

# Albany County Redistricting Commission [February 28, 2022]

## Attendance

ACRC Commissioners	Interns	MMD Commissioners
<del>Joan Ramsey</del>	Nicholas Glass (ACRC)	Dominic Mazza
Warren E. Hamilton	Nassim Ramdani (MMD)	<del>Adrienne Kisse</del>
Larry Volk		Marie Allen Campbell
Patricia Sibia		Larry Mauldin
Thomas Clingan		<del>Keshana Owens-Cody</del>
Sita Subbaram		<del>Constance Graves</del>
Leif Hartmark		
<del>Julia Reeb</del>		
<del>Mark McCumber</del>	Guest: Professor Wice Marisa Zanfardino	Guest: Priya Sankalia Ashley Tardiff

## Discussion Items

### AppGeo Mapping

- Priya informed that they have the Mapping and a User Guide which they will share for training purposes
- Concerned with how AppGeo and MMD Mapping will interact (different tools will create confusion for public). Patricia expressed it will be disconcerting to the public to have to choose what software to use.
- Concern with getting flooded by multiple people submitting files in multiple formats
- Professor Wice advised that generally people will submit shape file. Generally, submissions use DistrictR, Representable, Dave's Redistricting or Maptitude
- Ashley presented walk through of Mapping App. Priya and Ashley discussed how the Commission can work with the software individually and collaboratively.

- Everything submitted by the public needs to be shared. However, need to distinguish between public submissions and Commission internal work products, which should not be publicly shared until Commission makes them public.
- Leif indicated there are no restrictions to how many maps someone can submit. May need to be able to identify most recent submission
- Submissions of maps by Legislators should be publicly shared and Legislators should be identified based on guidance from Prof. Wice. Need clarification on submissions by public. Prof. Wice will review and advise.
- Patricia raised issue of how we authenticate where submissions are coming from. Priya to review if there's a way to get more information from users when log-in is set up
- Tom requested list of municipalities that would fall under 40% of the ideal number, which Ashley indicated as 8105 (AppGeo to provide)
- Priya confirmed that number of districts cannot exceed 39 and advised software would be changed to not allow the creation of additional districts
- Marie raised consideration of potential need to accommodate Persons w/ Disabilities (Develop language for website about request for accommodations)
- Patricia inquired about Communities of Interest info in Map. Info not reflective of the actual communities. Will be removed.
- Marie advised MMDs are districts 1,2,3,4 and 6-AppGeo to show MMDs as a layer
- Larry inquired as to at what point there will maps to schedule second hearing around

## **Legal Briefing**

- Scheduled for tomorrow, February 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM
- Will run 60 – 90 minutes

## **Public Announcement**

- Warren advised Public Announcement needs to go out

## **Website**

- Patricia discussed planning for website to show all the submissions- trying to determine if submissions come in through Mapping software how to show that vs submissions in other formats
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## **March 8<sup>th</sup> Public Hearing**

- Warren advised Public Announcement still needs to go out

## **Action Items**

- Professor Wice to review and advise on public need to identify themselves when doing submissions
- AppGeo will provide list of municipalities that fall under 40% of the ideal number of 8105
- AppGeo to make adjustment to mapping software to not accommodate the creation of additional districts
- AppGeo to remove Community of Interest info from map

## **Other**

- None.