

2022 DECENNIAL REAPPORTIONMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION (R.A.C.)

Meeting #9 – September 27, 2022 - 6PM

Chairman Safranek called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. on Tuesday, September 27, 2022. Present were Commission Members Duane Perkins, Benjamin Chianese, and John Priola. From the City were Deputy Corporation Counsel, Les Pinter; Appointed Outside Counsel Joseph Mortelliti. Present from the public was Tom Brown, Resident.

Chairman Safranek made note that he was not able provide a draft plan due to not having received training on how to use the software. Mr. Chianese presented maps of the city's current wards and new state districts. He provided members with 2020 census data for each ward. To fulfill population requirements, he noted that two wards will have the largest impact to population; Ward 6 needs to lose 2,458 individuals, and Ward 4 needs to lose 658 individuals. He also provided maps showing suggestions for new district lines that would reach the population percentage goals (10%) in each ward.

Chairman Safranek asked to reconvene to allow everyone to review the suggested plans. Mr. Pinter suggested that, due to the agenda cut-off date and the last date to submit a plan (September 30th) a final report letter needs to be submitted, and in the case that a plan is approved at the next meeting (September 29th) it will be appended to the City Council October agenda.

A motion was made by Chairman Safranek, and seconded by Councilman Perkins, to accept the draft final report, and submit it to the Mayor and the Council, prepared by Corporation Counsel. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Chairman Safranek, and seconded by Councilman Perkins, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Safranek, Chair
Duane Perkins
Benjamin Chianese
John Priola