

City of Hyattsville — 2022 Redistricting Committee
September 14, 2022, 7:30 PM–8:30 PM — Virtual

MINUTES

In attendance: Leland Dudek, Alicia Sanchez Gill Freemyn, Jennifer Gafford, Greta Mosher, T. Carter Ross (Recorder), Andrew Sayer (Chair), Cynthia Totten. **Staff:** Sekour Mason, Cindy Zork. **Regrets:** Shakira Louimarre, Krystil Smith. **Guests:** Araceli, Erica Jones, David Marshall, Claire Panak Tombes.

1. Roll Call

Following a technical issue that delayed the meeting start, a quorum was noted, and Chair Sayer called the meeting to order at 7:46 p.m. Attendance was registered. Zork noted that Cliff Mayo recently informed the city he has moved out of the city and thus is deemed to have resigned from the committee.

2. Minutes

Minutes from the September 8, 2022, meeting were approved on a voice vote.

3. Update on Old Business

Zork noted that City Planner Taylor Robey said that Census block level data is not available from the American Community Survey. In general, Robey noted, the Census Bureau does not recommend using ACS data in the same manner as decennial Census data as the two do not corollate in terms of counting methods and scehdules. Even if the ACS data cannot be applied to the redistricting process, Sayer asked that the city's 2020 Vulnerable Populations Analysis report be added to the materials available via Citizen Lab to aid the public in considering the redistricting process.

4. Council Presentation Run Through

Sayer ran through the presentation that will be made to Council on September 19. Comments and feedback were provided along with some clarifications.

Zork noted that the presentation is the second presentation planned for the evening, so hopefully it will happen before 8:30 p.m., but it may come later. She also said the committee should expect some questions from Council. Ross noted that there maybe comments made earlier in the evening during public comment too. In discussing the process for handling questions, it was suggested that committee members use the "raise hand" function in Zoom if they were willing and ready to answer any given question. Sayer said he would like to see a range of committee members providing answers. Zork noted she was preapred to talk about the city's plans for seeking further citizen input on the redistricting plan.

The committee also responded to several public questions about the process.

5. Assignments and Next Steps

Following the Council Meeting of September 19, the committee will determine its next

steps, depending the feedback or direction provided by the City Council.

6. New Business

No new business was presented.

7. Adjourn

There being no further business, Chair Sayer called for motion to adjourn at 8:44 p.m., which was approved on a voice vote.