we need to do this some time, we can do this.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: So the dark blue lines are the district boundaries of the Linden map. The Linden district 1 follows this configuration and goes up into this area of Detroit. So this is fairly similar; however, you have not completed district 1.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: John, the Linden map is the map that's in question that we should not use? Is that what it is?

>> John Morgan: Correct. You're looking to see how close this district is to those districts. That was my understanding of why you want -- the request was made to look at this.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Absolutely, and that was a good request. Okay, maybe we should the veer towards the right of -- yeah, the rest of it.

>> John Morgan: So more towards downtown? Okay. I'll take the lines off, if you'd like.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: I believe this is the downtown area, and here's Midtown and Medical Center.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I am trying to see -- I hate to see such a crazy line drawn. I'm trying to keep it as neat and precise if we can.

>> John Morgan: You do have the major roads as a reference, so here's 75 coming into downtown as a reference.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay. Commissioner Marcus Muldoon -- I think it's better if I pronounce your first name -- what do you think? I know you're a Detroiter, just about. So what you think?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Yeah, I think going up the Riverside would be good. It would be similar to what we did with the senate.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay. Let's try that. Suggestions -- you got any suggestions which way?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Just continue east up the river.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Okay, so that represents about 14,000 so that's about half of what you need, almost?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay, can we kind of fill in to -- in the middle -- yeah, right up in there somewhere?

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: That should make it about ...

>> John Morgan: The Belle Isle land or not? Did you say Belle Isle?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: I don't know if you need it. I don't know if we need Belle Isle because it's not a place people live. It's just an island.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Well, it has to be in some district.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Really? Ha-ha.

>> John Morgan: Yeah, it does. Let's assign this first, and then you can --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: See if you want Belle Isle in this or save it for another district.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: We need 13,000 more people.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Let's go back to that area. Let's go in there and keep it kind of Midtown.

>> John Morgan: Yep.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: What about that little triangle -- what is that?

>> Cornerstone Estates, five people. Who knows what that is?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Who knows? So what's the population now?

>> John Morgan: We're 11,000 under. You could continue to fill in up here or continue to follow the river.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: let's follow the river.

>> John Morgan: Okay. So the next one would be Belle Isle.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Now you're to West Village.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay, so how does that look, Marcus?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: That looks fine.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: What kind of animal that do look like? Ha-ha!

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: What about on the west side there to kind of keep it on the west side of one? They got a small enough area to -- you need 3,000.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay, let's try that. So you're saying take --

>> John Morgan: Woodbridge?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: That are on the far west side next to 2.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Let's see what that looks like.

>> John Morgan: Do you prefer more of West Village or Woodbridge?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Way west.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: West Village, yep.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

I'm sorry; that's east. Let's try that again. Okay, so way west meaning Woodbridge?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah, somewhere up in there.

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Or where 1 and 2 meet, that little dip down to finish that little spot.

>> John Morgan: So Woodbridge first and see what you like after that.

Okay, so this takes you to 1.300 over.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I don't like that little zigzag up here.

>> John Morgan: This one here, right?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah, I don't like that. Do you like that, Marcus?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: I was thinking over to the west where it's like 700 people, 600 people, 700 people would get that -- yeah, that right there would give you almost what you need and then we can add --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Let's take that and move the other, take the other off, that 895 area and 404, move it. That should get over here to the left.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Let's try that. So I will undo that Woodbridge area and just go to this area here. Okay, so that is three precincts. That's about exactly what you need, and then see if you want to take more or not.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: That's exactly what we need.

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: We can always fix right there in that same spot to bring two back to where we need to be.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: For the record, those precincts added, were those Detroit?

>> John Morgan: Yes. so you could work on District 2 or could pass the baton --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Did we need any more for --

>> John Morgan: Not for one.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay. I will pass the baton to someone else, and maybe they want to work on 2.

>> John Morgan: Okay, and then just to be clear on one point, there are some unpopulated water blocks that we probably would need to take into 1. They have no population.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay.

>> John Morgan: That's something I can do if you'd like me to later.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: You can do it now if you want.

>> John Morgan: Sure. Let me work on that.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Because it's no population so it doesn't really matter, you know?

>> John Morgan: It looks like there's eight people probably on a boat or something; who knows?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Ha-ha, on a boat.

>> John Morgan: Okay. So we'll add these in to 1. Now, it won't let me take Canada.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Of course not, ha-ha.

>> John Morgan: Let's see what we have here.

Okay, so that is all of 8 people -- no, that's zero people. Okay. So we assign that. Okay.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: All right. I'll pass it.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, Commissioner Curry. Next in alphabetical order would be myself. So how are we doing on time? We have about an hour left. We do have some other business to conduct, but I think we got time for one or two more. Can we zoom out a little bit? Let's see what's left.

>> John Morgan: Okay, so you have Birmingham/Royal Oak, part of Farmington Hills and Livonia, Redford and then you have Detroit and the internal towns like Hamtramck and Highland Park.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I like what we're doing. What I'm trying to figure out is how many other districts we're going to need to change in addition to the six that we have to change. I think what we're doing now, trying to leave the other districts untouched while we try to figure out what is reasonable to change is a good way to go and think that worked out well for the House maps.

I do think eventually we might need to change probably 2, 7, and 9; but I think for now I will continue on with this map. Let's start in the Birmingham area.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: A question.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Curry? Go ahead.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: My question is before we couldn't go into any of the other districts, right? On the other maps? But we can if -- like they want us to stick to 1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 11. If you go outside of that, would they kind of put the flag up on us or what?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Mr. Fink, I think you know can answer your question.

>> Nate Fink: Sure. Commissioner Curry, that's a good question. We had discussed this during the redraw of the House maps. The court's order says that you the commission can make adjustments and modifications to other districts, districts that were not struck down, as is reasonably necessary in order to comply with the court's order to redraw those districts that have been identified. So you can go into and redraw in the other districts; and as you saw through the House redraw plan, a process, it was pretty much impossible, I think, to create a map that satisfies all of your criteria, all the constitutional criteria, complies with the court's order, and doesn't, in some way, go into some of these other districts. I know you attempted that with a couple of the maps that were sent out, at least one of the maps that was sent out for public review for the House process; but ultimately, that wasn't one that was well received by the public.

So that was a long way to say, yes, you can go into other districts as is reasonably necessary to redraw the districts the court struck down.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay, thank you, Attorney Fink.

Chairman Eid, I'm looking at this little piece that is hanging over Windsor. Is that Windsor? And I'm wondering, can we just take that whole -- what is that? Like a -- what you think, Marcus? And take it up to the west a little? A little towards the west instead of leaving it hanging over like that? What you think? I don't really like --

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: What part are you talking about, Commissioner Curry?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: Where it goes over Belle Isle.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah. I'm talking about that little look like a hand, the whole little hand, if we could take that. Should I take it to the left and keep it more neater?

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: You can take Belle Isle out and leave for the district that will come up against the Grosse Pointes. I mean, there's no population so I don't think it affects your population count. It just affects the shape.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yeah, and I'm trying to make the shape better. I like it more in the block figure instead of the hand laying like that. I think we could keep it to the left of Detroit.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: You want to remove Belle Isle from 1.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I would like to see what it looks like.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yeah, you can go ahead and do that. You just drew it so go ahead and finish up.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Thank you.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Anthony, after that it looks like three districts left. If we're not changing a lot of other surrounding districts and there's not really much choice about where you draw on this, just the boundaries, right? Right at the edges?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I think that's what we're going to find out.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Yeah.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I think we're still in the very preliminary stages of this. Like I said, my big struggle here is figuring out just how many we need to change to make reasonably necessary and think what we're doing now is a good experiment to help figure that out; but we'll get there. We got, you know, there are -- left. We'll keep going through the list and finish this map and assess and go from there.

>> John Morgan: So for what it's worth -- I don't know if this matters a lot -- but the voting precinct that contains Belle Isle is right here. There's the bridge crossing over. So this portion is the voting precinct.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: We need that, right?

>> John Morgan: You don't have to but would be a little -- I don't know, it might seem a little odd to have Belle Isle connect to some other place without the bridge. I don't think that matters a great deal, but it's just something to think about.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Just since we're thinking about -- and this isn't the final, final -- let's just leave it like it is, go and see, maybe.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Okay, so we'll leave it like that, and if you want to adjust later, you can adjust it.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Okay. Thank you.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: All right. Mr. Fink, do you have something else to add?

>> Nate Fink: Sorry, no, I left my hand up. Sorry about that.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: No worries.

Okay. Well, let's go up into the Birmingham area. And let's assign -- so we did change what is now in blue, district 10. I believe Commissioner Callaghan did that earlier. So we have this area of Birmingham, Royal Oak, Oak Park, Berkeley, and let's assign all of that to a district -- 8.

>> John Morgan: 8. Okay. We

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: We can start with Birmingham.

>> John Morgan: Okay. That's the municipal boundary, and that's Royal Oak, and do you want Clawson?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yes.

>> John Morgan: We'll start with those whole communities, and then this is Berkley.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Mm-hmm. You can put in also that little square that's those three precincts.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Will you be wanting Hazel Park, probably?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Hazel Park, Oak Park, Royal Oak Township, Huntington Woods.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Kind of interestingly, this is almost like combining a couple districts from the House map so that's interesting.

>> John Morgan: Well, you don't have the added pressure to nest your districts. In some statements, the assembly districts have to fit inside senate districts.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: They do it Lego style, huh? You have to fit a house into the senate?

>> John Morgan :yes.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Interesting.

>> John Morgan: Wisconsin is a state that does that.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Wisconsin's got a lot of problems; I think we know that.

(Laughter.)

>> John Morgan: Well, it's a nearby Midwestern state.

Okay, so assigning that.

Okay, so that accounts for 70% of the district.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Okay. Now, let's see -- could you put up that overlay one more time from the Linden map?

>> John Morgan: All right.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yeah, this is what make, me think we will probably have to think of changing 7 in the future so let's continue with this. Let's go -- the only direction to go is south.

>> John Morgan: Unless you want to change 7 or 10, as you said.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Mm --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: What about 9 and 10?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: What would happen -- Commissioner Callaghan, you drew 10.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: You can change it; I'm not wedded to it.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: What if you put the Madison Heights portion in 8 and went more south on --

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: South with 10? That's fine. That makes sense.

>> John Morgan: Commissioner Eid, it sounds like you would work on 8 first and then adjust 10?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Let's add the Madison Heights portion of 10 to 8.

>> John Morgan: You want to take off the Linden reference?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yeah, you can take it off.

>> John Morgan: So Madison Heights in?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yes.

>> John Morgan: Okay. So all of Warren is 140 so you clearly won't need all of Warren. You could go into Warren. You could go south.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I kind of like how it is now because it divides the counties pretty eventually, at least.

Let's go south. What I'm thinking is we had areas in the House map that crossed in this area -- like for example we put Palmer Park with like Ferndale. Is there any way to overlay the Motown Sound map on top of this?

>> John Morgan: Yes.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: You can just use the neighborhoods; that works, too.

>> John Morgan: Okay. You were talking about Palmer Park?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yeah, I'm thinking about those --

>> John Morgan: Palmer woods?

>> Palmer Woods, Palmer Park, and the areas west of that as well. Bagley. let's add those and see where we're at.

>> John Morgan: Okay. You want to follow the neighborhood boundaries, generally?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yes.

>> John Morgan: Okay. I will select by voting precinct, but then we can adjust to the neighborhoods.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Sounds good.

>> John Morgan: You wanted Palmer Woods and Palmer Park. So that's 5,500 people, and we're looking for 50,000, so you wanted Bagley.

Okay, that's half of what you need, so I will assign that now?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: You can assign that.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Let's take the next block of neighborhoods, Nolan down to Cadillac Heights, State Fair, on the right.

>> John Morgan: On the right. Got it.

Okay, to Butler and Pershing?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I would say stay west of that -- see that diagonal line going through? Yeah, stay.

>> John Morgan: We might have to adjust this -- no, that's good.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Okay, we need another 10,000 people?

>> John Morgan: Mm-hmm.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Those neighborhoods west of Bagley -- yeah, Schultz, Blackstone. I would say take out Schulze out of there and add in the rest of Schaefer Lodge. I want to sign up first. However you want to do it.

>> John Morgan: Yeah, I'll do it this way. Okay. And then we'll take out these portions of Schulze?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yes. Schulze.

All right, that puts us where we need for 8. And then how many did we take out of 10 in order to make that happen?

>> John Morgan: 30,000.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: So go over there and let's add in Butler and Pershing to 10.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Okay, let's continue to take those neighborhoods that are directly south until we reach population; but let's try to stay above Airport Sub. So we're looking at Grant, Mount Oliver, Davison, that strip.

>> John Morgan: Okay, and then we'll see if you want to go towards this section.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yeah, we'll see. Let's hold off on that for now.

>> John Morgan: Yeah, not a lot of population.

>> John Morgan: Okay, you want Davison?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Yeah, that's about 700 people.

>> John Morgan: We still need 13,000.

(Overlapping conversation.)

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I think we'll just have to keep going.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Now we can go east.

>> John Morgan: All right, do you want the rest of Davison?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Right, and then you can add Franklin on the east side.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: All right, what if you add Mapleridge to that?

>> John Morgan: Let's get the population estimates. 4500.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Let's do that. I believe that will put us within the variance.

>> John: Yeah, under but still there.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: All right, that's good enough for now. Let's zoom out and see what is left for the next person.

Two is still unadjusted -- sorry; 2 still needs to be adjusted, rather.

Two more districts plus resolve two.

Yeah, I'll let the next person do that as well as the unresolved areas. Can you take off the overlay so we can just see how 8 and 10 look now?

>> John Morgan: Yeah, working on it.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Those look okay to me. I want to stress it's very preliminary but think for now that's all right.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Looks good.

>> John Morgan 6:15 on my clock.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: It is 6:15, and we do have more business to take care of.

Whoops. Sorry.

>> John Morgan: Two districts and a fraction remaining.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Next up on the order list would be Brittini Kellom -- she is not here -- and Commissioner Lange. We can move to the rest of the business, or Rhonda, you can take your turn if you would like. Commissioner Lett?

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: Hey, can we put the Linden overlay on just to see what we've done?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Okay.

>> John Morgan: So you might, if -- you know, you can see this would be a whole district; and then this would presumably be another district.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Is that one district to the west unchanged?

>> John Morgan: Well, it's not a district now; it's unassigned.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Right.

>> John Morgan: If you do not touch the other districts, this is how much population you would take if you started and follow the same boundary and end up with the same district.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Okay.

>> John Morgan: You don't have to. You can draw south into Westland or into other areas.

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: Thank you.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Am I good to start?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Go ahead.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: The first thing I want to do is I want to make Livonia whole.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Take in all of Livonia.

>> John Morgan: Is this district 6 or 3?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Let's go 6.

>> John Morgan: We'll take all of Livonia into a new district 3. Sorry; I mean district 6. Okay, that's 95,000 people.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay, and take the above by Farmington Hills that's not assigned.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: While he's doing that, the reason I'm doing that is because we had a TON of public comment saying that Livonia was a community of interest and it was split up the last time because we were stretching districts out so since we had so much public comment requesting it, I'm going to draw it that way.

>> John Morgan: Okay, assigning that.

Okay, so you are 60% of a district at that point. You have Redford, Westland, Garden City, and other districts. You have affected district 5.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Correct. Let's pull in the Redford area.

>> John Morgan: All of Redford?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Leave some -- go more north. That way we have some room to play if we need to make adjustments to 5 since I took some of 5's population and see what we can do.

>> John Morgan: Okay, so up here to the interstate; is that a good place to put for the moment?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Yes.

>> John Morgan: I took a little more here; let me undo that. At this point, you only want Redford, right?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Correct.

>> John Morgan: That precinct goes over the interstate.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay, finish filling it in. They can look from other areas for the make up.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Let me -- if you don't mind, let me change the color between 6 and 2. They're the same color.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Absolutely.

>> John Morgan: So the balance of Redford?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Yes, please.

>> John Morgan: Okay, that leaves you 59,000 off.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Keep moving east towards the north.

>> John Morgan: Up here?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Yes, please.

>> John Morgan: Do you want the Detroit neighborhoods or not necessarily?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Not necessarily.

>> John Morgan: Okay. Do you want to take from 7 or do not touch 7?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Let me see my notes. Follow that whole line down so move to the south and fill in that whole one there -- correct.

>> John Morgan: So this is west of Telegraph Road.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Is that okay to cross there?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: That's fine.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: This is preliminary anyways.

>> John Morgan: Okay, this area or you said stay to the north?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Correct.

>> John Morgan: And this portion here?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Correct.

>> John Morgan: This is a split voting precinct so I'll assign it by block.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: You said split voting so basically they broke up a precinct?

>> John Morgan: Yeah, that happens some of the times in these maps.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Is there a way to add in the whole precinct?

>> John Morgan: That would be a boundary change to district 7. This would be the first time that district 7 has been changed.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay, add that whole voting precinct.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

Okay, district 7, while it changed, is still within the tolerance.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay.

>> John Morgan: This is where you are. You're in this far, I guess, northwest portion of Detroit. Telegraph Road.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: I want to try and keep it squared up so let's move to the south.

>> John Morgan: Here?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Yes, please. And if I'm splitting up anything of significance that anybody knows of that's from the area, feel free to let me know..

>> John Morgan: You can put the neighborhoods on if you wanted to reference.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: I'm not as familiar with the neighborhoods as some that are from the area.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: That's why.

>> John Morgan: All right, so take this or don't take this?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Yes, please.

>> John Morgan: six is the one we're working on. 40,000 more people necessary. Just going back to five.

27,000 down. And then 2 is down 24,000.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay. I just fubared that, didn't I?

>> John Morgan: Well, you just have to make some adjustments.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay, let's keep working our way over, then.

>> John Morgan: This direction?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Yes, please -- well, actually, yeah, I don't want to go into too many more. Oh.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: I think you can finish 6 by going east, and we'll work on completing 5 and 2 tomorrow.

>> John Morgan: All right.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: What's the population we need? 40?

>> John Morgan: Yeah.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Let's try and get it squared up to get to 40 so if that line there -- correct, all the way over -- if that's enough population.

>> John Morgan: It won't be but will be close.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: It will be close?

>> John Morgan: 35.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay.

>> John Morgan: Looks like I took a little piece of 7, which I can adjust if I need to.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: That would be fine for the moment.

>> John Morgan: Okay, show s should I put that back in 7? Sorry; you're breaking up.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: That wasn't me, I don't think. Yeah, put it back in 7.

>> John Morgan: Okay.

So you are within tolerance on 6. It is on the low side. It's complete as it is.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Why don't we leave it like that so it leaves more area to make corrections? Or adjustments?

>> John Morgan: All right, hang on; my computer is slowing me down. Come on. Come back. Uh-oh.

Hmm. Let me get a good look at this in case I need to recreate it if the computer crashes completely here.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: If it crashes, that's okay because we need to get to other business so take a good look so you can recreate. You can create and save it and will pick up here with mapping tomorrow.

>> John Morgan: All right, let me make sure I -- I think I'm okay. The plan is okay. I was able to save it, and I'll stop my share. And we're good.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Cool! Thank you, Mr. Morgan. We appreciate it.

>> John Morgan: All right.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, Commissioner Lange, for your drawing.

We will now move onto the next item on the agenda, which are items for consideration. We first have item 7A, institute for public policy and social research.

Without objection, I will ask MICRC Executive Director Woods to facilitate this item. Is there any objection?

Seeing none, Mr. Woods, you have the floor. You are muted.

>> Executive Director Edward Woods, III: Thank you, Commissioner Eid. This came at the request to commissioner Weiss in regards to the map submitted to Michigan State University. When I spoke to our Voting Rights Act Council, he suggested we submit that map for analysis. When we submit the other maps for analysis. Mr. Brace has also asked for them to provide shape files so I will request that as well but just wanted to acknowledge the map; acknowledge Commissioner Weiss' request, and let the commissioner know it will be a part of the analysis when the other maps are submitted.

Commissioner Weiss, did you have any questions or anything else you wanted to add?

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: Not at this time; thank you.

>> Mr. Edward Woods, III: That's all I have, Commissioner Eid.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Are there any questions or discussion on that map?

Well, it did come to all of us. I recommend everybody take a look at it to at least get some information on how to do this in the future, and we will go from there.

Okay. We will now move on to the next item of business, items for consideration 7B, commissioner application. Without objection, I will once again ask MICRC Executive Director Woods to facilitate this item. Is there any objection?

Hearing none, go ahead, Mr. Woods.

>> Executive Director Edward Woods, III: Thank you, Commissioner Eid. This came about at the request of Commissioner Curry as well as Commissioner Weiss, and this is the commissioner application page they were referencing.

Without further ado, I will turn it over to them for comment.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Should I go first?

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Is there a comment? Commissioner Curry? Commissioner Weiss?

>> Commissioner Weiss: Commissioner Curry and I brought this. That would be fine with me.

>> Commissioner Curry: One of the things I spoke up during one of our meetings when I said that we were talking about the amount of money we were getting paid; I think I made a suggestion that we were getting -- that the application said between \$40,000 and \$45,000. Well, when I looked at my application, it said around \$40,000. I wanted to make that correction because I am not getting that amount; I'm getting much lower.

So that's another thing that we have to take up.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Um ... okay. We could take that up with payroll and make sure you're getting, you know, the full pay that everybody else is getting.

Executive Director Woods, can you please look into that issue?

>> Executive Director Edward Woods, III: Absolutely. Thank you.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: That would be wonderful. Is there any other discussion about this agenda item?

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: I have a couple of questions on that, if Commissioner Curry is done?

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Yes, I'm kind of done for now.

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: Thank you. I brought this up to Executive Director Woods about a week or so ago because the question had come up to me when Ms. Julianne Pastula was our counsel about commissioners filling out their forms or applications; and I asked Ms. Pastula what the consequences were of filling out an application and then not fulfilling what you've answered on the application. So I'm assuming that this may be something for the Michigan State Department to answer that

question. If you have answered a question on here that you would fulfill this duty and you put yes but you do not do it, what are the ramifications for not doing it?

>> Representative Sarah Reinhardt: I think Commissioner Lange's hand is raised. If I may briefly -- that would be a really great question for Mike Brady. I believe you had reached out to him to ask a similar question, and he had intended to be able to answer that question for you, Commissioner Weiss. Unfortunately, he couldn't be here tonight, but I will take that to him and bring back an answer -- well, myself or another MDOS staff person -- will bring back the answer at a future meeting.

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: Yeah, that would be fine.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, Ms. Reinhardt. Yes, if you could get that answer to Commissioner Weiss, that would be good.

Commissioner Lange?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Yeah, just two things. For clarification, you said the amount of pay that all of the commissioners are getting. I am taking the 25% so I want the public to know that, that I am not receiving the raise that was given.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I'm not even talking about the raise.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Well, I know, but it was in a statement Commissioner Eid made about all of us getting the same amount. I just wanted clarification.

I have a question on the application also. I'm kind of curious if there's anything specific that's being directed to. I mean, I can understand some of it about ...

your affiliation, the pay. Of course, when we filled these out, too, nobody knew there would be laws changing so I'm just curious if somebody feels there is an issue, what that issue is.

Maybe somebody can enlighten me.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I'm not understanding what you're saying.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Well, to bring up this application, there must be some thoughts that something is, somebody has violated the application because you're asking, you know, what are the ramifications or what have you, not necessarily you in particular, Juanita -- I'm saying in general. I'm just curious if somebody was believe there's an issue what the issue is.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: Well, shouldn't we just leave it for the person involved, for Mike Brady, to answer that, go over all the questions that all of us could have a better understanding? Because I don't think any of us is able to answer any of those questions. We're not the ones that did the hiring. We are the ones that got hired.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: But it was stated that somebody came to Commissioner Weiss about --

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: It came up, for one, because I asked about the pay.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I want to prove that what I said was not a lie or misspoken word or anything; that it did say around \$40,000 or \$45,000, and I'm not getting that, so that's what -- that's one of my questions that I had.

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Okay; but Commissioner Weiss stated something else so I'm just curious which particular one does somebody think is an issue.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: One moment, folks. Let me jump in. We'll do one person at a time. Please. Make sure you're acknowledged by the chair to have the floor. Thank you for your clarification on the pay point, Commissioner Lange; Commissioner Curry, I think we have gone over your request as well.

Commissioner Weiss, I see your hand is raised.

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: That is correct. So I'm assuming you would like to know my concern. Well, as I said, my most concern now is what are the ramifications if you have answered a question and now it's not fulfilled. That came up quite a while ago and came up again here recently to me that I was asked a question about one of the questions on here on the application; and I said I can't answer it because I don't know the answer to the question. I don't know why this is happening, and I says, I'll see if I can get to an answer, so I did reach out to Mr. Brady. I thought I would let him answer the question so everybody could hear this.

And I do believe I tried to look for it, but a state representative in the House mentioned also one of the questions on this application, and he wanted to know why. And as I said, I'd like an answer myself so I can ask when this comes up again I can answer the individual who asked me this. So I think if we wait until Mr. Brady can answer that question, what are ramifications for not doing what you've answered on an application. Does that answer your question, Ms. Lange?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: Not completely. It's very vague, and if there's something that is an issue that's enough to bring up on an agenda item, I would like to know. I mean, you say so -- Mike Brady can bring it forth. Shouldn't we all be in the know of what the question is or what the state representative made comment to?

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: I would agree to you but am being sake s vague so if Mr. Brady answers my question that, about that question I asked him, if he says, there's not a problem here -- sound s sound like there's no consequences if you answer yes and doesn't fulfill it. It doesn't seem to be a consequence to it unless there's something missing here that, you know, we don't know as commissioner or an individual. I can't answer that. That's why I asked him first and depending on what he says, I would be more than happy to drop my question on this or go into it a little further.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Commissioner Szetela, I see your hand raised.

>> Commissioner Rebecca Szetela: Yeah, I'm just curious why you didn't just approach Mr. Brady directly if you had a concern because what's happened instead is you've thrown a little bit of shade on everybody by suggesting somebody is in violation; and your just not sure if you can do anything about it, which is impugning the reputation of everybody on the commission. I'm just curious as to why handle it this way rather than just handling it privately, resolving your question, and then bringing it further.

>> Commissioner Weiss: Obviously you didn't listen because I said I did reach out to Mr. Brady and talked to him and asked if he could call me, which he did. I said, okay. I assumed he might have been at the meeting, but things happen; he couldn't be here today, so that's fine.

As I said, I would just like an answer.

If -- the question, once I get my answer from him, I will be more specific on the question.

>> Commissioner Juanita Curry: I think that's fair.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Okay. Well, is there any other discussion on this topic? Commissioner Lange?

>> Commissioner Rhonda Lange: I will just make one last comment. I have concerns because there this were conversations in a meeting regarding three of us. I kind of start having concerns there's a lot of retaliation and looking for retaliation. I'll let it play out, but I just want to put that out there because the comments that were made in a private setting that had nothing to do with legal, they weighed on me quite a bit, too. So I almost feel like some, and I'm not going to put everybody in if same basket, but I think there's definitely some retaliation going. And I'm going to leave it at that.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, Commissioner Lange. Commissioner Weiss, before you go, I want to remind you to please speak through the chair.

>> Commissioner Richard Weiss: Thank you. I'm not looking for retaliation; I'm looking for an answer to a question I had been asked a couple of times and that I had asked and never really got an answer. I actually didn't really get the answer I thought -- I thought I didn't get an answer from Mr. Brady but he said he would look into it, I believe. That's why I thought I would ask this question and wait for him to come with an explanation.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: All right. I hope you get the answer to that question and we can move on.

We will now be moving on to the next item on the agenda, approval of the minutes. We will be approving 22 minutes from January 4 to April 11.

The draft minutes have been provided to the commission before this meeting and are posted on the website.

I will now entertain a motion regarding this topic.

If anyone has one.

>> Commissioner Cynthia Orton: I move we approve the minutes that were sent to us from those dates that you said.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Those dates were January 4 to April 11. Is there a second to Commissioner Orton's?

>> Commissioner Marcus Muldoon: I'll second it.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Motion by Commissioner Orton and seconded by Commissioner Muldoon to approve the minutes from January 4 to April 11. Is there any discussion about the minutes? I see no hands so we will move to a vote. All those in favor to adopt the minutes, please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Any opposed? The ayes have it.

We will now move on to the executive director's report. Without objection, I ask MICRC director Woods to provide his report. Is there any objection?

All right, please proceed, Mr. Woods.

>> Executive Director Edward Woods, III: Thank you, Commissioner Eid. I want the commission to know we have our flier out as it relates to public hearings. As you know, we will have two rounds of public hearings. The first one will deal with how residents in the Southeast Michigan area can assist the Commission in drawing the maps; and the second round of public hearings which will take place in June is which map to select. On May 7, Tuesday, we will be at the Warren Community Center, located at 5460 Arden Avenue in Warren, Michigan, meeting from 10:00 to 12:30, taking a lunch from 12:30 to 1:30. We'll come back and meet 1:30 to 3:00. There will be a break between 3:00 and 4:00 and then an afternoon/evening session from 4:00 to 7:00.

We'll follow that same time frame at the Pearls Event Center, a beautiful new facility in Northwestern Highway, the same on Wednesday; and on Thursday, May 9, Wayne State University Student Center. The commission will actually meet so if you get there between those times, the commission would love your assistance in helping them to draw the maps, in particular your community of interest, your community of interest as it relates to the state senate.

We will be posting this on the website so it will be available tomorrow. It does have some talking points with regards to that.

I asked people if you have any questions that you can actually go to our website or give us a call at 866-map-fair.

I repeat: 1-866-627-3247.

866-627-3247.

Public hearings are coming up in May that we will have one in Oakland -- I mean, Macomb; Oakland County; Wayne County.

The idea of these in-person meetings that will also be virtual in nature is for people to come with maps or come with ideas. We will have someone in the lobby so if you don't know how to run the map software or just have ideas that will assist the public in drawing their community of interest and keep them whole, we will have someone in the lobby that can assist them that will have a computer and provide assistance during that time. Parking at each and every one of these locations is free. Once again, parking at each and every one of these locations is free and just really want to encourage the public to come out and assist the commission in drawing the senate maps -- in particular in keeping their communities of interest whole. If there's any questions, Commissioner Eid, I can take them at this time, regarding this promotional flyer.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Are there any questions or discussion for Commissioner Woods' report?

I'll say the flyer is helpful. Thank you. You know, we have been going to a lot of community meetings across Metro Detroit over the past couple weeks and having that flyer to bring with us and provide to the public, I think, is great. Thanks for that.

>> Executive Director Edward Woods, III: All right.

My next report is dealing with redistricting, 301. It's just a way to kind of explain where we are, and the mapping process. This was shared with the commission. It will be on our website tomorrow and just gives the background of the commission. You know, we had a redistricting 101 and redistricting 201. This is 301 and talks about the guiding principles that relating to the commission's strategic plan; it identifies the commissioners; it talks about what is redistricting; why you should care; what are the seven redistricting criteria. It talks about the total population in Michigan from the Census, the breakdown of the 161 districts in Michigan, what maps were approved by the commission for the 2022 election; why did the commission have to redraw the maps for the Michigan House and Senate? What did the commission do to remedy the state house maps? What about the Michigan Senate? This talks about the districts.

You can click on the hyperlink to the adjacent district for those that get it electronically so they can see what will be impacted by the process. Then it talks about public hearings we referenced earlier and also lets them know there will be a virtual public hearing where the commission will actually explain the maps that were published and are going to be considered by the commission to submit one of those in the court. Then it talks about the future public hearings, when they can talk about the maps. And then it's going to talk about the date that it's due, July 26. Then it tells you how to engage the commission with regards to e-mails and text alerts and public comments, how to sign up to provide in-person meetings, submit public or mapping comments. Then our social media as well as YouTube channel and where to call. So just wanted to make sure that the commission is aware of this information. We will provide the hyperlink to the form so

people can sign is up when they want to speak, whether it's virtual or in person, under the third bullet there so that people will have that information as well. So just wanted the commission to be aware of what is taking place there.

In addition, we have met with both McConnell Communications and Coffey and will get started with the social media, non-traditional, and our outreach information so people are aware of these meetings taking place actually two weeks from today. So we really want the public to be aware of this information and come out and participate and encourage those listening through their organizations and communities in your sphere of influence in Southeast Michigan to show up and speak up and be a part of this process.

If there's any questions, Commissioner Eid, I can take them at this time.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Are there any questions for Executive Director Woods?

I do not see any.

Thank you, Mr. Woods. Go ahead.

>> Executive Director Edward Woods: Last but not least, just want to inform the commission we are working and providing information with regards to our budget request. Our supplemental budget request with regards to funds, as you already know, are funds are dwindling. We do have payments to both the Special Master and there's going to be -- I thought forgot the other gentleman's name we are required to pay, per the court order, so just want to make sure the commission is aware we are working on providing that information to obtain the supplemental budget request for this fiscal year.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, Mr. Woods. We appreciate the progress being made on the budget.

All right, we will move on to announcements and acknowledgments. Are there any announcements?

Mr. Woods?

>> Executive Director Edward Woods, III: Thank you. Just want to remind our public audience that tomorrow we'll be meeting twice from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and then again from 4:00 to 7:00.

Just want to remind the public we will have a meeting from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and then again from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on tomorrow.

We will also meet on Thursday of this week, Thursday of this week, following the same schedule as tomorrow: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Thursday and then again from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

We encourage you to show up, speak up, and make sure your voices are heard as we do the senate maps. Thank you so much, Commissioner Eid.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Thank you, Executive Director Woods.

I would just like to say, you know, I'm still new at being chair and really am trying my best to follow Robert's Rules. I got a copyright here for anyone watching. I'm going through it.

The unanimous consent stuff is in Section 4 on page 49. I'm always looking for constructive criticism so if any of my fellow commissioners have any for me, feel free to give me a call. I would enjoy that.

And I'll just end by thanking all of you. I think there was some really good collaboration today and would also like to thank everybody for being cordial.

With that, the items on the agenda are complete, and the commission has no further business so a motion to adjourn is in order.

Would anyone like to make that motion?

>> Commissioner Steve Lett: So moved.

>> Commissioner Donna Callaghan: Second.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: We have a motion to adjourn by Commissioner Lett and a second, I believe by Commissioner Wagner?

>> Commissioner Wagner: Yes, that's correct.

>> Commissioner Chair Anthony Eid: Wonderful. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Seeing none, all those in favor of the motion raise your hand and say aye. Any opposed?

All right. We are adjourned at 6:54 p.m.; see y'all tomorrow.