

**Citizens Advisory Commission on Reapportionment
Summary of Actions for the May 4, 2011 Meeting
Room 1417 City Hall, Buffalo New York**

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:37 pm.

2. Roll Call

- **Individuals Present at this meeting were:**

- **Commissioners:** Patti Bowers-Pierce, Matthew Brown (chair for this meeting – by phone), Lionel Davis, Bonita Durand, Brian Gould, Phil Lowery, Marc Panepinto, (by phone), Marysol Rosado, Russell Weaver.
- **Staff:** Brian Bray, Laura Rucinski
- **Others:** Representatives from the League of Women Voters; Gail Wells (resident of the Ellicott District).

3. Approval of Summary of Actions from April 30th Approved by unanimous vote (Lowery/Panepinto).

4. New Business

- **Review and finalize questionnaire.**

The commission voted to use the following questions for the survey instrument to collect feedback from Common Council and the general public at the Public Meeting (Davis/Weaver).

1. Name several points of historical, cultural, and/or institutional significance that you would consider essential components of your district as it presently exists.
2. Identify an neighbor near the borders of your district that you fell are split between councilmatic districts as a result of the present legislative boundaries
3. List what you would consider the top 5 “most active” block clubs in your district as it is presently configured

- **Determine the work product to present at the public meeting.**

1. The Commissioners voted to waive final presentations of the two proposed work products other than to address some individual questions from Commissioners Rosado and Panepinto on revisions to the Niagara District proposal in the Southern Boundaries Map and from Commissioner Rosado on the Lovejoy District in the Modified Equalization Map. (Davis/Bowers-Pierce).

2. The Commissioners determined that the work product moving forward for presentation at the Public Meeting would be the Southern Boundaries Map (as it stands on April 30th) by roll call vote:

Patti Bowers-Pierce	Southern Boundaries
Matthew Brown	Southern Boundaries
Lionel Davis	Southern Boundaries
Bonita Durand	Southern Boundaries
Brian Gould	Southern Boundaries

Phil Lowery	Southern Boundaries
Marc Panepinto	Modified Equalization
Marysol Rosado	Modified Equalization
Russell Weaver	Modified Equalization

3. Each commissioner will review the Southern Boundaries work product and come to the May 7th meeting with final adjustments to that work product. The process will be as follows:
 - a. A commissioner will present his/her proposal for tweaks
 - b. Commission will determine by majority if there is agreement o whether or not the tweaks should be made. (Durand/Pierce)
 - c. Tweaks will be made, reviewed and acted upon at the May 7th meeting.
4. MIS will be asked to draw the final Southern Boundaries work product after the May 7th meeting.
5. The Commission will ask for third party verification of the accuracy of the map from the Board of Elections.

- **Confirm Date, Location, and Logistics for the Public Meeting**

The Public Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 11th from 6:30 – 8:30pm in Council Chambers. (Panepinto/Durand).

1. Commissioner Gould will prepare the Power Point presentation for review and finalization at the May 7th meeting.
2. Council staff will arrange for registration of speakers at the Public Meeting
3. The Public will be notified of the date time and location of the public meeting as follows:
 - Commissioner Gould will prepare the Media Advisory
 - Council staff will distribute the Media Advisory and post on the City website

5. Communication

A letter from the Seven Streets of Paradise Block Club was read into the record. Their requested to move the streets of Durant, Good, Heussy, Kimmel, Lilac, Sirret, Spaulding, Midland (and possible others) back into the South District will be considers at the May 7th meeting.

6. Old Business: None

7. New Business: None

8. Future Meetings:

- Saturday, May 7th at 12:30pm in Room 1417 City Hall
- Wednesday, May 11th – Public Meeting, Commissioners to arrive by 5:45pm; Meeting time: 6:30-8:30pm in Council Chambers

9. Announcements: None

10. Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 6:45pm (Davis/Panepinto).

Respectfully Submitted,

