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>> CHAIR EID: Good morning. As Chair of the Commission, I call the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission to order at 10:06 a.m. This Zoom webinar is being live streamed on YouTube on The Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission YouTube channel. For anyone in the public watching who would prefer to watch via a different platform than they are currently using, please visit our social media at Redistricting MI.

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>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you Mr. Chair. Good morning Commissioners. Please say present when I call your name. If you are attending the meeting remotely please announce during roll call you are attending the meeting remotely and unless your absence is due to military duty state the Physical location by stating the county, City, Township or the village and state which you are attending the meeting remotely. I will begin roll call alphabetically with Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Present From Mexico.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Present Southfield Michigan. Commissioner Eid?

>> CHAIR EID: Present.

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>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Kellom? Commissioner Lange?
>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Present remotely from Reed City, Michigan.
>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Lett?
>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Present. Commissioner Muldoon?
>> MARCUS MULDOON: Present.
>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Orton?
>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Present.
>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Szetela?
>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Attending remotely from Wayne County, Michigan.
>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you. Commissioner Vallette?
>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Present. Commissioner Wagner?
>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Present attending from Eaton county City of Charlotte and Eaton Township all at the same time.
>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you. Commissioner Weiss?
>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Present.
>> YVONNE YOUNG: You do have a quorum.
>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Ms. Young. Move to adopt the agenda. As a reminder to the public watching you can view the agenda at www.Michigan.gov/MICRC. Under meeting materials. I will entertain a motion to approve today's agenda.
>> COMMISSIONER LETT: So moved.
>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Second.
>> CHAIR EID: We have a motion and a second to approve today's agenda is there any discussion on the motion?
Seeing none we will vote. All those in favor of the motion please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.
>> CHAIR EID: Any opposed please raise your hand and say nay. The ayes have it and the agenda is adopted.
Next on the agenda is item number four public comments. Without objection we will begin the public comments pertaining to agenda topics for today's meeting. Is there any objections, Commissioners? Commissioners? Hearing none we will proceed with public comment.

Individuals who have signed up and indicated they would like to provide live remote public commentary 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 are on the phone a voice will say the host wants you to speak and prompt you to press star six to unmute. I will call you by your name and or the last four digits of your phone number. Please note if you are experiencing technical or audio issues or do not hear from you for three to five seconds we will move to the next person in line and return to you after you are done speaking. If

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We have one person who signed up to provide public comment in person today and that is Allen Gouitch.

>> Good morning Allen.

>> Good morning to each of you. It's been a pleasure watching you do all your work all these years. I'm here today to encourage all of you to adopt three maps or not three maps but one of three maps. The Heron, the Kellom or the Szetela maps. I think these three maps depending on which one you adopt improve the numbers of the Linden map that you've had to redraw. And as a matter of progress it would seem like improvement over that map, would seem to me appropriate. I'm also encouraging you to consider one of these three maps based on Dr. Handley's VNP and Commission election comparisons. When I was going through that data, it appeared to me that comparing the VNP list with the Commission list, these three maps were most often the top three maps in each of the categories. And I think that's worth considering.

And, finally, yesterday you had a lot of data provided to you by your college students collecting all of the data from the comments that have been made through this process. And based on that, those three maps appeared to be the most popular and favored by the people. Thank you for your time. Thank you for your service.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. We appreciate your comments. We will now move to virtual public comment. First up to speak is Mr. James Gallant.

>> Hello, can you hear me?

>> CHAIR EID: We can Mr. Gallant good morning.

>> Well thank you very much. James Gallant Marquette these are my opinions. The Chair Eid you now shown your true colors and are not red, white and blue under our consultation. It appears you are being groomed to seek public office in 2025 remember the restrictions are five years to continue your mission to contradict our state of being in the United States of America is that consistent with the Chaldean community of interest values, I would question. What exactly was new business yesterday?

Seemed like it was facilitating some unfinished business, the approval of the final maps, that's what you were discussing and moving towards. Without a motion pending. You should have a motion to approve the final map and 12 draft maps laid on the table. I see your actions as vulnerable adult abuse against your new friends Kellom and Lange. First thing Kellom testified she didn't understand the question and appeared visibly confused. Then Lange testified that she has just now had more questions because there was no question for you that she was even considering. So my prediction is Mr. Eid you will be vacated from office by the Supreme Court and that you will be

prosecuted for multiple violations of your oath of office and violations of state law. For this abuse. It's clearly, the members in America have a right to one question at a time and they know what that question is under a motion with a second. The second approves to say it can come before the Commission now.

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>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Mr. Gallant. We appreciate your comments. Next to speak is Yousif-Yousif.

>> Hello, Commissioners, can you hear me?

>> CHAIR EID: We can good morning Yousif.

>> Good morning Commissioners I wanted to thank Commissioner Callaghan for starting to modify Heron for Chaldeans. Thank you so much Commissioner Callaghan and also thank you Commissioner Eid for assisting. I'm truly grateful. I also want to thank Commissioner Szetela for modifying District 9 to include more of Sterling Heights precincts and thank you so much Commissioner Szetela. I just have a suggestion effecting precincts. I hope the Commission received my PDF document I submitted with my feedback and suggestions. What I did is I removed the precincts from District 9 and added some precincts east of Sterling Heights to District 9. My rationale was to include more Chaldean precincts in east Sterling Heights to District 9. I base this on Dr. Handley's analysis of Chaldean voting patterns. Second Clawson is more similar to Royal Oak than Sterling Heights or Rochester Hills. I hope you take my suggestions into consideration and please also keep working on Heron to include a Chaldean District. My hope is all the maps that advance the final voting have a Chaldean District. Again I'm truly thankful to all of you Commissioners. You can't see my face, but I have a smiling face. Thank you so much, Commissioners.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Yousif for addressing the Commission. Next up we have mayor Robert A McCraight.

>> Good morning Commission, can you hear me?

>> CHAIR EID: Good morning.

>> Good morning, thank you. I appreciate this Commission's dedication to this body of work. It's no easy task so I appreciate your service to the community and the work you are trying to get done. I appreciate you allowing me multiple times to tell you the Romulus story. I will make this short and sweet the City of Romulus is voted unanimously with elected officials to oppose both the Cardinal and Heron maps and feel they don't if support the best interest of the City of Romulus and support of Crane number 385. Not just the mayor's office but the elected officials who voted unanimously to support the Crane map 385 and oppose the Cardinal map 373 and Heron map 376. Thank you. Thank you for your time.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. McCraight. We appreciate your comments. Next up is safe Al.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Safe, there we go.

>> Can you hear me?

>> CHAIR EID: We can, good morning safe.

>> Good morning, how you doing, Commission?

>> CHAIR EID: Doing well, please proceed.

>> Good thank you so much for allowing me to speak today. My name is safe AI and I'm speaking on behalf of Warren C Evans' office. Warren C Evans is in full support of the map of the Crane map and for several reasons. I think the first reason for that is it supports constituents of the District. Two ensures representation and three satisfies the needs of Black and Brown communities. Four also empowers people by enabling them to elect members from their communities to represent them. And five the map has that the least amount of cuts in the county line. Also ensures three seats Senate seats in the City of Detroit. Honorable Commission I appreciate you taking the time today to listen to me. Again we are in support of the Crane map. I don't believe the Heron map is in the best interest of this community, so we are going to go with the Crane map. Thank you so much.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, safe, for addressing the Commission. We appreciate your comments. Next up is Noimi-Joyrich.

>> Can you hear me?

Are you able to hear me?

>> CHAIR EID: Yes, we can, please proceed, good morning.

>> Please adopt the Szetela map. No other map does an outstanding job for addressing concerns of COI, leaders says it pairs them with the communities and shares the most interest with and gives them the strongest voice and it also keeps Romulus whole. 404 keeps Chaldean community foundation together with their Van Dyke housing development and I appreciate Commissioner Szetela is making tweaks to 404 to address the rest of the concerns of the Chaldean community. I live in Farmington Hills and love 404 links me with municipalities where we share interest and activities and keeps me with my temple. Cardinal links me with Novi and separates them and Northville and makes no sense, Novi and Northville are closely aligned with close community events and demographics. Cardinal 7th District breaks up Southfield and bizarre shape and places communities in a way that makes no sense. Partisan fairness is not the top consideration but an important one and when you evaluate all the metrics it's clear that Szetela, Heron and Kellom have an acceptable score. People say Cardinal has decent partisan fairness are simply not looking at all the many metrics. 404 addresses the needs of widest range of COI and the highest partisan fairness and urge you to adopt it. Thank you for your patience and hard work. Democracy is depending on you and thank you for rising to the challenge.

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>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. We appreciate your comments. Next up is William.

>> Can you hear me?

>> CHAIR EID: We can, good morning William.

>> Hello Commission, Commissioners. Thank you very much for all of the work you guys have been doing on all of this. I was looking on the public comment portal yesterday and I saw someone from the Chaldean American community had submitted a map called the unity in the community. Unity and community delineates the Chaldean community and collects the testimony from the Chaldean community on other maps. They have District 9 boundary moved to follow Van Dyke of whole not jog to follow M53 expressway after they split. The real estate and housing investment Chaldean foundation have made in western Sterling Heights. The boundary shift Utica is in District 11 in east Sterling Heights and completes the Clinton river watershed of interest and keeps the spirit of original 404 map only touching districts 9, 11 and 24 and only moving a few thousand people. With so much of the public spoken up in favor of map 404 and one reservation the Commission has about it is about the Chaldean representation and a member of the community put it with the unity and community and looks phenomenal and should give it a serious look. Thank you for your time.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. Next up is Anthony Scannell.

>> Good morning MICRC, Anthony Scannell joining you from Detroit. And I want to talk about you know the maps in my community and all that kind of stuff. But I won't say much about that because the process has really got me concerned. And I'll just say notice while the Plaintiffs mayor Romulus county executive agree with me on the best map. But okay now to the process. Yesterday was off the rails in terms of the amendment process. And I have to give it to Mr. James Gallant here, he has been absolutely right. I don't understand why you would need to vote to amend something if you're going to keep all iterations of it before it was amended. The second amendment, the third Amendment why would you need to vote to amend it if every iteration is on the table as an option. If you change Crane and voted to change it three times Crane is out of the running. Crane A1, A2, A3 now. So I think it's a lot of administrative task to update the websites and portals but to me Crane A3 is Crane now. And so I think that was totally wrong for Michigan Department of State when they said it's all in the running and that is why there is no order. So Mr. Gallant has been right, ten minutes of making motions so that you have motions that you can actually amend.

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And that has been right.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Scannell. We appreciate your comments. Next up is Chris Andrews.

>> Hello, can you hear me.

>> CHAIR EID: Hello Chris good morning.

>> Good morning.

This is Chris Andrews from Haslett. These are some of the facts. In 2021 the Commission passed legislative maps with a bias towards republicans. In February the Commission redrew the State House districts that added to that bias. Today among the collaborative maps you're considering one fair State Senate map along with several with the republican bias. Heron is fair even in close elections the party with the most votes is statewide is likely to win the most seats. If you enact one of the others, you are knowingly putting your thumbs on the scale of democracy. Several maps create the illusion of fairness with misleading seats votes analysis. In Cardinal for instance three seats counted as democratic will favor republicans in a tight election. Heron is measurably the fairest map. It's the only fair map. The only one where in 50/50 election a 1919 Senate split is likely. Heron absolutely fixes the racial issues required by the Court. It reasonably addresses communities of interest as well as the others. It does not favor republicans. It does not favor democrats. It favors Michigan voters. Heron is what we the people deserve, thank you.

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>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. Next to speak is Sherry Gay-Dagnogo.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Sherry, I see you are unmuted, but we are unable to hear you. Are you available?

>> Yes. Yes, I am here, must be something on your guys' hands.

>> CHAIR EID: We can hear you Sherry, good morning.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: We can hear you now.

>> Thank you.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Point of order, I can't hear her still. Can we try again?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: I was unable to as well. You were loud and clear but then the sound dwindled. Can you try again, Ms. Gay-Dagnogo?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Okay, Chair, why don't we come back to her and hopefully we will be able to hear her better after we complete the next participant.

>> CHAIR EID: All right. Next to speak is Kyle Stefanski.

>> Yes, good morning, Commission. First off I want to just thank you for the work you are doing. I know it's not easy work, but it's work that needs to be done. I'm a lifelong resident of Warren. Which is the third largest City in the state. And I originally was coming here to talk about how it's kind of crazy that anyone is still trying to take parts of Warren and combine it with north Macomb with the Cardinal map. But listening to a comment that happened previously, someone said that the Chaldean community had a proposal that gets us to stop fighting about 404. The Szetela map. And gets unity in the community. You know, like, yeah, if someone has figured it out let's do it. Unity and community is what we are asking for in Warren. And like the Chaldeans are saying they figured it out and here is how we get unity and community too. So right on. So, yeah, I

think that sounds like a good idea. So I support the Szetela map, map 404 and I encourage you guys to pass that. Thank you for your time.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Kyle, for addressing the Commission. We will return to Sherry.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Sherry, are you there?

>> CHAIR EID: We do have one more person who signed up to speak in person, that I will invite to the microphone now and try Sherry again after that. Hopefully the audio issues are fixed. We cannot hear you. So Kermit Williams.

>> CHAIR EID: Good morning, Kermit.

>> Good morning, Commission. Glad to see you again. Watching the debate especially in regards to the Szetela map. Somebody came and talked about it being racial gerrymandering. I just want to speak to it from a community of interest standpoint. I'm from the City of Pontiac and share economic interest with Southfield, Oak Park and other places that are included in that map. And also that map is more compact. I do want to bring to the Commission's point of view that when the Judge did the ruling about the last maps, District 7, which mostly is in the Szetela map, was not touched because that piece of map was more fair than the maps previously. So even though they touch areas of Detroit, they did not touch District 7 and I would ask that you would keep that because it's more homogenous than anything else. I'm in support of the Szetela map. I thank you all for listening to all of the residents. I really do appreciate y'all having meetings in different parts of the state even though it was raining today I drove 15 minutes versus an hour to Detroit and thank you for having the meeting in Southfield today. We ask you keep the Szetela map. I know there are a lot of comments about the Heron map but making sure Pontiac stays with Southfield and Auburn Hills and Waterford along with Oak Park is very important. We don't have anything economically in common with Rochester and Rochester Hills. And so that is my major problem with that particular map. So if you can make sure the Szetela map is the map that you go with, I will be very appreciative. Thank you and have a great day.

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>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. We will return to Sherry one more time and see if we can get her on.

>> Hopefully the third time is the charm. I'm now calling from my phone. It's raining so maybe my computer was not allowing me to be great. First of all thank you all, every Commissioner that has done this work. I know when you signed up you had no idea what you probably were signing up for and public service is a thankless job. Thank you for the hard work you put into this. The most collaborative map is AGB Plaintiff agent and spoke person we have talked to more than 20 of our Plaintiffs and we stand with the largest county in the State of Michigan, Warren C Evans, executive Warren C Evans. The Arab American civil rights league and AGB Plaintiff, the Michigan democratic party Black caucus. The NAACP Detroit chapter the largest in the state are

all standing together to ask you to move forward with the Crane map. We have no objections to the amendments that you made yesterday. But we are asking you to see through special interest organizations that continue to push their agenda. This lawsuit started with the voices of those crying out from the City of Detroit to make sure that we have fairness. We have Black representation. We have our three Senate seats, and the Latina and Arab American community are satisfied, and Detroit residents are satisfied and asking you in your most collaborative effort what we saw was the Crane map and meets the Voting Rights Act. Meets the standards and look at compactness, community of interest and not just partisan issues that a number of special interest are raising. Please support the Crane map and thank you again for all of your hard work and helping to make history.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. Okay, that concludes public comments. I'd like to thank everybody who spoke out today, feel free to e-mail public comments to the Commission at redistricting at Michigan.gov or visit the various tools we have on our website to provide comment.

Next on the agenda is agenda item 5 unfinished business A Senate mapping deliberations. If there is no objection Commissioners we will continue with our Senate mapping deliberations as outlined by the policy that we voted on last week. Is there any objections, Commissioners?

Seeing none, we will proceed. I believe we have some information from our legal team today about the amendments that were made yesterday.

>> NATE FINK: Mr. Chairman?

>> CHAIR EID: Hello Mr. Fink, good morning.

>> NATE FINK: You mentioned the legal team. Were you kicking it over to me?

To introduce Mr. Braden?

>> CHAIR EID: I was.

>> NATE FINK: Okay, thank you, so good morning Commissioners. We have Mr. Braden on as you can see to present on the VRA analysis that was conducted last night on the modified and revised versions of the various plans that were done by the Commission yesterday. So I will kick it over to Mr. Braden.

>> Thank you. Good morning Chairman and members of the Commission. I reviewed the materials that I received last night from Mr. Taylor. And it's looking at the changes in the plans, the modifications of the plans. And based upon my review of those I believe all those plans would, in my opinion, comply with the Voting Rights Act. That said, I will go to, one, which is Crane A3. And in Crane A3 there, as you have seen in the past and some of the earlier charts that you've looked at, there is occasionally districts which have a majority Black voter turnout in districts which are in fact in a voter turnout, in the democratic primary which we analyze as not having a Black majority in the primary pool. In other words, the number of individuals who are democrats, who are available in that geographic area to vote.

So, as you can see, looking at the illustration of Crane 3, the differences are on our analysis miniscule. That said, it is, of course, easier, I use the word easier, my partner who is discussing some of the different issues but in the same context use the word risk. I use the word ease of defense. He uses the word risk. They essentially mean the same thing in looking at this. I believe this plan would comply with the Voting Rights Act. But the fact that there is this apparently a miniscule difference between the Black and white percentages in the District, in the actual pool, it is, in fact, easier to defend plans which in my opinion would it be easier to defend a plan where both measures show a majority Black. Again to be candid with you the numbers are so small, and, in fact, a majority turn out in the primary is Black, my view is that would comply with the Voting Rights Act, and I think we would be successful defending that. But it is, in fact, easier to defend or has less risk to use my partner's usage to defend a plan where these would both agree. But, certainly, if you have reasons, other reasons to decide that this plan is the plan that is best for the State of Michigan, then I would be willing and certainly able to defend it. Again, slightly more difficult because when you have any difference like this it does provide an avenue of attack. And we are in a position where, as you know, you're going to be attacked whether you whatever you do. Use the great cliché damned if you do and damned if you don't. You will be damned by people with whatever choices you make people will be unhappy with them. To go to the simple answer I think all of the modifications have not changed my views on these various plans. They all based upon the numbers appear to comply with the Voting Rights Act and I'm confident they comply with the Voting Rights Act. It's easier to defend all the other plans than Crane A3, but I'm confident that I could defend A3 too. But we would have to be discussing additional issues that we wouldn't have to discuss with the other plans. I hope I was trying to be short and sweet. I know you have a lot of your agenda here. If there are any questions I'm happy to respond to them.

>> CHAIR EID: Any questions for Mr. Braden?

I do not see any. Thank you for the information. We appreciate it. And hopefully it helps us come to a determination.

>> That's my goal. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR EID: Mr. Fink?

>> NATE FINK: Thank you. Now, Mr. Chairman, I believe we have Dr. Handley who is available to provide partisan fairness discussion of the partisan fairness analysis. To the extent that you would like me to speak to any specific questions about the modifications that were made yesterday, I'm happy to do so just to provide an overview. I think that there were a couple of questions sort of generally posed about the extent to which the modifications that were made yesterday would be defensible. We had the discussion early in the morning or well, not particularly early in the morning but early in the meeting yesterday with Mr. Riley where he discussed the logical outgrowth concept. And I think there was sort of a question generally posed as to whether the modifications

that were made yesterday at the meeting would satisfy and be compliant with that concept and in looking at the revisions that were made I don't see any problem with these maps ultimately being defensible in Court. And I don't see significant risk, you know. It's, of course, impossible to predict exactly how or what challenge might come under that theory, but I don't see any, you know, significant risk associated with the revisions that were done to any of the proposals yesterday. Or any of the plans yesterday. Commissioner Callaghan has her hand up.

>> CHAIR EID: Yes, thank you, I was going to ask you that question, Mr. Fink. So thank you for mentioning it.

>> NATE FINK: Sure.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I want to ask a specific question because it was raised by several Commissioners yesterday. And I think it's a very reasonable question, so the changes made to Heron in Macomb County were targeted towards the public comments that were made. But it would be hard to necessarily characterize those all as tweaks. What is your, do you still think that those changes with problematic? Or completely acceptable?

>> NATE FINK: So thank you for the question, Commissioner Callaghan. There was some discussion in terminology used that I don't think applies here yesterday. Which was this narrowly tailored language. That is language that we have heard and used in the context of making modifications in the context of VRA compliance issues. And that language was then also being used here, with this logical outgrowth idea. The narrowly tailoring concept does not necessarily apply to the logical outgrowth idea. The idea with logical outgrowth if you have a map, a plan presented to the public and you receive certain feedback and in response to that there is something that is a logical outgrowth of one of those concepts and you make some revisions in response to that. Even something that may not be, quote, narrowly tailored or perceived as narrowly tailored as long as it's addressing in this circumstance for example, the plan that you cite the Heron plan where you were addressing the core retention issue that you heard feedback about both from legal counsel and just as importantly from the public in addressing that and also addressing concerns that were conveyed I think related to the Chaldean community and trying to address other comments that you received. I don't see that as problematic. And I think when you sort of step back and look at it. The version, it's probably HuronA1 and I don't know what we are calling it but the new version prepared yesterday when you step back and look at it and compare other areas of the map it's not significantly different from the original version of Heron and happens to be on that particular part of the map to address the public concerns that you heard through public comment and to address a very legitimate issue with the core retention problem in District 11. I think it would, you know, there is always some risk. And it's hard to predict exactly how it will play out, but I think that will be a defensible map absolutely.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID:

>> NATE FINK: I'm happy to answer questions and the process will continue throughout the day today and if additional questions or issues come up on that front, I'm happy to address them as we go here throughout. And I know that if you continue to make any revisions to any of the plans those will be sent out for, you know, hopefully quick VRA review and also partisan fairness. But I apologize. I don't have the agenda right in front of me right now. I assume that next up would be hearing from Dr. Handley on partisan fairness, but I will kick it back to you Mr. Chairman, to facilitate that.

>> CHAIR EID: Do we have anything from Dr. Handley?

I don't think the changes made yesterday affected much in regards to partisan fairness.

>> NATE FINK: I'm not suggesting they did. To the extent you would like to hear from Dr. Handley I suppose to confirm that then that is fine. She is here so I think you might as well hear from her.

>> CHAIR EID: Hello, Dr. Handley, it's always nice to have you.

>> Hello. Your assumption about very few changes to the partisan fairness measures is correct. But I have them here if you want to take a look at them real quick. Are you seeing this?

>> CHAIR EID: Yes.

>> DR. LISA HANDLEY: Okay, for some reason I'm not seeing it, anyway as you can see there were extremely minor changes. Nothing that would make partisan fairness for your discussion in terms of the various versions. And of course this will be available to you. I will send it via Edward and add to it as you make changes. Any questions?

>> CHAIR EID: Any questions, Commissioners?

I do not see any, Dr. Handley.

>> DR. LISA HANDLEY: Okay, great, well thank you very much. Good luck.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. Putting all this data together. Okay, well that concludes our -- Mr. Fink, do you have anything else to add?

All right we will now continue our.

>> NATE FINK: I do not, sorry, I was on mute but thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: We will now continue our deliberations. We were on map Heron. And Commissioner Callaghan was making some amendments to it. Do we have EDS with us today?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes, I am here for mapping.

>> CHAIR EID: Welcome Mr. Morgan it's always nice to have you here with us to assist in the mapping. We were working on an amended version of Heron if we can pull that up please.

>> MR. MORGAN: Yesterday you reached a stopping point and sent the analysis forward. So if you want to further adjust that map, do you want to keep the same designation, or shall we put today's date on it?

Or do you want to make further adjustments to it?

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Callaghan, these were your amendments what do you want to do.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I don't have further changes to make. If someone wants to make changes that is fine, but I'm finished, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: I think we left off on it looking at the Huntington Woods area before we ended.

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes, all districts were within population variation, and I can put a reference from the original Heron or some other reference point, but this is the plan as it stands.

>> CHAIR EID: And what is District 10 at population wise?

>> MR. MORGAN: Positive 2.27. And then District 3 is positive 1.31. And Huntington Woods is in 3, putting it in 10 would put 10 over, for example.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay.

Well these are Commissioner Callaghan's amendments. Do you have any more? Or for this one?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I do not. No.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, well, then we will -- do we need a motion for this?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I mention that we move this map forward.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Mr. Chairman pursuant to the process that we have, that developed, I believe that we need to do a couple of things. Number one, vote on whether or not the Heron amendments or the original Heron will be the map that will go forward, and I can certainly make that amendment. We need to back up and go to Crane. Also we have the original amendment one, two and three. We would need to vote on which one of which of those four would be the map to be in the final. So in that light I would move that we take a vote on Heron original and the amendment. And it would take a majority vote of those present and voting to move whichever one gets the most votes forward is the amendment I'm making.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Second.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: The motion, excuse me, yeah.

>> CHAIR EID: We have a motion and a second. The motion you're putting forward, Commissioner Lett, is to decide when Heron-A1 and the original Heron.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: That would be correct.

>> CHAIR EID: That was seconded by Commissioner Weiss. I do see some discussion from Commissioner Orton.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So why is it we have to choose between the different versions?

>> NATE FINK: Ms. Schaar has her hand up from MDOS.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: If I may, Chair. I just want to let the Commission know that that was not how this process worked last time. And I did verify via the meeting that

was held on February 28th. Ultimately the Commission can motion to remove maps from consideration. However, amended versions and their originals did go forward for a final vote. For instance, it did not happen as frequently during the House processes that it has this time, but Motown Sound, the original, along with Motown Sound FCE1 were both eligible to be voted on during that final majority vote period. You did choose to exclude other maps. But both versions of the Motown Sound were eligible for vote. So I do not believe you have to narrow it down to one of the versions or amendments.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Ms. Schaar. Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Well, I just wondered why we are trying to narrow the versions down to one version. I mean we can if we want but I just wonder why.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: My response would be I don't want to end up with 55 maps that we are going to be voting on.

>> CHAIR EID: So it seems as if your motion.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: I would have to change that. I withdraw that motion and have to make a new this motion based on what the procedure that I have been corrected on.

>> CHAIR EID: I think that would be wise.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: We have a couple of questions.

>> CHAIR EID: We have a few questions and I saw Commissioner Callaghan and Mr. Fink.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I was just going to say I asked this question yesterday when we were amending the Crane map. I mean and I didn't care what the answer was. I was trying to get clarity for my own sake were we putting amendment A1, A2 or did they replace the other maps. And the answer that was given yesterday was they all go forward. We will whittle it down in the next step. So we don't have to do it that way but that's what we decided yesterday.

>> CHAIR EID: Mr. Fink?

>> NATE FINK: Yeah, I was just going to suggest that the Commission can continue its process that it's been going through with considering revisions to the various maps. And then after that process is completed, as Commissioner Callaghan just indicated whittling down, the Commission could certainly take up at that time a vote or votes to decide whether to remove certain collaborative maps from consideration. But my concern is if you're removing them now certain versions now and you perhaps do additional revisions later on which theoretically could be superseding previous versions it could be some folks and members of the Commission like an earlier version so I don't want to and I don't think it's advisable from removing them from contention at this stage. Before you go in the majority vote process it would seem to me it does make sense to consider removing some of the versions of the, you know, previous or subsequent versions of, you know, of the different collaborative maps that you are considering.

>> CHAIR EID:

>> NATE FINK: But I'm not sure it necessarily makes sense or is that this is necessarily the right time to do it at this particular moment.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Fink. Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Well, I believe according to our rules that once the proposed changes IE amendments are put before us, then the Commission by a majority vote votes on whether or not to accept that amendment. So I would move to vote on whether or not to accept the Heron amendment, I guess we are at number one.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there a second.

>> NATE FINK: Commissioner Szetela's hand is up by the way. It's been up for a little while.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah, I guess I'm just curious like what is the concern about having many maps from which to choose?

I keep hearing people express that but I'm not sure why it matters. Ultimately you will have a map that you like. And that you're going to vote for. And who cares if there is ten other maps sitting on the table that you're not going to vote for. I mean I don't understand why there is this view. I'm trying to understand that having more maps makes the voting process more complicated. It just doesn't make much sense to me. If someone would clarify I would appreciate it.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: I will take that as a rhetorical question.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: It actually wasn't. I would like some clarification why you feel that is a concern or Commissioner Callaghan feels a concern is that a complexity issue and more maps means it's harder to choose?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Commissioner Szetela.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: I stated my reason, Commissioner. I have nothing further than that.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I don't have a preference, Commissioner Szetela, which way we do it. I was just trying to understand what process we had adopted. I asked this exact question yesterday. And yesterday it was answered we moved all the amended maps forward and later if we choose we can whittle the list down or put them all in the pot, to vote so that is what we were told yesterday would be the process. So I don't care what the process is. I was just trying to understand it myself.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: All right so the motion on the floor is to vote on the amendments that Commissioner Callaghan made to Heron.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there any discussion on the motion?

Well I say I like the changes you made Commissioner Callaghan. I think it, you know, keeps the main intent of Heron while especially around the Detroit area while fixing

some of the issues that it may have had in the suburbs especially with District 9. So I support the motion. Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Could we have that map pulled up before we vote?

>> MR. MORGAN: I can share the map from Autobound and if there are other details you want to see about the map, some of the statistics, I can pull that up as well. And also if you want me to show any comparisons to existing Heron or some other map. Did you want another map as a reference or just looking at this?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Wondering if Jeffrey Chalmers is in this one?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes, it is.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: I do see a hand up but I'm not sure who it is online.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: That would be Commissioner Lange. I guess my only question is do we still have an overlay from the hummingbird?

>> MR. MORGAN: I could find that. It will take a moment to pull that up. Okay, give me a moment to locate that.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, John. While he is getting that up, Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: No, I was just wondering if we could see an overlay of the Kellom map on that?

So we can do the hummingbird first.

>> CHAIR EID: We have two requests for overlays, John, one of the hummingbird first and then from the Kellom map.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, so the hummingbird was not advanced, so I have to get a copy of that, so just a moment on that.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: John that is okay I looked at a version on line from Mr. Hill had submitted and I just want to say those districts look very much, almost identical and that's why I was curious if it was based off from the hummingbird because I know the Commission voted down the hummingbird. So that was my reason for looking at it. But I don't want to cause extra work for you, so we can just go to the Kellom. Thank you.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

I think I can bring the Kellom map up. Okay so the lines in dark blue are the Kellom map that was moved forward, which was also previously Phoenix. And then the themed colors show the boundary of the amended Heron map. So for example in District 7, you can see this dark blue outline is the Kellom version. And then this is the amended Heron map. Let me know if you want me to Zoom in on a particular area.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: I'm fine with that. Thank you.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

And lastly did anyone want to see the original Heron map before the amendments?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I would like to see that.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

Okay, so District 11 in the Heron map is this dark blue line. And the amended version has Sterling Heights, and it doesn't go up into Macomb Township and has a slightly different configuration here near East Point and Warren. As well as a portion of Warren here. The original District 10 is this dark blue line, the new version of District 10 is more east to west. Most of Warren. All the way over to Berkeley including Royal Oak, Madison Heights, Pleasant Ridge Hazel Park and Ferndale. The previous version of 9, I believe, was Pontiac, let me get the label on so I don't say this incorrectly. I get those mixed up. Yeah, there we go. All right so the original Heron District 9 was part of Troy, Bloomfield, Bloomfield Hills, Birmingham, Royal Oak, Madison Heights, Pleasant Ridge Ferndale, Hazel Park. The amended version of 9 is Rochester Hills, Rochester, Troy, Clawson part of Sterling Heights and Utica and a little of Shelby. Similar but not exactly the configuration of Linden. And then the original Heron District 7 was Pontiac part of Waterford, Lake Angelus, Rochester, Rochester Hills, portion of Troy, portion of Sterling Heights and Shelby and a little of Oakland and the new version is all of Waterford, Lake Angelus. Pontiac Bloomfield, Bloomfield Hills, Birmingham and part of Orion Township. And then I think when we went through this there were changes in the Detroit area moving it from District 10 to 8. And moving a portion of District 8 into 3 and then part of 3 into 10 to complete that population circle. No adjustments were made to the south and no adjustments were made to District 12. And there were adjustments up here in 24 and 23. The previous 24 came all the way over here. And then to make up for the population changes, 23 migrates north a little bit. Going around Waterford.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay thank you Mr. Morgan.

>> MR. MORGAN: If there are statistics you want me to pull up, otherwise.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there any more discussion on the motion, Commissioners? Seeing none we will move to vote. This needs a majority vote from the Commission, if we can get a roll call.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I was going to ask if we could repeat it one more time since there was discussion just to make sure I have it clear.

>> CHAIR EID: The motion?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Yes, please.

>> CHAIR EID: Sure. The motion, go ahead Department of State.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: The motion is to accept Commissioner Callaghan's amendment to Heron as drawn in Heron A1. It was moved by Commissioner Lett, seconded by Commissioner Weiss. I will hold a roll call vote starting with Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Eid?

>> CHAIR EID: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Kellom?

Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: With a vote of 8 yes to 4 no, the motion does carry.

>> CHAIR EID: Wonderful. Thank you, Ms. Schaar. Okay, Commissioners, that passed. Are there any more amendments to Heron?

Seeing none we will move on to the next collaborative map, which is Starling.

Mr. Morgan, if we can get Starling pulled up, it's Starling V3 to be specific.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay and again this is map 395. So that's the unique designator as well.

>> CHAIR EID: All right Commissioners we are looking at Starling V3. Are there any amendments to Starling?

I do not see any, John.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: That concludes the collaborative maps. We will now move on to the individual Commissioner submissions. Again, we will go in alphabetical order. Are there any -- can we pull up the Curry map, please?

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay this is the Curry map originally.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Curry, do you have any amendments to your map?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: No.

>> CHAIR EID: All right, thank you, Commissioner Curry. The next map is Kellom.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, this is map 403 also.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Kellom is not here at the moment but previously indicated she did not have any Amendments to the map due to it being the Phoenix collaborative map before being individually submitted. So we can move on to the Lange map.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay this is map 400. I should open it up. Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Go ahead Commissioner Lange.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: John I would like you to do me a favor and can you put an overlay of Crane on my map, please?

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: For clarification the original Crane.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

That is 385. I'm going to try to put the District numbers on because I think there may be a District that is in a different location. Okay, so the dark blue lines are the Crane districts. And the colored in lines themed in are the Lange plan.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Could you say that again which ones are which.

>> MR. MORGAN: The thick, blue lines are the Crane plan. And the colored in area, so if you look at District 3, this dark blue line is the Crane version 3. And the colored in portion in orange is the Lange District 3. So it's very similar. These two areas are different.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: For example 12 is exactly the same. Nine is very similar but not exactly the same and there are differences elsewhere.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Right, I drew for different communities of interest. But my main thing I wanted to look at was the Detroit area. And it would appear that in both maps they are fairly similar, just not exact.

>> MR. MORGAN: So one way to look at that is consider the outer boundaries. So in this case both the Lange map and the Crane map have Southgate in a Detroit District and Redford but doesn't go outside of those areas. In Dearborn District there is a different line here and the main difference is between the Crane map has this portion with District 1 whereas the Lange map has this portion of District 1. Otherwise they are very similar.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay, that is all I wanted to see. I don't feel I need to make any changes. Thank you.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: All right Commissioners we have been going about an hour and a half now. It might be a good time to break. So Commissioners can take care of themselves. Break for ten minutes and we will return with Commissioner Orton's individual map.

[Recess for ten minutes]

>> CHAIR EID: All right folks we will get started momentarily. All right. We will now continue our Senate deliberations process according to the Commission's rules and

deliberations documents. We left off with Commissioner Lange. The next individual map is the one submitted by Commissioner Orton.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, this is the Orton plan.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Thank you, John. I'm not going to make any changes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Commissioner Orton. Next up is the map submitted by Commissioner Szetela.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so I will bring this map up. It's map 404. And this is the unadjusted map.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Thank you. All right if you can go ahead and save this as a new version and because the version two was uploaded last night let's call this version three.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

All right. Now, okay, I'll just go ahead and do that. Okay does that work as a name?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay version three with today's date.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes, I would love the 404 in because it helps people identify.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so 404. How about that?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: That's better.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

I don't like that. Okay so I saved this as version three. But otherwise it's currently the same as the original.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay so I'm going to be making districts, changes to 7, 9, 10 and 11, the primary focus is 9 but obviously that is going to require a little juggling with the other districts as well. So the reason why I'm making these changes is to respond to the feedback from the Chaldean community that the current District 9 does not adequately represent their community of interest. So where I would like you to start is with District, if you look at District 7 there is a portion of 9 where there is like a little hook above Birmingham. We are going to take those precincts and put them into 7. But we are not going to go.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela real quick could you first do the changes that you uploaded to V2 first for you know so the record is clear and then after you're completed with those any further changes for this V3 version.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I mean, I can.

>> CHAIR EID: I think that would be helpful.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay do you want me to use the shape file that was uploaded?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No, I can walk you through it. There is not that many changes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, start in the same area or somewhere else?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Same area, that is what was changed in version two.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so into District 7 from 9.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: So the entire Township?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes. Looks like Commissioner Callaghan has her hand raised.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I'm sorry, just a quick question, Commissioner Szetela I'm a little confused so we are starting with the original Szetela map and you're adding in the changes that you called version two that are already loaded on the portal, or we are starting with version two?

I'm not sure where we are at here.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: This is version one and Commissioner Eid asked I show the changes to version two first.

So we are working on what will ultimately be version three but walking through the changes of version to first.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: So the version to changes are going to be folded into version three.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Thank you.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so that completes Bloomfield.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes. Okay, and so now we are going to go up to the top of Rochester.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Top of 9 sorry and we will take the top row of precincts that are in 9 and put them into 24.

>> MR. MORGAN: That much approximately?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Then you will grab the farthest left precinct below where you just were, the one that has the little curve at the bottom of it, top of 9 again to the left the precinct the boundary between 24 and 9. That right there, that precinct.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay 1466.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: 1466.

>> MR. MORGAN: That goes into 24.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: You can just stay in that area for now and don't need to scroll out. So you will grab precincts 16, 19, 1685 and 1680. And move those into 24.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Then you will grab one more, 1581. All right so we are good in this area. So we are going to scroll down a little bit. So between the corner of 24, 9 and 11, in 24, those three precincts that are at the corner of 24 where it's basically a square and then a, yeah, those three, we are going to add those in to 9.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Then go south from there. You will leave Utica in 24 but just select those areas just to the west of that curved road which is Van Dyke then it turns into 53. Yep. Assign those to 9. Okay now we are going to go to the border of 9 and 10. All right. Let me figure out what I did here.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So I see Clawson there. So we have all of Clawson in 9.

>> MR. MORGAN: And then this is Royal Oak I think.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep. So what is that little box there that looks so odd?

Yeah, that right there.

>> MR. MORGAN: That is the label.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: That is helpful thank you. So we are going to add precinct 2, 5, oops, 2595 just to the right. One moreover, there you go. Going to add that in to 9. And then we are going to go, it's just hard to see Clawson on this map. Where are we at on 9?

We are at 8,000 over. Okay, yeah, it might be helpful if you can bring in the version two. I'm just having a hard time seeing the line here the way the map is displaying.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: All right so let's put 2064, 2681 and 2595 into 10. And then 3364 is going to go into 9. And then if you can go down and grab that little jut out that is between 10 and 7, yeah, that should be in 7. That is part of the Jewish orthodox community. Okay if you can scroll down a little bit more. So that portion of Oak Park we will put into District 10. And then same thing with Royal Oak Township.

>> MR. MORGAN: Hang on I missed one.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: It always picks up those other precincts.

>> MR. MORGAN: It used to be that was the Township boundary and probably annexed it to Oak Park so let me save this before I make that change. Yeah, so we have this unassigned version we will have to adjust it. Okay so what I would advise is finish your moves and then let me save this as a shape file.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay so we will go up to the northern portion, northeast corner of Warren and put that into 11. Those few precincts there. All right. So that is the changes that I made to version two. And the reason for these changes is I was trying to accommodate the Chaldean community of interest in 9 including the entirety of the west portion of Sterling heights that was originally included in the Linden. I also wanted to include Birmingham, Troy and Rochester Hills, the bulk of it together because that is something that there has been a lot of positive feedback about that combination particularly from the Jewish community referenced that combination of Birmingham, Troy and Rochester Hills as being favorable to their community of interest. Then the Indian Asian Pacific community between Rochester Hills and Troy also wants to keep Rochester Hills and Troy together. So this was kind of my first stab at it. And this was posted online and then I also reached out to via e-mail the e-mail address we received a lot of comments from the Chaldean community Chaldean voices matter so I e-mailed this map to them last night and asked them to provide feedback on line whether it better addresses the Chaldean community and received a response posted on the portal that asked for a few additional changes to make it ideal for their community. And so that's what I'm going to do with version three is add those last few changes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, do you want to realizing I've already up loaded the version two, do you want me to save this as version two just to have it here on the machine?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Sure, you might as well.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

And lastly would you agree that what we've done here matches the shape file that you see?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, so I'm going to overwrite this with the shape file and that will take care of the geographic problem. Again, the geographic problem shows 131 unassigned. Which isn't really true. And these types of geographic problems happen all over the country. It's usually the difference between precincts and townships, occasionally census blocks and precincts. Okay, so now we have unassigned population 0. All right so I'm saving this again. This is 3 but I'm going to save it as a version one or version two rather. And again this is identical to the plan that was uploaded, but I'm saving it here with today's date in case there is a need for that.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Now are we going back to version three?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes. Okay so this is the version three which is currently in the state of version two. Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So what we are going to change here is we received a bunch of comments about following Van Dyke but not following 53 so if you look at the curve just north of where we are at, yep. See how it kind of curves out and Van Dyke continues to go straight so grab 2091 and 1999 and put those into 11. Okay then we are

going to go down and working in the same area, a little higher, so we are going to grab 1919. 3796. And 3172. We are going to get a little weird shape there but that is okay and you can go ahead and assign those to 9. Okay then we will go down to 2714. And then we are going to grab 2886. 2874. 1487. Let me see where we are at. And then 4225. And we will scroll out a little bit and then we need to go back over to kind of the Clawson area. Okay now we will take all of Clawson and put it into 10. And then we are going to grab, yep, that precinct right there. And 2306. 1409. 2168. And 2498 so that is putting those precincts from Royal Oak back into Royal Oak.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: All right then we are going to go down a little bit. Down between 10 and 7.

>> MR. MORGAN: This is okay so now we got 10, 11 and you want 10 and 7.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep. So we will grab once again that little precinct I had you move, we are going to put that into 10. Let me look at my map real quick to make sure I got this right. Okay, and then we are going to take Oak Park out of 10 and put it back into 7.

>> MR. MORGAN: The entire area?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I'm not sure how far up it goes. We want to go south of the freeway there. So 1403. Is that right, yes 1403, 1853, 1943 like kind of south of there.

>> MR. MORGAN: That should be the balance of the City.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: And 1193. And 1321. So you will probably have the same issue again.

>> MR. MORGAN: We will try to select it by Township and see what happens. So far so good.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep. So now we need to go to the corner of 10, the eastern corner. And we are going to grab a few more precincts and put them into 11, in that same area where we currently have precincts pulled up. All right, so we are going to grab 2521. 1817. 29, yeah, we will grab, it's going to be a block right across so that one, that one, that one. There you go. Okay then we need to go back to the top of Rochester. And let me just double check if that is right. So where am I? I'm trying to figure out. So 10 and 19. 10 and 19.

>> MR. MORGAN: 10 is under. 24 is over. But within the range. So what you want to do I think is take from 24 into 9 and then 9 into 10 maybe. Or take it into 11 from 24.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Can you just kind of back it out a second so I can look?

Thank you. So we have that. I'm just comparing this to see what I'm missing. So obviously I'm missing something. Can you pull it down a touch so that I can see 11 and 10 and the boundaries there?

>> MR. MORGAN: East Point, Roseville, corner one.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Hold on one second.

>> MR. MORGAN: I think it's Rochester. Or Utica. You have to pull something from 24.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah. Sorry, my Autobound Edge just locked up on me.

>> MR. MORGAN: Do you want me to overlay the shape file?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No, I'm just trying to look at it in Autobound Edge to see what I'm missing because I have a printout of it, but I want to... so that is right.

That's right. That's right. Can you go down to the bottom of 10 again?

Where Oak Park is?

Okay that is where my mistake is. I had you change something you shouldn't have changed. So that same area of Oak Park I had you assign into 7. We are going to put that back into 10. I'm sorry, that was my mistake. So basically the eastern half of Oak Park, yeah along there and Royal Oak, that eastern half. So 2374. And then 19 I think that is 09. 1401. Yep. Yep, that one. 1519. Yes. That precinct below and that should be everything that goes into 10. Okay, that was the mistake. Are there missing people again?

>> MR. MORGAN: No.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Then I want to take that one 1149, that little block I had you move before, put that back into 7 because again that is the orthodox Jewish community. I just lost it on the map where you are. Oh, yeah, there it is. Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: All right so that looks good. Was there any missing population?

Or was that.

>> MR. MORGAN: No, it looks like you are good. I can run a check just in case. No unassigned areas, no dis-contiguities.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: The purpose of this again was to address the Chaldean community and their concerns with that District 9. The reason why it has that jaggy line on the western I'm sorry the eastern edge is if you guys remember Dr. Handley had actually given us minority populations report for different communities of interest and that included the Chaldean community and are the communities of interest or the precincts she had specifically identified. And that was the request that I was posted on the portal last night is to include those particular precincts as well. Then that makes a more complete community of interest for the Chaldean community. It also includes that area next to Utica which has the location of that one church they wanted put back together again. Maintains the majority of Rochester Hills with Troy which is important to the Asian Pacific community as well and also Birmingham, Troy and Rochester Hills and keeps the Clinton watershed in 11 mostly intact because you have those areas together again. So the whole purpose of this like I said is to address the

community of interest concerns with this map which seem to be the predominant concerns and otherwise a very popular map. Can we run partisan fairness on this?

>> MR. MORGAN: Sure. Before we go, do you have interest in making Rochester whole here or is that not necessary?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No, I'm just going to leave it.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

Okay so the lopsided margins are republican 4.1. The mean median difference is republican 1.5. The efficiency gap is democrat 0.6. And seats vote ratio is 22-16 with 5 point bias towards democrats.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So it improved the efficiency gap slightly and slightly increased the mean median but otherwise, you know, keeps the map largely the same but also addressing those community of interest concerns. So, yeah, if we could have the VRA analysis done on this again. It's already been done on version two, and I don't think it is going to change but it would be lovely to have that resubmitted for that so I can submit that to Braden. And that's it.

>> MR. MORGAN: Looks like Commissioner Callaghan is looking to be recognized.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Just a question for Commissioner Szetela. Are you looking to move forward both version two and version three?
Or just version three?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I think I'm interested in hearing public comment on it. I think version three is probably the truer version in terms of better capturing that Chaldean community of interest. But I would be curious what the public would say. They are very similar.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: So you're moving both of them forward then?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Eventually I have to pick one but as of right now I would like both to be posted so people can make comments.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I did want to show that, let me see if I can find it, that document from Dr. Handley really quick, if I can find it. Just so everybody knows what I'm talking about for the record. So just give me a second and I will share my screen. So that we have it for the record as to what the basis for these changes was along with like I said public feedback. All right, can you guys see this?

>> Yep.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Can you see it?

>> CHAIR EID: Yes.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay thank you so this is the minority voting patterns of select minority groups in Michigan. This is something that Dr. Handley had submitted to us. Oh, gosh I don't know when it was at this point. Sometime in 2021. But it contains this identification as to the community of interest for Chaldean Americans. And

I have actually used this map in drafting previously that is why this area of Sterling Heights was kept together was because I was trying to make sure I was respecting that community of interest. So what I did here is add in this part and this part. This part I took off to balance population but it's very low percentage any way and following the public feedback of following Van Dyke instead of following 53 across. And so I was already aware of this map then the Chaldean community in their response specifically referenced it as well. That is why I incorporated those changes there.

>> CHAIR EID: Yes, this is also what was used to make the original configuration as well. I think we originally had a version that included those. But at least in Linden we kept the east and west divide there. But I have certainly seen this a number of times before. Commissioner Szetela, can we pull up the map again, please, that she was just working on?

>> MR. MORGAN: Just a second. I was trying to e-mail that off, but I guess I got ahead of myself here.

>> MR. MORGAN: You can e-mail it off. I just want to see it when you are done.

>> MR. MORGAN: All right. Just give me a minute. All right so I'm sending this off to Dr. Palmer and the rest of the EDS team so that we can begin the VRA analysis on this. Let me just confirm it gets sent. Okay looks like it's okay.

Time stamp. Okay, great. Okay.

Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: I was just going to ask if you can put an overlay of the version one of Commissioner Szetela's map so I can see how much changed.

>> MR. MORGAN: Sure. This is the version two and the version one.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: You have it there. It's just further up, 52024RASV1.

>> MR. MORGAN: Sorry, I was trying to compare it. Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, thank you, I don't have any comments on the map itself to your individual map. And to your provocative I do think you improved it a little bit, so that is nice. But I do have to point out yesterday you were quite vocal at disagreeing with me moving a total of eight precincts on the borders of these maps around. And you changed significantly more than that here, which is fine. I don't have a problem with it. I just find that interesting. You also didn't like that I split up Fraser but here you split up Rochester and Rochester heights. So, you know, I just wanted to note that. Thank you. Do individual maps need a majority vote?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Commissioner Eid I have my hand up.

>> CHAIR EID: I can't see it go ahead Commissioner Szetela.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: This does not change 8 districts it changes the four districts immediately surrounding the District that is in question. And that the Chaldean community asked to change. That in lies the difference I'm specifically responding to very vocal public comments about fixing District 9 to better accommodate the Chaldean community and of course changing that is going to require minor adjustments to the

District around it. And then with respect to the north part of Rochester Hills, we have actually received numerous comments from the Chaldean community specifically that the northern part of Rochester Hills is an appropriate place to split if you have to split it because there is not much of a presence up there. So there is multiple comments on that very point, which is why I pulled off the top of Rochester and Rochester Hills just to keep more of the community that is asking to be together, together. And not worrying so much about adjoining communities where they are not represented.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Commissioner Szetela. So individual maps do not need a majority vote because they are individual. So we will send this off to undergo the same analysis as they have all undergone. Commissioner Szetela, does that end your amendments to your map?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> CHAIR EID: Wonderful. We have one more, Commissioner Wagner, if we can pull up the map submitted by Commissioner Wagner.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Thank you. Commissioner Szetela, will you help me if I get this wrong?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so I'm going to pull up the map as is. If you want to make changes I will make a copy of it.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Yes, please.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so do make a copy of it?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Yes, please.

>> MR. MORGAN: All right, one second. Would you like this to be -- how would you like to designate these changes?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Just go ahead and edit what my current one is. Yeah. Because nobody really cared for that one anyway. It can be replaced. You guys are competing with four puppies. I just want you to know.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, so what I'll do is just keep today's date on it. So we can distinguish it if we need to. But otherwise I will keep it with the same designation.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: That works. Uh-huh, hey hush, Bella.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: If you could focus in on the top of 7, that little bump up.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, here is 7.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: And it's the three precincts, is it that triangle? Rebecca at the top of 7 that are in 8?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I'm so sorry I was on mute, but, yes. So you were wanting.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: I wanted to.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Move part of 8 into 10.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: So move this portion of 8 into 10?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes. Okay 6700 people into 10. So 8 is still on population and 10 is still on population. And that unsplit Royal Oak.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: That was the only one I think.

>> MR. MORGAN: Sorry there is still a split here. My mistake.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: 9 is, you are going to fall asleep.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, did you want to make any other adjustments?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: I don't think so. Will you just run the metrics and see what we have?

>> MR. MORGAN: Partisan fairness or something else?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Partisan fairness is fine and, yeah.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Thank you.

>> MR. MORGAN: So the top line numbers are lopsided margin 5.2 for republican. The mean median is 3.4 republican. The efficiency gap is 1.9 republican. And the seats vote ratio is 21-17 with 2.4 bias towards democrats.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Thank you so much. I think that completes my round.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, are you asking for this to be analyzed for VRA or something else?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: So I will move that forward at the first opportunity I have.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: All right Commissioners. That completes the amendments, for these plans. They do have to undergo some analysis from our legal team. Executive Director Woods, will that analysis be complete for our -- if we are back in time for our lunch break, 2:00 p.m.?

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: I will need to verify.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay.

Well, we are scheduled to take a lunch break at 1:00 but we do need to get these plans analyzed before we can undergo any vote on them. So I would suggest that we break now and come back at our scheduled time at 2:00 p.m. If I can have a motion for that.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: So moved.

>> CHAIR EID: Mr. Fink?

>> NATE FINK: Before we break I just wanted to follow-up on something that we had discussed previously. This question of whether the Commission can or should remove certain maps from certain plans from consideration in light of the fact that you have made some additional versions of previous drafts. And we had that discussion. It sounded like the Commission was inclined to consider that after having the discussion

on the various plans that are on the table. But I wanted to mention that I did look back at the February 28th minutes. And there were multiple plans that were removed from consideration by majority vote before going into the majority vote process to consider which map to adopt including some that were unanimous. So all Commissioners, all 13 Commissioners supported the removal of at least one and I think more than one plan from consideration during the House remedial vote process. So I just wanted to mention that, just as a follow-up. Thanks.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Fink.

Of course, the decision to remove any maps or to whittle it down will be a Commission decision. Okay there was a motion by Commission Lett, seconded by Commissioner Weiss to take our scheduled break and come back at 2:00 p.m. Hopefully we have all the analysis complete by then and then we can move forward with the deliberations process. Is there any discussion on the motion? Seeing none all those in favor of the motion please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: Any opposed?

The ayes have it. We will be back at 2:00 p.m.

[Lunch recess until 2:00 p.m.]

Your camera and voice is on. I'm going to send those out to you. I made a quick correction to one thing.

>> KIM BRACE: Yeah, I saw some other stuff. Ryan is awaiting.

>> Web folks I'm sorry to interrupt but we are still live streaming right now and try not to talk during breaks because the interpreters have to hop on when that happens so if you can take the conversation offline that would be appreciated.

>> KIM BRACE: No problem.

[Lunch recess until 2:00 p.m.]

All right everyone we will be starting up momentarily if everyone can take their seats. All right welcome back everyone. Is all that from us or from outside?

Okay, all right,

As Chair of the Commission, I

call the

meeting of the Michigan

Independent Citizens

Redistricting Commission to

order at 2:10 p.m.

I'll now turn it to department state staff to take note of the Commissioners present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Good afternoon Commissioners.

When I call your name please share that you are present. If your venue has changed from this morning's location please share that when I call your name. I'll begin with Commissioner Andrade?

- >> ELAINE ANDRADE: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Callaghan?
- >> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Curry?
- >> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Eid?
- >> CHAIR EID: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Kellom?

Commissioner Lange?

- >> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Lett?
- >> COMMISSIONER LETT: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Muldoon?
- >> MARCUS MULDOON: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Orton.
- >> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Szetela?
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Present.
- >> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Wagner?

Commissioner Weiss?

- >> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Present.
- >> YVONNE YOUNG: There are 11 Commissioners. You have a quorum.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Ms. Young. We are still on agenda item 5A, unfinished business Senate mapping deliberations. We ended before lunch to give our consultants time to review the amendments to plans that were submitted this morning. Do we have that data available for review?

I do see we have Mr. Braden on with us.

>> Yes, I believe we are prepared to talk about the three plans in the sense of my review of voting rights compliance. I don't know whether Lisa Handley had an opportunity to do it, or not, just don't know.

>> DR. LISA HANDLEY: I'm here, I have.

>> Hi, Lisa.

>> CHAIR EID: Wonderful, if you can share the information with the Commission it would be much appreciated.

>> I believe Ryan Taylor is with Dr. Palmer prepared slides that should look familiar to everyone, illustrating our VRA analysis of the three what I understand to be revised plans, Wagner, Heron and Szetela and they all appear on the data that we received to in my opinion being in compliance with the Voting Rights Act as analyzed by the District Court. So I'm happy if need be to go into any greater detail but the numbers pretty

much speak for themselves. And I think all the Commissioners, in fact, understand what these numbers represent.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: I apologize for the interruption and Ms. Schaar's hand is raised.

>> CHAIR EID: Ms. Schaar?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: I wanted to acknowledge for the record that Commissioner Wagner is present, and I don't believe we heard her at roll call and wanted that on the record. Commissioner Wagner can you state you are present please?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Hello, I am present.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Ms. Schaar. Welcome Commissioner Wagner.

All right, Mr. Braden do you have anything else to add?

>> I do not and happy to entertain any questions from the Commission, but from my small corner of the world these plans are all acceptable in my opinion under the Voting Rights Act.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioners are there any questions for our VRA counsel? All right Mr. Braden, I do not see any. Thank you for the information.

>> My pleasure.

>> CHAIR EID: We will now turn to Dr. Handley. Dr. Handley do you have any information to share with the Commission about the amendments that were created earlier today?

>> DR. LISA HANDLEY: I do. I have updated the table that I showed you earlier with the new scores. Nothing has really changed. Why is it doing this? Is it showing?

>> CHAIR EID: Yes, we can see an excel spreadsheet.

>> DR. LISA HANDLEY: Okay and again I will give this to Edward. But there are virtually no changes. Nothing to affect the partisan fairness Rankings of any of the plans.

>> CHAIR EID: All right, are there any questions for Dr. Handley or any questions about partisan fairness?

All right, thank you Dr. Handley.

>> DR. LISA HANDLEY: You're welcome.

>> CHAIR EID: I think one of the reasons we have a lack of questions today is due to the job both of you have done in educating not only the Commission but the public on what all of these numbers and metrics mean. So thank you for that educational component to the Commission. I certainly appreciate it.

Okay.

We are done with amendments. The 2024 selection of final Senate map documents that the Commission passed now reads after reviewing and/or making any minor adjustments to each map the Commissioner Chair or Vice Chair will facilitate a

discussion offering the opportunity for each Commissioner to express which map they prefer and why. This is at the end of step one. Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Yeah, and maybe we will do this in the next step, I'm not sure but one of the changes to the Heron map was for address core retention in District 11. When will we get a chance to look at those new calculations?

And also we have not looked at like I mean compactness and things like that. Will we be looking at all of those criteria as we look at the maps in the next stage individually?

>> CHAIR EID: Now would be the appropriate time to look at that, if you would like to look at it on any particular map.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Well for sure I would like to see the core retention for Heron as a matter of course as we changed the maps we should be looking at I don't know the compactness scores and the core retention and the other numbers if we are not going to be doing that at a later point since they have changed.

>> CHAIR EID: Mr. Fink?

>> NATE FINK: I agree with Commissioner Callaghan that the Commission should absolutely do a discussion of each map considering all of the ranked criteria in addition to, you know, looking at the core retention numbers for the maps that were changed. But, you know, I suppose it can be done through the discussion process that is contemplated in the mapping or the deliberations document but absolutely the Commission should do what Commissioner Callaghan has suggested.

>> CHAIR EID: Do we have that information for HeronA1?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes. Let me, I can show the Heron A1 because that was already sent. I think we need about 15 minutes to get the amended maps, the two that were submitted over the lunch break to get the core retention on those. But, yes, I can show the core retention on the Heron amended map.

>> CHAIR EID: Just a moment. So in this area here I have the VRA data as well as VRA maps. So we have referenced these, for example, Mr. Braden referenced the VRA data. I'll just, I can open one of these. So this is for the Crane version two. We have the VRA data. So it shows there are four districts that are VRA compliant under the turn out and there is four under the primary pool. And then we will look at the core retention. Okay so this is the core retention and it's District by District, so the amended plans are here, Crane 123 and Heron 1 then we have Commissioner Szetela's version two plan which was run previously. And then there is also some information comparing the changes or the retention of Crane to original Crane, so the Crane amendment is the original and the Heron to the Heron original Heron A1 to the original. So let's get right to District 11, which is the District that there was concern about. So the original Heron map showed a core retention from Linden of 91%. And after Commissioner Callaghan made the amendments to Heron, it now shows that it is 62%, 63 retained from Linden. So we have that information for the amended plans and then we will get the additional two plans, the Wagner and the Szetela amended plans shortly. And as I said I have the

VRA maps. And so here is the Szetela version three, the one that was just submitted over the lunch break. This is the map of that. And then I have the VRA data that's behind that as well. So let me know what you want me to share on those.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Mr. Morgan. Commissioner Callaghan, did you see what you wanted to see?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Yes, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: And we will look at that information for the other plans once they are available. Mr. Morgan you said that would take about 10 to 15 minutes.

>> MR. MORGAN: I'm downloading it now. So Ryan just sent it to me. So I can open that in just a moment.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so this is the spreadsheet with the six collaborative plans, the six individual plans, the three versions of Crane amended. One version of Heron amended, two Szetela plans and one Wagner plan. So again each District this is the retention compared to Linden for District 1. So we can look at each individual District from 1 to 13 and then 23 and 24, which covers the range of changed districts. And then if it's helpful, if you want to see comparing the Crane amended to the original Crane. For example, the first Crane amendment was swapping Southgate and Wyandotte and so it retains, that is to say it is 89% the same as original Crane. So that swap of the two towns still retains very much the character of Crane and another example the Heron map didn't touch District 1. So Heron amendment compared to Heron is exactly the same.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, thank you, Mr. Morgan. I see we have a hand raised on the Zoom.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Sorry I just wanted to make sure my microphone was working because it was awfully quiet, I'm good. Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay and we do have Commissioner Kellom here.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Kellom if you would say you are present that would be great.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: This is me. Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Department of State. Welcome Commissioner Kellom. Okay so again now we are at the part of the meeting after reviewing and making minor adjustments to the map the Commissioner Chair or Vice Chair will facilitate discussion offering the opportunity for each Commissioner to express which maps they prefer and why. Commissioners, now is that opportunity. Who would like to start debating, which one of these maps you prefer and why?

Everyone being shy today?

All right, I guess I will start off.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: A hand is up.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I would say my preference is the Phoenix map now labeled the Kellom map. I like this map because it has good feedback from the public. I think it does an excellent job of drawing the downtown Detroit neighborhoods and addressing the concerns with that area and the other VRA districts that were in violation. It addresses communities of interest very well. And it has great partisan fairness scores. It's the most collaborative map we have in spite of the fact that it was submitted as an individual map. We all drew it together over multiple days going through multiple iterations.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Since Commissioner Callaghan and I have a commonality I will also say that among my top two favorites is the Phoenix map because I think although it has imperfections, and it did have some negative feedback I think there were not a lot of folks that interacted with that map. I don't think it's necessarily about the numbers. I'm more interested in wholistically what map is representative of the Metro Detroit area, does well for the other districts that we were charged withdrawing. And/or redrawing and the feedback, thinking about the U of M data, thinking about the six pages of public comment that we've received since 2021. I believe the Phoenix map does a better job of answering the call from comments from public commenters that we have heard as well as our criterion. I think it was drawn with a pure intent despite some conversations that have taken place in the midst of that map. I think the other maps is the reason why it's not just about being clear and state on the record, it's not about my adoption of the map as an individual map. It did its purpose which was to have folks weigh in on the map and why they like it and comparatively I think it performed pretty well. I think it does a good job of encapsulating Detroit neighborhoods. I think it is fair to the suburban areas, I think it speaks to communities of interest. And what else do I want to say about the Phoenix map?

That's it. Other than that I would be slightly interested in the Heron map with tweaks. Those are my favorites. I think the other maps don't honor the Metro Detroit area as well. I think they do more for the suburbs, and I think some of the intent of how they were drawn has less to do with why the Commission is supposed to be listening with a good ear. So those are my preliminary thoughts. I probably will have some more as folks keep sharing.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Chair, my apologies Chair before we move on I just want to make sure that the record for the public is clear. When Commissioner Kellom is referring to the Phoenix map, the Phoenix map is no longer in existence under that name. Are you referring to the Kellom individual map? Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: The currently labeled Kellom map formerly known as Phoenix. I'm saying that for a reason.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Thank you.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: We will go to Commissioner Orton and then go to Commissioner Szetela.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So the map that I prefer is Crane A1. Because I feel that it takes into consideration the communities of interest we've heard not just recently, not just this redraw, but from the very beginning. And lots of comments that I heard in favor of some of the other maps were they were mostly stated because of partisan fairness numbers. And if people did add to their comment and say about specific areas, I was looking at the Crane map while those comments were taking place. And those communities of interest were also always in the Crane map. So to me partisan fairness is further down the list. And all of our partisan fairness numbers are in the same ballpark and acceptable according to our experts. So I feel comfortable with the Crane map. And that's the one I like.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah, so I agree with Commissioner Orton. I do also like the Crane as well. I think it could do better on a couple of communities of interest that aren't currently protected in that map. But I think over all out of the collaborative maps it does the best job of respecting Detroit and then also respecting communities of interest outside Detroit. My concern with the Kellom map is I feel it doesn't do that at all. I feel like in terms of Detroit it tends to take chunks out of Detroit like in District 6 and District 3. It takes a portion of Detroit and pushes it out into the suburbs. It doesn't seem there is a lot of rhyme or reason as to why that is. I don't know the area of Detroit in with Southfield would be pulled out rather than just being combined with the District that is in 6. But instead we once again have this configuration where you have some of the poorest neighborhoods in Detroit who have their own interest and concerns being combined with the suburbs particularly Livonia in a configuration that is very similar to the original District 6. It's just the same concept. It's just shifted a little bit. And then it does not preserve the LBGTQ community of interest between Ferndale and Detroit and Palmer Park neighborhoods in Detroit. So I find that problematic. It separates Canton from its neighbor Plymouth, and they are communities that are very similar, Canton and Plymouth have high Asian and high Muslim population as well as Indian population. Putting them down with Heron and Sumpter where there is literally no community down there that is similar to the communities in Canton and as diverse. I think it's really harmful for those communities of interest in Canton. Canton should not be put down with Heron and Sumpter and should be put up with Plymouth and Novi or Canton or Plymouth and Livonia where those communities of interest are stronger rather than being divided. And I also have

concerns about District 7 because it does not keep together Southfield and Pontiac, which we received many, many comments about that. About wanting them to be together. And so I think that it doesn't do a good job there on communities of interest either.

I did want to give a shout out to the Szetela 3. I personally think this is the best map. It's not just the best map because of partisan fairness, certainly we all know Voters Not Politicians flagged it to promote it as being one of the better maps along with the Heron. But looking at public comments and the report we received shows a lot of people were commenting prefer this map because of all the communities of interest that it preserves. And I just made a short list, and I will go through them. It preserves the east sorry the eastern Jewish community between Birmingham, Troy and Rochester Hills. It preserves the LBGTQ community between Palmer Park and Ferndale. It maintains the District with Pontiac and Southfield together. Keeps Romulus whole and places with other similar communities. Plymouth and Canton whole with Novi and Northville respecting the Asian Pacific Indian community of interest. Keeps Dearborn community of interest whole in the format that the MENA community has spoken to us about preferring. Keeps Latino community in Detroit together. We had people come and speak about that as well, this is the preferred map for their community. Preserves the Native American community of interest in District 1 and preserves the Native American community of interest in 6, one of the few maps that actually does that. District 8 is compact and kept within Detroit and Redford, not diluting Detroit voice with Suburban population with higher voting. Detroit is based off Commissioner Curry's design for the Detroit area based on her experience of 70 plus years of living in Detroit, so I think it does a very good job of honoring those communities of interest in Detroit. It also preserves the Bengali community both in Hamtramck and then again in Warren. It keeps those neighborhoods together where the Bengali community is located. It preserves a community of interest of Rosedale Park, Grandmont and Minock Park in Detroit. Keeps most of the Cody-Rouge community of interest in Detroit as well together except for a small part that goes into Dearborn for the Middle Eastern community of interest. It keeps together East English Village, Sherwood Forest and Morningside. We received many comments about that community wanting to stay together. It keeps the lakeshore community and District 12 is completely intact. And the lakes area is together up in Commerce. Milford and Highland are separate from the lakes area, which is also something we received comments about. And then it also preserves the Clinton river watershed in District 11 as well as preserving the Down River community in District 4. And then lastly it also preserves the community between Troy and Rochester Hills and changes with the Chaldean community of interest, it now has a preferred configuration for the Chaldean community of interest in preserving that community as well. So I think the public prefers it not just because of voters not politicians although that is a factor the public says they prefer it because it honors

communities of interest which is supposed to be one of the primary factors we are looking at and this map does the best job of it, it does. With great VRA and partisan fairness scores.

The big thing that distinguishes it is attention that was paid to making sure we are honoring communities of interest and specifically honoring all communities of interest going back to 2021 because we had so many that we wanted to preserve or maybe we partially preserved and just because we are redrawing does not mean we should forget about those. So Szetela 3 is definitely my favorite.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner Szetela. I see a hand up on the Zoom. I'm not sure who it is though.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Commissioner Lange. I think we should probably just assume it's me from now on.

>> CHAIR EID: Go ahead Commissioner Lange.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I'm not going to name which map because in all honesty there is three that I would consider. But I will say what I'm looking at. One of the things is consistency especially when we talk about communities of interest. What we are referring to communities of interest are we using the same kind of guideline as what we used the first time around in other parts of the state?

Or has the definition changed?

I'm looking at the previous communities of interest that were first given to us with our initial drawing to make sure that those are represented in the best possible way, take for instance Canton. I don't remember the gentleman's name from the first round of public hearings, the very first. I think he may have been a professor; I don't remember exactly but I remember hash tag keep Canton whole. That stuck with me the entire time. So that's one of the things I'm going to be looking at.

Also, I'm looking at, I guess, did I trust the process in which it was done?

Do I feel like it was done completely transparently?

Again, this is just in my opinion, in my view was it, are there maps I have questions about?

So that's what I'm looking at. Partisan fairness they said all of them fall within the partisan fairness guidelines. Obviously, it's going to vary based on the communities of interest and how they were drawn. Yeah. I guess that's it. I'm looking for that consistency in determining what is a community of interest. I'm looking to make sure that the map represents that every day was treated equally. Obviously, there's higher ranked criteria like VRA so some people get a little more attention. Some groups do. But as far as communities of interest I want to make sure that everybody was considered equally. And I'm paying special attention to those comments that we received that were the organic comments. While all public comment is important, the ones that stick out to me are the ones that were genuine. So I'll see how it goes as I said, there is three that I'm leaning to. We will see. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner Lange. Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Yes, I chose the Crane map. And I chose it not because of what everybody else so far probably has spoken about. But I chose it because it best shows what the courts and what the Detroiters, the Detroit people of the people of Detroit want. And that is to have a fair share at the 7 criterias that we had to choose. And being a long time citizen of Detroit, being a person that have traveled from one end, from east to west and from north to south in Detroit for over 50 years, I think I have a pretty good handle on who and what and where and who is sharing and whose being a part of whatever area and who is going here and who is going there and who shops where, the communities of interest that are, that we are concerned about. And the Crane map tells us what we need to know and what we want. Race was not put in it, neither any other races put in it. When I chose the map I chose it because it best is what the Court asks for and what we need here now. And I just think the Crane map does it all. It does it all. It's fair. It's everything that I think that, well, we heard from the public where the people said they want the Crane map. We've heard a lot of opinions of what people want. But the Crane map stands out in my mind from what I heard the people saying they want down through the months. They want the Crane map. They want to be considered. And the Crane map is it. I mean, we can draw a pretty picture about all the maps, but the Crane map hits all the criterias of what we are looking for. And I chose it. And I stand behind the Crane map 100% being a long-time person that lived in Detroit, have been not only just living in Detroit but have traveled from north, east, south and west, been in many, many places, gone many, many places. Been in many, many areas of Detroit. I know who has personal interest in different areas. I know what people like. I know a lot about what is going on. And the Crane maps is a map that we should choose for the Court's sake and for Detroit's sake.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Sorry. I think I'll also say this, how do I want to put this?

So, no, I don't know what I'm trying to say Commissioner Lett. I think when it comes to any of the maps that are chosen, we should not be choosing maps that are out of, this is the best compromise or thinking that we are choosing maps like this is my attempt to have an honest discussion. I know some people have yet to share. But I believe like even if we are looking at the data, right, which is responsive to the public, the reason specifically why I don't enjoy the Crane map is it has not even been ranked among one of the well performing maps. I think when we talk about communities of interest, which is very important to the Commission, what the Crane map does it elicits this idea that all Detroiters can belong together in one big blob which would be from Belle Isle to the east side including two municipalities which are basically cities inside of cities. Highland Park, Hamtramck. Then going on to the airport sub. That is a deep east. Northwest area. Then the west side. So I think even if you don't have an understanding of Detroit,

and we all have different lived experiences of Detroit, so I'm saying this, yes, as a Detroiter; but I don't think this has anything to do with it. It has a lot to do with listening to the public, it would be unconscionable for me to think how representation would look like in a very large area like that. How it's not just about keeping the neighborhoods together. Sure, in District 3 in Crane the neighborhoods are together. But do those neighborhoods share interests?

The answer would be, no. Bangla Town has a different interest than the very affluent Palmer Woods. The downtown area, little Caesars entertainment District has very different than Yorkshire Woods, East English Village where there is now East English Village high school that used to be Finney high school where I spent teaching and volunteering and used to be called a greenhouse. We are not just looking at oh, it's below 8 Mile and keeps folks together it's the how that matters. For those of us and Commissioner Curry is right, she knows Detroit so I'm not talking to her. I'm talking to people that might not know this area. That would be one of the other reasons why I think Crane is problematic. I think you know also speaking honestly there has been an Ascension amongst the Commission because there is this idea we don't listen to politicians. A member of the Plaintiff side enjoys this map. So if we are going to have that argument for one of the maps then we have to be careful of way we are choosing Crane if we are being honest with ourselves. A person who sat on the school board, a person that is also affiliated with folks that hope to run, so I'm speaking candidly and bravely in being careful how you are choosing a map that is not only in reflected in public comments but has not been what Detroiters have asked for since 2021. We have watched Detroiters and Metro Detroiters start to understand the process and start to tell others and start to tell folks in their organizations and they have learned political power. I think that's evident of this Commission doing the job that we are supposed to do. They have learned how to galvanize that the MENA community does effortlessly. When they speak out against the recent data they talked about Szetela with imperfections and talked about the Kellom map formerly known as Phoenix. So I think if you are going to choose another map it does the things the criterion are asking you to do and not choosing it because you don't want to get into a political conversation. Because I think people are being sacrificed with that idea of just wanting to compromise and choosing a map that has the least amount of conflict.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Yeah, I will just say my choosing of the Crane map as a favorite has nothing to do with what the Plaintiffs have said or anything. I -- so I will just share an experience I had. At I believe it was the last high school that we were at for the public hearing, so while we were there I went and talked to several people who offered public comment. And they had expressed that they liked Heron or sorry Heron over Szetela. And so I went down and talked to them and asked if they had looked at the other maps. And they said, no, they had only looked at those two because

whatever organization they were with or who they heard it from just told them about those two. So they had looked at those two only. So I invited them to look at all the maps because we had the big four by four maps blown up at the back. As they walked along each one of these people who I don't know and who came from different areas, each one of them, they would look at their area on each map and they would say, you know, whether they liked it or not. And every one of them when they got to Crane would say, well, that is really good for my area. I don't know why I don't like this map. Two of them said I don't know why I was told I don't like this map. So to me none of them had anything bad to say about Crane. They were only choosing the others because they had been told that that had the best numbers or whatever. And so that's why even though it didn't get all the popularity of the other maps, to me, it still represents what people want. So just wanted to clear that up.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: Yeah I understand that, but I also say the reasoning is because two people did not they were told to look at those maps, so we are not also responsible just for looking at listening to two people. There have been lots of comments about Metro Detroit and suburbs and if you did not listen to those two people and look at U of M report from a logical standpoint Crane is not representative of what folks have asked for. There are other maps if again it's not about the Phoenix map. It's not about Phoenix AKA Kellom because I don't want Megan to get me. So it's about looking at maps that meet the criteria and listen to the public and that is not this configuration if you are looking from 2021, I can't understand how any Commissioner sitting here would say that that is representative, just looking at the Detroit area alone that that would be a good idea to throw that diverse set of people together like that. That would be an outstanding reason for me not to choose that map.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I know what the courts asked us to do, and my job is try to fulfill what the courts and what the people want of Detroit. Plus give some and leave some for other people. But the thing of it is we are trying to satisfy the needs of Detroit right now. Detroiters are the ones that took us to Court. They are the ones that have a problem with what the reason why we are here. And it's not to serve everybody else but if everybody else gets served while we are doing it that is great. But Detroit is the one that took the time out, to take us to Court and say that they did not and will not accept this map. So had to go back and redo the map. That is why we are here today. And when I did my map of the Crane map, I did not take race in consideration. I said a little prayer and kept on going and came up with what is good in my heart to do. And being a person of Detroit that has been here a lifetime, if I thought I was doing a disservice to Detroit I would be doing it to myself. I don't think I'm doing a disservice. I don't think I'm doing a disservice to anyone that lives in Michigan. I think this is the greatest map. The best map that we could come up with, without any prejudice to anyone. I think that we've had people come in.

In fact, we heard it even if it was not today it was yesterday, lady, someone spoke and said how great the Crane map was. That's without me even thinking to be swayed by what she said. I thought the Crane map after I looked at it a second or two or three times and worked on it myself. I think it's the best map that we could give back to the courts, period.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Thank you. So I just want to comment on the feedback that we've received because I think my map is derivative of Juanita's map. My Detroit area districts are based on her's so 8 is almost the same. 3 has some minor changes. One has minor changes, but it was based on her map, it's derivative of her map. When you look at data we received from close up today with people verified to be in Detroit the Szetela map was rated the best. That is what people from Detroit said, not what other people said. That is what people from Detroit said when they got to compare the Heron and Szetela in Detroit they picked Detroit and then Wayne County also picked the Szetela. And then Oakland County also picked the Szetela. And Washtenaw County also picked the Szetela. So that configuration seems to be what's preferred by the people in Detroit. You may not agree with that. But the data shows that Detroit prefers this three District configuration in Detroit. That is based on the Crane map. So I think you can take those any comments from Detroit saying they like my map and say they are supportive of the Crane map because it's the same configuration for the most part. It's the same three District largely within Detroit, configuration that Commissioner Curry worked on and did a wonderful job on.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Yeah, actually I just want to say thank you to Commissioner Curry for that passionate and relaying why she thinks Crane being familiar with the area. And I also want to thank Commissioner Orton because, you know, we are not there to hear about that interaction. And I had a concern myself when we were receiving public comment, and it may have very well been the same day and I remember one gentleman coming up, and he was speaking on the Heron map and he said I haven't looked at the maps, but the people higher up in the union basically is who he was talking about, told me that they are the best ones. So I'm going to believe them. And that kind of did touch at me because it's like I wanted people to tell us what they thought, not what an organization thought. Not, you know, what a political group thought. Not what a union thought but what they thought, did this map actually represent them. And I feel like a lot of the public comment that we did receive this time around at least in the hearings, again, I was not there in person, so I don't know what conversations took place, you know, when the meeting wasn't going on. But in the hearings themselves, a lot of them did seem like they were the and I mean no disrespect to anybody but almost like a cut and paste. You know, like you are called to actions that you would get. And that bothered me. And it was not just on the Heron

map. I feel we got that on the Cardinal map too. So that's another thing that I kind of have been looking at and taking into consideration. I want to make sure people's voices are heard and if that is how they feel I just wish that people would be a little more genuine about it. I mean, if that is truly how they felt. Because it's hard to interpret, you know, what's being pushed. And what somebody truly feels, so I appreciate the extra part of extra feedback. Thank you.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I'm speaking from the mothers and the grandmothers and the grandfather's and some of the people that don't have cars, have to work from 9:00 to 5:00 and from some of them working two jobs to pay their bills that could not show up. I'm showing up for them. A lot of them could not come. A lot of them didn't have the cars and the means to get there. A lot of them don't or can't leave their children just to come in and sit in here. A few people talk about what they want. I'm fighting for the ones that could not come. The ones that could not get on the bus. The ones that could not drive down. The ones that could not leave their children at home just to come down and sit and hear a town hall's meeting. I'm trying to do what's right for all people and especially what the courts are asking for in the City of Detroit.

>> CHAIR EID: I'll put in my two cents, and I have a top three. The first of those being Kellom for you know a lot of the reasons that have already been stated. And I'll get into it in a moment. Then my second choice would be Cardinal. And then my third would be Crane, but Crane A2. Instead of A1. So for Kellom for Phoenix but let's say Kellom, I heard a lot of comments at our meetings that were supportive of Heron. When I look at the progression of the maps, Kellom came after Heron. It took what was wrong with Heron and then improved it, using, combining some of the other districts that we had in the hummingbird and the flamingo map that we all worked on together. That includes things like first off there is one District in it that does cross 8 Mile which in my opinion, and I have been very consistent with this, certainly not everyone agrees with this, but as someone who does live in Detroit, I do think it's important to perhaps cross 8 Mile a little bit to have some cross county collaboration between these communities and because we know that folks have moved from Wayne County into Oakland and Macomb County.

That's why we did the decisions we made in Motown sound and crossed 8 Mile in ways that made sense for community reasons and I think both Kellom and Cardinal do that. Whereas Crane it recreates this 8 Mile divide. I personally don't agree with you know having a wall be around 8 Mile.

I also like that it does not change districts 13 or 9 much, which were the two outbound districts we didn't have to change. Heard a lot of folks say don't change District 9 at all. We've heard less from District 13. I don't know if that is because the people there maybe are unaware of what's going on or because we are so focused on Detroit but it's a pretty significant change in all the maps. And I also like how the VRA districts in Kellom to me seem to perform a little better. I mean the margins between them are greater than the margins in Cardinal or Crane. For Cardinal we have spoken about this

map a lot. We've had a lot of public comment about it, I think it was the most commented map overall and we certainly have had good and bad and there was probably some fishy stuff going on with those comments but the comments that I heard were comments that supported the original Motown Sound, which is why we made the districts how we did, having districts like District 3, District 7 and District 8 that do cross that 8 Mile boundary in ways that make sense to exhibit communities of interest like the LGBTQ community combining Ferndale with Palmer Park, Palmer Woods, putting in Centerline and Warren together with the east side of Detroit while still maintaining good Detroit communities like having Highland Park and Hamtramck grouped together, going south with the Down River community. It also has the District 2 that I think is the most preferred because it doesn't include Taylor like how Crane does. But you know, I don't think that part of Taylor is something is necessarily to fight over. Then I think the suburbs are also quite good in it with the Sterling Heights Troy Madison Heights which is something preferred and a District 13 with West Bloomfield Orchard Lake with Novi which was originally configured and unsplit Farmington and Farmington Hills. Now both of the maps Kellom and Cardinal do perform better on partisan fairness on Crane. Crane does perform adequately. None of the maps are outside of the realm of what is fair. Which is why Crane is my third choice while I don't particularly like what it does in creating that 8 Mile boundary, I do, you know, hear the differing opinions on that. But what I really don't like about it is what I tried to change in or the amendments we made the other day and I think they were good amendments at least amendment one and two, three is out the window and changes the VRA District. So we can withdraw that or I'm not going to be voting for amendment three but if I were to vote for a Crane it would be amendment two.

In fact, John, can we pull up Crane A2 and overlay Crane A1 on it so we can just see these very, very small changes?

>> MR. MORGAN: Sure. I can do that. Crane, you want Crane A2 as the primary map?

>> CHAIR EID: Yeah, and you can overlay Crane A1 on it.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

So this is Crane A2. Let me see what is on that. That is Linden. Okay just to orient here both of these have the same configuration of one. So this shows you that the base map is Crane A1 and A2 in this area. It's the same. And then the base map is A2. And the blue outline is A1. Okay and you can see this area here was changed in 9 and then between 9 and 10. And between 23, 13 and 8.

>> CHAIR EID: These differences are small and think it may have been overstated that they were large. We are talking about eight total precincts and a few blocks. But I want to restate again why I made them in the first place because I was interrupted a few times yesterday. And lost my train of thought through that. But the changes to 9 not only does it make 9 more compact, which it does, but it also creates a 9 that is more

similar to the configurations that the communities that came out to speak to us in public comment liked. The Chaldean community said pretty clearly they like the configuration in the original Linden map and the Kellom map. This is closer to that for District 9. And in order to do that it just goes down and takes a few precincts off of District 10. For District 13, this is really probably the biggest change between the Linden map.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Can I?

Sorry, before you move on to the next part can we Zoom into the part between 9 and 10 to see exactly what those were?

>> CHAIR EID: Sure.

>> MR. MORGAN: So this was one whole precinct of Clawson and then this was nine blocks of another precinct of Clawson.

>> CHAIR EID: So we are talking about a precinct and a half.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So that splits Clawson, which wasn't split in the other version?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: And it does do that, but it does that I think it's poorly because it does it in a way that makes the whole of District 9 better in my opinion. But even if you don't like that, if you go to District 13, this is probably one of the biggest changes between this and some of the other configurations. Oh, John, we lost it.

>> MR. MORGAN: One second.

>> CHAIR EID:

>> MR. MORGAN: I moved too fast I guess.

>> CHAIR EID: It happens.

>> MR. MORGAN: Sometimes it renders and while it's rendering it crashes. I may have to reload the A1 on top of it.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Mr. Chair, there are two hands up, Commissioner Lange and Commissioner Szetela.

>> CHAIR EID: I see their hands. I would like to finish my comments first.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Yes, sir.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay focusing on 13 so changes to 23, 13 and 8.

>> CHAIR EID: All this was cleaning up the top of District 13. If you are going to split up Waterford it makes more sense to do it approximately along Highland road which is what it did on the top end. At the bottom end in order to makeup that population it added the precincts in Novi to put more of Novi with District 13 which is how it originally was in the Linden map. And what people liked originally about the District 13. So these changes didn't change anything in Detroit. We heard a lot about Detroit from this Crane configuration but not much about the suburbs. So if folks vote for Crane, I think you should vote for Crane A2. But those are my three. Kellom, Cardinal and then Crane A2. And what you can even do if you don't like the District 9 changes you can only do

the District 13 changes and that would be better than none of them. Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Actually, Commissioner Szetela's hand was before mine.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Thank you Commissioner Lange, yeah, so I again think the changes to District 9 were just not necessary and not reflective of public comments. The changes in District 13 certainly were not reflective of public comments. I mean, that is understandable that you may like a different configuration personally for Waterford but splitting Novi in that way splits up the Asian Pacific islander and received many comments about and wanted it to stay whole entirely but when we had to split it previously they asked us to keep these precincts south of 96 together. So that we were preserving most of the Asian Pacific islander population. What this does is it unnecessarily splits a community of interest because you want to follow a freeway line. That makes absolutely no sense. Totally unnecessary. And it's not reflective of public comment whatsoever. Then the change to District 9, it just seems unnecessary. Like so I definitely think Crane A1 is the better map because it does not split up a community of interest for no legitimate reason whatsoever.

>> CHAIR EID: I'll just respond to that. You know, you say it's unnecessary and you can have that opinion. But the 9 is closer to what the public comments wanted. Those public comments again from the Chaldean community who said they like the Kellom map. This is closer to that for District 9. They said they like the Linden map and closer to that in District 9 and I don't know how you can say it's unnecessary. You can have the opinion you don't like it. That is fine but saying it's unnecessary I don't really buy that. And for 13 you might have to go back to hear the comments that we heard during the first round. People liked the original District 13. That's one of the reasons why folks came out and support of the Linden map in the first place. And this configuration again is closer to that. And that includes more of Novi with its likewise suburban counterparts in eastern Commerce, in West Bloomfield and, Orchard Lake and the what not.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I disagree. If you look back at original comments, the reason why they like the Linden map is because it kept Novi whole and combined it with Northville and Plymouth that also has a high Asian population. And what you did is just divide the community further. Like I said, I don't think this was necessary. You have your own reasons for doing it whatever those may be. This is not what the public asked to do, and the Crane map does a fine job without cutting up these communities.

>> CHAIR EID: I guess we will agree to disagree. Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: John, could you scroll down to, by District 1 for me on this map?

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, so this is the Crane version two which reflects the same as Crane version one in District 1. So Wyandotte is in Southgate is out.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: So basically my question is version one is where they moved Southgate and put it into Wyandotte, correct?

>> MR. MORGAN: Wyandotte goes in 1 and Southgate into 4, correct, that was the amended one.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: That was the amendment one. Okay so then I'm just going to be a hundred percent honest. If I'm looking at the three maps and you all will disagree with me till the cows come home and that is fine, I'm looking at the Wagner map. Because I know her intent. I'm looking at my map because I trust myself and I know how it was drawn. And it's very similar to Crane in the Detroit District. And I'm looking at Crane amendment one where it had this. But not the version two or three. I'm looking at Crane version one. So those are the three maps I'm looking at. And you don't have to agree with me. I know you won't. But I just thought I would put that out there. And make sure that the version one or the amendment one was what I thought it was. So thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Yes.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I just want to say something. Everybody likes what they like. You know, it's not about what we like. It's about what we are supposed to be doing. And the courts have called us in because of a matter that happened with Detroit. And whatever other districts that can be blessed. We are here to do the best job we can and it's not about what people like. People like everything. If I had my way I would want something a certain way. But I'm trying to -- we came here to do one, three, six, 8, 10 and 11 and anything other than that we didn't even have to touch. If it wasn't broke they told us don't even touch it. So I dealt with 1, 3, 6, 8, 10 and 11 only because I'm trying to do what the courts said we are supposed to do. We have a job to do. We can't put everything on what people want when they have already, they are going to get their share, but somebody on this or in this thing that we are today for has been denied their rights. They did not get a fair share at all. And so we are here to straighten that out. And we can't straighten everything out at one time. But we can straighten out what the courts told us to straighten out. And that's my, that is what I intend to do is 1, 3, 6, 8, 10 and 11. That was my concern. That was the concern of the courts. And the courts told us if it wasn't broke, don't fix it. And so why are we trying to go all out of the way fixing all these other places, changing everything around?

Doing all this other stuff, trying to please people. They already had it made, most of them. You know, but it's not about likes because we all like stuff. I want something a certain way but I'm not trying to get it for myself. I want it, I want to do what the courts have told us to do and that is what we should be here about.

>> CHAIR EID:

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Chair?

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: I would quickly like to add to some comments I agree with what Commissioner Curry just said but I also think that if we are drawing for folks that previously did not have a voice, which our Detroit proper and Metro Detroiters, I will add that, again, I don't care what map this Commission chooses because if it's going to be based on what you like then it's going to be based on what you like. Again, the reason why I agree with Commissioner Curry is because I'm here to represent the Commission and do a fair job according to our criterion. That is number one. Number two it would be remiss to me to say I'm not drawing for historically under privileged communities. And so that's why I care and I'm trying to educate my fellow Commissioners with the exception of Commissioner Curry, right? Why these communities matter and how they should be together. So if we are just looking at VRA districts, right, I'm going to compare, again, because my favorites are Heron and Phoenix Kellom, Kellom Phoenix for that reason.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Your favorite.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: We are picking our favorites, Commissioner Kellom, this is my preference so if you don't like the word favorite and preference. Looking at the VRA districts, when you look into those districts, the districts 1, 8, 6, 3 and 1, 8, 1, 3, 6, 8, I'm just looking at these four, just talking about the VRA performing districts. I had to take a breath because I don't want this to be a battle between women or a battle between who has lived in Detroit the longest. So I will say, looking at those districts, the communities in there are more centrally Detroit. In District 3, for the Kellom map, formerly known as Phoenix, it has Southfield Farmington, Oak Park and I'm not cohesively naming all the areas in one district. District 6, Livonia, Redford, Schoolcraft, Southfield Rosedale. District 8, Northland, Palmer Park, Palmer Woods, Fitzgerald, Marygrove North and Highland Park and East 8 Mile. These are communities that do business together, are of the same ethnicity if we are going to have an honest conversation. Eight northwest I'm sorry 1 Yorkshire Woods, East English Village, Morningside, Gratiot and Grand. In the Crane map, because this is the focus of this conversation, though there are four VRA districts, sure, who is in those districts matter when we are looking at it as a comparison. So in District 1 you have Boston Edison Fitzgerald Corktown and now we are talking Latino Hispanic already Down River there is some population already of different ethnicity, Russell Woods, Dexter, Linwood traditionally Black community District 3 you have Hamtramck we have heard about Bangla Town. You have that District 3 also with Highland Park and then you have it with the rest of Detroit. That is District 3 is a performing Central District for Detroit excuse my retainer talk today, and then you have District 6 that starts mixing in, well, District 6 also Redford charter Township, same type of community northwest, north Rosedale Park. But if we are thinking about underserved in the Crane map, you are mixing underserved communities that will likely not have the same voice as their counterparts. Brightmoor is not going to have the same amount of attention as north Rosedale Park and Rosedale Historic

District. Bangla Town and inevitably who talk how they have been disenfranchised and talked about the African immigrant community is not going to have the same interests as East English Village or the Gold Coast. So this is what I'm saying. I'm reminding us of the 2021 conversations. And so there should be an honest conversation if we are going to say we like the Crane map, whoever likes the Crane map besides Commissioner Curry then you are liking it, you can't like it for communities of interest and it can't be a thing where we are trusting one Detroit Commissioner over another respectfully. Both of us have a different vision of Detroit just like the folks who have spoken out in Detroit, they have their perspectives of Detroit, and you have to listen to all of that. We fell into this trap the first time where we were listening to certain ears. If we let one person turn off, why were we not turned off when Sherry said she didn't like Crane? That is one person.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: You are only one person speaking.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: Commissioner Curry don't over talk me I'm speaking for myself.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I'm not over talking here.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: I'm sharing my opinion.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Well, your opinion has been shared.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: So has yours Commissioner Curry.

>> CHAIR EID: Hold on one at a time, Commissioner Kellom has the floor, Commissioner Curry you can have the floor after that.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: What I'm trying to say.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: I'm not a little girl.

>> Commissioners.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Brittini, please turn yours off.

>> Apologies for the interruption issuing a reminder it's very difficult for our interpreters to interpret properly when people are speaking over each other. So if you could speak one at a time and wait to be acknowledged by the Chair before proceeding, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: I promise everyone who wants to say something will get the chance to. Just trying to facilitate this along. This is a passionate debate as it should be a passionate debate. Make sure we keep it respectful and not talk over anyone and everyone gets a chance to state their opinion for this debate. Commissioner Kellom, you can continue.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: I don't have anything to say because I've been raised not to disrespect anybody that is an elder. I did not interrupt her so if you don't like what I'm saying that is fine but don't undercut me.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Well I'm sorry that you feel that way, but I did not have any intentions of thinking of you as a little girl or cutting you off. But I just want to say that everything I'm doing is in the behalf of what the courts have told us to do and not what everyone wants and likes. I'm trying to fulfill a job that the courts asked us as the

Commissioners to do. And that's what I intend doing with no prejudice. None whatsoever. With no what I like. I'm not liking anything personally. I'm doing what the courts have asked us to do. And I'm trying to do my best job even though I don't feel all the time well in my body, I'm here to do a job that the courts have asked us to do without prejudice.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I just got to say I have mad respect for Commissioner Curry. We don't always agree but I do agree with what she is saying about doing what the Court has ordered. I think when she drew her map she only changed the districts that were required to. I think when we had the evaluation at maybe nine districts were changed. And when I initially drew mine that is the same thing I tried to do is focus on those. And I believe I changed 11 districts. John, do you have that information? How many districts were changed on the Crane map?

>> MR. MORGAN: So the handout that I'm referring to I think has been distributed. This is a public handout at some of the town hall meetings that was shared with the Commissioners. The number of districts changed in the Crane map is 14. And it has the number of changed districts just to confirm what you said the Curry map was nine and the Lange map was 11, the original one and those are from Linden.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Can I ask based off that paper would the Crane map have the -- would you does it have the third lowest out of the maps as far as other districts changed, I mean total districts changed?

>> MR. MORGAN: You've got a 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, and a 15. So those are the numbers.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: You've got, let's see so the third would be the 12. And the fourth, the Orton has 13 changed. And there is several that have 12, Dove, Heron and Cardinal have 12 changes and Wagner had 12. And then Starling and Crane have 14. Szetela had 15. And then if you want to look deeper at that kind of data you could see the retention from Crane. So you might have, for example Szetela map changed District 12 but it's still 99% the same I think.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay, that helps me a little bit also. So.

>> MR. MORGAN: Sorry, that is on the retention maps here if you want to look at individual maps, yeah, okay.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay that answered my question. And I will turn it over to somebody that hasn't had a turn. Thank you all.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN:

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I actually had my hand up for a while even before Commissioner Lange.

>> CHAIR EID: Let's hear from Commissioner Callaghan then we will go to you Commissioner Szetela.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Of course, thank you.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I think I would I'm trying to remember some advice we got from legal concerning changed districts. And maybe Mr. Fink could refresh my memory. But it seems like I recall when we started doing the mapping for the Senate, the new Senate maps, this question came up because we were very cognizant in trying to limit the number of districts we were changing when we were doing the House mapping based on what our legal advice thought would be most appropriate, most acceptable to the Court. But I think I remember them saying that after having gone to Court to defend the House maps it was no longer a concern. We did not need to feel constrained to only change districts that were challenged or the minimum number of districts possible to accommodate the challenged districts that more wide-ranging changes did not seem to be a problem for this particular Court that we were going to be arguing in front of. So I think I remember that, that that's not something we needed to be overly concerned about. Mr. Fink, could you comment on that.

>> NATE FINK: Thank you Commissioner Callaghan for the question and that is right and a fairway to succinctly articulate that. That said, as Mr. Riley indicated yesterday and we discussed throughout, the most important thing is or one of the most important things is making sure that the struck down districts are sufficiently changed. And so if in doing that you make changes to other areas, other districts I think you are right. That is not a significant concern at this point. But, you know, you need to make sure the focus needs to be making sure you satisfied those core retention numbers which at least with the revised version of Heron it looks like I think pretty much all of the maps under consideration, not all of them, would satisfy that guidance that was received yesterday morning from Mr. Riley.

>> CHAIR EID: Mr. Fink, can you repeat that last part of what you said? It's a little hard to hear you in here.

>> NATE FINK: Oh, I'm sorry. I was just saying that with the revision to -- with the revised version of Heron that now has that District 11 down into the 60% range. The Court retention numbers across the board I think for all the maps under consideration are within and you know each District is under that 75% threshold that Mr. Riley had provided the guidance on yesterday. I believe. It's possible that some of the individual maps may not meet that, but I know that the biggest issue that we all had discussed, you know, openly yesterday was that in particular District 11 and Heron which we heard public comment about and also just saw the numbers and it was like 91%. But that issue was addressed in the revised version of Heron.

>> CHAIR EID: Does that answer your question, Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Yes, it does. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, we will go to Commissioner Szetela and then Commissioner Wagner.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah, I just wanted to comment about one of the observations Commissioner Kellom had made about District 6 and the Crane and how it combines Brightmoor with Rosedale, and you know Highland Park with Morningside and how she feels that those communities aren't going to have representation based on those combinations. I think there is two problems with that. I think first of all you're always going to have to combine communities that are slightly unbalanced sometimes in terms of equity or in terms of resources, that's just a part of redistricting. Unfortunately, and I think the second and more important point is that if you look at the Kellom map or you look at the Heron map it actually pairs worse combinations. It takes the far west side neighborhood in Detroit and puts it in explicitly into Dearborn. And Dearborn Heights. It then takes a portion of Dearborn Heights out and puts it to Down River. So those people in that community are not going to have a say at all. They are probably less than 10% of that District. So those Detroit voters are not going to have any say in the District they are in. If you look at Jefferson Chalmers and in the Heron it's with Grosse Pointe and the entire District 12. Again, you have this small chunk of Detroit that is being pulled out and put into another community where they won't have a voice. Same thing with District 6. It combines West Detroit with Livonia and Redford Township where Livonia is going to dominate that District. That is just reality. And the same with District 3, it takes a chunk and puts it up into Southfield. And so I understand the concern about maybe wanting to balance neighborhoods more, but the reality is they need to be put together somehow and I think the way that Commissioner Curry did it is a very smart way of doing it. Makes a lot of sense. And again Detroit has spoken and said this three District combination is what they prefer. So you may not prefer it. But Detroit has said they prefer it. And I think that is what we need to go with. And not have it be about ego. Instead it needs to be about listening to the people and they said this is what they like. This is what they prefer.

>> CHAIR EID: Just to note and then we will go to Commissioner Wagner, in the Kellom map all of Dearborn Heights is in District 2. Allen Park juts up in between Dearborn and Melvindale; but all of Dearborn Heights is in District 2. And Allen Park is that part that juts up in between the two City lines.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Right but it's split in the Heron, the neighborhood in Dearborn heights is pulled off and put into District 4 in the Heron.

>> CHAIR EID: I see in Heron. Okay.
Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Thank you, Chair. I just wanted to make it a comment because Ms. Dagnogo made it abundantly clear this morning they the Plaintiff favored the Crane map. So and I believe she commented that the NAACP did as well

as the organizations of Plaintiffs that are actually suing us. So I am for whatever Detroit wants. If Detroit wants Crane let's give them Crane. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: So I just have a couple more comments. One, you know, I think we should keep in mind we are drawing maps for people and not politicians. I respect the service all politicians contributed to the process had and maybe informing their communities about what's going on or you know getting people out to come to our meetings which I do appreciate, we have to keep in mind we are not doing this for politicians, we are doing it for people. And I think we are all trying to do this for the right reasons. I live in Detroit too. I don't know why that often gets forgotten but that is okay. But I'm here for Detroit too. And we just have a different way of trying to do what's best for Detroit. But I think all of these maps we are looking at comply with what the Court order said. We have not looked at race in any of them. And I do think that I have to agree with Commissioner Kellom and her community reasons on what she said for the same reasons that she said them. But I think all of these that we are debating do well for Detroit. And I heard a lot of people from Detroit said they like Heron and Heron was a precursor to Kellom. So I don't know if it can unilaterally said one is preferred over another, that is all I got, Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: I think this is my last comment. I echo what you said, Commissioner Eid. I think Detroit prefers something stronger geographically and I think that is reflected in some maps more than others. Again, no one has, I think it's about choosing the best configuration for Detroit and not choosing a map because 12 you like the way 12 looks on one map and don't like the way it looks on another map. And I think there was a comment earlier about why Detroit is split up and the way that it is. I think because again it responds to the community instead of just lumping one Detroit together. It's not my ego. This is -- these are the same comments we've all heard. So I think that we could have been, there are some maps you can be a little bit more creative and have varying representation that speaks more to communities of interest and geographic interest as well or configurations. And I think the data speaks to that wholistically. Even with the very comments among maps Detroit has spoken about their neighborhoods and geographic importance. So I think also if we are going to make the statement that we are not going to listen to politicians, then we can't be hypocritical and like a map that's backed by organizations that previously we did not want to listen to. But when it comes to this now, now we are taking that into account. And I think it's also hypocritical to say there are different configurations that have to happen when we are criticizing one map, but we don't have to take those into consideration specifically because I don't want anyone else to think I'm speaking about them. When Commissioner Szetela you said about how some configurations put disenfranchised communities together. We can pick apart the Phoenix map. But, again, I go back to those disenfranchised communities in the Crane map. And them having a greater impact. You can't ignore Bangla Town is going to be swallowed up in District 3. Can't

ignore what is going to happen in District 1. And so as long as the Commissioners know that, that's fine. All that -- everything I said today is about making an informed choice. Because I think the Phoenix map has its issues, same thing with the Heron map. But I think if we are going to pick the best map out of those it's definitely not Crane.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner Kellom. So our rules say after reviewing our making any minor adjustments on each map the Commission Chair or Vice Chair will facilitate a discussion offering the opportunity for each Commissioner to express which maps they prefer and why. I know we do have some hands up and I will get to those, but I want to present the opportunity for Commissioners to express which maps they prefer and why for those who have not spoken yet, if you would like that opportunity. Is there anyone that we have not heard from yet that would like to give an opinion?

Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Yes, thank you. I just want to say that we've heard some very passionate voices for the maps one way or the other. I want to speak just passionately and say that from the numbers that I have seen partisan fairness, VRA, comments, core retention, that the Kellom map Phoenix, Kellom does a better job with the numbers. You know, so for my voting, I would go with the Kellom map. Kellom-Phoenix. And, you know, there are my second would be the Crane A2. I don't think it has the numbers, the public comment, VRA, it's not there. But it's the runner up. So that's all.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner Callaghan. I'm sorry, Commissioner Andrade. I was looking at her on the screen. Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So I just want to address the point of number one I think when people have their hand raised they are responding to another comment and it creates non-sequiturs jumping around, when someone has a hand raised in response I think it would be polite to call on them next rather than trying to find someone else to make a comment. Any way I just want to point out the issue of politicians. Because both Commissioner Eid and Commissioner Kellom are saying well, you know, we should discount politicians but if you don't discount politicians accept all politicians. Christopher Gilmer hill is a politician and currently running in the 8th House District. He had a hand in drawing in the Motown sound and he's continued to provide feedback throughout this entire process with respect to the Heron and the Kellom. He even went so far on YouTube one day when the Phoenix got voted down by the Commission to be raised up to be published, he actually suggested to Commissioner Kellom and Commissioner Eid on YouTube during the meeting, live, why don't you pull up map 376 it's the same as the prior version.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Point of order.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: We are supposed to be talking about the maps and what you feel, what a person or a Commissioner feels is good about the map or bad about the map. So far most of the time we have been talking about other people, other Commissioners. I think that this line of discussion by Commissioner Szetela right now is along those lines. And I would ask that she be ruled out of order.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: May I respond?
Commissioner Eid?

>> CHAIR EID: I have to rule on the point of order, Commissioner Szetela. And I agree with it. If you want another comment you can. But keep it to the maps, please.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I would like to object and have a ruling, a vote.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I'm sorry.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I said I would like to object to the ruling because if you were discussing how the maps were drawn and that's a reason why you don't like it then I think it's appropriate. So I would question the ruling.

>> CHAIR EID: You can do that, Commissioner Lange. It was Commissioner Lett's point of order. Department of State what are the rules for an objection to the ruling of the Chair?

>> SARAH REINHARDT: That is a motion from Commissioner Lange if you wish to make it and requires a second to overturn the ruling of the Chair. And we will look up the vote requirements right now.

>> CHAIR EID:

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Quick question then are you going to allow Commissioner Szetela to share her opinion again?
That is to you, Chair.

>> CHAIR EID: I think I have been letting everybody who wants to share their opinion share their opinion including Commissioner Szetela who has had time to speak just like anyone else who had time to speak.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Is it still her turn?

>> CHAIR EID: Let's get this point of order dealt with first.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: That's why I'm asking if it's still her turn. I will make the motion but if it's still her turn there is no point in making the motion.

>> CHAIR EID: We have a point of order on the floor.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I move we vote to overrule the ruling.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, thank you.

>> SARAH REINHARDT: For clarification purposes it's majority vote.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there discussion on it?

There is discussion on the motion?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I have my hand up in case you can't see it.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela go ahead please.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I think it's interesting to me that both Commissioner Kellom and Commissioner Eid were talking about politicians and influence on the maps. Without objection. Yet when I raise the same concerns somehow it's subject to a point of order. So if other Commissioners are going to be allowed, specifically Sherry Gay-Dagnogo and NAACP should be fair game for every Commissioner to raise similar concerns or to just simply point out the hypocrisy if they see such hypocrisy.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there any other discussion on the motion?

>> SARAH REINHARDT: One more note to mention after observing Robert's Rules further it's outlined the Chair who made the ruling will abstain from the vote.

>> CHAIR EID: That's fine. Okay I can still call the vote though, right?

All right all those in favor of.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Roll call, please.

>> CHAIR EID: Wonderful. And an affirmative vote would be agreeing with the overruling, correct?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Ruling on the out of order.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: That is correct also appeal of the Chair's decision, yes.

>> CHAIR EID: What does a yes vote mean and a no vote means for the motion?

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: A yes is to overturn the ruling and a no vote would be to abstain or uphold your ruling.

>> CHAIR EID: Got you, roll call vote, please.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Yes, sir.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: There seems to be some confusion on this so let's go over it again.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Okay.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: The motion before the Commission is the result of a point of order raised by Commissioner Lett during a point of order the Chair determines if the point of order is upheld, and the Chair ruled that Commissioner Szetela was out of order. The Chair is allowed during discussion to explain his decision. If that is something you would like to do, Commissioner Eid.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: I think the confusion is around what yes means and no means. So I would think that a yes vote would uphold his ruling.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: So as a result of the point of order Commissioner Lange made a motion to appeal the decision of the Chair or overturn. So the motion before the Commission is whether or not to overturn the Chair's decision. So a yes vote would be to overturn the decision and a no vote would be to uphold the decision of the Chair.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Thank you for your clarification. It's always lovely as usual.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Can we have that roll call vote, please?

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Absolutely, Mr. Chair. Commissioners, you have the vote, the motion before you, sorry, the motion before you regarding the overturning of the Chair's ruling. I'll begin alphabetically with Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: No.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you. Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: No.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Can you come back to me, please?

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Yes. Commissioner Eid?

I'm sorry.

>> CHAIR EID: You abstain I'm sorry. Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: No.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Yes.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: No.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: No.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Orton?

She stepped out. Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: No.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Yes.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: No.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Back to Commissioner Curry, please?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Sounds silly but I'm trying, I've heard so many different things about this. And we are voting that what Commissioner Lett said stands?

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: We are voting about the Chair's decision to uphold the objection or point of order from Commissioner Lett. So a yes vote in this instance would be to overturn his decision. And a no vote would be to uphold the decision.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Yes, overturn it.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: A vote 7 no to 4 yes, the motion does not carry.

>> CHAIR EID: Thanks Commissioners and doing my best to get to everybody.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Mr. Chair.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Was that 7 to 4?

>> CHAIR EID: Department of State.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Yes.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: We have 13 Commissioners 7 to 4 is 11, Commissioner Eid could not count, who is the 13th Commissioner?

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Orton who has stepped out of the room temporarily.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay I apologize I did not hear.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: No, you are fine, you are welcome.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: I'd like to make a motion to vote.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: So our rules say under step two vote that the Commission, Chair or Vice Chair will call for a motion for the secretary to conduct a roll call vote for the final selection of the final remedial State Senate plan to submit to the District Court pursuant to the District Court order at Agee versus Benson et al so the motion has to come from myself or Commissioner Kellom as the Vice Chair. I just want to make sure everybody who wanted to speak has a chance to. I don't have a problem making that motion. But that is what the rules say.

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: Commissioner Eid, you want to look at step two vote, part A.

>> CHAIR EID: That is what I'm reading.

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: It says will call for a motion.

>> CHAIR EID: Will call for a motion, I see, thank you so much for that.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Can you please talk a little bit louder, Mr. Chair? Because somewhere on this side we can't hardly hear you.

>> CHAIR EID: Can you hear me now?

Okay.

All right, I will.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Chair, your counsel, Mr. Fink has his hand raised.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Ms. Schaar. Mr. Fink?

>> NATE FINK: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. You know, there was discussion earlier in the meeting about considering removing some of the alternative versions, revised versions from consideration before actually proceeding with the vote under step two. And so I just wanted to remind the Commission of that. If any Commissioners decide that they want to consider removing any of the plans from consideration before moving forward.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Fink. I have not heard any such motion as of yet. Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I hate to be pedantic, but we have amended maps here that were being about to vote on. We have yet to look at their compactness scores or

their contiguous reports. I mean, those maps have been modified. We should look at those criteria on the public record and ensure that they are satisfied.

>> CHAIR EID:

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Right?

>> CHAIR EID: We can do that.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I mean, isn't that what we do for all the maps before we vote on them?

Or do we want to vote to remove some maps and then look at the compactness scores and make sure we've got you know contiguity and those other criteria, but we haven't actually looked at that yet.

>> CHAIR EID: We are still in the discussion phase.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I'm going to call a point of order because we do have a motion and a second. So I think that should be addressed before we start talking about doing something else.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Amen.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Just for procedural purposes. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: What is your point or order, Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: That we have a motion on the table with a second, so that should be addressed prior -- you're talking about doing other things that have nothing to do with the motion. So I think the motion that's on the table should be addressed before anything else. Or if there is discussion on the motion that should be done.

>> CHAIR EID: Department of State, can you restate the motion and who made it and who seconded it?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Wagner moved to vote for final selection of a final remedial State Senate plan, to move forward to the U.S. District Court in the Agee litigation. It was seconded by Commissioner Lett.

>> CHAIR EID: Is that motion in accordance with the rules that we adopted?

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: I'm happy to pull up the rules to review but your adopted rules of procedure for the mapping procedure or voting procedure for the maps entail that you will review the constitutional criteria per Commissioner Callaghan's comment of reviewing some of those and also allow each of the individual Commissioners an opportunity to speak on their preferred map. So the motion itself of course I defer to the Chair if it was out of order, but it does not allow for the Commission to follow your adopted rules of procedure.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, I want to make sure we get this right, folks. We have been going for two hours. Let's take a short, ten-minute break to make sure it's in accordance with our rules and come back and regroup and look what we got to look at and then we will get to voting.

[Ten-minute recess]

Folks we are going to get started in just a minute. If everyone can please take their seats. All right welcome back everyone. So there was a point of order due to a motion and a second that was on the table. Mr. Fink and Department of State took a chance to look into the rules to see if this was proper or not. I will let them speak to it.

>> NATE FINK: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. So I think it's straightforward reading of 2024 selection of the Senate maps to vote, A, states the following the Commission Chair or Vice Chair will call for a motion for the secretary to conduct a roll call vote for the final selection of the final remedial State Senate plan. So to comply with this procedure, I believe that a motion would only be in order after called for by the Chair or Vice Chair. And there is the language right up on the screen right now. So any motion that would have been made before it was called for in this proceeding I think would be out of order with what was adopted by the Commission.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Sure, I've got a question then. You guys are probably going to get mad. So if the motion was out of order because the Chair or Vice Chair didn't call the motion then would it be appropriate for a motion to be made for the Chair or Vice Chair to call a motion?

And I apologize to our sign language interpreter. I know I talked fast.

>> NATE FINK: I'm sorry, Commissioner Lange, your question is whether it would be in order for a Commissioner to move, to move for the Chair to call for a motion?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Correct.

>> NATE FINK: Well, that's not contemplated in the rules. It's not I think the rule on its own doesn't really contemplate that. I mean, at some point you could I suppose move, take any sort of action that you want. And could be decided whether it's in order or not. The rules, you know, to step back, as I started saying before we went on this short break, I do think that it's absolutely advisable for the Commission to go through and review any of the maps that the plans, the proposed plans that the Commission did not have a chance to review before sending them out for the public. Those would of course be any of the plans that were revised over the last couple of days. And so I think before going into any sort of vote on those plans, the Commission should go through all of the ranked criteria for the public record and do that. And so to the extent there would be any sort of motion to try to force the issue on a vote at this moment would seem to me to be premature.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay, I'm going to stop there because we did go over the VRA analysis. We did go over the partisan fairness, they did give comment when it was being drawn so what I would like to do is make a motion that the Chair or Vice Chair make a motion to call the vote on voting on the maps, make a motion to vote on the maps. It's within the guidelines, thank you.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Second.

>> CHAIR EID:

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: You can ask them.

>> CHAIR EID: Wait, let me get this straight.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: A roll call, please.

>> CHAIR EID: Right, hold on one moment. I just want to be clear on what the motion is. Your motion is to compel me to call for a vote?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: As per what our legal counsel said there is nothing precluding that so what I would like to do is motion the Chair or the Vice Chair to ask for a motion to call the vote.

>> NATE FINK: If I can respond, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR EID: Please.

>> NATE FINK: What I was saying a Commissioner can make any sort of motion they want whether or not it's deemed in order by the parliamentarian that is a different question. I was asked originally just to opine on this language, which I believe contemplates that the Chair or Vice Chair, but I don't believe it explicitly says the Chair or Vice Chair will call for a motion for the secretary to conduct a roll call vote. It does not have a provision that says that if the Chair or Vice Chair has not called for such a motion that the Commission on its own can then move to compel the Chair or Vice Chair to do so. I was just saying that a Commissioner can make any sort of motion they want whether or not that is in order is a decision for the parliamentarian.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Parliamentarian, please.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: This is Sarah Reinhardt your resident parliamentarian. Hello.

>> CHAIR EID: Go ahead Ms. Reinhardt.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: So hold on just one second.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: I do have a question.

>> CHAIR EID: One question at a time, please.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: So there are a couple things that I want to review. So, first, I want to point out that a motion was made to compel the Chair to call for a vote and it was seconded while there was already a motion and a second before the Commission. So before any second motion can be addressed, the first motion needs to be addressed. And I defer to the Chair on whether or not to call a motion out of order. That's not something typically that the parliamentarian, for this Commission, has addressed. So I defer to the Chair's judgment on that. However, in regards to the second motion, my answer would be pretty similar in that I defer to the Chair's judgment on whether or not that complies with your adopted rules of procedure and is in order. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, the first motion I'm ruling is out of order. I'll ask that the second motion, if you could remove it so we can just get moving and review the compactness, which was the thing we didn't review, once we do that I can call for the motion to vote.

So to save time I would appreciate it if you could do that. But the first motion I'm ruling out of order.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: The compactness on what, all of the maps?

>> CHAIR EID: On the amended maps.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Which amended maps?

All of the maps?

>> CHAIR EID: Yes.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: All of them because we only have been talking about certain maps can we narrow it down to the certain ones we have been talking about?

>> CHAIR EID: The amended maps are Crane A1, A2, A3; Heron A1; and the individual Commissioner changes. As you said we reviewed the VRA and the compact or reviewed the VRA and partisan fairness. We talked about COIs making the changes. We did not review compactness. So we got to get that on the record. Once that happens I can call for a motion to vote.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay I'm curious if there is other discussion on before I do that.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay the first motion was ruled out of order. Do you withdraw your second motion?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I do not.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay I'm going to rule that out of order too.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I would like to move for an appeal of the overruling.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there a second?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Second. I'd also like Mr. Fink to weigh in on whether you have the authority to overrule that second motion. Because it seemed to indicate that he just indicated that you could make such a motion.

>> CHAIR EID: Not according to the rules that say we have to get all of the 7 ranked redistricting criteria on the record before we vote.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: They are already on the record. We already reported on all the compactness.

>> CHAIR EID: No, but the compactness is not on the record for the amended maps, that is the whole reason we are having this discussion at the moment.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: It's on our mapping website so it's part of the public record and this we never have gone over compactness before. Seems like you are trying to waste time personally.

>> CHAIR EID: Trying to move us along that is why I asked to withdraw so we could do this. Okay there is a motion and a second to overrule the ruling of the Chair. Is there any discussion?

Seeing none we will move to vote, and a roll call a yes vote means you agree with the appeal. A no vote would mean that much like before you agree with the ruling of the Chair.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Commissioner eyed I did ask for an opinion from Mr. Fink about whether you had the authority to overrule that motion in the first place.

>> CHAIR EID: Sure, Mr. Fink.

>> NATE FINK: Again, I never said that I don't believe I said and if I did then I misspoke but I don't believe I said that the Chair didn't have the ability to overrule a motion. What I said was a Commissioner can make any motion that they want. I didn't say that they necessarily, that the Chair could not then overturn or overrule that motion. I just said they could certainly make any motion they wanted. As I said I was asked originally to opine about how the procedure that was adopted by the Commission for facilitating and moving towards voting on a final Senate remedial map would work. And I described that. And there was a question whether another motion could be made, and I said any motion could theoretically be made but I didn't opine as to whether or not the Chair could overrule it. And I certainly think the Chair is entitled to overrule a motion and the Commission can follow ordinary procedures should that happen. Which it did. And to be clear there was a question or a comment that was made about whether we went through the ranked criteria in suggestion we didn't go through the ranked criteria on the public record for other maps and we absolutely have been doing that all along since the House remedial process commenced. So I do think that it's absolutely advisable for the public record and for the record we are going to be providing to the Court we address any of the ranked criteria that on the public record that we have not yet had the opportunity to address, which can be done very quickly as to these maps that were just listed.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Fink. Does that address your question, Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, let's have a roll call vote. So we can get this moving, please.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Megan, did you get it?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: The motion before you is to overturn the decision of the Chair ruling the motion out of order. A yes vote means that you would like to overturn the ruling that the motion was out of order. A no vote means that you do not want to overturn the Chair's decision I will call on Commissioners alphabetically beginning with Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Eid you would be abstaining.

>> CHAIR EID: I abstain.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: And you broke up a little I just want to confirm that was a yes vote, correct?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: It was, thank you.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Thank you. Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: By a vote of four yes to eight no, the motion fails and the decision of the Chair stands.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Ms. Schaar. All right let's get back to work here folks. Mr. Morgan we are trying to get compactness measurements for the maps that were amended on to the record. Can we please pull that up?

>> MR. MORGAN: While I'm pulling that up I will just say about compactness. Remember you're comparing compactness of a District to an idealized geographic shape. That's what a compactness score is. And then it's a relative thing. So we will be potentially comparing the compactness scores of a particular plan to for example the Linden plan and you would probably want to look at the lowest scores. So as a guideline and if the legal counsel or Commissioners want to look in more detail we certainly can do that. So I have the Linden plan is 281. And these are the 12 plans and then we will not that we have to look at those, but I just have them in this folder. So the Linden plan I will just open the compactness as an example. So the Polsby Popper test, it tells you it's comparing it in different aspects of it of the individual District to the circle of the same perimeters is what it says. So if we scroll down to the end the least compact District for Linden was District 3 with a 0.2. And then again focusing on the least compactness on the next test, which is the Schwartzberg test, the least compact was .0.45 which is District 3. On the Reock test which is again looking at a different

measure of a circle comparing it to the District in question. So the least compact District in the Linden plan was 0.22 for District 17 on the Reock test. The length-width test was 0.5 for District 11. And if we can imagine District 11 was one that was ordered to be changed and it was north-south kind of narrow and skinny and it is comparing the length to the width of the District, that is why that District scores are lower, convex hull is another measurement. It rounds off some of the edges of the District and makes a comparison. And it's 0.59 for District 1. So those are the compactness tests for Linden. So just a quick survey, we will look at each individual districts, see what the least compact is and potentially compare that to Linden.

>> CHAIR EID: Yes and we don't need to see the ones that were already posted. Let's go through the amended maps.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: We started with Crane A1.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay Crane A1 compactness. So on the Polsby Popper the least compact District was and please feel free to help me out if you want to take down some of those numbers if we are going to compare these, the least compact District is District 20 at 0.23. And again the least compact under Linden is 0.2. So your least compact District under that measurement in that Crane A1 is greater than the least compact in Linden. Just as a comparison. Okay, so we are back to Crane A1 on the next test, the Schwartzburg test. The least compact is 0.48 for District 20. On the Reock test the least compact District is 0.22 for District 17. It's the same as in Linden, the same District as in Linden. Here the least compact on the length-width is 0.7 for District 7. The least compact District on the convex hull is 0.62 for District 20. Which was not a changed District. So if you wanted to look a little more in detail at District 7 you could. But as a reference, we are on the length-width. And I think we said on the Linden it was 0.5 for District 11. So this District 7 is less compact than one District in Linden. Still would generally be considered compact with all the other metrics with the specific District. I don't know if we need any other opinion. But it's within reasonable metrics generally.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. Can we move on to Crane A2, see if there is any change there?

>> MR. MORGAN: Crane A2 compactness. Okay on the Polsby Popper.

>> CHAIR EID: Crane A1 was contiguous and supported the same community of interest that the original Crane did with the change being from Southgate to Wyandotte in districts 1 and 4.

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes. Polsby Popper compactness on Crane A2 the least compact District is District 20, .23. On the Schwartzburg the least compact District is 0.48, District 20. Not a changed District. Then on the Reock, 0.22 for District 17, not a changed District. And then on the -- this is going to be the same as we saw because the

District was not changed from A1 to 2 and it was .07 and least compact on the convex hull is 0.62 for District 20 which was not a changed District.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you and once again Crane A2 also was contiguous, and the changes made were to reflect the state's communities of interest. Can we go to Crane A3?

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, Crane A3 on the Polsby Popper, the least compact District is 0.23 for District 20 which is not a changed District. On the Schwartzburg 0.48 for District 20, which is not a changed District. That's the least compact. On the Reock score, 0.22 for District 17 which was not a changed District. On the length-width it's 0.73 for District 1. 5-3, and that is greater than the Linden. So it was a changed District that is the least but it's not outside of the bounds of the Linden map. Convex hull the least compact is 0.62 for District 20 which was not a changed District.

>> CHAIR EID: Once again Crane A3 was also contiguous, and the changes were made to reflect the communities of interest that we went over when making the changes. Can we open Heron A1?

>> MR. MORGAN: Heron A1 plan 408, Polsby Popper is District 20, 0.23 not a changed District. The Schwartzburg is 0.48 for District 20, not a changed District. On Reock it's 0.21 for District 1. And on Reock.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: It's .22.

>> MR. MORGAN: .22 so it's very close. Thank you.

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: Excuse me, Mr. Chair.

>> CHAIR EID: Executive Director Woods.

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: Friendly reminders that interpreters and CART has been working owl day and talking fast right now is not good for anyone so if we can slow it down a little bit that would be great. Thank you.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, so we just covered the Reock for that. The next one is the length-width. The least compact District here is 0.75 for District 4. The convex hull test, the least compact District is 0.62 for District 20, which was not a changed District. Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay and I think the next change was Lange A1.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, Commissioner Lange didn't change the districts, Commissioner Wagner.

>> CHAIR EID: Whichever one is next, Szetela.

>> MR. MORGAN: We have Szetela version two and version three so let me go back to that.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: You can just do version three.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, agreed. Okay we will do Szetela version three. Version three Szetela Polsby pop per the least compact District is District 20 at 0.23. Not a changed District. On the Schwartzburg the least compact District is 0.48 for District 20. Not a changed District. On Reock the least compact District is 0.22 for District 17. Not a changed District. On the length-width the least compact is District 5, 0.45. And that

was on the length-width. So it's a little lower than a Linden District but it doesn't seem to be too far out of that range. Then the convex hull the least is 20, 0.62, not a changed District. Then the last of the amended plans was the Wagner plan. On the Polsby Popper the least compact District is District 1. At 0.23. And the least compact number for the Linden was 0.2. So it's higher than the least compact District in the Linden map for that test. For Schwartzburg, the least compact District is 0.48 for District 1. And on the Reock score the least compact District is District 17, which is 0.22, not a changed District. On the length-width test, District 8 is the least compact at 0.7. And on the convex hull the least compact District is District 1 at 0.61.

>> CHAIR EID:

>> MR. MORGAN: Did you want to look at any other details on compactness?

>> CHAIR EID: I think that about does it. Thank you, Mr. Morgan. So Mr. Fink, in your opinion have we satisfied going through the ranked redistricting criteria for these proposals?

>> NATE FINK: Yes.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. At this time Commissioners I will call for a motion for the secretary to conduct a roll call vote for the final selection of the final State Senate plan to submit to the District Court.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: So moved.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: We have a motion by Commissioner Lett and seconded by Commissioner Weiss. Is there discussion on the motion?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLUM: Not discussion on the motion but had a point of personal privilege but I don't know if this is the appropriate time.

>> CHAIR EID: Well, what is the point of personal privilege?

I can't, I don't know.

>> CHAIR KELLUM: Something that was brought to my attention, so I wanted to share it with the Commission.

>> CHAIR EID: Go ahead.

>> CHAIR KELLUM: I wrote some notes to keep steady it has come to my attention Sherry chose to publicly attack me via Facebook. She says and I quote Commissioner Juanita Curry hold your ground has.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Point of order.

>> CHAIR KELLUM: Obviously been...

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioners I have muted everyone on the Zoom at this point. We need you to speak one at a time and wait to be recognized by the Chair. We do have interpreters and closed captioning. And if we want to get through this meeting, we need to speak one at a time, please. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: There was a point of order that overrides a point of personal privilege. What is the point of order?

Who made it?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Commissioner Lange.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange, what is the point of order?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: The point of order is reading something from the public that was posted online that none of us is privy to. It's not a point of personal privilege, a point of personal privilege is supposed to be you need to use the rest room. Change the heat, something like that according to parliamentary rules if I'm not mistaken. And I defer to Sarah Reinhardt, if I'm correct.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: Through the Chair, Commissioner Lange is correct. A point of personal privilege is to address a personal need. Generally comments of opinions or other matters that are not a personal need like needing to use the restroom can be announced during the announcements portion of the meeting or if it's on the agenda it can be specifically addressed at that point. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay the point of order stands. Commissioner Kellom, save that for announcements.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: No problem I will definitely say what I have to say.

>> CHAIR EID: No Commissioner should feel threatened and that goes without saying. A motion and a second. Is there discussion on the motion. Vote to approve the motion then the secretary will conduct the roll for the final map. All those in favor of the motion please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: Any opposed?

The ayes have it. The rules say each Commissioner shall vote by stating the name of their preferred plan to submit. And with that I will turn it to the secretary.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Thank you, Chair. And just for the record, I want to clarify which map Commissioner Szetela is putting forward as her individual map to be voted on.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Version three.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Thank you very much. If the Commission would like, would you like me to put a list of all of the maps up on the screen for you to view?

>> CHAIR EID: That might be helpful.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Okay.

The motion before you is to vote for a final selection of a final remedial State Senate plan to move forward to the U.S. District Court. For the Western District of Michigan in the Agee versus Benson litigation. I will call on Commissioners in alphabetical order. When I call on your name, please state the map that you prefer. I will begin with Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Kellom.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Can you come back to me?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: I can. Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY:

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Curry, if you said something I was not able to hear you.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Can you possibly come back to me, also?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Eid?

>> CHAIR EID: Kellom.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Kellom.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Boy, oh, boy, how many are you coming back to?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Two others.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Crane A2.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: Crane A2.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Szetela 3.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Callaghan?

I'm coming back around to you.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Kellom.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: And Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Chair, the motion fails. Crane A1 received six votes.

However, it only received one vote from an individual affiliating as a democrat, three votes from individuals affiliating as republicans and two votes from individuals not affiliating with either party.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Ms. Schaar. Okay, so under step two vote under Section C it says if no constitutional majority is achieved in the initial vote the Commissioner will return to discussion of the draft proposed maps during this renewed overview and

discussion the Commission by majority of members present may vote to amend one or more draft proposed maps that are a large outgrowth of public comments received. The Chair or Vice Chair will then call for a motion for the secretary to conduct a roll call vote for the final, sorry, I'm so sorry to our sign language interpreters, we are going to have discussion and then we are going to vote again. Is there any discussion?

Any discussion, Commissioners?

Well, if there is no discussion we can try again. I will call once again for a motion for the secretary to take a roll call vote for the final map.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: I move we vote.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: There is a motion and a second. Is there any discussion on the motion?

Seeing none we will vote on the motion. All those in favor please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: Any opposed?

All right, Ms. Secretary, let's try again.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Okay, we are again going to vote for the final selection of the final remedial State Senate plan to move forward to the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan in the Agee versus Benson litigation. When I call your name please state the plan that you would like to vote for. I will begin this time with Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Kellom.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Crane, oh, my gosh, Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Eid?

>> CHAIR EID: Kellom.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Kellom.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Crane 1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I will switch to Crane A1 if it makes a difference, but I will stick with Szetela V3.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: And Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Kellom.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Chair, once again the vote fails. There was only one Commissioner affiliated with the democratic party that voted for Crane A1. And that is where it fails.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Ms. Schaar. Can we have the vote totals for each map?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: You may. For Kellom there were four votes. For Crane A1 there were eight votes. And for Szetela V3 there was one vote. So Crane A1 did achieve a majority of Commissioners, however, it did not achieve two Commissioners from each party and two unaffiliated Commissioners.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. All right, we will open up to discussion. We have three more votes before it goes to ranked choice voting Commissioners. Seems that we are one democrat vote short for any constitutional majority. Is there any discussion?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Yeah, how many democrats are in here?

>> CHAIR EID: Well.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Three.

>> CHAIR EID: You, yourself, Commissioner Andrade, to your right Commissioner Kellom and Commissioner Callaghan joining via Zoom. Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: My discussion is short. I won't be voting for a map of Crane. I'm being threatened over online, so that is the end of that.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Can you repeat that I did not hear you.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: I said I won't be voting for any map that I'm being threatened for.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Point of order again.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: Commissioner Curry asked me to talk so I am.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Point of order again, already overruled point of order please.

>> CHAIR EID: Hold on, Commissioner Lange what is your point of order?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Point of order is she is bringing up something again is already ruled she could bring up in announcements. She was already ruled out of order before. It's a way to try and circumvent the other ruling. And actually what it's doing is very obvious you're trying to sway votes quite frankly.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: You're using your point of order to give your opinion.

>> CHAIR EID: Hold only, folks, a couple things now should be the time we are trying to have discussion to sway votes. Now is the appropriate time for that and in discussion over votes. What I heard, Commissioner Kellom.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: Commissioner Curry, I wanted to address my peer because I was interrupted and Commissioner Curry I'm looking at you now, so it became an issue when this individual decided to talk about and went on the Internet.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Point of order.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: Related to the Crane map.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: It's not bothering me in discussion so when we are talking about motives I live and work in the City and not be demeaned and I'm not going to be attacked my integrity.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Point of order. I asked the Chair.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: Well, it's tagged to the Commission and bringing it up that is why I'm bringing it up.

>> CHAIR EID: Can we get all the microphones muted.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: Well, I'm just sharing.

>> CHAIR EID: She is not going to be voting for the Crane map in her opinion. That is what you wanted to say, all right.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: I have to live here every day and live in Detroit.

>> CHAIR EID: I think you have made your point. Is there any more discussion before we go on to a further vote?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I do have my hand up in case you can't see it Commissioner Eid.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Commissioner Szetela go ahead.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I appeal to Commissioner Andrade. I appreciate you like the Kellom. We have eight Commissioners that really like the Crane. And we've had a number of members of the public that really like the Crane as well. As I indicated before the results we received from close op which I believe is U of M analyzed the maps and that same configuration for Detroit at the Detroit community preferred the Szetela map and is in the Crane. So they are based off of each other so I would strongly encourage you to change your vote over to the Crane even though it might not be your preferred map just so that we can resolve this and move on.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Yeah, I'll just make a plea to Commissioner Andrade too. Crane version one, not my first choice at all. Something that was said during public comment period about it was it was a compromise. And I'm not one to compromise. If you would have been here the entire four years you would know, I'm not good at compromising. So for me to compromise is a big thing. And I hope you would see it as a compromise because in all honesty, in my mind I was going to come into this

meeting and vote for Lange regardless. So I hope you would be willing to see Crane as a compromise also. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID:

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Just in response to those comments, I'm voting for Kellom for the reasons I stated previously. But also because it's very close to the Heron map which got a lot of positive public comment. As well as the Kellom itself. But the Heron was right up there. So it does seem like there's a lot of support for that configuration.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I agree with Commissioner Andrade. I think the Kellom and Heron maps have very strong community of support. Can demonstrate a very strong adherence to communities of interest. And have excellent partisan fairness scores. We can all sit on the Commission and pretend partisan fairness is way down the list of importance, but I think if anybody were to ask any citizen in the State of Michigan if the partisan fairness was important or not it would be a slap in their face to tell them no after the people worked so hard to get that on to the Constitution because of a need for partisan fairness. I think you could ask a hundred thousand Michiganders and not a single one of them would say the reason that they voted for this constitutional amendment was for getting a better community of interest. I just believe that in my heart. So we need to look at that very, very carefully. Kellom has excellent scores and community support. Heron A1 has excellent scores. And community support. Crane does not have community support and it does not I mean it may have adequate partisan fairness scores but is that what we are going to try to give to the State of Michigan, adequate scores?

I think they are asking more than advocacy. They are asking for excellence and that is what we need to be looking for. The Crane map just doesn't have it when it comes to partisan fairness. It may be just as good as the other ones on communities of interest. All the top contenders are good on communities of interest. But some of them are better on the next criteria which is of the up most importance to the citizens of the State of Michigan and Crane does not make the cut to me. I can't get myself to vote for it based on that alone because I'm trying to represent the citizens. Now, there is another map out there that also has excellent partisan scores, and I don't think anyone could argue it does not also do a great job of addressing community of interest and does not have a great deal of support. And that is the Szetela 3 map. I am willing to throw my support to Szetela 3 if I can't get Kellom through. Andrade, I would plead with you to support me on that, and I know we briefly talked about that once, but I would rather support the Szetela map even though I'm not real fond of its genesis. I would rather but looking at it on paper and the numbers behind it and the support from the community, I would throw my weight to Szetela before I would move over to a Crane map. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So I just want to commiserate with Commissioner Andrade because this is the position I was in last time when one republican needed to change their vote in order to make a map go through. So I feel you. And I'm not trying to get anyone to change what they feel is right. But despite what Commissioner Callaghan just said, I feel that all of our maps, except for maybe Dove, are all good partisan fairness. And, yes, some are a couple tenths lower than the others. But they are all similar and our experts have said they are all fine. So from talking to the people that were at the public hearings, I really felt that they were saying one map but what they really liked was in other maps as well. And they particularly liked Crane when I was, you know, going just hearing them talk about the maps. So I really trust the process that it was made with. And I think that is a good option. So if anyone feels that they can support that, then I think it would be good and I hope we can take another vote and hurry this along. Or at least hurry the votes along then we get to the next step and figure out something.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Kellom and then Commissioner Curry.

>> CHAIR KELLOM: I'll keep this quick. Commissioner Andrade I know that you are a listener. I know that you are a quiet force in terms of being able to suss out what is genuine, what is the best for citizens, you and I talked fairly and are fair minded. That is a complement and just being honest so I think that I would just encourage you to stand strong. I don't think the Kellom map is perfect. Again, this map was put forth so that the community can engage with it. And they have done so. And I stand by what Commissioner Callaghan said. If it's not something like Phoenix AKA Kellom, then it would have to be something like Heron. I don't think that we can offer the public anything mediocre. So I'm not trying to peer pressure you, but I don't want you to be swayed either for what you know is right.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Curry and then Commissioner Szetela.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: With respect to all the Commissioners I just want to say that I have voted in the past for Motown 1 because I thought it was the right map. This time I made a map from not really looking at Crane too well. And I didn't even vote for myself. I voted for Crane 1 because it was a little bit better than the one I thought I did. So if you all think that anybody, if anyone thinks that I'm just voting for Crane one because I made it, I didn't make Crane one. I didn't really even look at it, I did the Curry Crane. And because I had so much respect for Crane one I voted for Crane one. If not, if I wanted to just be selfish I could have just voted for myself. But I voted for Crane one. In the past I voted for Motown because of Brittini's map. I thought it was great. I'm just trying to vote for the best map at the time.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So I do have a comment, but normally when we go over we kind of stop and make sure that all of our interpreters are still going to be available. And I'm wondering if we should do that or if that has already been done.

>> CHAIR EID: We have been told we are flexible on the time today is that correct, Mr. Woods?

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: Yes I checked with them.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I'm going to make a pitch for my map not because it's my map, but we have heard over and over and over again and you all know this is true. Every single meeting you sat through was Szetela, Szetela, Szetela or whatever people miss pronounce 404, 404, 404. The reasons people said were various and some were coming from Voters Not Politicians. We get that. Some were call to action from the Middle Eastern community but out of all the maps if you want to do the best map in terms of communities of interest, honoring Detroit, actually having good partisan fairness, doing all of those things that math is the Szetela map. The public has told you that over and over and over again. Now, if you internally don't want to do that for whatever reasons you want to do, that's fine. I'm not going to cry about it. I think it's a shame because I think that this Commission was put into place to create fair maps that represent community of interest and have good partisan fairness and also comply with the V RA and that map does all of that. Particularly for the Chaldean community who asked for changes which I made today to accommodate that last community of interest that was feeling like it was not accommodated. So, again, I think going with the Szetela map is really the logical choice and it's frankly what you did with Motown Sound. You came in after Motown Sound and said the public has spoken. We are going with Motown Sound and yet in this case because you don't like the author I think in some cases you don't want to do the same thing. And it's not right for the community. It's not right for the State of Michigan. Because that is the best map and that is what the public has said. That is what the analytics say. That is what the VRA says. I mean that is across the board so but again if you are not going to do that, vote for the Crane one because I think that that follows that same configuration for Detroit. I have concerns with it about other communities of interest, but I think in general it's a decent map that has decent partisan fairness and has all the other characteristics as well.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Commissioner Szetela. Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Can you go over what happens if we can't make a vote today?

>> CHAIR EID: Well we are on vote three and the rules call for five rounds of voting, if we don't have a constitutional majority after five rounds of voting we then move on to the ranked choice process. Mr. Fink, can you discuss the ranked choice process?

>> NATE FINK: Sure, happy to do so. It takes a couple of minutes to explain. But I want to make sure that everybody understands it. So if we are unable to achieve a constitutional majority through these five rounds of voting, and you can see it up on the screen there and I think it will be helpful to read along because it is a little bit difficult to understand initially. But secretary will call on each Commissioner in rotating

alphabetical order, for each Commissioner to audibly indicate the draft proposed map they would like to submit for the ranked choice vote. Each Commissioner may submit one draft proposed map for consideration. More than one Commissioner may submit the same proposed map. So if, I think the example I gave before, I'm not going to use the maps under consideration now but if we had plan A that was under consideration if more than one Commissioner wants to submit plan A for consideration for ranked choice voting they can do so. And that becomes relevant that the nominating Commissioner becomes relevant to the ultimate calculation and determination as to which map would prevail through ranked choice voting. More than one Commissioner can submit the same proposed map. The secretary will record which Commissioner has submitted which map. And the party that that particular Commissioner affiliates with or they are unaffiliated. The secretary of MDOS has or will create a Microsoft form live on the screen here and that will contain all of the names of the maps that were submitted pursuant to the previous step, step 3A for Commissioners to rank in order of preference with number one being most preferred and the last ranked plan being least preferred. The secretary will send an e-mail to each of the Commissioners containing a link to the form. The link will not be publicly disclosed to make sure we just contain this to the just Commissioners who will be voting. Each Commissioner will have ten minutes to complete the form and submit their preferred ranking. Commissioners who are not able to access the form due to lack of an Internet connection or technical issues will convey their preferred Rankings verbally and publicly for the secretary to record. After the ten minutes have elapsed for completing the ranked choice voting form and each Commissioner present at the meeting has voted, the secretary will tally the votes. The secretary will read the Commissioner's ranked votes aloud for each Commissioner present to audibly confirm their vote on the record one at a time, in alphabetical order.

The next provisions are describing how the numbers are calculated and how we determine whether or not we have selected a map through the ranked choice voting process. So each plan is assigned a point value inverse to its ranking among the number of choices giving the lowest ranked plan one point and the highest ranked plan a point value equal to the number of plans submitted. That comes directly out of the constitutional language. So to explain that further if we have four plans that are submitted, plans ABC and D, if four plans are submitted for consideration for ranked choice voting you will have the opportunity to rank those in order. Your preferred, your top preferred choice would be given one, would be ranked one, second would be two, three, third would be three, fourth would be four. In order. So, again, ABCD example, if you just for Simplicity sake if you rank A as one, B as two. C as three, D as four when you ultimately when we ultimately get to calculate those point values, the plans ranked one in that example would receive four points. The plan and then descending from there. After all of the votes have been submitted and the secretary is calculating those the Commission will -- shall adopt the plan receiving the highest total points that is also

ranked among the top half of plans by at least two Commissioners, not affiliated with the party of the Commissioners submitting the plan. Or in the case of a plan submitted by a nonaffiliated Commissioner is ranked among the top half of plans affiliated with a major party. At least two Commissioners affiliated with a major party. The secretary will announce the vote. The results of the vote. And share a spreadsheet publicly Cy yeah Zoom to display the total point value achieved by each plan. The results will be publicly posted on the Commission website as part of the public record. If plans are tied for the highest point total through the ranked choice voting process the secretary will use an independent accounting firm to randomly select the final remedial State Senate plan from those tied plans. And just to be clear if we end up with a tie, those plans also have to satisfy the requirement that at least that the plan had to have been ranked Monday the top half of plans by at least two Commissioners not affiliating with that party or if it was an unaffiliated Commissioner submitting the plan it will be on the top half of at least two Commissioners from a party or one from each party or from both parties. That's the ranked choice voting process. It happens once. If we don't achieve, if we don't select a map through that process, then we move to a random selection from the plans that were submitted for ranked choice voting. Commissioner Lange has her hand up I see.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Before you get too far and I apologize because it's been a long day in the beginning of the process you said each Commissioner can submit one map and multiple Commissioners can submit the same map, correct?

>> NATE FINK: Correct.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: If multiple Commissioners submit the same map then is that map only voted on once or does it appear multiple times?

>> NATE FINK: That is a good question. So I discussed this I think it was at the Thursday meeting. At the meeting when the Commission adopted these rules. I noted that back in 21, December of 21 there were different approaches that were presented to the Commission in terms of how to determine how many times a particular map or plan that gets submitted more than once would appear in the ranked choice voting process. And then if necessary in the random draw. The option that the Commission chose is that if a plan is submitted by more than one Commissioner for ranked choice voting it will only appear once in the ballot so to speak for the ranked choice voting process. So if and my example going back to my example of if two Commissioners submit plan A it will only appear once in your ballot.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay.

>> NATE FINK: If we don't achieve, if we don't select a map through ranked choice voting and we have to go to the random draw, then that plan A example would appear twice, would be in the hat so to speak, the virtual hat that we would be drawing from. It would appear twice. So.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay.

>> NATE FINK: The fact two Commissioners submitted it would count twice for random draw but not in the ranked choice ballot identification. Does that make sense?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: It does so I have a second part to the question, and I will be quick I apologize to everybody. So if it counts as once in the initial, then how do you determine, say, if a person from affiliation does one how do you determine that the one who is considered the one that submitted it when you are looking for two people from a nonaffiliated?

You understand what I'm saying?

>> NATE FINK: Yeah, that is a good question and the process adopted is the secretary will still note for the record the affiliation of the Commissioners who have submitted the plan. So going back to my example. If two Commissioners submit plan A, one republican and one democrat, again, it will only appear once on the ballot, but the secretary will note for the record that it was submitted by both a republican and a democrat. So when you're looking at if plan A, in that example, is the highest point or receives the most points, you will then just need to satisfy having, you know, two, so two members of the Commission really from any of the parties who are in the top half to satisfy that if it was submitted by a republican and a democrat. And you can go down the various iterations if it's submitted by an unaffiliated member and a democrat, again you just have to satisfy that constitutional requirement that -- of having two members of either the unaffiliated or a party that is not affiliated with that submitting member, that submitting Commissioner, have it in their top half.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay thank you. That answers my question.

>> NATE FINK: So that is the discussion. Like I said it takes a few minutes to explain. If anybody has any other questions about it, I'm happy to answer them. But I know there is three more rounds of voting pursuant to the Commission's rules here so hopefully we can proceed with those and then if it becomes necessary, that is the process that is in place. Commissioner Callaghan has her hand up.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange, does that answer your question or Commissioner Vallette actually?

I just have one thing to add. What was that, Mr. Fink?

>> NATE FINK: Commissioner Callaghan has her hand up Eid aye Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: This has been a great discussion. We seem to be at a little bit of an impasse, we are 25 minutes over. I'm wondering if everybody should maybe back off and stew in their thoughts tonight and look at the maps and think what they want to do and come back with a fresh one and maybe tempers will be a little cooler and it's a little cooler tomorrow but I just think we have worn this one down for today so I would move we adjourn and reconvene tomorrow to finish the voting.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: So we have a motion to adjourn and a second. There are no discussions on motions to adjourn. Do we have a hand?

Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: The motion.

>> CHAIR EID: There is no discussion on motions to adjourn, correct?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: We've had them in the past.

>> CHAIR EID: P.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: I defer to the Chair.

>> CHAIR EID: That is what I read in the book.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I know we had them in the past because I have actually done it whether it be because we were expecting a public commenter to show up or various other reasons, I have had comment before when there has been a motion to adjourn. I'm just saying.

>> CHAIR EID: Go ahead, Commissioner Lange.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I would prefer, and I don't think there is hot heads at this point and most of us know what map we want. I think we want the voting done. I would say that we take the final votes and then if we don't come up with an outcome of a map then we sleep on what map we want to put forward for the next process. That's all I'm saying. I would feel better about it that way. Because and in all honesty I'm a very cynical person. So I would feel better. But obviously it's up to you guys.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner Lange. Commissioner Szetela, is your hand up?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah I was going to say the same thing, I would like to move to the next three rounds of voting this evening. We have been moving through them pretty quick then if we hit five and go to ranked choice we can pick that up in the morning.

>> CHAIR EID: Any more discussion?

Can we get a roll call vote please, this is on a motion to adjourn.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Certainly, Chair. This is on a motion to adjourn. If you would like to adjourn, you would vote yes. If you do not want to adjourn the meeting at this time you would vote, no. I will begin with Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: No, no, no.

>> CHAIR EID: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: I'm sorry, yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: No.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: No.
>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Orton?
>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: No.
>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Szetela?
>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No.
>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: No.
>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Wagner?
>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: No.
>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Weiss?
>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Yes.
>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Andrade?
>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Yes.
>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Callaghan?
>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Yes.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: With a vote of eight yes to five no, I'm sorry, five yes to eight no we will not adjourn at this time.

>> CHAIR EID: All right we will return to discussion. Is there any more discussion? I would just like to add there were some pleas to the democratic Commissioners, which is fine and appropriate. If any of y'all do decide to change your vote to Crane, I could get behind Crane A2. It seems how I'm counting it's independent and doesn't matter which for this is fine but prefer Crane A1 to A2 and my third preference if we get two out of the ranked choice process. Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: I'm not going to answer your plea, but I mean my choices would still be Kellom. Heron A1. Szetela 3 is actually a wink to Kellom if you look at it. Szetela I don't have a problem with you and don't like some things you say and will keep it like that and Cardinal. But nowhere on my list is Crane and I'm just being completely transparent with also to restore my personal comfort break.

>> CHAIR EID: All right, I will call for a motion. Let's take a ten-minute break so Commissioners can attend to business, and we will be back to take one more vote.

[Recess for ten minutes]

>> CHAIR EID: All right Commissioners if everyone could take their seats we will get started again momentarily. We will get started do we have the Commissioners joining us online still here?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Present.
>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Ready and waiting.
>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Present.

>> CHAIR EID: Wonderful, just wanted to make sure you were here for the votes. Commissioner Callaghan and then Mr. Woods if you would like to say something you can as well.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Is there a time for discussion before we vote?

>> CHAIR EID: We are still in discussion. I did not call for a motion to vote yet.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Okay, is it my turn to discuss?

>> CHAIR EID: Feel free.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: All right, so there has been a bit of an effort here to talk to Commissioner republican and a democrat and see if we can sway her vote, but no one has asked me for my vote. I don't know if that means you think I'm unpersuadable and have not gone around to it yet but here is your chance. I have in front of me a large print outs that we got from last time when I was in Detroit. Cynthia you and I went to the store and made these. They have been very helpful. I have Crane here and my pin and the Szetela map. And the criteria we are supposed to be going by to Judge these maps. And I'm asking you to help me understand why I should decide to vote for Crane. So going through the criteria I think we can all agree population is not an issue on either map. Voting rights is not an issue on either map. And we have already checked they are both geographically contiguous so that kind of checks those off. COIs can be a little bit more subjective. I'm going to skip down to the next criteria just because it is objective, that is the partisan fairness numbers. And it's unconvertible that Szetela's map has better partisan fairness numbers than the Crane map. So that brings me back to say the preference for Crane must be based on a superior use of communities of interest. So can someone walk me through the specific places on the Szetela map and the Crane map of where the Crane map improves or accommodates a community of interest that is not accommodated on the Szetela map?

Commissioner Curry, you like this map. You know the Detroit areas, any COI you would point to down there you think the Crane map better accommodates than the Szetela map?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I think that the Crane map better accommodates the Szetela's map only because and not only I shouldn't say only because but because it was dealt with the numbers that the Court told us we had to work with. It was done because not that I liked it. I've heard a lot of people say what they liked and don't like but it was done because it's fair, it's right, they are the ones who took us to Court. We have to abide by what the Court's decision. If we don't come up with it, it's going to be thrown out and everything will be all messed up. But it's because I told you I live by and go everywhere in Detroit from Down River all the way past 8 Mile, past Bloomfield Hills, I shop everywhere. I see everything. I go everywhere. I'm always traveling, and I never run into some people even this year and some of the places that they claim they live. But I'm always, I have a daughter in Bloomfield Hills that live there. I had she lived in what is the one out there on 696?

The one I said she stayed in Milford. I got grandchildren. Everywhere. I'm all over because I got a bunch of relatives spread all out in Detroit so I'm everywhere. And I see what people are doing. I see what people mix with who. What people like what. They go where they go. And I know what the rule was that when they came down and told us they want the maps, I did not select my map on what people like, although I listen to them. And I have been listening to them for the last three and a half to four years just about and I know how the people in Detroit think. I know what the poor people in Detroit feel. I know what the middle class feel. I know how they operate. I know that it would have been a whole bunch of people there in our meetings if they wouldn't afflicted by either a car, a job or something. They don't have the same thing in their head like most other places, people. Their thing is to make a living, go back home, take care of Chair children, sometimes that I don't have people to take care of children. I have a four-year-old baby I'm taking care of that is six. I helped her mother out when she was four months, no kin, but if I didn't help take care of her she would be thrown away. So I know the need that Detroit has. And we need somebody in there that is going to fight for Detroit. Not for me. Because I can move to Bloomfield Hills if I wanted to.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: So, Juanita, you want somebody to fight for Detroit and I'm asking about a community of interest. So like between the Crane map and the Szetela map, the Szetela map tends to have District one that goes along the river front. This is the main difference in Detroit if I see between these two maps. Szetela says they are the same, but they are not. District 1 in Szetela's map goes along the river front, from Down River all the way up to Grosse Pointes and in the Crane map it doesn't. It goes, you know, up through like maybe.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Because of people in Detroit, the people in Detroit do not really associate in Grosse Pointe.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Well, it doesn't go, well somebody has to be, go to Grosse Pointe either District 3 or District 1.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: What you're asking, maybe I may not have the question to answer to it but what I do want to say is that I'm trying and have always tried to do by what the courts have asked us to do. Now, Szetela map may be good. But it's not good for Detroit all the way.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Where is it bad?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: It's not bad it's just not, okay, I'm not going to go back and forth with you, Donna, but it's not bad. I'm just going by what I'm saying.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: You may not understand what I'm saying because you probably have not resided in Detroit lately.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I spent a lot of time in Detroit. I never resided there never, but I have spent some time in Detroit.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: But you got to spend days.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Sure.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Months years in Detroit to understand the call of the Detroit people.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: That is why I'm asking you. I have to depend on.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I'm telling you that is why the map was drawn. I drew the map, not even looking at the Crane map. When I drew the Crane map under Curry I didn't I really didn't pay Crane map any attention.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Crane came from your map

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I can't persuade you one way or the other. All I can say is that the need is there for what the other places are getting with the people that represent them, they need good representation. I believe also in Detroit. There are some people in Detroit that make it, they can make it. But there are people that are poor. There are people that need someone to speak for them, to represent them. There is a great need that no one, they don't get it nowhere else. Or should I say everyone else they don't need the need as much as the need is needed in Detroit.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Okay, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Hold on.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Commissioner Orton you are also a big fan of the Crane map. Can you help me see where you see better COIs represented than in the other map?

>> CHAIR EID: I was just about to call on you Commissioner Orton.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: After that to make sure we have the order right, Commissioner Orton then Commissioner Szetela and Commissioner Muldoon.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, so Commissioner Callaghan thank you for asking. So there are just a couple little things, little places that I would point out.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Okay, I got the pen.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: One Farmington and Farmington Hills there is a split there, part of Farmington is District 6. And Commissioner Szetela's map and so it's altogether in Crane.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I had noticed that because I lived in Farmington Hills. I have that one circled for sure.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, okay, and let's see what else was I going to point out?

Well, I remember when we were first starting this redraw, I tried doing a District that was from like River Rouge, Ecorse, up to, you know, stopping at the Grosse Pointes. And we did get quite a bit of criticism about that far did not go together. And so.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: On the Gold Coast you mean?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Yeah.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So that is -- I listened to that criticism then I thought okay they don't want that long strip.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So there are those couple things. There are a couple more but one I think.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: And I did have the Chaldean community circled on her map, but I think this is the old print out, right?

I don't have a version that corrected that. So I think that one has been fixed.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So in this I see Oak Park is split and part of Royal Oak is split. I think. I'm looking at a static map so.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: What is the COI there?

Because Township boundaries are down to number 7 on the criteria, so I needed COI.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Right. Well I don't know. I'm saying why split it if we don't have to split it, you know?

That's my thought. But my basic thing if you're comparing those two my basic thing is that we should go with a Commission collaborative map over an individual map. So that's my main thing if you're comparing those two.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela, do you have anything to add with Commissioner Callaghan?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I'm sorry what did you say?
Could you repeat that Commissioner Eid?

>> CHAIR EID: I see you have your hand up. I was wondering if you had anything to add to this conversation with Commissioner Callaghan?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay, so a few things so the Crane was based off of Commissioner Curry's individual map. Further changes were made to it, and I used the Crane as the basis to make the Szetela. So it's kind of backwards to say I guess what communities of interest does the Crane have that the Szetela does because I used the Crane and then added the communities of interest in. So I can kind of walk you through what I changed on it. So the first was to take Southgate out of District 1 and move it back in with the rest of Down River because we received comments about that. So in order to do that you have to kind of shift District 1 a little bit. I also took District 3 and added in Ferndale into that Palmer Woods area of Detroit because we had a LBGTQ community of interest that was asking to stay together there. In doing that again that creates space or population that you need to adjust District 1 on. District 8 is pretty well, it's 6 in the Crane but 8 in mine. So a little different along the boundary because of the adjustment made for Southgate in District 1. And Ferndale in 3. In District 9 that was just changed today to accommodate the Chaldean community by resulted in changes in 10. That little bump out that is part of 7 in my map for Oak Park there is actually an orthodox Jewish community of interest that had asked to be kept together. It kind of crosses over the border over Oak Park and Southfield so that is why that bump

out is there to put those counties together. And then the biggest difference is between this map and my map the Crane and mine is I reconfigured District 5 and 6. Because the way we had originally set up in the Linden is they were kind of stacked on each other. And that's what you see in the Crane here, so it splits Novi to do that.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Commissioner Szetela, I'm sorry, this doesn't -- I appreciate what you're doing. And that's great. But it's kind of counterproductive to what I was asking for. I'm trying to figure out I mean we are trying to get to a consensus here and there seems to be a movement and a consensus towards Crane. And so there is other maps that I happen to think are better. The Szetela map is one of them. So what I'm trying to find out is to have a Commissioner, you know, objectively show me why Crane is better than your map. Not why it's different but.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: You know, Donna, we can't really show you. You probably would have to live in Detroit.

>> CHAIR EID: People you just can't jump in. You have to be acknowledged by the Chair. I want everyone to have their turn but raise your hand. I will acknowledge you. I have been acknowledging everyone this whole time. You will have your chance to speak just like everybody has had their chance to speak. But I need people to not interrupt each other. I need people to be respectful of our rules. And speak when you are acknowledged by the Chair. Please continue, Commissioner Callaghan.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I was actually speaking Commissioner Eid.

>> CHAIR EID: You two were in the middle of discussion, which is fine. So you two can continue the discussion that we are having about these maps.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So I just wanted to say you asked what communities of interest are in the Crane not in the Szetela so I'm showing you the communities of interest I added in the Szetela based on the Crane. And so part of that was Plymouth and Canton are currently together in the Crane. But we also had received community of interest requests about Novi and Northville also being with Plymouth and Canton because of the Asian Pacific islander position, and Indian population and because of the Muslim population. And so this map is putting all of those communities together. And then District 6 has that Native American community of interest in Westland, which is put together as well with Livonia. So that is the difference.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Callaghan, let's get you unmuted.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: So that is a fantastic defense of the Szetela map, Commissioner Szetela. I appreciate that. I'm trying to see if we can get to a consensus I'm trying to understand why instead of voting for this map with all these communities of interest that you have outlined so articulately I should instead accept the Crane map. Now Commissioner Orton pointed out very specifically you know, the Farmington Hills split, that's great. I'm from Farmington Hills, that is an important one to me and that is very helpful. I'm looking for other input along those lines that would tell me why I should switch my vote to Crane, not why I should stay with Szetela. I appreciate what you are

saying but I get that and why Szetela is on the list of maps possibly to vote for. I'm trying to figure out what is the reason to persuade me to vote differently. I have not heard a clear articulation of that yet. Is there anyone on the Commission who can help me with that?

>> CHAIR EID: Okay we had Commissioner Muldoon in line to speak then we will go to Commissioner Curry.

>> MARCUS MULDOON: When you were looking at 1 and 3 having one run all the way up the coast starts to take an industrial area into a residential area more. So that is the reasoning I think keeping it south which we had people talk about the air quality, having someone represent them. You know take E cores, River Rouge southern Detroit the downtown there is a lot of industrial, so they have more in common than up to grass point it's not quite the same industry I guess. Or type of population. They have different concerns. So running District 1 all the way up the coast I think is kind of hurts the industrial area where they need to worry about different things than Grosse Pointe per se or District 3 and the Crane map.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Thank you that was helpful.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Commissioner Muldoon. Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Commissioner Muldoon kind of answered my question. Pretty much the way I would explain it. But like I said, you would almost have to be a resident that have lived here and have suffered and have went through the things that the Detroiters have gone through to really understand. And it's not so much as the suffering and because there are people in Detroit that will -- they are tremendous. They just need the right representation. And that's all we are trying to give them is an equal representation like everyone else that have money, can afford to have. And because some of us have lived in Detroit for years and years and years we know the struggle. But if you can't kind of pick up on listening to what was said well, when we first started they were coming to every meeting. They probably got a little discouraged down the line. We had droves of them coming and fighting for Detroit and when they lost they probably got discouraged. But you have to know the struggle of a poor person or a person that doesn't have everything, that wealthier people have and that is what it really amounts to. The rich over the poor. And the poor needs a fair share or a fair representation.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner Curry. We will go to Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I just want to thank Commissioner Muldoon because sometimes when we do get public comment I think at times it does get blurred. And when he just mentioned that about the industrial, it kind of turned the light on about public comment that we received from several people talking about the health problems that they have been having because of the area they live, because of the industrial area and their concerns with their water and the air and pretty much their health. And

honestly I kind of forgot about that until Commissioner Muldoon just brought it up. So thank you. I guess, it makes us stop and think. We are not -- it's not about numbers. It really should be about people. So thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: I don't have an answer Commissioner Callaghan, but I don't know for the sake of clarity I think what Commissioner Callaghan is asking is which we are charged with. When we were drawing other maps, I'm not from the UP. I'm not from Imlay Township or Battle Creek but listen with intention and began to understand those areas. And you all through experiences made the places come alive by talking about the people. So that is what Commissioner Callaghan is asking about. Not how they were drawn but the why. And so that might be harder for some of us, but we have to -- we don't have to make her understand but that is the question she is asking. And even the question we have been charged with answering when our attorneys Nate Fink have asked us, and we did very well in the beginning. We would talk and speak with very clear intention. We would pair ethnicities with neighborhoods. And that has gotten muddled at least for Commissioner Callaghan so she is asking for the people that like Crane, if you like the map it doesn't matter and shouldn't be just Commissioner Curry answering, everybody should explain why they like it and that is falling short right now.

>> CHAIR EID: Any more discussion, Commissioners?

I think that was a thoughtful discussion. Perhaps to help reach consensus. I know it can be a little tough sometimes to have passionate discussions. But this past session since we came from break I feel was productive. At this time I will call for a motion to vote on maps.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: So moved.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: Motion by Commissioner Lange and seconded by Commissioner Orton. Is there any discussion on the motion?
Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I don't know that we necessarily need it, but just in case can we get the list back up there?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: You certainly can. Give me just one moment, Commissioner Lange. Does that help?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Yes thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: And for the record this is vote number three. Seeing no more discussion we will move to vote on the motion. All those in favor please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: Any opposed please raise your hand and say nay.

>> Nay.

>> CHAIR EID: The ayes have it and I will turn to the Department of State to conduct the vote.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Thank you, Chair. Commissioners, this is the third vote for the final selection of a final State Senate remedial plan to move forward to the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan in the Agee versus Benson litigation as a constitutional majority was not met in vote number two. I will call on Commissioners in alphabetical order. When I do please state your map preference. This time we are beginning with Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Eid?

>> CHAIR EID: Crane A2.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Kellom.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Szetela 3.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Crane A1.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Andrade.

>> Kellom.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Szetela 3.

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: Chair the vote does fail. Crane A1 did receive a majority of votes with eight forever it failed to get two votes from Commissioners affiliating as democrats.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Department of State. Can we get the overall vote count, please?

>> MEGAN SCHAAR: There were eight votes for Crane A1 one of which was democratic. Four of which were republican. Two of which were nonaffiliates. There

were two votes for Kellom, both from Commissioners affiliating as democrats and two votes for Szetela V3, one from a democrat, one from a nonaffiliate and one vote for Crane A2 from a nonaffiliate.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Department of State. Mr. Woods?

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: Just a suggestion for the Commissioner's consideration, we have been at it since 10:00. Some emotions are high, some emotions are not high. The reality is people are tired. We do have vendors who have been going at it all day as well. We do have, based on the wisdom of the Commission, five rounds of voting, majority voting before we go. So we have two additional rounds left. I don't know if anybody's going to sway their vote, but I know no one is going to be intimidated here by changing their vote. So that has been very clear and that is part of the democratic process. But I would like to suggest seeing that it's 6:15 and people are still on that are working for us that some of them are just flat out tired. And some of us are going back and forth. And some of us are voting because we want to go home, or we may have some other things to do but this is a responsibility that can't be done out of exhaustion or being tired. This is a responsibility that has implications for the next election cycle. So I can't make a motion but I would like the Commission to consider adjourning for the day, coming back tomorrow refreshed and I honestly believe we can get done in the morning. I don't think we need to meet the whole day. I honestly believe we can get done in those first four hours, cool our heads here, we have everyone fresh on our team and that we can move forward for the best interests of our Michigan residents. But just my suggestion and my observation for your consideration at this time, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Woods. I think it's a wise suggestion. At this time I would like to call for a motion to table the remaining agenda items. And announcements because I do think it's important we have announcement and then after that adjournment if I can have that motion.

>> MARCUS MULDOON: I will motion that. Tabled the rest until tomorrow after announcements, I will call it a day.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there a second?

We have a motion and a second, is there any discussion on the motion?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Yeah.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange, I'm sorry my hand was up and so is Commissioner Szetela's before the motion so maybe Commissioner Szetela will want to go first, her's was up first before the motion.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep. Thank you, Commissioner Lange, for your attentiveness. I was actually just going to ask if we feel it's necessary to do the two more rounds of voting. We did change our procedure rules to add five. I'm not really sure it's going to be beneficial to do two more rounds given people seem pretty entrenched, so I was just going to actually make a motion to limit it to three if we are allowed to do that. But we already have another pending motion on the floor.

>> CHAIR EID: We do have a motion and a second. Commissioner Szetela you can make that motion tomorrow if you would like, of course. Is there any discussion on the motion?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Yes Eid aye Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: I'm still adamant against that. I don't think, well, okay I guess I shouldn't say that. I don't know if anybody's grumpy. It does not appear that anybody has been grumpy. I think we literally just had one of the most in depth and civil conversations that we've had yet with Commissioner Callaghan's questions. It's only two more rounds. If we get to the voting, we can be done. Nobody's opinions if we are entrenched and nobody's opinion is going to change then we can come back fresh again like I said tomorrow and just write down our choice. It gives us a chance to think overnight about just that. Not about trying to sway somebody's opinion but just about doing if we have to go to ranked choice the ranked choice. We already had voted on doing all five. I say we stick to it.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there any more discussion on the motion?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: My hand is up Commissioner Eid.

>> CHAIR EID: I see Commissioner Szetela and Commissioner Callaghan.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Let's get the other two votes done and like Commissioner Lange is suggesting we come in with ranked choice and have time to think about what map we want to offer for that and how we will rank them. I think that that's simple and easy and we can get it done and table everything else on the agenda and cooler heads prevail and then I had another thought and it just slipped out of my head. I'm sorry. Yeah, I just advise moving forward, getting these votes done. What I was going to say is I think in the interest of transparency I am also concerned about side conversations happening overnight. And that if we come back tomorrow and have very different votes I think it's really going to not be good from a transparency perspective and going to look negative to the public. That is what I would say.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN:

>> CHAIR EID: You are muted. We can't hear you.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: These vote rounds should not be a speed race. There is no point to holding a vote after a vote unless there is time to think and deliberate and discuss in between. That is the whole point of having multiple rounds of votes. This last round which was supposed to happen very quickly actually took closer to 45 minutes. I think to director Eid's point we are tired the translators are tired, the signers are tired, I'm tired and we need time to think. We are not into speed races. We are supposed to be a deliberative process here so let's give ourselves time to deliberate and adjourn for the night and come back tomorrow and do the votes right.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Kellom then Commissioner Orton then Commissioner Lett.

>> CHAIR KELLUM: Commissioner Callaghan said what I was going to say and watching the people providing service stretching and tired so out of respect for them I'm going to say we need time. We need a break.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Orton?

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Yeah. I wanted to say I realize we have to end. These people have been working all day, so we have to end. It's unfortunate that we are at this point that we couldn't, you know, finish our votes before the end. But I think to Commissioner Szetela's point she said she is concerned about side conversations and if somebody comes back with a changed vote she doesn't think it will look good. I have that concern as well. But I think each of us has our vote. We can vote our conscious. And we can be swayed. We can change our vote. And I don't think anyone should feel the pressure to not change their vote or change their vote either way just because we have taken this break. So I just wanted to say everyone can sleep on it. Maybe we will be able to come together tomorrow, and our votes will be more productive without any suspicion.

>> CHAIR EID: I mean I just changed my vote, excuse me I just changed my vote. I might change it again. It's my decision as a Commissioner just like it's everyone's decision to change their vote how they please. Commissioner Wagner and then Commissioner Callaghan?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: I was just going to say I have absolutely no intention of changing my vote. I stand with the people of Detroit. We have heard from them. And so if I could just like throw you guys a little note for votes I would not have to be here tomorrow. But I think we need to give the people of Detroit what they want. I don't think it's based on a politician or an incumbent. I think it's based on what Detroit wants. They are the whole reason we are here. I wish we could have redrawn my District because farmers don't have anything to do with Howell and Brighton but y'all didn't listen to me so I'm just ready to get this done with. We know everything, people. Unless you really are considering changing your vote, I don't see that it's going to do much good.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Callaghan and then Commissioner Lett.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Come on people we do multiple rounds for a reason. To consider someone's changed vote to be suspicious or nefarious is ridiculous and ludicrous on the face of it, no point to five rounds of voting if nobody is going to change a vote, of course we do five rounds hoping someone there change their vote and you tried to label that suspicious. That is just the most insane process I've ever heard of. Somebody needs to change their vote or forget voting and go straight to ranked choice. It's ridiculous so yes hopefully someone will go tomorrow tonight think about it and come back tomorrow with a changed vote. Hopefully that is what I'm hoping for. No suspicion, no fingers pointed, something needs to change a vote. That's all.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: I call the question and all that is before us which would be.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner. We have a call the question. Takes two thirds vote and no discussion on call to question all those in favor to call the question and end discussion please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: Any opposed please raise your hand and say nay?

The ayes have it, that concludes discussion on the motion. Once again the motion was to table the remaining agenda items up until announcements. Announcements then adjourn, all those in favor of the motion please raise your hand and say aye.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I would like to make an amendment to the question.

>> CHAIR EID: Discussion is over.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay, fine.

>> CHAIR EID: All those in favor of the motion please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: Any opposed?

>> Nay.

>> CHAIR EID: The ayes have it. And the motion is adopted. We will now move on to announcements, are there any announcements?

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: I apologize Mr. Chair. Was the previous motion to table all remaining agenda items?

>> CHAIR EID: Until announce Ms.

>> MS. SARAH REINHARDT: Up to announcements thank you for the clarification.

>> CHAIR EID: I have announcement. I expect we will have a lot of public comment tomorrow. I think it's likely. We will be at the Southfield Marriott and ask anyone watching to please remember our rules of procedure when making the public comments and not single out Commissioners and keep it to the maps. Thank you. Are there any other announcements?

Seeing none, we will move to adjourn.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: So moved.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: There is a motion and a second to adjourn. All those in favor of the motion please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: All those opposed.

>> Nay.

>> CHAIR EID: The ayes have it we are adjourned at 6:27 p.m. See you tomorrow.