# **Commission on Redistricting**

Wednesday February 10, 2021

Start Time: 5:01pm

## Meeting Minutes

#### In Attendance:

### **Commission Members**

Arthur Edmonds (Interim Chair)
Mariana Cordier (interim Vice-Chair)
Imad Aldean
Laura Ard
Keshia Desir
Valerie Ervin
Bruce Goldensohn

Jason Makstein

Nilmini Rubin

Samuel Statland

David Stein

### **Council Staff**

Pamela Dunn Jeff Zyontz

The meeting began at 5:01pm.

The first order of business was the introduction of Commission and Council staff members.

Next, the Interim Chair, Arthur Edmonds held election of the permanent Chair and Vice-Chair. Mariana Cordier was elected Chair and Arthur Edmonds was elected Vice-Chair.

Council staff provided the most recent update regarding the expected receipt of population data from the US Census Bureau. The recent notification indicated July 31, 2021 as the date the Census Bureau anticipates the State will receive population data for redistricting. Once the States receive the data, the States are required by law to adjust the data for incarcerated persons (permanent address information).

A regular meeting date and time was established. For the next few months, meetings will be held virtually on the second Wednesday of the month from 5:00pm-6:30pm. More frequent meetings may be scheduled.

Last, the Commission discussed topics for future meetings, including a presentation by the County Attorney's office regarding legal requirements of redistricting, a briefing by the Board of Elections regarding their role and responsibilities, a worksession to develop a workplan, a briefing by a non-partisan organization on best practices in redistricting, and a tutorial by Planning Department staff on redistricting software.

The next meeting will include a presentation by the County Attorney's office.

The meeting closed on time at 6:00pm.