

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
COMMISSION ON REDISTRICTING  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MAY 2, 2023**

**ATTENDANCE:** Marc Delmonico, Co-chair; Jeanette Herron, Co-chair; Tyler Mack; Michael Garrett; Anthony G. Minutolo; Rosalina Roman-Christy

**STAFF:** Kim Brace, Election Data Services Consultant

**OTHER:** Council Member(s): Scott Burns, Rev. Mary McBride-Lee, Maria Pereira & Rolanda Smith; Atty. James Maye; Atty. Mark Anastasi; Anthony Paoletto; Linda Grace, Republican Registrar of Voters; Patricia Howard, Democratic Registrar of Voters

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Delmonico called the meeting to order at 6:53 p.m. A quorum was present.

**Discussion and possible Action concerning:**

**The duties and responsibilities of, and work to be performed by, the Commission on Redistricting to prepare and adopt a Plan of Districting following the most recent decennial census of the United States consistent with the principles set forth in Subsection (a) of Bridgeport City Charter, Chapter 5, Section 2 (a) and pursuant to City Council Resolution No. 32-22 regarding the matter of Lydia N. Martinez and Maria H. Pereira v. City of Bridgeport, et. al. Superior Court for the Judicial District of Fairfield at Bridgeport – Docket No. FBT-CV-22- 6116446-S.**

**The PowerPoint presentation and certain Census Data, both recently provided to the Commission by Redistricting Consultant Kim Brace of Election Data Services.**

**The above-referenced documents are available on the City Clerk’s website, as they were posted in support of, and discussed at, the Redistricting Commission’s Special Meeting conducted via Zoom on Monday, April 24, 2023.**

**Input, information and matters raised during the Commission’s 6:00 p.m. public hearing.**

**Direction to, and requests for reports from, Redistricting Consultant Kim Brace of Election Data Services and/or City staff.**

**Scheduling of future Commission meetings, including, but not limited to, to receipt of possible oral and/or written testimony from Bridgeport City Council members, and Bridgeport Registrars of Voters regarding the adoption of new City Council district lines.**

**Other organizational, procedural, and scheduling matters.**

Mr. Brace said that it was important to understand where the process begins and it usually is good to sit down with people to discuss issues. The Committee members live in the Districts and can tell him what is important. When the lines are changed, Mr. Brace can tell people how many people are being moved. Currently, District 9 was overpopulated and District 8 and District 1 are under populated. The 138th is expanding and 139th would lose some residences. While the area for the 131st is underpopulated and will expand, it will cause the ripple effect. He reviewed the details.

The software can calculate the changes when the district lines are changed. The software also allows aerial views of residences to be viewed. Mr. Brace suggested that the Committee members should review District 1 and decide what direction they want to move the lines.

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON MOVED TO SCHEDULE A MEETING AT 4:00 PM ON MAY 4TH IN THE CHAMBERS.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER MACK SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

*Council Member Mack left the meeting at 7:26 p.m.*

The Committee then viewed the District information on Mr. Brace's laptop and discussed potential changes.

Mr. Delmonico said that they had shifted some of the District boundaries and had a work in progress map. The map will be sent to the Committee members. Mark D said that everyone to send their concerns to the Co-chairs and they will get the answers. There will be a meeting on Thursday and the map will be displayed at that time for the public to view.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER ROMAN-CHRISTY MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**\*\* MR. MINUTOLO SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Telesco Secretarial Services