

MINUTES OF THE REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

Conference Room | 1953 Municipal Way Alabaster, AL February 02, 2023

CALL TO ORDER City Clerk, Mark Frey

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL Committee Members: *Greg Farrell, Rick Ellis, Zach Zahariadis*

PRESENT ALSO PRESENT

Greg Farrell Elizabeth Czerw Brian Binzer Rick Ellis Vanessa McGrath Mark Frey

Zach Zahariadis Lisa Glasgow

Selection of Committee Chair

Council Member Rick Ellis nominated Council Member Greg Farrell to Chair the Redistricting Committee which was seconded by Council Member Zach Zahariadis. Motion carried.

Council Member Greg Farrell nominated Council Member Rick Ellis to be the Vice-Chair of the Redistricting Committee which was seconded by Council Member Zach Zahariadis. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEMS

Introductions

City Clerk Mark Frey introduced the Redistricting Committee to the City Staff that would be assisting with the project.

Redistricting Standards Review

Each district shall be formed of contiguous and, to the extent reasonably possible, compact territory, and its boundary lines shall be the center lines of streets or other well-defined boundaries and each district shall contain as nearly as possible the same population, but shall not vary by more than five (5%) percent from the average.

Best Practices for Redistricting

Mark Frey reviewed best practices relating to redistricting and discuss the following:

- 1. Review overlapping wards/census blocks
- 2. Moving of larger blocks/subdivisions to equalize ward population
- 3. Discuss timeline and set tentative date for public involvement meeting

Current Ward Map Review

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The Committee reviewed the Current Ward Map and amended in order to be compliant with the requirements of the project. Following extensive discussion and map manipulation, the Committee asked Mark Frey to place this item on the next work session for discussion.

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion made by Council Member Ellis, Seconded by Council Member Zahariadis. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.