

City of Albany Reapportionment Commission

Virtual Meeting

Thursday, August 18, 2022

5:30 PM

Members Present			
Shawn Morris, Chair	Scott Allardice	Dylan Carey	Dale Getto
Carol June-Washington	Emily Loughlin, Secretary	Judith Mazza (joined at 5:39 PM)	
Members Absent			
Dr. Brenda Robinson	Paul Webster	Charles Williams	
Staff Present			
Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk	John-Raphael Pichardo, Esq., Counsel to the Common Council		

- Shawn Morris called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM with a quorum.
- Danielle Gillespie discussed how we can distribute the surveys.
 - Locations where physical surveys are distributed can be given an envelope to collect physical submissions.
 - Dale Getto will coordinate a list of organizations to distribute the surveys to on Google Docs.
 - Emily Loughlin will turn the survey link into a QR code that can be included on printed flyers.
- Dylan Carey presented the first draft map that the mapping committee developed.
 - The 7th Ward is a weak minority-majority ward. It could potentially become a stronger minority-majority ward upon closer review.
 - The Commission reviewed the populations of blocks bordering the 6th, 7th, and 9th Wards.
 - The Commission discussed the communities around the border of the 1st and 2nd Wards.
 - Discussion of minority-majority wards in the City, in general.
- The Commission approved the current map as the first draft which will be published publicly for comment before the August 24th public hearing.
- Shawn Morris initiated a conversation about the August public hearing.
 - Danielle Gillespie proposed the hearing be held in the basement meeting room which is more accessible than the Council Chambers.
 - Discussion of printed materials for the hearing.

- Dylan Carey will create map files for printing.
- Dylan Carey moved to adjourn and Judith Mazza seconded at 6:43 PM.