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>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Just so everyone knows online we are waiting for a few more people to show up here and then we will get started. Okay, I'm going to start the webinar and get us live. So bear with me just a minute but you can assume anything you say or do can be seen and heard by the world now.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Good morning.

I appreciate everyone's patience. We are trying to get a connection issues worked out so we can be live on YouTube and right now we are frozen. So hoping to get that resolved here as quick as we can. I apologize for the delay.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: No problem, thank you for the update.

>> CHAIR EID: Good morning. As Chair of the Commission, I call the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission to order at 10:14 a.m. This Zoom webinar is being live streamed on YouTube on The Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission YouTube channel.

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I'm being told we are having some technical difficulties. We will take about a 15-minute pause to work those out and reconvene.

[15-minute recess]

>> CHAIR EID: Can everyone hear me? Test, one, two, three. Good, wonderful. All right let's try this again.

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For the public watching and the record I will turn to the Department of State to take note of Commissioners present.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Good morning Commissioners when I call your name say present if you are attending the meeting remotely please identify where you are attending the meeting remotely from. I will start in alphabetical order with Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Present.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Callaghan?
Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Present and attending remotely from Detroit, Michigan.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Can you say that one more time? Commissioner Curry? We were not able to hear you.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Present and attending remotely from Detroit, Michigan.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Thank you very much. Commissioner Eid?

>> CHAIR EID: Present.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Present.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Lange? Commissioner Lett? Commissioner Lett, can you unmute your microphone?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Present.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Thank you. Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: Present.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Orton?

>> CHAIR ORTON: Present.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Present attending remotely from Wayne County Michigan.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Thank you. Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: Present attending from Eaton County, Michigan.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: And I'm sorry Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Present.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: And Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Present attending remotely from Saginaw Township Saginaw Michigan.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: Thank you. Chair, you do have a quorum.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you we will now move to adoption of the agenda as reminder to the public watching you can view the agenda at www.Michigan.gov/MICRC. I will entertain a motion to approve today's agenda.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: So moved.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: We have a motion by Commissioner Lett and a second by Commissioner Orton to approve the agenda. Is there any debate on this matter? Seeing none we will move to vote all those in favor of the motion to adopt the agenda please raise your hand and say aye?

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: The ayes have it and agenda is adopted. Next up is the purpose of the meeting, if there is no objection I will ask MICRC Executive Director Edward Woods III to present the purpose of the hearing. Is there any objection? Hearing none please proceed Mr. Woods.

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: Test, can you hear me? Okay let me share my screen, thank you. All right I want to thank everyone for coming out to the Warren community center to participate in our public hearing. I want to express appreciation to the Warren community center. Clayton and Patrick, the public relations and McConnell communications, Chase Creative and volunteers for making today's public hearing possible. History of the MICRC in 2018 Michigan voters passed proposal two a ballot initiative for voters and not legislatures to take responsibility for nonpartisan redistricting and created the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission. Comprised of 13 randomly selected Michigan residents that includes four democrats, four republicans and five who do not affiliate with either party. The MICRC is responsible for redistricting the U.S. Congressional, Michigan House, and Michigan Senate districts.

A 7 ranked redistricting criteria is different than the Apol standards which were formally used for redistricting. The 7 ranked redistricting criteria in order goes as follows: One, equal population and Voting Rights Act. Two, geographically contiguous. Three reflect state diversity and community of interest. No disproportionate advantage to any political party. Five, no favor or disfavor to an incumbent elected official or a candidate. Six, reflect consideration of county, City and Township boundaries. And seven be reasonably compact.

The U.S. department -- [no audio]

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: If Edward is speaking we cannot hear him online anymore.

>> ERIN WAGNER: We don't see him; Edward has left the building.

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: And if he does come on he forgot number three, I believe.

[No audio]

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: Why we are here one first and for most democracy works best when you hear from the residents who reside in the community. So we want to hear directly from you. Two, we want to understand your community of interest. Where there is a historical interest, whether it's a cultural or an economic interest we would like to hear directly from you. And then, number three, we want to learn from your feedback on how to draw the State Senate districts in compliance with the Court order and the seven ranked redistricting criteria.

Public comment guidelines. One, you have up to three minutes to address the Commission in the first round of public comment and additional two minutes in the second round of public comment. Number two, you address the Commission as a whole and not an individual member. Number three, any person making personal, impertinent or slanderous remarks or boisterous or disruptive addressing the Commission may be requested to leave the microphone. Number four if any person disrupts the orderly progress of the meeting or refuses to comply with the applicable MICRC guidelines and rules the Chairperson may rule that person out of order and/or order their removal from the meeting. Number five we want to thank you in advance because we know you will comply with the guidelines. Lastly we would like to encourage you as well as others who are listening to show up and speak up "Like" us or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or what we call X now or TikTok at redistricting MI. Subscribe to the MICRC YouTube channel, submit public or mapping comments at www.Michigan.gov/MICRC. And if you have questions call us on our toll-free number 1-866-map fair, that is 1866-map fair. 627-3427 for questions or more information. Once again thank you so much for being with us today.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Mr. Woods at this time we will move on to our public comments. In there is no objection. Is there any objection Commissioners? Hearing none we will move on. Individuals who have signed up and indicated they would like to provide live or remote public comments to the Commission will be allowed. We will start with live public comments followed by remote public comments in chronological order. You will have three minutes to address the Commissioner and if your thoughts are not concluded at those three minutes you can sign up for an additional two minutes of time totaling in five minutes of speaking.

Please conclude your remarks when you hear the timer. At this time I will turn it to the Commissioner's Vice Chair, Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Good morning Warren community center and all those listening online who are attending our meeting. We are so happy to have you. The first person that we have for live public comment is Sharee Goodman come and share your thoughts with the Commission.

>>Good morning.

I would first like to thank all of the members of the redistricting Commission for the work. I know you grappled over many times in drawing the maps and also I would like to thank the Warren community center for hosting this meeting.

My name again is Sharee Goodman and I'm the Executive Director of our embrace the rock, it's a community organization here in Detroit, Michigan. We are AP501C3. With that being said the community of interest that I stand here before is Senate District number 3 which encompass Highland park area and the Hamtramck area. And as we all well know those are very diverse communities. We would ask that you consider both the cultural, financial, economic interests of both of those communities because they are diverse in nature. When speaking of the Highland Park community, we look at the BIPOC community as well as in speaking with the Hamtramck community which is the Bangladesh communities.

We do see that the maps have been not proposed as of yet, but we request that in your consideration of proposing those maps that the fairness of equity be brought for all of the citizens specifically again addressing those cultural needs of the diverse people within those communities.

And I thank you for this time. And I really, really appreciate your works. Thank you.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Thank you Ms. Goodman for providing public comment to the Commission. Next we will have number two, Bronwyn-Prader.

>> Good morning I hope you all are doing well today. My name is Bronwyn Prader and I work for access in Dearborn and I'm asking to keep the communities of interest.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Can you pull it's me talking from beyond the screen, pull the mic down so we can hear you clearly.

>> Sometimes I like to think I'm taller than I am.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: I'm 5-3 restart.

>> My name is Bronwyn Prader and I work with access in Dearborn, Michigan. And I'm asking to keep the access communities of interest together, which are the communities of Arab Americans as well as Middle Eastern and North Africa. Metro Detroit is home to one of the largest and most diverse Arab American Middle Eastern and North American communities in the United States. I support the proposed map ST Cole version one because it has the fairest inclusion of our community of interest. Arab Americans and the more broad Mena communities are under counted by the U.S. census making the process much more difficult for our community to demonstrate the size and the needs. The U.S. census data is the only demographic data source used by the Commission and without a fair count of our community in the census we are constantly invisible and not factored into the redistricting process. This Commission will determine representation for the COI that will have an impact for the next ten years as well as generational impacts well beyond in the future. For this reason I ask that you also pour the SD version one.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Can we have her come back for a second? I have a question.

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Brown do you mind? She is coming. Go ahead or you are the Chair go ahead Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: We have multiple version ones do you happen to know the date on the map you are talking about we have a 4-24, a 5-2 version one.

>> Honestly I did not write down which date was on here, but I can look it up and tell you.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: If you could that would be very helpful thank you.

>> Thank you so much. Sorry I did not write that down.

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Thank you again Bronwyn and Commissioner Szetela. For three we have Kiara love and my apologies if it's Kiara.

>> Hello it's Kiara. My name is Kiara and also work at access and also asking to keep our community of interest together. Which is the Arab American and Mena communities. I also support the map SD Cole version one and will let you know as soon as we find out what exact date that map is from but through our work at access and my own personal work the Arab and Mena communities share distant culture characteristics and face unique challenges that we you know create targeted programs to address. And having the community of interest kept together really helps us serve this community. And we have found that more challenging due to the lack of national data and recognition and so recognizing this community as a community of interest and keeping them together in the redistricting maps would really just help this community and support our work in serving this community.

And without a fair count of our community previously in the census and other data it has been historically factored in the process, so we really appreciate your work and ask you to consider this community of interest. One note that we wanted to make though was that the City of Warren Dale is included in our community of interest and was not included in this map so we would ask that you consider the City of Warren Dale when doing these maps. Thank you.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Thank you so much, Kiara. Number four is Pam-Powell. Pam-Powell please approach.

>> Good morning.

Again my name is Pam-Powell I'm with the Detroit Down River Randolph institute a 501C3 organization charged with simply getting out the vote and voter education civic engagement. Having said that I am a Detroit resident from Senate District 10. And we are just, and I want to commend you guys on the job that you do. I know it's a thankless job and endless job and I've been at a lot of the hearings for Congressional and starting over and your job will go on ten years almost. We appreciate the work you do and know it can be challenging and probably you're not going to please everybody. But I ask that you consider we talk about the communities of interest. And as a Detroiter I would hope

that you would deeply consider not diluting the Detroit vote to the point where we have no control over who our legislatures are. We have been diluted to the point and put in with other communities of interest that do not share the same goals or interests that we have. And it has disenfranchised a lot of our voters. We would hope to be able to get our people out to vote and support and it makes it really difficult when you have people that are disenfranchised and don't feel their vote matters.

Additionally when you draw the maps, if they are supposed to be contiguous, I think the last time I was somewhere with Keego-Harbor I don't live near there and I'm sure our goals are not the same so think time try to keep us in close proximity with the communities that have the same communities of interest that we do.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: As Commissioner Szetela asked for another participant if you would go online and look at our maps and see if we have drawn anything that resonates with you in terms of your communities of interest that would really help the Commission as we draw today and beyond. Thank you. Number five. Lev-Wood.

>>Good morning folks my name is Lev-Wood. I am a City Council member from the City of Grosse Pointe Farms. I hope most of you know where Grosse Pointes is located in Wayne County. The purpose of my being here is to say that we five Grosse Pointes are all very contiguous and it would be my hope that we could put all three districts we are talking about today, House, State Senate, Congressional districts, would as best as possible keep all of the Grosse Pointes together. You know, if you are in your vehicle and you are driving through all five of our Grosse Pointes, it will be different for you to discern which of those cities you're in that is because we are all very much the same in terms of our housing stock, in terms of our commercial areas, in terms of the Lake. Obviously Lake St. Clair is very important for all of us in the gross points and the roadways are all very similar in the way they are laid out. So it's my hope that as you do your mapping that you will look at the Grosse Pointes as contiguous areas. I'm sorry I have not been keeping up on all of the most, the latest and the greatest maps that you have developed. But I can tell you that we are all very concerned that we won't be in the same districts. And I can also tell you that from my perspective as being on the City Council now for the last 13 years the Council members in all five cities and the City mayors and also the City managers we all communicate a great deal together. So it makes a great deal of sense to ask that we would all be included to the best extent possible in the maps going forward.

Thank you.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Thank you, Mr. Wood, we appreciate your public comment, excuse me getting I had to verify our next public comment.

I believe that that concludes everyone who signed up for the first round of live public comment. If I'm in error, please correct me. Other than that we will move on to online public comment. Chair Eid, would you like to give instructions for online?

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner Kellom. I will also note that we do have two maps in the back if anyone would like to take a look. We have the Linden Senate map that the Commission drew in 2021. And we also have the 2010 map that the legislature drew before this current redistricting process was in play. Feel free to take a look at those in order to gain some ideas and see a little bit of the progression that these maps have undergone. So for remote public comment I will call your name or Commissioner Kellom will call your name and staff will unmute you. If you are on a computer you will be prompted by the Zoom app to unmute and speak. If you are on the phone a voice will say the host wants you to speak and press star six to unmute. You will be called by your name. Please note if you experience technical or audio issues or we do not hear from you for three to five seconds we will move on to the next person in line and then return to you when they are done speaking. If your audio still does not work e-mail us at redistricting@Michigan.gov to trouble shoot. You will have the same amount of time as live comment speakers, three minutes and if you wish to speak again you will have an additional two minutes. Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Thank you Commissioner Eid, our first online comment or remote commenter is number one, Mr. James Galant.

>> Hello, James Galant, these are opinions. And is that Secretary Erin Lily that you were speaking to? Chair Eid, with Kellom's advice to slow down to get up to speed, I can see your sideways rule adjusting my shutter speed and the magic eye kicks in. To establish to the Supreme Court we are all actually on the same page, please open your book to Page 366, Line 8, which states that there shall be no debate before there is a motion with a proper second as instructed by Mike Brady. Please turn to Page 49, Robert's Rules, unanimous consent. And unanimous consent is for routine business and questions of real importance only. Also on Page 17 under customs saying a particular practice sometimes is followed and treated practically as if it's prescribed as a rule. If no contrary Robert's Rules or written rule, the custom is adhered to unless agreed to by a majority to do otherwise. And, most importantly, if a custom is or becomes in conflict with the parliamentary authority manual or any written rules and a point of order citing the conflict is raised, as Commissioner Szetela did by Mr. Fink violating the facilitation rule, the custom falls to the ground and the conflicting Robert's Rule or written rule must thereafter must be complied with. If desired to follow the former practice, a special rule can be added or amended to incorporate it. Please turn now to Page 19, conduct of business. Essential minimum officers, a secretary and a presiding officer. If elected, a replacement secretary must be elected by this board and you cannot do that because we all, our community of interest, the entire State of Michigan, elected Secretary Benson to qualify for this position as the secretary in the general election. So this business meeting is completely out of order because you have no secretary here today. And it is definitely not Secretary Lily unless you vote to elect her, which, of course, it violates the Constitution.

Now, please vote to hire a real parliamentarian. Mr. Fink testified, in my opinion, that he is clearly not competent in that position as parliamentarian because he was quoted as saying that he did not know if you should vote on amending the mapping policy when you clearly did not have a motion with a second pending as instructed by Mike Brady. So Mr. Fink is saying that he does not understand the rules of procedure, which you have hired him and now he is allowed to be the parliamentarian. Please just get a real parliamentarian. And I think this current practice thing was started right from the beginning. Secretary Benson started immediately, and she did not follow the electing the Chair rules in Robert's Rules which Mike Brady said you had to follow, and she didn't do that. She said can we have volunteers for a Chair, blah, blah, blah, all current practice.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Gallant we invite you, you did sign up for additional two minutes, so at the end we will get to you and appreciate the Page numbers. We will give those a read.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Number two, we have Chris Andrews.

>> Good morning.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Good morning.

>> I'm Chris Andrews from Haslett. I want to thank you for working diligently to eliminate the racial inequity and to reduce statewide partisan bias. Our Government cannot reflect the will of the people if the people don't have the ability to elect legislative majorities. I'd like to make a couple of comments about the public's challenges, my challenges in understanding partisan fairness metrics.

I have not been able to find partisan fairness metrics using the updated composite for the Linden map. We need that to know whether or not the maps improve statewide fairness.

There should also be a document available on the website that explains the metrics in more detail than Lisa Handley's PowerPoint including information about the composites. If there is something that has been provided to the Commissioners it should be easily accessible on the website.

Finally I would encourage you to look at some of the undemocratic packing of democratic voters in districts 1, 3 and 7 as they have been drawn so far. All of them have District 7 maps with 95% or more democratic majorities. Whatever the intent, this is the opposite of partisan fairness. There is no world in which you need majorities that large to empower Black voters to elect the Senator of their choice. And you don't need racial data to know that this will diminish the influence of Black voters. No District needs to be more than 80% democratic. Thank you.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Thank you, Mr. Andrews for your insight. Number three, Matima.

>> MEGHAN SCHAAR: That participant is not present.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Thank you. Number four, Kurtis Fernandez.

>> Hello, can you all hear me now?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Yes.

>> Thank you. Hi everyone my name is Kurtis Fernandez and I am a Sterling Heights resident. 042924-SD-COL-V1 otherwise known as map 350 does a decent job of keeping communities of interest together in Southeast Michigan. For example I live on the west side of Sterling Heights, and I feel that, and I spend a lot of time with family and spend a lot of time with close friends in Troy. For me I really like the west side of Sterling Heights is kept together with Troy in Senate District 8. As a Philippine American Troy, Sterling Heights and Madison eight in 8 are closely intertwined and something I appreciate. As someone who works with communities of color throughout Southeast Michigan I really value how communities of color in the communities that are on 8 Mile on either side of the Wayne or Oakland Macomb County borders are kept together such as in Senate districts 7 and 10. There are a lot of -- there are strong Black and Asian communities on both sides of 8 Mile so I really appreciate those communities are kept together so their voting rights are not diluted. I want to thank the Commission for their hard work. I appreciate there is a lot of complexity in the redistricting process. And I know it is not easy to balance the interests of all stakeholders. But it is important to make sure we work towards fair maps for everyone. And especially communities of color. So I really appreciate the work that you all have done so far. And thank you so much. Take care.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Kurtis this is Commissioner Kellom, are you still on can I ask you a quick question?

>> Sure.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Can you slow down and repeat I think you said you like the communities of District 7 and 8. I wanted to make sure I heard that. There was some disconnect so I wanted to be sure that I caught what you were saying. To what District.

>> I was using districts 8, 7, 8 and 10 as a reference point. So for District 8, on map 350 I like how the communities especially the Asian communities in Troy, Sterling Heights and Madison Heights are kept together. Because they are closely intertwined. And for districts 7 and 10 because I believe both of those represent communities on both sides of 8 Mile I think that is crucial because there are communities of color especially Black and Asian communities on both sides of the 8 Mile border. And I think it's important to make sure that the voting rights of those communities are not diluted.

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Thank you so much.

>> You're welcome. Thank you so much for your time.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Hold on Kurtis I think you have a question from another Commissioner.

>> Sure, sure.

>> CHAIR EID: Can you give the full name of the map? It sounds like you're saying map 350, but 350 has Sterling Heights split. So you're saying you like the one that has Sterling Heights, Troy and Madison Heights in one District?

>> Yes so I live on the west side of Sterling Heights. So for me and I'm speaking on a personal level, right. I live on the west side of Sterling Heights and but for me I'm a lot more connected to folks in Troy and the west side of Sterling Heights. So you know, it can be tough to balance, you know, all these different maps. But you know speaking from my experience, for me I spend at low of time in Troy and really Madison Heights so for me on a personal level and as being an Asian American that's what I appreciate. That side of Sterling Heights being connected to Troy and Madison Heights but that is my perspective.

>> CHAIR EID: I see. Thank you for the clarification.

>> Yep, no problem.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Kurtis I think you can -- I think we can finally let you go. Thank you again for your insights. Number five Anthony Scannell.

>> Thank you so much, good morning MICRC.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Good morning.

>> Thank you. I'm joining from District 1 area. But for the Senate and the House District 1 and I don't really like the cross over from the Down River Area to crossing over downtown towards the east side myself. I don't really like that configuration. But I could see why you would do it because it's up against the river. I just don't think, I think there is a real east-west kind of a divide just myself. That's why I think the kind of curve around Dearborn configuration is better for that area. Thank you.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Thank you, Mr. Scannell. At this time all of our participants who signed up for a first round of public excuse me of remote public comment have given their comments so we are going to move to the second round.

And number one for the second round is James Galant.

>> Hello.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Hi Mr. Gallant.

>> You got me okay thank you James Galant, Marquette, these are my opinions. Thank you Chair Eid for determining as Chair that you will absolutely entertain on your own initiative the points of order on the pages that I have quoted to you at these meetings. Whomever is telling you that without objection is being used appropriately as a unanimous consent is lying to you. And presumably lying to the Commission in the closed sessions where you all made these decisions at because they are not in the minutes. And Secretary Benson as Martha Stewart found out it may not be illegal but not in the minutes is illegal and falsifying records under election law and that is a felony. So please encourage the other members to not allow you as the Chair to continue to violate the rules on a point of order by not reading the written rule on to the record. And any member who has actually tried outside these meetings because of what's going on

here please request points of order for every single rule to effectively reset the customs and current practices of Marxist style Communism that has been instilled by chairman Eid and Edward Woods. Edward Woods is a trained parliamentarian but did not take the test to be a-parliamentarian and not doing the rules effectively and came from him. Edward Woods has the Marxist style Communism and don't know what is happening next and is Communism and opposite and that will destroy capitalism, and this is what you are doing here, and this is exactly what California did. I testified at their meetings in California and started out doing the exact same thing and walked right all over Robert rules of order, kicked them right in the rear and just said kick them to the curb and you are going to do the current practices never to mention again Robert's Rules of Order.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Thank you so much, Mr. Gallant for your insights the second time around. We all appreciate it when you share with us. We have another second-round public comment then we will go to live second round public comment so Anthony Scannell number two for our second round of online comment.

>> Thank you so much. I don't need the whole minute and a half or whatever it is. I will just say joining from Senate District 1 area, I think, if the District stays in the same spot. And I don't like the District that goes from Down River to the east side of Detroit along the river. It doesn't make a lot of sense to me. But that is just not my preference. Thank you very much.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Thank you, Mr. Scannell. At this time we are going to go to our second round of in-person public comment. Okay, we actually have a person that did not speak for the first time. So we are going to allow them to speak first then we will go to our second around of public comment for in-person folks. The person that I'm going to call to the mic is Maria-Rivera.

>>Thank you very much. I too want to say thank you to everybody on the Commission. I work very hard on the campaign in 2018. And it was amazing and some of you have been here.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Hold on Maria, are folks in the back excuse me.

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: Mr. Taylor.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Keep explaining the maps but can we get you to lower your voice a little bit because the auditorium is hearing you right up here. Okay. Maria.

>> Thank you. Moving forward, I live in well in Michigan of course but live in Warren, Warren is the third largest City in the state. And we have just gotten new leadership. And we are poised for regeneration and revitalization so it's a very exciting time right now. And I encourage you to keep at least most of the City of Warren together and in any kind of redistricting. We need solidarity to serve the City best. And to have the regeneration and revitalization we hope will come. So that's all I have to say. We are a diverse community. We enjoy it that way. And I really think that if we were divided it will

make any kind of movement forward more difficult. So I thank you very much for listening and great job.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Thank you so much Maria. At this time we are going to move to our second round of live, in person public comment. And the person that signed up for a second time is Ms. Kiara-Love.

>> Hello.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Hi.

>> Kiara Love here again and wanted to clarify the version of SD Cole map we are supporting is from 4-29. Thank you.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Thank you, Kiara for that clarification.

>> CHAIR EID: Anyone in the room that would like to provide public comment? Is there anyone who has not been able to who would light to? There is one more? Please approach the microphone and state your name.

>> Thank you. Thank you. Again my name is Shiree Goodman with embrace the rock community organization. This is my second comment. I would like to speak on in regards to the proposed map 350 and 349. I understand that they are basically identical with the difference of 349 being with the voters. So my -- I should say I'm in favor of map 350 as one of the online public commenters stated earlier. And in consideration of that with Senate 3, District 3, 350 would be the ideal map that we are in favor of. Thank you for this opportunity.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Thank you again Ms. Goodman for your public comment. Is there anyone else? At this time that concludes our public comment portion of the meeting. We thank you again as a Commission for everyone that shared their thoughts today. If you are just taking in the process and want to go online Michigan.gov/MICRC to look at the maps that have been drawn so far, nothing is set in stone so please interact with those maps, keep telling us what you like, keep telling us what you don't like, where you think the line should be shifted or where you think our ideas should be tweaked. So far we cannot, cannot draw these maps without the involvement of the public. So we appreciate everyone both online and in person who spoke today, and I will turn the meeting back over to our Chair, Mr. Anthony Eid.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner Kellom. At this time we will move to mapping however we are still taking public comments. If anyone wants to sign up or come later in the day we will be here all day. Please come through, please sign up and as long as you are signed up before 7:00 p.m. we will hear you speak.

Until then we will try to get some work done and get to mapping. So next up on the agenda is mapping. If there is no objection we will move on to the collaborative mapping process as outlined by the Commissioner's rules of procedure and our collaborative mapping policies. Is there any objection? Hearing none we will start mapping.

We have a few representatives from EDS with us today. Welcome back Mr. John Morgan. Thank you for being here.

>> MR. MORGAN: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: We ended last Thursday with Commissioner Orton. I think you were just getting started on something. So the floor is yours. Go ahead.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Thank you. So, Mr. Morgan, would you pull up the map that we had started on, I think you have it.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay let's see if we can get the reference number for that.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: I think it was 050224 version 3.

>> MR. MORGAN: All right. So this is the map with that date.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay and then if you want to work on this, would we want -- now this is an incomplete map from that date with a version three number. So we could give it today's date with the version 3 number, or you could since it's already I think been uploaded as incomplete we probably would give it today's date and then move forward, okay.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Yes, please do that.

>> MR. MORGAN: If you can see my screen it looks like several districts are not created, 1, 2, 3, 6 and looks like 8 is partially created.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Let's work on 8 and make it a District.

>> MR. MORGAN: There is only 34,000 people in this District 8 and it looks like it's entirely here in Oakland County so far.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So could you finish taking all of the part of Oakland County that is not assigned and we will see how much population that is.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

So I'm just going to lock 8, 9 and 10. It does look like there is a little piece of Oak Park that's in District 7 here. I don't know if that was intentional, or not. Or if this is the 7 that was inherited from a previous map drawn.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Yes, we had just taken this from Linden so I'm pretty sure that's how it is in Linden, at least we did not mean to change anything there.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Having said that since we are changing things we can take that now, we can do it now or later, whatever works best.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so without dealing with that potential adjustment, the District 8, balance of Oakland County is 186,000.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, can you Zoom into the bottom edge so I can see exactly what is there? Will you go down and put the neighborhood map on? Maybe that is what you are doing.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, would you select kind of that first layer where there is kind of a horizontal line? In some places it's two, two layers.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so this is the area between 8 Mile and 7-Mile?

>> CHAIR ORTON: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Do you want to start on the side of Noland or the side by Schaffer?

>> CHAIR ORTON: Right there is good.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: If any Commissioners have ideas which communities would be good to go in, let me know.

>> MR. MORGAN: So continue to the east here?

>> CHAIR ORTON: Yes, please, all the way over to Noland.

>> MR. MORGAN: That is 212000 people. About 20% under the ideal population.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, while we are here, would you take the, sorry, I think my screen is maybe lagging what you are doing. I think it's Schaffer, it's in 7. But can you take that and put it in 8? Yes, that area. Just straight down. So leave greenfield with 7 but the others go with 8.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

Okay, so we still need 48, almost 49,000.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, and while we are working on it, can we go up to that little part that you saw above a little bit where seven was kind of jutting into where 8 is?

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, yeah, okay, that is done. This is one of these situations where it could be that the voting District as defined in the program might not be exactly the same as the Township boundaries or City boundaries.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Right. Okay, so on my screen it looks like you fixed that; is that right?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, great, go back down, please. Okay, we are still short 48,000. Any suggestions?

>> CHAIR EID: I would include the Palmer Park, Palmer Woods area as we have.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: You have Ferndale and 8 Mile in all the other maps unless you are trying to make something different and if you are that is cool.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: We were asked to keep those places together.

>> CHAIR EID: One neighborhood south of where you are now.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: John, so it's probably down to 6 mile.

>> MR. MORGAN: So win ship, Schultz, Bagley.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: All the way across including Cadillac Heights.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

That leaves you about 10,000 short and I had to take a little extra here in Conant Gardens.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, can you scoot over a little so I can see all of the bottom of the District?

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, just a moment. I think it's just lagging a little behind.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, thank you. And Zoom in a little bit unless you already are. Okay so we need 10,000 more. I know there are certain areas we don't want to pick up. Like Highland Park probably. But any suggestions of which neighborhoods to pick up?

>> CHAIR EID: What is on the other side of this District? Yeah. So on the west side you have College Park and Greenfield is the border, College Park unassigned, to the south you have these neighborhoods here and then here is Highland Park. And then the Bangla Town area to the south. So you are right up to the Highland Park border. I'd either go, let's see, I would either go south of win ship or west to include College Park.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay before I forgot over here on the east side, could you take all of, I can't tell which neighborhood that is, yeah, can you take all of the gardens out?

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: So we are not splitting it?

>> MR. MORGAN: That is all out.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay so on the west side at the bottom. Okay, oops the share ended.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay one second and I will reconnect. Okay is that reconnected?

>> CHAIR ORTON: Yes. Okay, so we are looking for around 10,000 people so will you take not College Park, just take the next row below. Yes. And if you see the population before I do, can you let me know what it is? Because I'm not seeing it.

>> MR. MORGAN: That is taking these neighborhoods below here and that takes you to negative 3800. That's negative 1.44% with these neighborhoods.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, thank you, could you take the neighborhood layer off and Zoom out so I can see the whole District? Okay, thank you, I think I'm good with that for now.

>> MR. MORGAN: Commissioner Orton just to point out one thing the changes to District 7 did lower the population a little bit so there might need to be an adjustment in the future.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: I see that. Well, let's go ahead and do that one if that is okay.

So Zoom in to the bottom. And my apologies if I give you instructions that you are already doing. But I'm seeing it after I think. So let's add can you choose the 7-Mile Rouge is that how you say it? Can you choose that and see what the population is? Unless anyone knows a reason that should not go in that.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay that's 2500 and taking those other neighborhoods is more. 4300.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Okay, yes, please assign those.

>> MR. MORGAN: Then there is a little more here I will add. Okay so it's within less than 1%, 2400 down from the ideal. Following the neighborhood boundaries.

>> COMMISSIONER ORTON: Great, thank you very much. Okay I'll pass it on.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Commissioner Orton. Next up on the alphabetical list is Commissioner Szetela.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Good morning John, you can go ahead and save this and close it.

>> CHAIR EID: Is Commissioner Szetela still on with us?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah, you guys can't hear me? Hello, can you hear me?

>> CHAIR EID: There we go.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: John, you can save it and close it. We are going to open a different map.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I want to go to 050224S DCOL version 1 and make a new copy of it.

>> MR. MORGAN: 50224 version 1 copy and use today's date?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep. So 050724. And did we rename the map that Cynthia worked on? I did not catch if we did or not.

>> MR. MORGAN: Well, it was a version three. So version one is available for a number for today.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay so let's just go ahead with the version one then. All right and before we, I will wait for your software.

>> MR. MORGAN: It's a little slow but it's catching up.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: That's okay.

So before I do anything I want to run the partisan fairness using the original database we used as a round of mapping just as a base line before I make changes.

>> MR. MORGAN: So the way the program will work, it will save this with the name of the plan, but if I were to run this with the updated numbers, it would have the same file name. So after we do this, we may want to save this as not updated or something like that to preserve it.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Or OR for original.

>> MR. MORGAN: Whatever you like yes, okay but for right now this is what it is and here is the top line numbers.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay so lopsided margin is 6.0.

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes mean median is 2.9 for republican. Efficiency gap is 5.8 for republican.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: Seats vote ratio is 19-19.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay, all right you can close that out.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, close that.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: All right do you have a copy of that updated Detroit COI shape file that I sent to you about a week ago?

>> MR. MORGAN: Maybe.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I e-mailed it to you so it will be in your e-mail.

>> MR. MORGAN: It's updated COI.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Detroit COI

>> MR. MORGAN: To a group or just to me?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Just to you. It may be easier to guide mapping.

>> MR. MORGAN: I will have to check the e-mail for that. I don't know if you want me to suggest a short break.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: We will start mapping so let's just dive in.

>> MR. MORGAN: Don't do the COI then?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Don't worry about it.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, that is fine, I will be right back. Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Do you have the map up right now? I'm only seeing the spreadsheet still. It might just be a delay on my end those.

>> MR. MORGAN: It should be there in a moment.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: Do you see the map now or not yet?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I'm not seeing it yet. Let me just...there's just a little Internet delay between what is happening there and what I'm seeing here. Now I see it. We are good. So we are going to go over to District 13 and 6. And we are going to take Northville and put it into 6. So Northville is that pop out area that is pulled into 13 right now. We are going to reunite that with Northville Township.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay that is added to 6.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Then we will go north in District 13, up to west I'm sorry east of Wixom so if you pull the map down a little bit. So those precincts right to the left of where your cursor just was, I want you to grab a few of them and we are going to move them into 13 to balance out population. So if you can just start selecting the bottom precinct right to kind of northwest of the Lake.

>> MR. MORGAN: From 23?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes and we will put that into 13 to rebalance the population.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Probably not that much. That went into 6, yeah. So just what you have right now should be enough.

- >> MR. MORGAN: So just that one.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No, the other part you had as well, that kind of more jaggedy.
- >> MR. MORGAN: That one?
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: That one right there and that should be enough.
- >> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela, did you want the part of Redford that goes above the county line also be in 6 or did you just want the southern part?
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Redford?
- >> MR. MORGAN: Northville.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No, I wanted that to go in 6 as well, the whole town of Northville.
- >> MR. MORGAN: Okay, just a second.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Looks like population is good and go between 6 and 5 near Garden City. Okay, and if you can just stick with the precincts, that would be good. So you see how we kind of have this little step on the edge of Wayne or on the edge of Canton? Yep, I want to pull the precinct just to the east of there and the one below it. And that is part of the Native American COI, yep, so where you just circled there and the precinct above it, if we can put that into 5 that is reuniting more of that community of interest rather than have it kind of split in half like it is now. And we should be able to -- was that two precincts or was that one?
- >> MR. MORGAN: That is two.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay, just do the top one. And then the precinct above that one.
- >> MR. MORGAN: Do you want to go north of that? Or just that one.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Just north of that. Grab that one too. And there is one more above that, that is kind of, yes, a squiggly line, follows the river there. All right, and then go ahead and put those in. We should still be within deviation. Okay, and then there is one more small precinct I want you to grab just to the east of the first precinct you grabbed and put that in as well.
- >> MR. MORGAN: That is part of Garden City?
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes so put that into 5 and that makes that community of interest a little bit more whole.
- >> MR. MORGAN: Okay looks like that takes us over the population range.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: By how much?
- >> MR. MORGAN:
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I'm not worried about the .04. So all right so now go to the line between one and two. And it might be helpful if you can turn on Detroit neighborhoods if you have that shape file. Just looking at my map and your map. Can you change the names to Black maybe? That's better. All right so we are going to Zoom in towards the top of one where it's joining with three. Up near we are looking for

Rosedale. So I just want to make sure that community is together. So I see I have a little so it looks like we might have Grandmont. We do that is what we thought, north Rosedale, Rosedale, Grandmont. Okay.

All right so back out of that for now and I want you to scroll over here Highland Park and Hamtramck. All right can you move the population box down to the corner? Yeah, that is so much better. Thank you very much. All right. So let's go just above Hamtramck. So I see Hamtramck. That Davison neighborhood I want to put into three. Yep. And just yep right there don't do any more than that. So put that into three. Okay how are we population wise on that? We are good?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yeah, three is 610 down.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: One is 4600 down and 8 is 4500.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: If you can scroll out again we will go to 11 and 12 and make some changes there.

>> MR. MORGAN: You don't want to pick the rest of Davison, or you do?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No, I don't. All right so we will delete out 11 and 12 and rebuild those.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So we are going to take, and you can do some of this by Township would be faster, so the Grosse Pointes, the five Grosse Pointes, St. Clair Shores, you can assign all of those into 11.

>> MR. MORGAN: You don't want to change 25 up here?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No.

>> MR. MORGAN: Or 24?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Right.

>> MR. MORGAN: I want to lock those, so I don't take something.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep.

>> MR. MORGAN: So starting with the Grosse Pointes.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Is that 12 or 11?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, St. Clair Shores and just put them all into 11.

>> MR. MORGAN: You want all of St. Clair Shores.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: All of St. Clair Shores and Roseville and Fraser and that portion of Warren but that is not obviously all of Warren so you will have to change selection there. Then we are going to go further north of Fraser, grab that line of precincts across the top of Fraser. Yeah, the color is hard to see.

>> MR. MORGAN: So which direction now?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: The precincts sitting on top of it.

>> MR. MORGAN: To the north.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: To the north and you can go up to 24, 27 just north of Fraser, yep, bring that down. Okay you are going to continue westwardly to Gratiot which is the diagonal line that is coming down, the bigger one. Not that far. Go back, see the diagonal line that is punctuating midway through what you did, that is Gratiot, and we don't want to go past Gratiot. Yep, right there. All right, and then we are going to grab the 20 I think it's 2432, 1106, grab those precincts. And then the one immediately above the 2432, I can't see a number on that one. There you go. All right those two go ahead and sign in. I should be good on population with those.

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Everything else that is left over we are going to put into 12.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay and you can save it then we are going to rerun the partisan fairness. How did we end up with 4.6? That is a lit high. No, it's actually good. If you can just rerun the partisan fairness looking at that old database, the original database.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

Okay the top line number is the lopsided margin is 4.8 for republican. Mean median is 1.4 for republican. The efficiency gap is 2.9. And the seats vote ratio is 20 democrat and 18 republican with a 0.3 towards the democrats.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay so generally they improved across the board. The original mean median was 2.9 it's now 1.4, original efficiency gap was 5.8 and now 2.9 original seats votes was 19-19 and revised as 2018 with a .03 variation there. So all right so if we can just save this map and now we will do another one.

>> MR. MORGAN: I do have a water block here. I should probably assign that if that is all right.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah, if you want to go ahead and do that.

>> CHAIR EID: John, was that the new data matrix or the old data matrix?

>> MR. MORGAN: It was the old one I believe.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela we do have a public comment so I'm going to ask you to pause for one moment while we take that comment.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes and I ask that John continue to fill in the water blocks while the comment is happening.

>> CHAIR EID: Wonderful. We have Mr. Jerard-Manard who has not spoken yet. Hello Mr. Manard so we have two rounds of comment if you like. The first one lasts for three minutes and then if you're not concluded by those, by the time that three minutes is up you are more than welcome to sign up again to get an additional two minutes.

>> Thank you. I will be brief because I have a school sinking fund millage I'm advocating for today, so I took time out of my day. First I wanted to thank you all for coming to Macomb County. I know nobody from Macomb County the third most

populous county actually serves on this Commission, so I appreciate you guys coming to Macomb County and also appreciate something else. In the maps that were presented to us and voted that you guys voted in, there were two districts that very strongly represented Macomb County. And very legally you guys did correctly those were 9 and 12. So my first point to you is to not change those districts. You did them correctly and I'm very thankful for that because those represent a lot of communities of interest inside of Macomb County. That should be together namely in District 12 because we just redid District 12. The one thing I didn't like about what I just heard about District 12 is I have a community of interest in this community and Lake St. Clair is a huge community of interest and coming up, we have a cleanup for Lake St. Clair every community who comes in and around Lake St. Clair champions the Lake we have a blue tour and encourage you to take it. Do it on a sunny day because it's nice to go around the Lake. If you need a driver let me know. But I just literally heard was that we took partisan fairness over a community of interest. Please don't do that. I don't want -- community of interest is higher on the spectrum for a reason. And at this point it doesn't, partisan, we should not be talking about partisanship in this. I want to get maps where people are represented or the people who represent me represent me and the issues I care about and not represent the issues of whatever various party they are going to represent. So I just wanted to start off by thanking you for the two districts and thank you for coming in here into Macomb County and wanted to give a couple other points about Macomb County because you are not from here and hopefully you can consider it. When you are making the District that has to be redone I would stick with what is legal and done and passed and stick with it. Number two in the areas where you have to change, make the changes inside of those areas. But really focus on communities of interest. First thing here in Macomb County we have a lot of ethnic populations, we have Chaldeans that are very, very wonderful human beings, proud of their heritage and there is a huge church in Sterling Heights, and they all congregate together and it's something that should be kept together by you guys. We shouldn't divide them up in two districts. As a community of interest they should be kept together. The second community of interest in Clinton is the Italian American and it's on Romeo plank which is about nine miles from here. For you guys to further consider about keeping them as well. One of the most interesting things about Macomb County is we have school districts that have multiple communities and as a person who is very involved with the communities, with the school District specifically one Senator, my current Senator represents five different school districts so when I go to her and ask for funding for an early childhood center. Well, Jerad lakeshore or Chippewa Valley has asked for that or go to lakeshore or Lance Cruz. It would be nice if we had school districts inside of one Senator District so I can go to one Senator and don't have to compete with my other school District inside of one person so ask you to keep that in mind as well. We have a bunch of things here that are exciting in Macomb County.

Mound Road. I don't know if any of you have driven on Mound Road prior to this young lady, Ms. Kellom, understands it used to go, ta. If you have a kidney stone, drive Mound Road, it will take care of it for you. The communities pulled together and got Federal resources, that is a community of interest. It's a corridor here in Macomb County. The defense network goes up and down that corridor and it's something we are absolutely famous for so keeping things like Mound Road and everything in one senator District will do wonders for this community. I think it's just a lot of it and I have been in your shoes before, so I don't envy your task to be honest with you. But the last thing I will say is inside of our school District we have a motto called respect and responsibility and I will leave it here with you guys. Respect us, our community of interest, and our local needs and then when you're executing your responsibility do it so that everything is done correctly. Taking a community of interest before political interest. For example and that last map I appreciate the ladies, I think she was on the camera. But I appreciate her diligence and you know pulling this community and that community but when you assembled that last District you are assembling three communities and one out of the three does not have the same interest of the other two. I understand it's a tough road for everybody, but for this particular thing I guess I will just close by just rounding up my three concerns, one community of interest over politics. And I prefer you to throw the politics in the garbage bin when you are baking this map if you can. Two, stay within the current lines because if I remember the Article correctly, the map is about 80, 75, 80% right as it is now, maybe a little higher, I don't remember the number in the map, but you are almost there. You just fix the Districts that the courts said we have to fix, and this is going to turn out to be the biggest success in Michigan that we've had with an Independent Commission. And then finally I think you should set the example on here by just putting the people first. And when you do communities of interest, I know I repeated myself there but it's just stuff that I think is rather important for each and every one of you. And there is if you want to know anything about Macomb County give me a jingle I can tell you thank you so much.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Manard. We also have a Mr. Wallace Chambers.

>> How are you doing, good evening. My concern is that it's almost like you're going to no man's land. Detroit has nothing in common with Macomb. We can't do that, and they come to Detroit and do what they want to do but we cannot go to Macomb. So the background is different. It's education and social and human rights everything is different. Now you are crossing paths like that it's almost like you are scattering a bunch of people that don't even know each other. It's like you got some people and people don't come this way. All of a sudden you want to get them crisscrossed; they are like blind. Blind and don't know what direction they are going in. And I think all the mapping and everything is just like taking one side of the continent and put it here and take this side and put it here and it does not mix. We should stay in the zones where we have been for many years and all the sudden the years come up and everybody

wants to shift everything around. If it ain't broke why you fixing it. It does not seem it makes any sense to go here and there and there. When it was already fixed now you want to break up the puzzle. It just seems out of comment, you know, for the things that are happening right now. That is my opinion. Because we are in a different situation. Thank you.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: This is Commissioner Kellom I would love for when you have time to, I know you just expressed some confusion and dissatisfaction with the process. But please do go on line and see what we have drawn so far because we are a Commission that is randomly chosen and in 2018 there was a ballot that chose to have regular citizens like yourself take on this process rather than have politicians that have their own private interest redraw these maps so every ten years this process takes place in terms of redistricting so I would love for you to take a look at what we are drawing and look at your area to get a better sense of what we are doing for these Senate maps. We are charged with gathering 260,000 plus citizens based upon their most common interest, based upon cultural neighborhood, all sorts of commonalities that might exist amongst citizens. So when we think about having to put together that many people it's strategic and it also involves some communities overlapping in a way that makes sense to your point. So we need citizens like yourself to engage in the process so both, one, you understand it but then two we have the input we need not to draw blindly as 13 Commissioners. We desperately need folks like yourself to come and have an input on what we are doing so far.

>> Either decision made because of your behalf or what you think is more reasonable for what they don't, you know.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: No, the decision is made based upon an individual like yourself, the previous gentleman that got up here and educated us on he does not like the way District 12 was just drawn live are the types of comments and told us why because he does a lakeshore tour and he talked about school resources and about the Italian American Clinton Township and I'm looking down because we are and the Commissioners are taking notes on what public commenters are saying. Yes, we are from our individual areas, and we can stand and describe what we like, but, you know, there is power in numbers as they say. So the more people that come out from the Macomb County, the Detroit community, Down River wherever that we are drawing as a Commission that is what is going to make the difference then we discuss based upon what we have heard what decisions need to be made when we are drawing.

>> Downtown Detroit is the main back draft I mean the main center, piece of the puzzle, why would you take from there where it's like everybody is coming here instead of versus we got to go there. It all surrounds outside.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: We have to draw other areas so come out tomorrow and get online and do what I asked you to do. We have another hearing on Thursday, and I would love to see you again.

>> Okay thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: We do have a Mr. Ryan in the back if you can raise your hand. If you want to take a look at any of the maps we've drawn to get an idea of what we are doing he can help you with that. Okay we will return to Commissioner Szetela.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay, so I would just like to comment that I did not say that I was breaking up 11 and 12 for partisanship. I did highlight how the changes that I made to that map, which were many by the way, did increase or improve the partisan fairness numbers it. But I did not say I was splitting that up because of partisan fairness. I want to point out St. Clair Shores and Grosse Pointe which has been identified as a community of interest are still together in District 7 which is why I drew it that way. Last comment is we hear a lot from the public about communities of interest and yes we want to hear about those communities of interest, but we are trying to balance multiple different criteria including multiple competing sometimes communities of interest. And that sometimes means one community of interest gives way to another. Because we are accommodating multiple factors and not only concerned about one particular thing that may be most important to the person speaking but in terms of the overall map may not be able to be accommodated. So there's a lot of factors that go into this process. And communities of interest is one of them. All right so what do we have open right now, John?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes this is the plan you just worked on. I assigned the water block. Would you like to run the analytical check?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: If you can save it and close it we are going to move on to another one.

>> MR. MORGAN: There might be unassigned territory in it.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay.

You want to run the contiguity check go ahead and do that and do the plan analysis.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Did you close it already?

>> MR. MORGAN: I did I'm reopening.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: That's okay I have limited time so I would rather move on to another map if it's not open, close it. We can clean up the little details later.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, just a moment I will close it in a moment.

>> CHAIR EID: While he is doing that I will say I do like the changes you made in 5 and 6, including 5, 6 and 13 I was going to do something similar so.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: There is no reason Northville City should be broken off from Northville Township. I just doesn't make any sense to do that.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay the plan is closed.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay so I need 04.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Excuse me, just a second, I got a question. On 11, District 11, you have a little tail, a little curlicue at the top of that District and why?

- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: You're asking me why?
- >> COMMISSIONER LETT: Yeah, it just looks weird.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: It's for population and you know, we are going to have nooks and crannies because that is how precincts are drawn so we cannot smooth out the edges.
- >> COMMISSIONER LETT: I thought maybe it was for a COI or precinct or something like that.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: It's a precinct. It's a precinct.
- >> COMMISSIONER LETT: Okay, thank you.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: All right so what do we have John?
- >> MR. MORGAN: I'm waiting to see what plan you want to open.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: 042424 version 4.
- >> MR. MORGAN: You want to open it and look at it or make changes?
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I want to make a copy of it and make changes to it.
- >> MR. MORGAN: So put today's date on that?
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes please and I'm guessing this is version two.
- >> MR. MORGAN: There was a version three and yours was version one so you can keep it as four or you can keep it as or make it two.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Let's just do two. So if you can Zoom into the Southfield area once it loads up, when I looked at this online there was a big area in Southfield that was not assigned, and I want to correct that. So it should be I believe it's District 7.
- >> MR. MORGAN: Okay so this is the one I saved. Is this the plan that you were expecting?
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah, hold on. Let me look.
- >> MR. MORGAN: Let me double check this.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: It's the same plan but the version online is missing a chunk by Lathrup village but it's filled in here so I don't know why that is not filled in but that is okay I have one other change I want to make to the map anyway so...
- >> MR. MORGAN: Okay, so do you want to make any changes or verify anything in this plan?
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Can you run the plan analysis just to see if that appears as unassigned?
- >> MR. MORGAN: Okay, no dis-contiguity and no unassigned areas.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay, all right.
- >> MR. MORGAN: Okay so then just for sake of clarity here so if I upload this plan because we worked on it today then it will correct that concern about an unassigned area from the previous plan.
- >> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep. All right and so now we are going to go between 10 and 11 because there is one other thing I want to adjust in this plan.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so making changes, okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So if you can just Zoom in a little bit more. So there is an area of Roseville that is currently in 10. I want to take it in 11 and put Harper Woods into 10. So, yeah, you see those, there is three maybe three precincts, maybe four precincts.

>> MR. MORGAN: So you want all of Roseville into 11?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Then you want Harper Woods into 10?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes, please.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: That is all I have for this map so we can save it and I have one more I want to do.

>> CHAIR EID: We are going to have to pause.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Because of lunch.

>> CHAIR EID: We have two more public comments that just came in so we will take those and then we will break for lunch. We have number 12, a Mr. Kerry-Jance.

>> Good afternoon Kerry-Jance from Clinton Township Michigan and I asked the Commission to please don't tear apart the lakeshore District. I know if it's not broke don't try and fix it. Don't put politics over community interest. I live or I grew up and lived in Clinton Township and Clinton Township got split from some communities of interest and really harmed the community. I don't want the same thing to happen again. I currently live in Macomb Township. And Macomb and Shelby Township and Sterling Heights, Clinton townships can all be considered communities of interest. Thank you for listening to me, I appreciate it. I'm from the Clinton Township Kiwanis and a number of other non-profits I'm a part of in Macomb County, so thank you for your time.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Jance. Next up we have Alex Birdie.

>> Hi there, I'm Alex Birdie, and I was told that Warren is getting somewhat underrepresented in this current map. We are a big and diverse City and knocked on doors in Warren and find with the many demographics inside of it, it deserves more representation than the current map and cannot be split up in different districts and that is about all I have. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Alex. Is there anyone else here who has not had the chance to speak? Either a first or second time who would like to before the Commission breaks? Okay, seeing none I will entertain a motion to break for recess.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: So moved.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there any debate on the motion? Seeing none all those in favor of the motion please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there any opposed? The ayes have it, the Commission will break and we will reconvene at 1:30. When we reconvene we will be starting with more public comments. Before we return to mapping.

[Lunch recess until 1:30 p.m.]

>> CHAIR EID: Is this coming out okay? Wonderful. Welcome back everyone. As Chair of the Commission I call this meeting of the Michigan independent citizens redistricting back to order at 1:33 p.m. Department of State could we please take the roll?

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Absolutely, Mr. Chair. Commissioners please say present when I call your name. I will begin roll call alphabetically with Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Eid?

>> CHAIR EID: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM:

>> YVONNE YOUNG: She is somewhere, we will come back to her. Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Present remotely from Osceola County, Michigan.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Orton?

>> CHAIR ORTON: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Can you repeat that, Commissioner Szetela? I'm sorry.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you. Commissioner Vallette?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Wagner? Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: I'm going to go back up and catch a couple of Commissioners Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Present attending remotely from Mexico.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you. Commissioner Kellom? Commissioner Wagner? Mr. Chair at roll call you have 11 Commissioners present.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Department of State.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: You're welcome.

>> CHAIR EID: All right at this time we will resume public comments. And then after public comments we will continue mapping. Just like if the morning people will have three minutes to comment nor a first round and if you are not concluded with your comments you can sign up a second time for an additional two minutes to conclude your comments, totaling in five minutes, that total speaking time.

We have a few folks who signed up and would like to be heard. We will start with Mr. Amad.

>> Hello, good afternoon.

>> CHAIR EID: Good afternoon.

>> First I want to start by saying thank you. I appreciate saying my name the way you did. It wasn't too bad. Thank you. So hello to you all. I hope all is well and you are in good health. My name is Amad and work in Dearborn, but I moved around over 30 times across various cities around the Detroit Metro area. I love every part of this county. I'm here today because I want to keep my community of interest together. The U.S. census counts people who hold Arab ancestry or others of Middle Eastern or north African Mena origins within the white racial category and I know looking at me you know that ain't right.

The fact is the Arab American and Mena community has distinct issues and experiences. And national level excuse me and national level data on Arab Americans obscure regional variations such as disadvantaged communities in the Metro Detroit area. The Arab American and Mena community though lump into the white racial category by the U.S. census is quite distinct from the white population. Our community of interest lives all over the State of Michigan, not just Southeast Michigan. That is why we are asking that you keep Warren Dale as part of our community of interest and add it back to District 2. District 2 is still below the targeted population threshold. I urge you to please consider map CDCOL version 1, April 29th, which provides enough consideration for our community of interest. Again we would also like Warren Dale to be added and remain part of our community of interest. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. Next up we have Ms. Jamie-Roe. Mr. Jamie Roe.

>> Happens all the time. Thank you members of the Commission for allowing me to participate in the hearing today and thank you for the important work that you are doing to get constitutional maps for the citizens of the state. I live in District 11 currently. Which is one of the districts that has been said to violate the Constitution by the Federal courts. And here today to advocate on behalf of vital communities of interest we have in my community and throughout the community here in Macomb County. We saw today some changes that were being made to an unaffected District by the Court order. Which was District 12 along the lakeshore of Lake St. Clair. This District was drawn, I believe, by this Commission to reflect a vital community of interest for people here not

just in Macomb County but in St. Clair county and in the Grosse Pointes as well where we are stewards of this vital natural resource for our state. And quite honestly I do not understand at all why changes are being proposed to that District. It was the second closest race in the state last time. It was decided by less than 400 votes out of 125,000 votes cast and if that is going to be changed in the name of partisan fairness I don't understand what the goal is that you are trying to achieve. It does not seem to be fair to eliminate the second closest race in the state. Another District here the 9th District which was the third closest race in the state decided by 800 votes in the last election and it contains a vital community of interest in this community, which is it is home to a large population of Chaldean Americans here in western, the western side of Macomb County. It is where the Chaldean American foundation is located. It is where their main church St. George is located, and they have a large population in Rochester Hills. That District is perfectly aligned to that community of interest. And that leaves sort of the rest of Macomb County that you guys need to fill. I live in Macomb Township which is just north of Clinton Township and Sterling Heights that were affected. And there is a vital community of interest contained in that area that this Commission should take into consideration. And that is the Clinton river watershed. The Clinton river runs through those communities and out into Lake St. Clair. Both the communities of Sterling Heights and Clinton Township have done a fantastic job in rehabbing the river, clearing debris, cleaning it up, and I will say this also they have done it in conjunction with our county Government led by county executive mark Hackle and public works Commissioner Candice Miller and it has created incredible quality of life improvements for this community with the establishment of river trails, canoe and kayak opportunities that are available to any citizen of this region. And combining those two communities together makes sense. Not only because of that, but also because of common educational opportunities in all three of those communities.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, there Roe.

>> Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: If you want to conclude your comments I would welcome you to sign up for a second round. Do we have a timer going? Okay, thank you.

Okay, next up is number 16, a Ms. Lama.

>> Hi, good afternoon my name is Lama and I live in the City of Dearborn Heights and access member. Thank you Commissioners for this opportunity to address the concerns of my community. Also we have the largest concentration of Arab Americans in the country. We have been disenfranchised as a community in the redistricting process as a community of interest. Our community of interest is spread across south side Michigan and District 2 and 4800 below the target population. Please consider this as you re-configure community of interest and add Warren Dale back in. Leaving us together ensures we can qualify its needs and it would further ensure they can develop programs that meets the needs of these communities and funding to this. I support the

map as DCOL version 1, April 29th that will keep enough of our community of interest intact. We would also like Warren Dale to be added back and remain part of our community of interest. Because Arab Americans and more broadly Mena communities are under counted in the census. It's difficult for us to demonstrate our size and needs. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Lama. Next up we have number 17, Zina.

>> Hello everyone and thank you for having this hearing my name is Zina and live in Dearborn and want my community of interest to stay together. Our community of interest is spread across a variety of cities Dearborn, Dearborn Heights and cities in southeast and providing social and community services that are linguistic that cannot be found anywhere else it's a socially and politically marginalized group and continues to be left out of the redistricting process. So I urge you to use the map SDCOL version 1 April 29th. This map will keep enough of our communities of interest intact. We would also like Warren Dale to be added and remain part of our community of interest in District 2. The Commission will determine the representation of COI will have for the next ten years and the generational impact it will have for our future. Please take the time to redraw the Senate maps. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. Next up we have Michael Howard.

>> Good evening. My name is Michael Howard and I live in the south side of Warren. I recently grew up in Detroit, 7-Mile and Kona Area. The map that I looked at several of the maps and one that is best drawn is 350. It ironically includes where I live now and the neighborhood I grew up in. Being a Detroiter who lives in the City of Warren I feel north Detroit and south Warren are very similar in many ways. And the map with 350 actually keeps Warren as a one Senate District. And with Warren isn't like it used-to-be decades ago it's beautifully diverse across the City and keeping it as a whole I was not entirely in favor with the House maps because it did split Warren up into four different House Districts which dilute diluted appearance of elected officials but the Senate map whole we can get the adequate representation Warren deserves. With the House maps that was passed it's split like Fisher school District up in two different House seats which is where I live in Fisher school District, and it's split up. Some of the other school districts so keeping that in mind when it comes to Senate maps not breaking up the school districts. Which 350 doesn't do that. It keeps Warren as whole and includes East Point which is very similar to that side of Warren so just thank you for the work that you guys do. I know it is not easy and no stretch of the imagination so thank you for your commitment.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Howard. Is there anyone else who has not had a chance to speak for a first time? Okay I do not see anybody. We will now move on to the people who have signed up to speak a second time. And we have Mr. Jamie Roe.

>> He is back, thank you, just want to finish my comment. Sterling Heights and Macomb Township where I live share the Utica community school District. Clinton

Township and Macomb Township also share the ship what valley school District. Sterling Heights and Clinton Township also have outstanding police and fire departments that have mutual aid agreements with each other. They represent very high industrial areas and many residential areas as well. And they are uniquely combined. They fit together well in the common perspective. They also share 16-mile Metro Parkway which is a major east-west thoroughfare through the county and Hall Road M59, which is a huge economic corridor for this county. And right now at Lake side mall they are basically tearing down the mall and it's about a billion-dollar project that is going in there that is going to impact the entire community. Keeping the communities together in that vacant space, the space made vacant by the ruling of the Court simply makes sense where you can combine multiple communities of interest and build a what I believe would be a competitive Senate District as well.

So I wish this Commission good luck. I welcome you here to Macomb County. I hope you learn a lot about this community that I have come to love and one thing to know we do love the Lake here. So I hope you keep that in mind when you are concluding your work. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Mr. Chair I would like to acknowledge Commissioner Kellom's presence. Commissioner Kellom, would you please share that you are present?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. Well that concludes the folks we have signed up for public comment. So at this time we will move on to continue mapping as we were earlier. However, if more folks do sign up and once again you're more than welcome to sign up until 7:00 p.m. We will come through and hear you. Do we have a second sign up? Did you sign up again, sir? Please approach the microphone.

>> I just wanted to end when you look at the City of Warren East Point and north Detroit it's truly a partisan fair map. You can look at the Presidential but even if you go all the way down to like the Wayne state board of Governors race it is genuinely a very purple District which I think is what we want. We want a fight for equality and don't want to marginalize anyone whether we agree or disagree with their political views. When you look at partisan fairness I think it actually does the job. That was it. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Howard. So once again we will move back to mapping at this time. But anybody who signs up to speak before 7:00 p.m. will be allowed to speak. Please show up, speak up. So let the Commission know about how you want these Senate districts configured. We will return to mapping. We once again have some representatives from EDS with us. Mr. Morgan and Mr. Stigall and we were working with Commissioner Szetela.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Good afternoon, John. Could you make a copy of map 042924S DCOLV1 and just for clarification this is the map that a number of people

have mentioned as representing the Mena community well. And a number of other people have mentioned it, it's number 350 on the portal and I would like to make some changes for it but would like a new version with today's date so if you can copy it I would appreciate it. 0429 version 1.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay let me open it before we make a copy and confirm this is what you want. Okay so again here is the date 042924 version 1.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep, that's the map I want.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: And you want to make changes to it.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yep. So if you can save it as a new version. I think we are on version four. All right we are going to Zoom into District 11. And if you could move that active matrix down to the bottom again, I would appreciate it.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So I want to do that same change I did before where I want to take Roseville and put it into 11 then bring Harper Woods into 10.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I want to go to the top of ten. There is one little precinct pulled out of Sterling Heights. Can we put that into 8? So it's not just this random precinct grabbed and pulled into a different area? I believe it's one precinct. Unless it's really going to mess up the population, but I don't think it will. It's like we are still good. Let's go to the border of 7, which is Southfield. And I want to shift around part of 7 into 13 so that area of 7 or that area of 13 which is Southfield I want to put into, yep, right there, I want to put that into 7 and then instead we are going to take Franklin at the top and put it into 13. Yep and if you go to the upper northwest corner of 7 Franklin is a community that can be put into 13 and then you are going to come over and do Bingham farms as well. We are going to assign those into 13. Then I think we will need to take one more precinct out of Beverly Hills and put that into 13 and we should be back to population deviation. Okay all right so that looks good so let's go down to the border between two and three which is the Dearborn. And if you can turn on the neighborhood map that would be helpful for me. So could you just select Warren Dale and tell me how much population is in there because I think we will have a population issue trying to move that into Dearborn.

>> MR. MORGAN: You want the area in the Warren Dale neighborhood?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I want to know how much population is there.

>> MR. MORGAN: So 12,700.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So you can so grab at the bottom three precincts of Warren Dale and let me know how much is in those three precincts.

>> MR. MORGAN: 8400.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: It's Dearborn is currently so Dearborn can definitely take it so why don't we put that into Dearborn. And then three is going to put them a little over but I think we can maybe move.

>> MR. MORGAN: Three is under.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Three precincts to the east part of Detroit but a different neighborhood they are on my screen covered by the active matrix can we move those back into three and see if that will balance the population a little better?

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: This is back where we are. Let's just leave that there. And let people provide feedback on it. The other alternative is we can probably take out some of Lincoln Park and maybe put it into one. We could pull Melvindale out, that would be about the population of Warren Dale, but we received a lot of comments about wanting Melvindale to be with Dearborn. So I would be open for suggestions from the Mena community about how differently they would want to do this. Because, you know, it's a population issue. There is a lot of people that live in Warren Dale and to bring them in something else is going to have to come out and the question is what is that going to be? So all right and I think otherwise my population is good. So that's all I wanted to do on this map so if we can just save this and run partisan fairness on it. Take a look at that.

>> MR. MORGAN: Did you want the updated partisan fairness or a different one?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: If you can do the updated one, that will be fine.

>> MR. MORGAN: Lopsided margin top line is 5.0 for republicans. The mean median is 0.9 republican. Efficiency gap is 1.9 republican. And the seats-vote ratio is 2117, 2.4 for democrat.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: All right. So I actually have a few more maps I wanted to do but I'm out of time for today so I will have that be the end of my turn.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Mr. Chair, we would like to acknowledge that Commissioner Wagner has joined. Commissioner Wagner if you can share that you are present?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: I am currently present and attending from Charlotte.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: For the record I'm actually going to drop right now just so you have that, and I will join back up later. Thank you guys. Any questions before I leave?

>> CHAIR EID: I do not see any questions Commissioner Szetela.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, John, did you close that plan out yet?

>> MR. MORGAN: I did. I can reopen that or a different one.

>> CHAIR EID: Can you export it so it can be used as an overlay later. And we will now move on to the next person. Let's see after Commissioner Szetela we have Commissioner Vallette.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay, I think I want to map on the map that Commissioner Orton had earlier today. And I believe it's 050724 volume 3.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, I will bring that up in just a moment.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Thank you.

>> MR. MORGAN: This is the plan that Commissioner Orton was working on.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Thank you.

>> MR. MORGAN: Likes like there are four Districts that are undrawn, 1, 2, 3 and 6.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Can you back up a minute so I can see those?

Okay so.

>> MR. MORGAN: So it's most of Detroit and then it looks like we have the Dearborn area and then Livonia and some of Oakland County.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay so where you just had your cursor it said Farmington Hills I will start there, and I guess we will do District 1.

>> MR. MORGAN: Generally we have been doing District 6 in this area.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay that is fine, six is good. I like six. Okay so let's take all of that from the top, the bottom of 13 all the way down. All the way down Livonia and Redford.

>> MR. MORGAN: Take the unassigned area of Livonia.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Yes, I do. Thank you.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay that leaves 130,000 short and then you said you wanted Redford.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Yes, Redford.

>> MR. MORGAN: With Redford it's 82000 under. So you have this area is Detroit and to the south is Dearborn Heights. And then you have other districts 5 if you wanted to look at that.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay, can we do, Anthony, should I put Dearborn Heights in this area? I mean, I can go east.

>> CHAIR EID: So it depends what -- it's hard to say right now because I don't know what you're trying to do. And in all of the other configurations Dearborn Heights is placed with Dearborn for the Middle Eastern north African community of interest. But the District 6 you are creating, if you go east, is pretty similar to some other districts that we have had in this process so far. So, you know, it depends if you are trying to create a new thing or mimic some of like the versions we already have, I'm not quite sure. Generally, you know, Dearborn Heights should be with Dearborn to support that community of interest that we've heard so much about.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: If I put Dearborn Heights and Dearborn in this District, would that work? I mean, would that be okay?

>> MR. MORGAN: Overpopulated.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Too much, so John let's go east, east of Redford without Dearborn Heights. Can we do that?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes okay do you need the neighborhood maps or not at this time?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Yeah, the neighborhood would be great. Thanks.

>> MR. MORGAN: These are the unassigned precincts so far. You could also take from 7 but that would change 7.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: 5 points the I, Oak Grove put all of them into 6.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: And then Holcomb Community, that Evergreen, Outer, those three up there.

>> MR. MORGAN: So if you don't want to change District 7 I'm just going to lock that.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay.

Then do the three under that.

>> MR. MORGAN: You wanted Brightmoor?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Sorry, what?

>> MR. MORGAN: Brightmoor when you said the three under that?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: No, I meant, and I guess I already told you Evergreen, so I was continuing across east. Sorry. And College Park too.

>> MR. MORGAN: At this point it's 54,000 under and this is the boundary you have so far.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: And is that with College Park?

>> MR. MORGAN: Including College Park.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay, so I still need like 50,000. So McNichols, North Rosedale, Prairie, St. Mary's.

>> MR. MORGAN: And this Minock Park area or not?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: So I did take a portion of Brightmoor, and I don't know if you want to put all of Brightmoor in or do something different.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Yeah go ahead and put Brightmoor and that Elijah-Howell and castle Rouge. Put that whole square in there.

>> MR. MORGAN: Still need 25,000.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: With those in there, Brightmoor and, okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay, and then Rosedale Park. West wood park over to Grand River, St. Mary's.

>> MR. MORGAN: It's 12000 under.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay and put the Schoolcraft, Southfield.

>> MR. MORGAN: And the Cadillac community as well?

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: That is 6200 under and it's negative 2.37. So that would be within the range on the lower end.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay, I will stop there.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Janice are you missing if we go west it looks like a piece of west Outer Drive that is unassigned.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: So what are you suggesting?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: No, I'm just drawing it to your attention.

>> MR. MORGAN: So this whole area is unassigned.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: That little piece by Rouge park.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: What are we talking about?

>> MR. MORGAN: This is park area. So this is also unassigned at this moment. So west Outer Drive and Rouge park. Because it's green, because it's park land.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Okay, then I'm good.

>> CHAIR EID: Could you change the color of that District while we are at it? You have two green ones next to each other and the park. Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay thank you Commissioner Vallette. Next up is Commissioner Wagner. Is she here with us today? Did she join in? Wonderful, Commissioner Wagner?

>> COMMISSIONER WAGNER: I'm going to have to pass because unfortunately I joined I be phone and have nothing to look at so I will pass to the next Commissioner for now. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, thank you. Next would be Commissioner Weiss.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Do you know what, Commissioner, before you continue we do have someone that walked in for public comment and now would be a good time to hear from them. Is Mr. Leon-Morehead here?

>> My name is Leon-Morehead, representing grace 254, zip code 28023 we are extremely disappointed with some of the ways things are moving because we are now redistricting us into areas that do not have any of our representation. We are a very strong community that has had representation and that has allowed us to have homegrown representation. But now if you are pitting us against those that have resources three times that we have we now have no longer the ability to meet. Now, I do believe in David versus Goliath but now it's Goliath times three and that is just not fair. We are asking that you seriously consider allowing us to have our District be closer to those that we are in the same boat with. Closer to the same. And we understand that diversity is important. We are keenly aware of that. We are very aware also that our population is depleting. And you have to find the numbers from somewhere. But we are requesting that you please find the numbers somewhere close to us, not somewhere far from us. Because it is not fair for us as we are trying to teach our people to become more involved in the process, they are no longer going to be involved

in the process. It's only so many times you can be supremely outnumbered before they start giving up and now is a time we want them to continue to fight. But if you are telling them that they have no voice, no matter what it is, then no matter what I say, no matter how I encourage, no matter how I inspire they are still going to say that it's not fair.

Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR EID: Mr. Morehead before you go we have a couple comments. I have a comment, I'm behind the screen, I don't think you can see me. We are blocked and thanks for being here today when you say us what like areas do you mean? Can you be a little more specific on that?

>> Our current District 3. So as the way District 3 is written up right now. And we know that it has continually reshaped and that you will have to. But our City now, if I'm looking at District 3 appropriately, you'll have us connected with Warren. And that's not anywhere close to each other. Some will say it's just right across 8 Mile but technically that is the case, we are still five to six miles away from it. That's not close.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, that helps. Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Hi Pastor Morehead. My name is Commissioner Kellom. I tend to agree with your last comment. Being a Detroit, I know how Highland Park is a municipality and am familiar with the area. The question that I have is if you could get along yourself and members of your church to look at the maps that we have, that are currently online and to make specific suggestions. You do not have to be map drawers to do this. But look around the neighboring cities, of course Detroit is going to be what you're going to think of 6 mile, 7-Mile how that aligns but try to maybe reimagine an area that you feel like would have Highland Park's best interest and the most commonalities and keeping in mind that there are going to be 265,000 some odd folks that need to be in that District. We do have some maps that don't strip up like that. So you could start there. And then give us some feedback rather excuse me.

>> And that is fine but it's just the same way as though you all mentioned a few moments ago Dearborn should be with Dearborn Heights and as you were doing the map for six or another that you just mentioned maybe 12 minutes ago, that is the same way it should be maybe Highland park, Hamtramck, Detroit proper. And as you were going towards I understand the west side as you were going towards fitting in Brightmoor with that whole Dearborn area, well, okay we are Central. We are midtown. So where else does midtown go? Midtown can go either east or west but it should not go so far east that where it's no longer near each other. Our current districts we have people that have to come from Hazel Park to come. And that's fine. That is right across 8 Mile. That is closer. But that is closer than Warren is.

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: I agree. We need.

>> I understand what you're saying you want specifics.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Not even that I need you and other people to say that because the comments that you've heard we have been hearing so when you see

Commissioners draw they are drawing off of recognition especially not being from the area. So this is my push I'm doing on the record to get more people like yourself to talk about Detroit so it can be drawn correctly.

>> Yes, ma'am.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. Next up we have Jim votes.

>> To begin with I would like to commend you for having this hearing in Warren. I think it's valuable and I'm sure you have had them throughout the state. The only concern I have is that I have had feedback from many people and many cities that there should be a greater emphasis on communities of interest. I'm not sure that mixing up counties is necessarily a good thing. For example, the District that I currently live in for state rep includes Hazel Park and Madison Heights as well as Warren and Centerline. I think Warren and Centerline have some common interests. But I think communities in another county should, as best you can, try to keep them in that county. Just as I heard the gentleman say I believe before me that Hazel Park is close to Detroit and of course maybe that is okay and south Warren is close to Detroit and maybe that is okay. But there is a problem with that. And that is there is a little unfairness when you go to apply or apply to be an official candidate, if you live in one county all you have to do is go to that particular county. But if you live for example in my District you have to go to the Secretary of State because it includes Warren and Centerline, which is in Macomb County and includes Hazel Park and Madison Heights which is in Oakland County. That seems to be unfair. Some candidates have to drive an hour and a half and both ways in this case would be three hours just to register to be become an official candidate have to go all the way to Lansing whereas other candidates that live within the county don't have to do that. There is also the question of fairness, I'm somewhat sympathetic to Detroit where they were taking away a lot of diversity by spreading out Detroiters and a number of different communities and not guarantees that there would be some diversity. So I think the key phrase to me is communities of interest. And I think keeping Wayne County together, keeping Oakland County together and keeping Macomb County together as best you can is ideal. I know there are some really crazy things what is it Allegan County where Allegan one of them they have six or seven different representatives. That seems a little bit wrong too. But when it comes to urban areas I would think you might better be able to make it fair so that certain candidates don't have to drive all the way to Lansing. And I might add this, I have talked with a couple of people who said that I might have filed for state rep or what have you if it was not such a long distance, but it was too long and couldn't take the time off of work to go to that. You may be closing down representation by forcing some candidates to drive all the way to Lansing. Otherwise I commend you for being here today and I apologize if I ran over a little bit, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: That's folk. Thank you Mr. Mayor. Was there a comment? Okay we will now resume mapping. Anyone who wants to sign up to speak or speak a second time is more than welcome to and we will hear from you. We were on Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Mr. Morgan will you please bring up the map that was just worked on, please.

>> MR. MORGAN: Commissioner Weiss do you want to work on the same plan or a different plan?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: The same plan that Commissioner Vallette just worked on.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay this is the same plan, today's date version three, and there are three districts undrawn District 1, 2 and 3. And this is the area that's unassigned, which should approximate three undrawn districts.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: I guess what I would like to do is take Dearborn Heights, all of that and Dearborn. You can put them all in whatever District, I don't remember which districts we have been numbering more or less in that area. I guess it was maybe three.

>> MR. MORGAN: Usually it's District 2 with Dearborn.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Okay, that is fine.

>> MR. MORGAN: Dearborn and Dearborn Heights?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: That will be 170,000.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Will you stick in Taylor in there please?

>> MR. MORGAN: Before I do that there is the unassigned portion of Taylor or do you want to take these precincts from District 4 as well?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: District 4 is a little over. Let's try taking them from 4 and see how that works out with 4.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay District 4 is closer to 0.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Okay, good.

>> MR. MORGAN: Then the other towns in the area Allen Park, Melvindale, Lincoln Park and Detroit along the edge of Dearborn.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: And by the numbers of what I need how about we throw in Allen Park.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay that works out to be right on.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Okay I guess I don't want to change any more than that. The numbers look good. How about neighborhoods? Maybe we should check that.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay so at this point you did not take any of Detroit. You want to look at the neighborhoods of Detroit now?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Yeah, from what I just did, the District I just drew, yes.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay, so the District you just drew is only Dearborn Heights, Dearborn, Allen Park and Taylor. And it has none of the neighborhoods of Detroit.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Okay.

All right I guess I'm going to stick with that. The number looks good. Don't have any areas that are unassigned in that group or split up by what I see. So I guess I will say that I'm going to stick with that, and I will be done.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Commissioner Weiss.

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Next up we are going to go back to the beginning of the list. And that starts with Commissioner Andrade?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Okay let's close this out for now.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: And if we can open the one that Commissioner Szetela was working on. I believe 50724 version 4.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay do you want to edit that one or make a copy of it?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Make a copy, please.

>> MR. MORGAN: I would call this version five if that is okay, today's date, version five. Okay, so at this time all the districts are assigned. Where did you want to work?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: So what I wanted to try to do, and maybe you can figure out the best way to do this, is make 12 be the original 12 from the Linden map.

>> MR. MORGAN: You want to return District 12 to the District so what I would suggest is overlay the Linden map and then click in.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Yep.

>> MR. MORGAN: So I will first add the territory and then take away the territory.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Okay, sounds good.

>> MR. MORGAN: So this comes up occasionally, but it looks like there is a little block here that I would take out and put it with another District, so it aligns exactly with the Linden plan.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Okay.

Between 10 and 12.

>> MR. MORGAN: So this area here that is assigned to District 12, would you like to assign that to District 11 for the moment?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Yes, I would.

>> MR. MORGAN: It looks like the same, but the populations are not coming out right, so I need a second to look at this. Okay so because we know that the Linden plan for District 12 has a specific population number, it's not aligning correctly. So what I'd like to do is to export this as a shape file and then bring it back in and I think that will resolve the problem, okay? Just give me a moment on that.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: While the export happens we have someone who signed up to speak a second time. Mr. Morehead.

>> I'm Reverend Morehead, representing New Grace Missionary Baptist Church, 254 Highland Park, 48203 and Commissioner Kellom I did take what you said and heeding it and we will make arrangements to come up with something solid for you all for the next time we can. But when Mayor File said that Oakland should be Oakland and Wayne should be Wayne and people should be together, I'm looking at the way our Senate District 3 is scheduled. And it seemed like it's picked and choosed all the way up and shaped like a Coke bottle, but they wanted the big piece here then a small shape and big. If we were going by suburbs and it would be Detroit, Oak Park, Hamtramck, Hazel Park, Royal Oak Township, East Point and Ferndale. And that may be the numbers, but I know there are ways you need to cut and chip off portions of Detroit. But and one of the fastest growing areas, which is midtown Detroit. Now, you are able to redistrict it and maybe if you are going to make it mostly suburban thing it can go to those ways. But it still has to be where we can be fair, where we can still have our own representation, where we can still encourage our people that the needs and remind them that the needs of Highland Park and the needs of Sterling Heights sometimes are the same but most of the time they are not. So I am going to take heed what you said and I'm going to work on it, ma'am.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: I think you are talking about the Linden map, I'm not sure but look at the other versions. There are a lot but look at the other versions and kind of pick and choose what you like about some, and it may help to inform what you and whoever you work with, you know, come up with, the ideas that you have. There are some other comments, so I don't want to keep taking the floor but please, please do that and invite them out and invite them to give virtual public comment. They don't physically have to be present, but I would love to see more folks from the Detroit area.

>> Yes, ma'am.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Yes I apologize my volume kind of cut out, so I just had a quick question when he was giving the name of the different cities or areas, was that -- were you saying you were in favor of those being with Highland Park?

>> I'm saying if you are doing it as connecting suburbs those are close suburbs to us. Sterling Heights is not a close suburb to us.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Okay, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Curry?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Can the pastor repeat the names he just mentioned for Highland Park.

>> Yes, ma'am Detroit, Highland Park, Oak Park, Hamtramck, Hazel Park, Royal Oak Township, East Point, Ferndale.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Okay thank you.

>> You're welcome.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. Do we have that fixed?

>> MR. MORGAN: Yes. So the population of the District 12 in Linden was 6478 and that's what this population is here. And I guess I need to make a minor adjustment along this line. This is all 0 population but there's and I think there is a slight difference between the Township boundary and the voting precinct boundary here. But for purposes of what we are doing, I think we are okay.

So I assigned this area into District 11. And District 10 and 11 are out of alignment. But this is the Linden version so I will turn that off. Okay, Commissioner, so 11 is overpopulated by 17,000. And 10 is under populated by 13,000.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Okay, so what I was hoping to do is just exchange some of 10 and 11.

>> MR. MORGAN: You need to add a little bit of 10 from 11 so potentially this bottom part of Roseville or some of Sterling Heights or completely different configuration if you like.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Yeah, can you move the map up just a little bit because I can't see it with the closed captioning on the...I can't see the bottom part of the map there.

>> MR. MORGAN: Is that better?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Yes. And Zoom in a little bit. So if we can take the portion starting from, yes, the south part of 11 and put that into 10 under 696.

>> MR. MORGAN: So you want to take Roseville or Sterling Heights?

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: No, Roseville.

>> MR. MORGAN: Sure. Okay so taking these it looks like five precincts of Roseville, that balances out the population.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: Okay, that's it. I'm done. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Commissioner Andrade. I'm losing my place, folks. Okay, next up is Commissioner Callaghan. She is not with us today. So we will move on. Oh, she is. Commissioner Callaghan?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I'm here, thank you, but I'm going to pass today. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, we will move on to Commissioner Curry.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Okay, John, can you pull up the one that I worked on by myself, please? I believe it was...

>> MR. MORGAN: Sure, okay, just a moment. It will be just a moment.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Okay.

So Commissioner Curry, do you just want to look at what you have done? Or do you think you want to make some changes to it?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Well, I want to look at it and I may not make any changes right now, but I want to take a glance at it.

>> MR. MORGAN: Okay.

Okay it's loading. It will just take a moment.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Okay.

Just a moment. I have to open the program again.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Okay, no problem.

>> CHAIR EID: We will be breaking at 3:00. But Commissioner Curry when we return it will still be your turn to take a look at this.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: Commissioner Curry, can you see the screen now?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Yes, you can Zoom out.

>> MR. MORGAN: All right, okay, so let's see, here is the District 1. And I'll put a couple of names of the townships on.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Okay, I really like what I did. But I'm going to kind of keep it like it is but I'm going to study it a little bit more. And see if I can see if my deviation was good, my partisan fairness was good, my lopsided margin was 5 to 1. My mean median was 3.3 for the republicans. And my efficiency gap was 1.9. And my seats to vote was 2.4 for the democrats. It turned out pretty good, but I just want to examine it a little bit more before I say that's totally it. I will look at it a little bit more, later on, but I like it, I like what I did.

>> MR. MORGAN: So this is the District 1 is South Gate, Lincoln Park, Ecorse River Rouge and Corktown, Mexicantown and the downtown and then up to the northwest. And then District 2 was about half of Taylor, Allen Park, Melvindale, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights and a little bit of Detroit around Warren Dale. And then the District 3 was Highland park, Hamtramck, and then this whole Section of Detroit on the east side.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I like that, yeah.

>> MR. MORGAN: And then District 4 was modified a little bit, Southgate went into one and more of Taylor went into 4 and that balanced out. And then District 5 is pretty similar to the way you originally had it.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Occur.

>> MR. MORGAN: Then 6 is Redford and Brightmoor and the west side of Detroit.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Uh-huh.

>> MR. MORGAN: 7 is Pontiac down to Berkeley and Royal Oak.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Uh-huh.

>> MR. MORGAN: 8 is Southfield, Huntington Woods, Oak Park and then Farmington and Livonia.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: Okay.

>> MR. MORGAN: And then I think you didn't do anything to 9. And then 10 is Warren, part of Sterling Heights, Madison, part of Madison Heights, Hazel Park,

Ferndale and part of East Point. Then 11 was Macomb, Clinton, Sterling Heights Park, Fraser, Rosedale, and a little of East Point and didn't do anything to 12, so that covers.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: The main ones. I like what I did and just want to keep it like that for now. And probably won't touch it too much. Thank you, John.

>> MR. MORGAN: You bet.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Orton?

>> CHAIR ORTON: I have a question Juanita. I like your map. Did you -- how many districts did you change? Was it just the six that we have to change? Or did you touch others as well?

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I changed the main ones mostly.

>> MR. MORGAN: There were some more.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: I went into a few other ones, but I just tried to get it just like it was, and it turned out pretty good. I like that it came out with my deviation was good and my partisan fairness turned out pretty good. My lopsided margin was 5.1 to republicans. My mean median was 3.3 republicans. My efficiency gap was 1.9 republicans. And my what is that seats to vote was 2.4 for the democrats. So I think it turned out pretty good. The population was good. I had it all kind of equally populated. So it's not too much I want to work on, if I work on it at all. But I think if I work on it any more it would mess it all up so I'm kind of satisfied with it.

>> MR. MORGAN:

>> CHAIR EID: Well I like how this is another configuration for Detroit. We have not seen that many configurations for Detroit yet. We have a few. And this is I think a fourth one, which is definitely nice to see. So thank you Commissioner Curry.

>> COMMISSIONER CURRY: You're welcome, yeah.

>> CHAIR EID: Well, it is 2:58. This might be a good time to pause. Are there any speakers in the room who have not had a chance to speak yet? Is there anyone who is signed up a second time?

>> Can I speak a second time?

>> CHAIR EID: Yeah. Sure, you can.

>> Again thank you for allowing me to speak a second time. I just had two important issues that I wanted to reemphasize and maybe in the future you can address them. Number one is communities of interest. I do not think the way it was drawn up for State Representatives was necessarily taking it into account communities of interest. Secondly, when you allow some representative districts or what you're working on now Senate Districts to be in more than one county you are discriminating against people who would like to file but do not have the time or where with all to drive all the way to Lansing, which is one and a half hours, maybe two hours' drive and then both ways three to four hours. So I know there were candidates that might have filed for different districts, but they did not have the time or resources to drive that distance. So by putting more than one representative District within two counties you are discriminating,

you are discouraging people from running and at the same time you're putting a burden on those candidates. I note in my representative District there are only two candidates running in the democratic primary. There's only one in the republican primary. Probably if it had been in one county someone could have driven to Mount Clemens, which is what 25 to 30 minutes rather than an hour and a half and that would have encouraged more people to run. So if the idea is you want or if the idea is you want to have more people run and make it more competitive, you cannot discriminate in some districts by having two counties because then the rule is completely different. Those candidates have to drive that distance. And the rest don't. That seems unfair to me. So I hope you will look at that and try to keep Wayne county in Wayne County, Oakland County in Oakland County and Macomb County in Macomb County so you will encourage more people to file, more people to run and not make a hardship on the minority that must now drive to Lansing because they have the burden of being in more than one county. And again I hope you look closely at communities of interest. I thank you very much for the time and I appreciate you coming today Eid.

>> CHAIR EID: Yes, thank you for addressing the Commission. With that I will entertain a motion to recess.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Motion to recess.

>> MARCUS MULDOON: Second.

>> CHAIR EID: Is there any debate? On Zoom? Seeing none all those in favor of the motion to recess please raise your hand and say aye.

>> Aye.

>> CHAIR EID: Any opposed? The ayes have it we are now on recess until 4:00 p.m.
[Recess until 4:00 p.m.]

>> CHAIR EID: Okay welcome back everyone. Can y'all hear me okay? Wonderful. As Chair of the Commission I call this meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 4:04 p.m.

At this time we will resume public comment. We have three folks who have signed up to speak. Oh, yes, roll call I'm getting ahead of myself, look at that. I'm excited, who here is excited today? Yeah. All right, can we get a roll call, please, Department of State?

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Absolutely, Mr. Chair. Commissioners, when I call your name please say present. If my mouse will work, okay, 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 KELLOM: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Lange?

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Lett?

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Muldoon?

>> MARCUS MULDOON: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Orton?

>> CHAIR ORTON: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Szetela? Commissioner Vallette?.

>> COMMISSIONER VALLETTE: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Wagner? Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Commissioner Weiss?

>> COMMISSIONER WEISS: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you. Commissioner Szetela?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Present.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: Thank you. There are 12 Commissioners present.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Department of State.

>> YVONNE YOUNG: You're welcome.

>> CHAIR EID: At this time we will move on to public comment. Individuals who have signed up and indicated they would like to provide live public comment to the Commission will now be allowed. We will start by continuing with live public comment. You will have three minutes to address the Commission. And please conclude your remarks when you hear the timer. If you do not finish your remarks you can sign up for a second public comment lasting an additional two minutes, giving you a total of five minutes to address the Commission.

First up for this evening we have Rebecca Zanos.

>> Hello. Hi my name is Rebecca Zanos. I'm a lifelong Warren resident. I grew up here and my father worked for Sterling stamping for 30 years.

>> CHAIR EID: Rebecca, can you put down the mic a little bit so we can hear you a little better? There you go.

>> Gracias. Thank you. Okay, my name is Rebecca Zanos and I'm a lifelong Warren resident. I grew up here my whole life and I enjoy where I live. I enjoy my surroundings. I would rather be here in Warren. There is so much positive and great community that we are altogether, and we are a close-knit community where I'm at, I'm at 9 and Van Dyke southern Warren, love my neighbors and a homeowner and know a lot of my neighbors that live by me. And I've got two animals, two dogs, I enjoy all the parks. And I wanted to say that there is a lot positive going for the City of Warren that

where we are at all. And I love shopping, all our shopping centers. And we've got a lot of good going here. And the way it's always been. And I love all the stores. We've got great parks. Great park and rec activities. I join in some of the Warren park and rec activities that we have for the community center. And we've got a lot of great events that the City of Warren offers here at the civic center that I love going to all of the concerts in the park, the movies that they have, the movie nights. And I love our libraries. Our computer classes. And I like to join in our nature center. And I help with the garden and volunteer quite a bit for the City of Warren and also for my church. I belong to St. Clement's Catholic Church at 10 and Van Dyke and do a lot of volunteering for the church and we have a lot of positive going for the City of Warren the way it is today and we all enjoy all that we have that is going positive for us and we've got easier accessible bussing also too. And the people that we have in our community are very welcoming and very kind. And that I would not rather live anyplace else except Warren. I have a son that graduated from Warren also and he works out of the City of Warren. He enjoys his job and enjoys all the people he works with. And I would like to see that we keep things the way that they are. And also, sorry, and I wanted to say that how much positive the City of Warren is offering. And also with our new mayor we've got everything moving forward and positive. And that hopefully that everything stays the same that we have it as it is now. And thank you very much. Thank you everybody. Thank you so much. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. We do appreciate it. Next up we have Crystal Childree.

>> Good afternoon my name is Crystal Childree. And the only thing I wanted to say is that with these redistricting I'm really concerned about the neighborhood, the northern neighborhoods of the City of Detroit because our environment is not really similar to Warren. Like Rebecca said like the neighborhoods are nice in Warren. Our neighborhoods are nice in Detroit but the environment, the crime, the education systems are very different so I'm very concerned that with this blending of northern Detroit we are just going to continue to dilute Detroit and focus on the needs of Detroit so that is my concern.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Wait a minute, sorry, this is Commissioner Kellom so I'm going to make a habit when I hear a Detroiter at a hearing to please look at the map.

>> I was just looking at it.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: And the ones that are online we are actively working on and share what you want to see.

>> Okay.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: If you don't want a blending, describe exactly where you want, where you possibly will want to see the lines drawn for Detroit. I'm assuming you are talking about the 8 Mile area.

>> Yes, that is where I grew up. Right on the border.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Give some good information about how the lines could be redrawn comparing what we have on the website, okay.

>> Thank you.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: You're welcome.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. Next we have George Higgins.

>>Hello, I don't know if I'm on camera, I'm too hi up. Hi, everyone, I'm George Higgins and have been here since 2021, it's good to see you guys here today. Honored to be standing at the podium because during City Council chambers and I don't know if you watched the Warren City Council we have a lot of performers who come up here and happy to carry on the tradition, Kurtis, Jerry bell I done think they will appreciate the shout out but they are very fun. So now actually talking about the maps, as a Fraser resident I'm in State House District 62. And in 62 I'm grouped in with a lot of northern lakeshore communities. Which is fine, Fraser is a very purple area. Kind of we are not trying to be strict without partisan aim so it's fun in Fraser and don't change anything where we go and think people in Fraser are proud of that. I was looking at the maps and comparing 350 to 351, I think Fraser feels a little bit more at home in 350. Just the feel of the community. We are a land locked City. We don't share, we don't have a coastline or a lakeshore. I'm a real estate agent and practicing for three years and just renewed my license with Lara the other day and don't see a lot of home buyers who are looking to buy either in Fraser or, say, New Baltimore and Chesterfield but I do see a lot of home buyers looking at Fraser or Sterling heights or Roseville or St. Clair Shores east cider communities but still close to Detroit compared to Harrison Township. If you want something more rural you will go to Harrison Township, you will go to New Baltimore, you will go further out. I think that is a community of interest you can look at, you know, where people want to live. Also the school districts, Fraser shares a school District with Roseville. The school District extends into Clinton Township as well and both maps 350 and 351 you accommodated that. You got Fraser school District together, but I think Fraser just feels as a resident I'd feel more represented in 350 compared to 351. That's all. I'll get my card.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. Is there anyone present who has not spoken yet who would like to speak? Okay, well, if you change your mind you can sign up for a second round of public comment, that public comment is two minutes, and we will also be taking newcomers to listen to what they have to say until 7:00 p.m. As long as you are here and signed up by then you will have your chance to speak today.

At this time we will move back on to mapping. And it looks like our friends at EDS are switching off and we will be working with Mr. Stigall for the rest of the day. And we are on my turn.

So give me one moment to get situated. Okay, so what we are looking at now, first I'd like to back up a little bit. We spent a lot of time today editing districts around the

lakeshore and around the suburbs, but we haven't really done much around actual Detroit proper today. The way I see it we have -- we only have a few different configurations of Detroit. We have this one, which was at the start of today five 224SD version 1. This is the one that we were working on collaboratively last week that has three Detroit centered districts. One with District 1 that combines the Down River Area with the west side, a District 3 that, you know, we heard from Mr. Morehead earlier that might like this that has Hamtramck, Highland Park and Detroit in it as well as District 8 that has the east side of Detroit, Harper Woods, going and crossing 8 Mile and including parts of Warren and Centerline.

Now, this was edited earlier today, I believe, by Commissioner Szetela. I liked some of the changes she made. But didn't like other changes she made. So overlaid on top of this is what Commissioner Szetela drew earlier today. I do want to edit this a little bit to incorporate some of those edits. And to try to fix District, I shouldn't say fix but change District 2 to be more aligned with another version we have that we heard from the community they prefer.

So there isn't really much to be done here. But those changes, adding into District 6.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: We are talking about all of Northville area into 6?

>> CHAIR EID: Yes.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I'm sorry Anthony did you save this as a new version or is this one you were working on from this morning?

>> CHAIR EID: This is copied, and it is now version six from today. It is based off of 5224SDCOL version 1 which is the same one you were working on this morning.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I'm sorry repeat that again, so it's you are building off of 5224 version 1, not 5724 version 1.

>> CHAIR EID: Yes, exactly.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Okay so you are, okay, I understand. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Yep.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: The highlighted area you want to go into six?

>> CHAIR EID: Yep and then if you go up to 13.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This area into 13?

>> CHAIR EID: Correct. Then I think there was a change in District 3 or in District 5..

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: I have to unlock District...you want this area I'm highlighting into five?

>> CHAIR EID: Into five, yes. Then there was a change from three to eight as well.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay this area here, right?

>> CHAIR EID: Yep, and I believe that was put into District 3.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Is that table visible to everyone? I can make it bigger.

>> CHAIR EID: It's visible enough and looks like everything is in compliance. Okay so those were the changes that Commissioner Szetela made earlier. I agree with those changes. I thought they were a benefit to the map, but it does not include the changes

to District 12. Now, can we overlay a different map on top of this one? That map being 042924V1.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: What you have overlaying right now is 050724V1.

>> CHAIR EID: So we can turn that off.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Now what do you want to overlay?

>> CHAIR EID: 042924 version one.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

Just a moment. I don't believe I have generated that 429V4, but I can generate it right now.

>> CHAIR EID: Version one, not version four.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: I don't have a 42924V1, do you?

>> CHAIR EID: No worries just open it back up.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: 502V1 I know we talked about that earlier.

>> CHAIR EID: The one I'm talking about is on the website 42924 version 1. But, again, let's just go back to what we were just working on. I can just do it free hand.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: I have it.

>> CHAIR EID: You have it, okay.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: 429 overlay in the dark.

>> CHAIR EID: Zoom in to 2 and 1. This overlay are folks that came out today and told us they prefer with District 2. So I'm trying to figure out a way how to do this, that is basically substitutes Lincoln Park with South Gate. But making it work with population on both ways. Now, the map we just saw from Commissioner Curry had something similar because South Gate was included in that District 1. So first let's assign Lincoln Park to District 2.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Step in here and unlock it. Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, now we need to take South Gate out of two. It looks like so South Gate has to go in four and Wyandotte will have to go in one.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: At this point District 1 is around 19,000 down and District 2 is 14,000 over.

>> CHAIR EID: Can you undo that actually? Something is not adding up here. Can you go to the top of the District?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: It appears right here at Dearborn Heights, Dearborn area.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay so let's normalize that population between one and two. Is that -- that is Warren Dale I believe? Correct?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is Rouge park right here.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: It's Warren Dale, it's Warren Dale.

>> CHAIR EID: Somebody, I can't remember who, it might have been you Commissioner Szetela, did you use that joy road part?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No.

>> CHAIR EID: When you were reconfiguring this?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: You're not working off the map I worked on so, no, that's not my change.

>> CHAIR EID: No, I understand it's not the map you were working on. But you were configuring the area earlier to include part of Warren Dale into District 2, correct?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Right, but not using joy road as a guide and not in the same map that you're in.

>> CHAIR EID: Right. Do you remember what you used? I'm trying to incorporate some of everybody's ideas in here. Because it looks like so for one if we are trying to complete the shape there and you see how it goes up and then down and then up again around Warren Dale?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Uh-huh.

>> CHAIR EID: What if we took that and put a little bit in one.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Is this what you are talking about putting this area into one?

>> CHAIR EID: Right.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Now it shows one is needing 34,000.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, let's include the rest of that outline in one. So now at least two matches up to what the most preferred map so far from that community which was the version one. Now we just got to fix between one and four. So what are we thinking Commissioners? We need more population on one, we need less on four. Any thoughts? Wyandotte is right there. Let's try taking Wyandotte.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This area highlighted is 25,000.

>> CHAIR EID: So let's add that to one.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: It goes south to Riverview.

>> CHAIR EID: No, I think that is as far south as we go.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: South Gate over here.

>> CHAIR EID: What is the difference between that? It looks like four just has a little bit more population.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: The difference I see in four, along four and five area.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, let's go there.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Should we turn on the neighborhoods? Or the neighborhoods don't go down there.

>> CHAIR EID: No, we don't need the neighborhoods right now. So I'm trying to determine the difference between what is on this map and the overlay because they don't look too different.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: It's the Westland area between five and six and then this area here, which is.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Romulus, Romulus.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes, parts of Romulus.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Orton?

>> CHAIR ORTON: Well, I see that District 4 and 5 are both over so where is the District that is under? Is there one that we are not seeing that is less?

>> CHAIR EID: Six is well okay so two is under. We can add a little bit more to two and we can add a little bit more to six. No, I don't want to do that. I think Taylor being in four is what this Commission the various people that worked on this already wanted. So I do not want to do that.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Why don't you grab the last precinct that is on the northeast corner of Van Buren Township and put that into five. Yeah, where Kent just had his, back to the left. Above there. Just that one precinct that's got the freeway running through it. That is probably going to be too much population. Yeah, just that one right there. I can't see the population, three thousand, okay.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: 3132.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: That would bring your four in specs and take some out of five and put it into six or potentially 13 if 13 is the other borrower and moving from three to six.

>> CHAIR EID: Let's do that and send that to five.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Five is now 10,000 over.

>> CHAIR EID: We will go from five to six and it looks like already on this overlay there are some, but we just made that change. So if we Zoom out, let's Zoom out a little bit. What are we thinking with Westland, Commissioners? In five or better in six? We only need that little part essentially that 7,000 people. Now I think that is the same part that we assigned six previously.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So I.

>> CHAIR EID: Opinions either way?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: That is part of Garden City. But that was assigned to six or five, you're trying to put it in five or six, which way are you going?

>> CHAIR EID: Right now it is in five. It would need to be put into six.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: So you would be reconfiguring the rest of Garden City with the existing Garden City that is in six which I think would be fine.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: I think that makes sense too.

>> CHAIR EID: All right let's do it.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay what areas of it?

>> CHAIR EID: The ones that you had highlighted.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Excuse me.

>> CHAIR EID: The two precincts right there.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: So that is 9,000. And I should have done it right the first time five is .32% high, 6 is 1.8%. 4 is 2%.

>> CHAIR EID: That is good enough for now. Can you just Zoom out so we can get an overview? Yeah. More into the Detroit area. Okay so really not a whole bunch changed with this map. We added on some of the changes that various Commissioners

made earlier but didn't go as far into it as changing District 12. And we also reconfigured District 2 to be more in line with what we heard from the community today. So can you save this? Okay and can you export this as an overlay?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay that is done, do you want to close the plan now?

>> CHAIR EID: Close it and you are going to open 42924 version 4.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: We made a copy earlier.

>> CHAIR EID: Yes, version seven.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes, version seven. I'm going to have to back out and come back in. It will take just a moment.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yeah, I will have to go all the way out. Just a moment.

>> CHAIR EID: While we are getting that up we can take some public comment. We have three more speakers. We will start with Mira Moore or sorry about that.

>> Good afternoon, my name is Mira Moore, I am with APRI Detroit Down River chapter. And I came today because I've always been concerned about the redistricting. This will be my first time, you know, being involved like this. But I am just always concerned about when we do these maps, you know, you put like Wayne County which is majority, you know, which is Detroit, and you know Oakland and Wayne and I'm sorry Macomb. That when you add Macomb or you add other places to like Wayne County we all have different environmental concerns, educational concerns, socioeconomic concerns that they just don't have in other places. So like for me I feel like it's important we have our you know correct representation of each District. You know, so that's all I really came here to say. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. Next up is Andrea hunter.

>> Good evening and thank you for pronouncing it right. You are the only person who has done that Andrea and thank you for pronouncing correctly I'm the president of Detroit Down River APRI chapter and we are a community based 501C3 entity so most of it is politically socially not party wise. We do not do as a 501C3 our concerns is mine working at the steel mill as the president over there they used to have high and screen for air quality and things like that. We have bigger concerns as far as environmental because of all of the racial proportions of cancers, asbestos and breathing problems. The other counties like Macomb where most of the people work in those entities are office workers. They are not in the industrial belt. Which causes a conflict of interest when we are doing environmental issues, educational issues, things like that. So we need to have representation where we are not diluted because this is a critical health problem that is happening in the southeastern Wayne County as far as Detroit, River Rouge, Ecorse and even though I understand the Senate maps are broader, we still have an industrial area where it can encompass and have people with like concerns so of course these like concerns will bring of course like issues that need to be addressed. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. I also have a question for you if you don't mind before I see you walking away. How does your organization work, how far Down River?

>> Detroit, all the way down from River Rouge. Passed gross aisle and almost to Flatrock all passed there so we cover the cities of Ruid, Scranton, Ecorse, South Gate, Lincoln Park, Allen Park, what is that, Rockwood. We almost go to like we almost down there before we get to Monroe area. But like I said most of the things of course are factories and have to have water to operate so that is Down River Area. But we've had a lot especially as a president of my paying job is as the president of the, you know, Great Lakes work and garden area U.S. steel. As the local president of 1299 for years, I just retired April 30th but for years when I was the president there we understand that anything the courts does and the factors and you have Trenton engine and all these different factories and we constantly are worried about, I have a lot of people with breathing issues. A lot of people have oxygen tanks. And economically healthcare is a big thing for paying all this kind of stuff. Sleep apnea issues that they has night things they have to wear. But this goes to the healthcare which is costly. This goes to environmental and social safety issues. That is not problems that people have in Macomb or Oakland County because their work and home environments are not around major factories. Did I answer that?

>> CHAIR EID: Oh, yeah you did.

>> Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: We have one more question from Commissioner Kellom.

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Surprise, hi. So I'm going to charge you with the same thing that I have been asking other commenters to do which is to get especially since you've had experience being president and congratulations on your retirement on April 30th. But we need more folks to come out and just like you named off the areas and the cities that you're familiar with. Because if you I don't know how long you have been sitting here but I think I saw you walk in when we were drawing the Down River Area and kind of looking at the map and trying to figure out where we should go next we need people like you to come and share where it makes sense to draw the lines because of the 13 of us we don't live everywhere so we have the old map in the back Linden but there are several versions of maps we have been drawing on line Michigan.gov/MICRC. And if you and your group can take a look and critique good or bad, we are not afraid. We don't like this but tell us why and what is missing that would be great. And we have two more public hearings. We have an opportunity for folks to speak to us online. You don't have to show up. You can be in your bed giving comments about the map, whatever you are doing, that is what is most valuable to us as a Commission right now.

>> Well thank you and I will try; I was rushing here because I retired April 30th. I got hired at ASME I'm a staff rep there and I'm still working as a job and my ASME Federal,

state whatever so you know a lot of people live in the area and are having the same thing so no problem. We will definitely look at where we think we should be. We did want to, which I will see, is that we have to stay since there is only so many Senate areas, so we know it's going to be broader than we did with the House, okay? Representative, we are going to have to be some of what the population is in to. Definitely we will submit some maps.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Even areas, you don't have to do it or name off we are here, we would like to be with these neighboring areas.

>> I can connect the dots in the factories. You see how you have this kind of community here and you can see Trenton and you see the combustible factories that is there with DTE and Detroit water works, you have array that is down here and I'm really fighting with, you know, different environmental issues here in our community that we want representation who lives there, who understands that. And you know you get somebody else who don't then where will our health and children's health be in our communities.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: We understand that, but you have to tell us where to draw the lines.

>> I tell you look at the factories and do the math, but we will do it for you.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: All right.

>> Good-bye.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. That is very helpful. Next up is Linda Coke.

>>Hello hi name is Linda Cook and first of all I want to say I'm a strong advocate of Federal presentation no matter what. I've lived in Warren since 1979. I love the City. And I would sure like to see that it's kind of stays united. I drove a school bus for 25 years in Warren consolidated schools. And I really think they need to have an advocate. I know that they, when they redrew the lines for the House they did it four ways and I can understand that because we are a big City. But I would just love to see Warren try to stay united as possible because we have a wonderful City, and I would just like to have a good state Senator that will continue with what Warren has to offer. And so that is all I have to say. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you for addressing the Commission. And if anyone would like a second chance to speak, you are more than welcome to sign up for a second round and get an additional two minutes. Those are all the speakers currently so we will move back to mapping. We are -- were you able to get that copy going?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes, I have it up here. This is a copy of 429 version 4.

>> CHAIR EID: Right so this is the other Detroit configuration that we had, I believe Commissioner Curry started it with District 1 having a Down River District that goes up through up until up through the river, through Belle Isle, up until Grosse Pointe and you have a District 3 that the west side of Detroit with just a few parts of Oakland County

and also District 8 that is the east side of Detroit with also with Highland Park, Hamtramck, East Point, Centerline. But the other areas are all pretty much the same as what we did. So if you could just overlay the last one that you exported.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: These are the two you asked to add in as overlays. You're talking about the last plan?

>> CHAIR EID: The last plan I was just working on.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: I did not create that shape file, but I can do it.

>> CHAIR EID: Sorry, I thought you did.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: For some reason the backgrounds are not loading up. Loading up is going to be a problem.

>> CHAIR EID: Before you close it can you Zoom in? I don't think this is right. Yeah, this is not the one I was speaking about.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: But this is the...I want to back all the way out and restart it. Because this should have been the one we were working on.

>> CHAIR EID: No, because the Detroit area isn't right.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: None of it is.

>> CHAIR EID: Yeah, it's not the same one that was just up. The copy of 429 version 4.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: These are the three plans that.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay but the one we were just working on about 20 minutes ago, which one is that?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: It should have been that one right there but it's not there.

>> CHAIR EID: Uh-no.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay I'm going to have to restart everything. I'm going to shut down the laptop and restart it. I have no explanation.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, Commission, how about we take a ten-minute recess? All right, just a break? Any objection to a ten-minute break? All right we will break for ten minutes.

[Recess for ten minutes]

>> CHAIR EID: I think we are ready to get started again, folks. All right do we need a new roll since it was only a break? Wonderful. We were experiencing a little bit of technical difficulties, but I believe we have them resumed. However we do have two more public commenters. The first being Pat-Bellinger, is there a Pat-Bellinger who would like to speak? We will return to you.

We also have Gary Morehead.

>> Good afternoon or evening Commissioners. Including those of you who are behind the screen. Good to see you almost. I just wanted to say I was really impressed the other day with a drawing that Commissioner Curry did within Detroit. She basically took and you just had it up a while ago. Everything south and east of 8 Mile and Inkster all the way down to van born road and over to District 12. And made four districts out of

it. And I guess I want to read this great quote from Michael Angelo the sculpture is complete within the marble block before I start my work, it's already there and have to chisel away the superfluous material. A lot of the map is from the suburban into the urban where really I think it makes more sense given the nature of this remedial redraw to proceed from that block that she has already laid out or something close to it and move outward from there and do the suburban areas frankly after the City and surrounding area. And by City and surrounding area I mean Detroit, Highland park, Hamtramck, probably East Point, she used South Gate and Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Ecorse, River Rouge, Allen Park, Melvindale Lincoln Park Redford and I think that is everything she had in her block. And it's a beautiful block and you can move the lines around within that block as you want. Although I think what she has got is pretty good, thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you Mr. Morehead.

>> Who collects these? Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: We will return to Pat-Bellinger if he is here. All right I do not see anyone. You signed up, please approach.

>> Hi name is Pat-Bellinger I'm a citizen of Sterling Heights Michigan and I looked over the maps and had kind of a hard time reading them online. But one of the things that really bothers me is how it splits the City of Sterling Heights almost in half with the M59 Van Dyke line coming do you know. I live on the far east side of Sterling Heights. Just and within the border of Clinton Township. I've lived there since 2004. I raised my daughter in Rochester Hills, Michigan. And when she graduated I bought a home in Sterling Heights. And since that time I've come to learn how good the road system is in Sterling Heights. They go north, south, east and west. Easy to navigate. They are wider than the roads that I had to drive on. They had a shoulder that could protect the driver in case of an emergency or any kind of driving situation, they were wider, completely wider. They weren't three lane. They are always five lane. And we pay for those in Sterling Heights, and we gladly do. Our sewage system is by far better than anything that would be west of the City of Sterling Heights. I can remember flooding on 696 going from Woodward avenue down to Lake St. Clair because those small little communities didn't bother to fix the sewers and they burst open with water. And we had to deal with that. But our sewers could maintain it if they would have up kept their sewers.

We have a recreation tax and Sterling Heights that the citizens voted for. We made a choice of that. And our parks and our senior facilities are top, bar none from anything surrounding us even including Rochester Hills. We invite people to come, and they certainly do. We don't charge a great deal. We charge less than other communities for people outside of our City to use the facilities. And we are very proud of what we have created.

And the most recent thing that I'm extremely proud about in Sterling Heights is the redevelopment of the Lake side mall acreage. It's full of trees. It has a country atmosphere about it. Nothing but cement, nothing like cement on cement with narrow roads and hardly any air to breathe. It's something I'm very, very proud that the City has created.

Our leaders that we have elected, we support them, and they give back to us a hundred percent. I did look at the maps online. Is that me?

>> CHAIR EID: Yep.

>> I did look at the maps online. And they 350 seemed to be the best of all of them. And I thank you very much for my time.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. If you would like you can also sign up for a second round of public comment where you will get an additional two minutes.

>> And thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: All right, we will return to mapping. We had some technical difficulties, so let's make sure we didn't lose anything. So this is what I was working on last. It's the one with the three Detroit centered districts that we made a few changes to. We made changes around districts 13, 6, 4 and 5. I just wanted to make sure we didn't lose anything. So if we can take a quick look at this. This one does not split Sterling Heights. So do you have that one precinct added around Wald Lake? You have Northville combined. You have those two precincts on District 4 that were added to District 5. Was there -- is there a population deviation issue here?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: I don't believe so.

>> CHAIR EID: Or are we good? I think this is all of them.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: There is all the districts we are concerned about. And.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Szetela, does this Westland and Garden City look like what we just did? Or is there a precinct missing?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I thought you had a version seven that was open that you made the changes to. Am I wrong or is this the one you were making changes to?

>> CHAIR EID: This is the one we were making changes to and wanted to overlay on 7 and this is the one we lost so wanted to make sure we didn't lose anything.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Garden City is intact in this map.

>> CHAIR EID: Wonderful. Okay so now this is saved and it's version six now right, Kent?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes, sir.

>> CHAIR EID: Then I asked you to open, to make a copy of 42924 version 4 and you did that, and you named it version, you named it today's date version seven.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is the sum of it.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, so this is the map that has the -- one of the other Detroit configurations. I think started by Commissioner Curry with the Down River Detroit

District into Grosse Pointe. District 3 being West Detroit and District 8 being east Detroit with East Point, Centerline and Warren. But the rest of it is pretty similar. There is a difference in Sterling Heights having, including Troy and Warren instead of Troy and Madison Heights and there is a small change in District 7 due to District's 3 configuration. But by and large it's the same. So I'm wondering if you can overlay what we were just looking at on top of this so we can just get in those relatively minor changes that the Commissioners made earlier into this one. And so this Detroit configuration as well.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Excuse me, that is not the right shape file.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, perfect. So start with those changes to 6 and 13, just adding all of Northville into six.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: You want to make the same changes again?

>> CHAIR EID: Pretty much, yeah.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

Shall I do the changes where these two precincts go into two and all of this goes into three?

>> CHAIR EID: This has a little bit of a different configuration because one does not go around Dearborn like in the last configuration so let's hold off on that for now. Let's instead work on, well, you can do five for now. Because we will end up moving.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: These two presents?

>> CHAIR EID: Into five.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Five.

>> CHAIR EID: And South Gate into four.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Are we doing Lincoln Park area into two?

>> CHAIR EID: Lincoln Park in two and Wyandotte into one. Go back to the northern border of one and two.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Two and three or one and two?

>> CHAIR EID: So where are we at now? Two is underpopulated. And two is overpopulated. So let's start there. Let's start on the and how is three? Three is just about right. So we would have to go from, okay, so do you see that area that is covered by the overlay that is currently in two? Yeah, right over there. That is in green. Let's put that into three.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Continue down to Whitlock or Daytona avenue?

>> CHAIR EID: Does that say three is at 4.09%? Am I reading that right?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: 3 is 4.09% high.

>> CHAIR EID: Let's assign those, what you just had into three as well. And then we will look between three and one. Oh, actually that was way too many people. Let's undo that.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Undo?

>> CHAIR EID: Yes, undo that change.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Now we are at 4.09%, 10,000, 1 needs 20,000.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, folks so we are looking at three and one. Three is a little over and one is a little under. Are there any areas of three, you can turn off the overlay now, are there any areas of three that we think can go into one? And turn on the neighborhoods as well. Sorry, Kent, can we get the neighborhood overlay up?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes, sir.

>> CHAIR EID: I don't want to change how one is configured too much. I want to keep kind of the spirit of it the same of it being this Down River plus downtown Central District. So I'm trying to figure out what neighborhoods from three that can be added in to this. So if we can just Zoom in on the border between three and one, around Midwest. What do we think about Oakman Boulevard?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: That seems pretty obvious, right.

>> CHAIR EID: It does to me. What does everyone else think?

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Everyone else is asleep.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: No, I'm paying attention. I think you will end up with the same wrap around District because of the amount of population he needs.

>> CHAIR EID: If we do, then I might just undo it. I don't want that for this one.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay, now these precincts are a little oversized. But you're still all of that is only 6500. So we would do it at the block level really.

>> DONNA CALLAGHAN: Pilgrim village.

>> CHAIR EID: Can you put the population up as well?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: You have a couple of precincts that make up this Oakland and it's 1400, well a few, 1400, 1800 gives 32, 38, 4600.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay, can you Zoom out?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: You can always move some of three in two and two into one.

>> CHAIR EID: Yeah but there is nowhere really in two that I think should go in one. Do you know what Zoom out more. We are going to hit the undo button a bunch of times. I will take a look at this some other time.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: I was going to suggest pulling from I think eight is kind of that brown colored one, is that right? I can't read the number.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes, this area right here where my cursor is eight, that is Hamtramck.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Yeah.

>> CHAIR EID: Are you suggesting well Hamtramck and Highland Park are both going to have, you know, I think we heard we want those to be together. Are you speaking more so on the districts like north of 94 here?

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Well you could go either way. You kind of got the Bengali COI split any way because it's those districts west of Hamtramck as well. So you could pull Hamtramck in and kind of grab more of that Bengali community or you

could go kind of where I think Kent just highlighted that on the, yeah, that edge over there and try to grab those lines up.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: So all that area is 11,000. Well, we wouldn't have those.

>> CHAIR EID: So if you assign those to one.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: Then I wouldn't necessarily do that much. But you can take.

>> CHAIR EID: That will be a lot.

>> COMMISSIONER SZETELA: You can take 9,000 comfortably out of eight.

Because eight is over by three and you can knock it down to negative six and still be good.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That is 6,000 but that would not include these two or that 13 so you are looking at about 4,000, maybe 3500 right there.

>> CHAIR EID: All right, let's assign it to one.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: So eight is .7 low. Well, one still needs 50,000.

>> CHAIR EID: One still needs more.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: You want to go this way into Ravendale?

>> CHAIR EID: Yeah, I think if we do that we are going into another COI though. I almost feel it was better before with just the changes to districts 13 and 6. Any other opinions? What would you do here, Commissioner Kellom?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: When I'm quiet it's not because I'm not trying to be helpful, but I feel the person is I know what you like about this District, but I don't think you're going to be able to maintain it because of population, because of the things that Commissioner Szetela has already shared. So don't have anything genius to tell you.

>> CHAIR EID: Really I wanted to take in and add in the changes that other Commissioners made earlier into it. So let's hit pause on it and let's undo some of the District decisions we made here.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: More?

>> CHAIR EID: Go all the way back to basically where we started messing with District 2.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Start messing with District 2. I don't know when that will be. So, yes, so Wyandotte, I guess we are down here to point.

>> CHAIR EID: Right, so undo a few more times. There we go. Okay, well, and so this still includes the changes in districts 6 and 13 that were made earlier. I'll take a look at this at another time and see if I can figure out some sort of configuration that works. But at least we got a few upgrades in here that coincide with what other Commissioners did. Can you Zoom out please just to get an overview? Okay and this one also did not change in District 12. Okay, that does it for me. Thank you, Kent, sorry for the technical trouble everyone. We do have another speaker. Angela Rogensoo, I'm sorry if I said your name wrong.

>> Or move it down can you hear me? So my name is Angela I'm a Council member here in Warren also Council president so it's an interesting time for me to be here versus up there which is where we usually meet. I'm here to talk a little bit about the things I think are important in your decision making as relates to Warren. I was born and raised in Macomb County and have been in Warren for 12 years and been on Council for five. I door knocked this entire City two times. This is my second term. So I know this community very well. And have obviously lived here but have talked to so many of my neighbors thousands of my neighbors at this point. One of the things the City of Warren has really suffered from is a lack of advocacy at a state and Federal level. And we did not have a prior administration that really was external facing. And so my concern with redistricting as the House currently is that we are broken into four different districts, which means that for me our representation is not as strong because we are diluted across multiple communities with those representatives. And so I'm advocating for a District in which Warren is all encompassing and is the third largest City making sure that as a community and as a City we have representation in Lansing. And that we can go to that is not diluted across multiple communities like the House of Representatives currently is so that is what is most important to me as you consider making a decision and I know many folks here in Warren feel similarly so thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you. As far as other communities where you would include with Warren, can you talk about a little bit about what those would include? It's hard for us as Commissioners as we are drawing the maps because Warren is a geographically large City. And you have Centerline right there as well. Then you have, you know, the surrounding areas of Detroit and other areas. So I'm just wondering as the Senate Districts are rather large what other areas would you include with it?

>> Centerline certainly is a natural fit and does get included within the City of Warren, so Centerline makes sense. I would say any other communities that are border communities or are border to Detroit or part of Detroit. We have similar infrastructure. We were built around the same time. We have similar challenges as far as our economic development and how our cities are made up. And so I think when you think about the communities while they are all different and unique in their own way ones that run parallel or adjacent to Warren or on the immediate southern border would make the most sense to me so East Point, Centerline, Roseville, some of the communities that share similarities to Warren would for me make the most sense.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you.

>> Thank you for your time.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay we will move back to mapping. And next up is Commissioner Kellom.

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Hi Kent.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Hello Commissioner.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Okay, I'm a little low energy. I had coffee and I don't know if that was the best with a lot of sugar but here we are. I know I'm not going to finish these tweaks but want to go back to the map that I was working on, I think Commissioner Muldoon also chimed in on his turn but it's 050224S DCOLV2, I believe that is the correct one. Because it's incomplete.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay I will copy it and we will get started on it. Was the plan, no, I think I collected the wrong one on that.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: 05022, yep, the one, no, it's supposed to be V2.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: 0502 version two?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Yes. Correct.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

Okay Commissioner it's up and ready.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Let's go to District 8 that what do I want to call it the northeast corner of eight. It's supposed to be.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Get rid of some of this labeling.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: It's assigned to District 10 the corner I'm speaking about, but it needs to be assigned to District 8.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This area here.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: The one against 8 Mile, correct.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Assign that to eight?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Correct.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: So 8 is 13% over and 10 is 13% down. 8 is 4.5% over.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Okay, can you go back up to that little chunk of ten as in to eight? No, I don't want you to assign it or anything. Just Zoom in. Can we move around the matrix, the blue matrix or, no, that has to stay there? Not that one. There is one in the upper left hand corner selection, thank you, thank you. Okay do you see it's coming from the west at a diagonal? Right, no, One Street over, right there. Right there, that line.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: I want you to assign that to ten, that little area. Using the same 7-Mile boundary.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Using 7-Mile.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Correct 7-Mile, that little chunk right there. Okay.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Want to assign that to 10?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Yes, please. Okay let's Zoom out a little. A little bit more and from memory I know ten needs adjustment. So can you Zoom out again, please?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is the separation of three and eight and I don't know how well that shows up.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: I can see it. That is fine. I'm not making any changes to that right now. Even though I'm going to sweep three but let's go to ten. Let's go to District 10. And Zoom in on the western corner of it or western edge and I'm going to use Dequindre as a dividing line. I want to clarify. When I say dividing line I always read the public comment and there was when I was working on the kind of Down River, downtown, east side District I was not saying that alter road is the dividing line between Grosse Pointe, I'm familiar with that area even though I don't live there that is how I was describing it as I was drawing. So in District 10, the western side of that I'm going to be using the Dequindre so we can Zoom in. We need to find it.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is 10-Mile up here. Is it the east-west, there is 9 mile here.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Dequindre is going to be north, south.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: There is hilltop.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: It is the eastern edge where the line is, but I want to cleanup up. That line right there is Dequindre.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Looks like it starts with a W.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: I can't see. Is it a blue line? This is a tiny screen. I think Dequindre is east of, yep.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is John R road.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Keep going, east, east, east, keep going.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Thailand.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: You are going and need to come east.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: I'm going east.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: A map Uber.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Hughes, Russell.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: The blue line, I think that is Dequindre.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That is a Township boundary of.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: It's Dequindre.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Okay so can you for right now everything to the left of Dequindre can you assign to nine? I know that is going to put me over so Kent you don't have to tell me with your sweet voice.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That is 7700 and goes to nine.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: I needed to go somewhere temporarily. And then everything when I said everything to the left so keep going up, you are going to keep going up to big Beaver. Go north.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is Madison Heights right here.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: That is 12 mile. You're just going to go right beyond 14.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is 13 so that is 14 all the way up.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Scroll back up and I was trying to tell you to keep going but we can just work within ten. Go north and you will select that northern edge of 10. You're going to keep selecting, using Dequindre as the boundary all the way up to big Beaver.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: To Utica?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLUM: I'm just talking streets right now.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

So that 18 mile right here where the cursor is.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: I think you have gone too far.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: There is 17 mile right here.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: It's not that far up. Big Beaver is the street I'm looking for. It's right after 14 mile.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: There is 15 right here so it's in here?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLUM: It's just north of 14-mile, big Beaver is.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay, what was the name of it again? I'm sorry.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Big Beaver so on my screen that looks like 11 mile. There might be a delay but that looks like 11.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is 15 right here.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: I think you want Metro Parkway.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Metro Parkway is Big Beaver on the east side.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: So on the east I want Dequindre, but the dividing line north is big Beaver.

>> ELAINE ANDRADE: 16-mile big Beaver and Metro Parkway, they are all the same.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Okay, sorry, on my west side I just see big Beaver and you are right Metro Parkway is on the other side thank you Commissioner Andrade.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: North to Metro Parkway.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Zoom out so I can see.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is 14, 15, Metro Parkway is at the top.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: I never knew that. Learn something new every day. Okay, I can't tell what is going on. I want Metro Parkway. Dequindre. Can you select that little portion right up against Metro Parkway, please? That Section.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This precinct runs all the way up; we can cut it out.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: I don't want that piece.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: We will just avoid it right now. That should go to ten.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Ten, yep.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: You want to get this Section?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLUM: Yes, please and then the one that is right above it.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: My mic is going off where your cursor is and what is to the left of it as well.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This area?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: And what is to the left of that, that precinct.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is one block from a precinct, continue left ward?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: No. Okay you can select everything to the right of ten. We are going to go up north, using Mound Road.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: So we are going to be left.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Take some of 11 and put it into 10.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Doing it by precinct I assume.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: But still using Hayes as the boundary. I can't see because of the matrix. I think on the lower half you are using Hayes.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This verbal line right here is Hayes.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Okay great, thank you Kent. Everything.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: South of something like this.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Yes, correct and that is ten correct?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Correct.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Continue south?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Let's get this upper part first so that just kind of shows you where.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Sterling Heights area?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Uh-huh.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Yeah, let me see. Can you Zoom out, please?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: I believe this says 19.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: The western border right there before you Zoom in, no, Zoom back out. It's going to be a part of nine. That is Mound Road. To the left. To the left again. Don't Zoom in. Okay.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is 19 Mile Road right where the cursor is.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Mound is north and south.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay move left.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Yeah but I can see mound right here. You don't have to really move the map.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: So it's right to the right of number nine where you see that number nine Mound Road is right there, yes. So if you include that into ten when you Zoom out I lose track of where I am.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is the road, Mound Road right here where my cursor arrow is.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: So you are going to put that into ten.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

All of this area basically around Utica?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Mound to the -- go to the left. Finish filling in that area before you go over there. That area that is in nine, pull that into ten.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: I'm just going to highlight it and you tell me. Basically this area right here.

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Correct.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: And that is Rye Road or.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: You can select I think that is still mound to the left, correct? Yeah. So.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That is mound right here where my arrow is pointing.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: So, no, unassign that, please. Okay mound is the eastern border. I mean the western border. So I want you to fill in the other area, sorry, I was not paying attention to where you were, the unassigned area in nine put that in ten.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This area I'm selecting in here?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Uh-huh. Yes. And that is fine, assign that to ten and those little precincts that are left over, assign that to ten. Okay now we can come back home. You can assign that area into ten as well.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This area, part of 11?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Yes.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Can you move the active matrix, please? And all of that should get assigned into ten.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This area down here?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Yes.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: The Warren area.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Correct everything to the right of Hayes can be assigned into 11.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This area I have highlighted is that supposed to be in ten?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: That is in ten. Let's just.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: All of Warren is in ten.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Correct. That is okay go south in ten. Is that, that is 14, what mile road is this? Right above Centerline? 11? That is 11?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is 14.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: That is 11.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That is 14 right where the cursor is.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Can you Zoom in, please? That looks like 11 Mile Road.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: I understand this right here is Masonic and that is 13.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Am I crazy? Okay.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That is common road and there is...Martin road. 11 is all the way down here.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: That is fine and I'm looking for ten-mile road, but I swear all I wear is reading glasses. Geesh. So go south to 10-Mile Road. That was funny. Keep going. Let's just unassign the eastern part of 10 and put that into 11 outside of the precincts where it says 11 or 10-Mile Road and East Point that goes into 11.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Can you Zoom in, please, Kent?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Where are we Zooming in?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLUM: Where you assigned that into 11. I just want to check something.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: We have a little, let me fix this here quick.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Commissioner Kellum?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLUM: Can you Zoom into that border of 10 and 11, please? Right there where you are just Zoom in? Okay.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is Hayes right here. This is Stevens road right across.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Hayes and 10-Mile which is right above, uh-huh.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Right where I'm pointing at this time is 10-Mile.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: I think I want you to, where did you say Stevens? The precinct that is assigned right where your cursor to the left in 10, unassign that right there and put it into 11, please. Go up some. Shirley, Chesterfield avenue, not all of that, just the rectangle going east and west.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Switch back to blocks.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: I did say precinct. I'm sorry I meant what I said unassign that precinct. Sorry, Kent, I apologize.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: We move in this area right here?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLUM: Yes into 11. I'm sorry, my apologies.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: We got it. So that we are using this road as the...

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: You could have kept it the way it was with the reverse L.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That would have been the full precinct.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Yes that is what I wanted.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Thank you. That is the entire precinct and what about this little area? This is I think that says 9 mile, yeah, this is 9 mile right across here.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Yes, you can assign that into 11 as well. Go south please and the lower half of that precinct can go in 11, 9 mile and Hoover.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That area goes to.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: If you go east where the area is into ten right against Hoover road, you have to...Hoover is right there, that precinct can go into 11. Uh-huh. Yes. And then that little piece that is left out to the left. Nope, not that, unassign, I mean undo that. Right on the other side of that curvy line. Yes.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: So this is 9 mile. This is where the cursor is.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: The line going north and south should be Hoover. That's correct.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Let's go to the top of 11. I just want to make sure the northern half of 11.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is the northern in Macomb County, northern part of 11.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Can you go south? Hold on one second. That mount Clemens can you put that into 11, please?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: The whole Township area?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Uh-huh.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That is all the precincts in mount Clemens, you want that in 11?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Yes, please, then can you go south? You could have stayed scrolled or zoomed in. I'm sorry, can you unassign that little area that is right to the east of Clinton Township? There is little hook that I want to stay in the mount, no, no, that is fine. Not that part. The bottom of mount Clemens needs to be unassigned, that little area can you assign back into 12?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: This precinct. Let me clear this. That is precinct and should stay.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: In 12.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: In 12.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Can you Zoom out just a little bit, please? Thank you. And then that little part that is in 11, the eastern part of 11 you can assign to 12. It's like a little jig saw, yep. Right where it kind of gets very angular, that little piece should be into 12 at the top. Not down there at the top by that roof-looking piece, yep. The other piece of it too. Nope, not that, right above Metro Parkway. Yep, that little piece. Okay this is a little Mac avenue.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Uh-huh.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Kellom I'm going to ask you to pause for a moment. We do have company.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: He has been waiting a little while.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: You could have stopped me ten years ago.

>> CHAIR EID: We have a many Paul Smith.

>> Yeah hi I'm Paul Smith and live right here in Macomb County in the District where you are moving the blocks around. From what I've seen I don't understand, or I can't comprehend what it is you're doing and what the goal is moving these blocks around. It's around my House. As far as I can understand the U.S. Constitution, that every ten years, which was 2000, 2010, 2020 according to the census we moved the districts and get an equal number. And they are supposed to be contiguous and that is supposed to

be the end of it. I don't see any constitutional grounds for this meeting to be going whatsoever. In 2020 the districts were gerrymandered again. They weren't the way I would have drawn the districts but I'm not on the Commission. The Commission had their verdict. They put in the districts. And in 2030 you get another shot at it. You shouldn't be doing this at all. There's no legitimate grounds for this proceeding whatsoever. And 2020 you did a pretty good job of gerrymandering it, so the democrats won. And they took control of the State House and the State Senate, Whitmer got in. You ran the districts into Wayne County and into Detroit so that the votes could be counted in the Cobo Hall stuffing center, and it went your way. You got everything possible your way, there are a few surviving republicans, so I take it you're going to come in and redistrict it again to ferret out the few republicans you have not got rid of yet. I've watched this moving around of blocks and other than getting the districts of equal number, equal number of people according to census that was the end of it. The points are on a score board. 2020 you came up with the districts. You decided Joe Biden was president and Gretchen Whitmer was the Governor and you got the votes to pass the constitutional amendment. So you're not recounting or relooking at these. But for some reason this Districting is being looked at again when it's not the time to look at it. You made your judgment in 2020. And live with it until 2030. You should adjourn this and quit messing with the electoral system like you have already. If you move the districts around in Macomb County at least learn the map to learn which way the mile roads go and which way the Dequindre and mound and Van Dyke go. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Smith. Commissioner Kellom, please proceed.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Well, Mr. Smith I wish you could stay and help me but now I got my glasses on so I hope I do some.

>> How can we help go ahead.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Now by would like you to take a look at the maps. We are charged with redrawing the maps. We were a body that was randomly selected in 2018 and so that is why we are up here as citizens redrawing the map. So if you look at the maps online, not the one in the map, the Linden map is what we are actively redrawing now. And let us know specifically what you dislike or like about the options that we have online, that would be great.

>> Well, so I'm not here to argue about the wiggles and jiggles and what changes you're making. But your whole grounds for making changes at all. Other than 2020 or 2030 that we redistrict every ten years that the map that you people came up with for 2020 isn't the map I would have drawn. But I wasn't the committee. And I had to go along with it. And I ran for State Senate. You guys made a District that was three miles wide and 21 miles high that went all the way from M59 to the Detroit river that was conveniently again run south of 8 Mile so that the votes could be counted in Cobo Hall and come out your way and they did. That was a District, that was the way it is. But

looking at these ribbons going across county lines that is not how I would have drawn it. But I did not argue about it. I did not complain about it, and you drew it and that is what it is for ten years and no reason for taking what you got and then coming back for the scraps that got away from you. And that is really what is going on.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: We appreciate your comment.

>> Ferret what is going on with the democrat districts.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Thank you for your comments but we have to continue our business for the day.

>> And for all time is listening to the people and not fiddling around trying to figure out where the streets in Macomb County run.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Thank you so much. Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: Commissioner Lange I see your hand is us.

>> COMMISSIONER LANGE: Mr. Smith I don't know if you can hear me, but I wanted to let you know the reason we are redrawing is it was required by a Federal Judge. He ruled against the previous maps. So that is why we are redrawing. You said you didn't understand why. So I just wanted to let you know this is a Court order redraw and that is the purpose for it. Thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you, Mr. Smith. We appreciate your comments. Okay we have about 25 minutes left in the meeting. We are going to have some time as well for the Executive Director's report. We probably have about ten minutes or so left of mapping. If you would like to continue.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Sure, it's totally up to you, if you want to take the rest of the time to handle business we can. I was trying to get rid of my turn. Okay. I know. You all love me. So all right, Kent, we are going to get back in the saddle. Let's keep going. So where was I? Okay, that little piece that is jutting on the east side of Fraser can you place that into 12?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes, ma'am.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: I think I told you too much of it. Right, stop, stop, stop. Right where it says the population 881217 put that back into 11. Okay, and then can you Zoom in, please? Those two presents can you assign to 11? The two precincts right there, can you assign that to 11? Not over unassign that little.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Precincts cross over the highway so we can do it by block if you like.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Yes, let's do it by block. I don't want to cross over into the highway.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLUM: Okay, can you Zoom in? That is Margaret right there. Okay, that piece that is jutting out on the, yes, on the eastern side can you continue that over until we get to like Margaret Street, the active matrix is covering it up, but I can't....

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: You want to take part of 12 and put into 11 is that what I'm hearing?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Yes, that is south Margaret. And the piece that is north, can you take that and put it into 11? After I told you I did not want to do that, sorry. Just you just have to deal with me.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: So this is St. Margaret Street right here.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Yep take that little piece and put it into 11 as well or unassign, no, not that piece.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: That is a whole precinct.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: North, that little cut out next to Macomb, yep, put that into 11. Can you Zoom out a little bit, please?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Go south or north?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: South. The bottom of that is 12 mile.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Yes, ma'am, I think that says Martin.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Then it goes along 94. And all the way to 8 Mile. I want to see the bottom of 11 now.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Bottom of 11 is 8 Mile.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Okay.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: 9 mile, 10-Mile.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: 12 is under.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: 12 is at 5% under.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Okay let's go to nine. I think I have to fix nine. I'm pretty sure.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Nine is at .95% under.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Okay, can you Zoom out a little, please, so I can see the entirety of nine? The top part of nine that is right next to ten, can you assign that to seven? No, it's not assigned to ten, it's assigned to nine, so the top part of nine. It's connected to ten, yes, that piece, can you assign to District 7?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: All three precincts or just this one?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Those and then what is south of that, that belongs to nine.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay you want that into seven.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Seven, yep, and you can keep going.

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Okay.

So seven is now 42000 high and 9 is 43,000 low.

>> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: That is fine. I'm not going to finish this today. Can you Zoom in on the top of nine where we just were? Can you Zoom in some more please?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Excuse me?

>> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Can you Zoom in some more Kent?

>> MR. KENT STIGALL: Is that east Wattles.

- >> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: North and south can you read those off to me?
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: That is 75 here, this is John R road.
- >> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: What is next?
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is I'm unsure, but we will get to it. Rochester road is this road where my cursor is.
- >> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: So that whole little chunk I want you to assign to ten. I'm sorry to seven.
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: So everything east of Rochester road like this area?
- >> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Correct.
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: That to seven.
- >> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Uh-huh.
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: So we will continue westward.
- >> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: And the north part that is assigned to seven, wait, hold on. Undo that and I don't know what just happened.
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: I just highlighted it.
- >> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: The northern part of nine just go right beyond that and it's assigned to seven I want you to assign to nine. So go to the top of nine. I think it's not that far. Elementary school so unassign that. There is an elementary school. Keep going north.
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: This is Leonard elementary school.
- >> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Go north. Go north, no, just that piece right there. Not.
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: What are we moving?
- >> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: A piece of 7 to 9 but the piece that is right beyond that right there, can you move that into 9?
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: So seven is 60,000, 9 is 62000 low, 60,000 high.
- >> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: You can assign the rest of that piece as well.
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: That entire block is 6600 into nine. This is south Boulevard.
- >> VICE CHAIR KELLOM: Yep, you can assign that piece. Not all the way across. I don't want you to go that far.
- >> MR. KENT STIGALL: Just that piece?
- >> COMMISSIONER KELLOM: Yes. Okay Commissioner Eid, can we stop?
- >> CHAIR EID: I was about to say that might be a good place to stop mapping for this evening. Is there anybody out there in the crowd who has not spoken, who would like a chance to speak? There is someone, cool, you can just approach the mic, you don't need to sign up and state your name for the record.
- >> Good evening my name is Brandon Dixon I'm a member of Detroit Down River chapter and I'm here because I believe that the review should show that the lines shouldn't come down into Detroit. Possibly dilute the vote. That is pretty much all I got to say. Anybody got any questions or anything?
- >> CHAIR EID: Do you have a question Commissioner Kellom?

>> CHAIR EID: Yeah, well thank you for your comment. We have multiple mapping options that are out there right now. I recommend you check the website and so you can then let the Commissioner know which version you might like best.

>> Okay.

>> CHAIR EID: You can even draw a map and submit it to the Commission for consideration.

>> Okay, all right thank you.

>> CHAIR EID: Thank you.

>> All right.

>> CHAIR EID: Okay that concludes mapping for the day. We will move on to the Executive Director's report. We do have an Executive Director report today if there is no objection I will ask MICRC Executive Director Edward Woods III to provide his report. Is there any objection? Hearing none please proceed Mr. Woods.

>> MR. EDWARD WOODS: Thank you, Commissioner Eid. My report is very brief. Just want to encourage those who do have social media accounts on the Commission to promote our social media pages in terms of our upcoming public hearings. As you know tomorrow we are at Pearl event center in Southfield and on Thursday we are at Wayne state University at the student event ballroom, student center ballroom C. But really want to get the word out. Our social media team as well as our traditional media team are doing a great job. But this would help amplify it if we can consider the respective accounts. Want to remind the public that we do have someone here to assist with mapping. So if you have an idea as relates to the community of interest and how you would like to see a map drawn during the time of the public hearing at 12:30, 1:30 to 3 and 4-7 someone is here to assist you so you don't have to do the task all on your own. I also want to remind the Commission that we need to start planning to have our maps reviewed for the Voting Rights Act. We are looking at possibly doing that on the 16th in terms of scheduling with our VRA counsel. So if there is anything else the Commission has to do, there is time to make some adjustments to the maps. So just want to throw out there by May 16th whatever maps that we have, you know, there are still some things that may need to happen so that we can give them enough time to provide their report to the Commission.

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

We will now move on to announcements. Are there any announcements today Commissioners? I do not see any. How about acknowledgments? Okay if there are no acknowledgments then the items on the agenda are complete and we can adjourn. I will now entertain a motion to adjourn.

>> COMMISSIONER LETT: So moved.

>> MARCUS MULDOON: Second.

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>> CHAIR EID: Motion by Commissioner Lett and a second by Commissioner Muldoon to adjourn. Is there any discussion on the motion? Hearing none we will move to 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. We are adjourned at 6:52 p.m.