

Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

Hybrid Meeting held in-person and via Zoom Webinar due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, pursuant to 2020 PA 254 (MCL 15.263 and 15.263a), and in compliance with Section 6(10) of Article 4 of Michigan's 1963 Constitution

Full agenda, presentations, transcripts, and video recordings are available at www.michigan.gov/micrc

Friday, October 8, 2021

9:04 AM – 4:29 PM

at

Michigan State University Union, Lake Huron Room

49 Abbot Road

East Lansing, MI 48824

MINUTES

PRESENT: Douglas James Clark (attending remotely from Rochester Hills, MI)
Anthony Eid
Brittni Kellom (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI) *(joined the meeting at 12:17 PM)*
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI) *(left the meeting at 11:50 AM)*
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton
MC Rothhorn
Rebecca Szetela
Janice Vallette
Richard Weiss
Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT: Juanita Curry
Erin Wagner

OTHERS PRESENT: Suann Hammersmith, Executive Director

Julianne V. Pastula, General Counsel
Edward Woods III, Communications and Outreach Director
Michigan Department of State (“MDOS”) staff
Bruce Adelson, Federal Compliance Consulting
Election Data Services (“EDS”) staff

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 9:04 AM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

Commissioner Kellom joined the meeting at 12:17 PM

Commissioner Lange left the meeting at 11:50 AM

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called for a motion to approve the agenda. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda" which was adopted. 8 individuals provided in-person public comment: Joseph Davis, Nathanael Bills, Jeremy Mariz, John Schneider, Mark Collatz, Sarah Howard, Kristal Boyd, and Joscha Weese. 29 individuals provided remote public comment: Dr. Armstrong-Hall, Anthony Scannell, James Gallant, Robert Dindoffer, Bronwyn, Adel Mozip, Taleah Greve, Sherri Masson, Ivan Diaz, Pat Nelsen, Franklin Ballard, Rich Thrush, Lily Cheng-Schulting, Sherri Ruth, Dave Brandsen, Mandy Grewal, Luke DeHaan, Susan Miller, Abby Clark, Christy McGillivray, Mahendra Kenkre, Leah, zaman13bd@gmail.com, Delwar Ansar, Kevin T. Grimm, shadat33@gmail.com, Iqbal Hossain, Chris Andrews, and Abdulhakem Alsadah.

A full inventory of live and written public comment is available at www.michigan.gov/micrc.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Compliance Analysis and Deliberations. The Commission held a discussion about the mapping process and the publication of draft proposed collaborative and individual maps.

RECESS

MOTION: Take a Ten-Minute Break. **Motion by Commissioner Eid. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION APPROVED.**

Voting No: Commissioners Clark and Lange

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 10:20 AM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

PRESENT:

- Douglas James Clark (attending remotely from Rochester Hills, MI)
- Anthony Eid
- Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)
- Steven Terry Lett
- Cynthia Orton
- MC Rothhorn
- Rebecca Szetela
- Janice Vallette
- Richard Weiss
- Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT:

- Juanita Curry
- Brittni Kellom
- Erin Wagner

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- a. Compliance Analysis and Deliberations. The Commission adjusted their State House and Senate draft plans to consider all constitutional criteria.

RECESS

At 11:35 AM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for ten minutes until 11:45 AM” which was adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 11:50 AM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

PRESENT: Douglas James Clark (attending remotely from Rochester Hills, MI)
Anthony Eid
Brittini Kellom (*joined at 12:17 PM*)
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton
MC Rothhorn
Rebecca Szetela
Janice Vallette
Richard Weiss
Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT: Juanita Curry
Rhonda Lange
Erin Wagner

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- a. Compliance Analysis and Deliberations. The Commission adjusted their State House, Senate, and Congressional draft plans to consider all constitutional criteria.

MOTION: Publish State Senate Draft Proposed Map “10-08-21 v1 SD” as a Collaborative Map for the Second Round of Public Hearings.
Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner

Lett Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by roll call.
MOTION APPROVED 5-4.

Voting Yes: Commissioners Orton, Vallette, Weiss, Witjes, Clark

Voting No: Commissioners Eid, Lett, Rothhorn, Szetela

MOTION: Designate October 12th as the Deadline to Determine How Many Collaborative Draft Proposed Maps will be Published and Subsequently Vote on the Maps for the Second Round of Public Hearings. **Motion by Commissioner Eid. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by roll call. MOTION FAILS 4-5.**

Voting Yes: Commissioners Lett, Weiss, Clark, Eid

Voting No: Commissioners Orton. Rothhorn, Szetela, Vallette, Witjes

RECESS

At 1:04 PM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for 61 minutes until 2:05 PM” which was adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 2:10 PM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

PRESENT:

- Douglas James Clark (attending remotely from Rochester Hills, MI)
- Anthony Eid
- Brittni Kellom (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI)
- Steven Terry Lett
- Cynthia Orton
- MC Rothhorn
- Rebecca Szetela
- Janice Vallette
- Richard Weiss
- Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT: Juanita Curry
Rhonda Lange
Anthony Eid
Erin Wagner

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- a. Compliance Analysis and Deliberations. The Commission adjusted their State House, Senate, and Congressional draft plans to consider all constitutional criteria.

RECESS

At 3:50 PM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for 10 minutes until 4:00 PM” which was adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 4:04 PM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

PRESENT: Douglas James Clark (attending remotely from Rochester Hills, MI)
Anthony Eid
Brittni Kellom (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI)
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton
MC Rothhorn
Rebecca Szetela
Janice Vallette
Richard Weiss
Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT: Juanita Curry
Rhonda Lange
Erin Wagner

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- a. Compliance Analysis and Deliberations. The Commission identified maps adjusted for compliance so staff can produce inventory reports.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes to approve.

STAFF REPORTS

There were no reports.

MDOS UPDATES

MDOS provided an update

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items of correspondence. All correspondence received is included in the public comment provided to the Commission.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were discussed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Adjourn the Meeting. **Motion by Commissioner Rothhorn. Supported by Commissioner Witjes. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:29 PM