



## Redistricting Committee

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

Morton Civic Center, Glacier Conference Room, Room 2404

**COMMITTEE MEMBER  
PRESENT:**

Chair Jonathan Nieuwsma  
Councilmember Bobby Burns  
Councilmember Devon Reid  
Councilmember Melissa Wynne

**COMMITTEE MEMBER  
ABSENT:**

**ALSO PRESENT :**

Councilmember Krissie Harris

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Assistant City Attorney, Brian George  
GIS Analyst, Mark Varner  
Administrative Assistant, Lola Thomas

**(I) CALL TO ORDER/DECLARATION OF A QUORUM**

Chair Nieuwsma called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 pm

**(II) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

P1. Approval of the meeting minutes of November 22, 2002, January 10, 2023, January 26, 2023 and February 11, 2023 (*not a formal meeting; included for reference*)

Moved by Councilmember Devon Reid  
Seconded by Councilmember Melissa Wynne

**Ayes:** Chair Jonathan Nieuwsma, Councilmember Devon Reid, Councilmember Melissa Wynne Councilmember Bobby Burns

**Carried 4-0 on a recorded vote**

**(III) PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Tina Paden inquired about the process
- Carl Klein requested correction of one point in the Consolidated Redistricting Notes: on page 12 of packet under Ward 5 Considerations—it was not he who recommended not moving a portion of Ward 6 into Ward 5.
- Cindy Reed inquired about the process.

**(IV) ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**A. Review of process**

- Chair Nieuwsma reviewed the process to date.

**B. Discussion of potential new maps**

- Four maps were presented for discussion
- Option A had 2.29% total deviation. The committee concurred that this map adhered closely to our guidelines.
- Option B had 12.25% total deviation. As presented, this map was still a work in process; not intended to be considered as-is
- Option C had 3.84% total deviation. The committee concurred that this map adhered closely to our guidelines.
- Option D had >20% total deviation. As presented, this map was still a work in process; not intended to be considered as-is. This map showed ward 8 extending east of the tracks towards the lakefront.

**C. Additional items of discussion**

- The committee re-confirmed the intent to not extend ward 8 east to the lake. In addition to the desire to maintain consistency with current boundaries as much as possible, the census parcel at the lakefront extends well north into areas that will remain in Ward 3.
- Councilmembers Wynne and Nieuwsma were assigned the task of working to consolidate Options A and C into one map.
- Councilmembers Burns and Reid were to do some additional work on their map proposals before the next committee meeting.
- The committee agreed to push back our schedule a month to allow for full consideration of all potential maps. Our revised schedule:

1. Committee members to complete draft maps	Prior to March 28
2. Committee meeting to review map proposals	March 28, 2023
3. Public comment on proposed map(s)	March and April 2023
4. Status report to Council; Council discussion	April 10, 2023 (Monday)
5. Committee meeting—public comment	April 25, 2023 (Tuesday)
6. Final committee meeting: recommend new map	May 23, 2023 (Tuesday)
7. Council approval	June 12, 2023 (Monday)

**(V) ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned approximately 8:30 pm.