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# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE

## **TEMPORARY DISTRICTING ADVISORY COMMISSION**

FOR THE

## THE NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

HAS <u>RESCHEDULED</u> THE PUBLIC HEARING

### **SCHEDULED FOR**

# **MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2022 6:00PM**

# TO

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2022 6:00PM

# AT

## ALBANY AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTER 214 NORTH ALBANY AVENUE MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758

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#### FRANCIS X. MORONEY CHAIRPERSON

DATED: September 28, 2022 Mineola, NY



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#### FOR THE

### THE NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

#### WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

ON

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2022**

### 6:00 PM UNTIL LAST PUBLIC SPEAKER

IN

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#### FRANCIS X. MORONEY CHAIRPERSON

#### DATED: October 13, 2022

Mineola, NY

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	Temporary Districting Advisory Commission 10.20.22
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3	TEMPORARY DISTRICTING
4	ADVISORY COMMISSION
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6	MEETING VII
7	Held at
8	ALBANY AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTER
9	214 NORTH ALBANY AVENUE
10	MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758
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12	FRANCIS X. MORONEY
13	CHAIR
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15	Nassau County Legislature
16	1550 Franklin Avenue
17	Mineola, New York
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19	Thursday, October 20, 2022
20	6:08 p.m.
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23	TAKEN BY: KAREN LORENZO, OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER
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	Temporary Districting Advisory Commission 10.20.22
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2	APPEARANCES:
3	COMMISSIONERS:
4	FRANCIS X. MORONEY, CHAIRMAN
5	PETER BEE
6	JOHN J. REINHARDT
7	MAUREEN FITZGERALD
8	CHRISTOPHER DEVANE (Absent)
9	ERIC MALLETTE
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11	DAVID MEJIAS, VICE CHAIR
12	JARED KASSCHAU
13	ANDRENA WYATT
14	JAMES MAGIN, JR.
15	MICHAEL PERNICK (absent)
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17	EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS:
18	ELISABETTA COSCHIGNANO
19	RACHEL WHITMORE
20	* * *
21	BOARD ATTORNEYS:
22	VINCENT MESSINA, ESQ.
23	PETER CLINES, ESQ.
24	CLERK:
25	MICHAEL PULITZER
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2	ALSO APPEARED:
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4	PUBLIC COMMENT:
5	H. Scottie-Coads
6	Stephanie Chase
7	Susan Gottehrer
8	Casey Marlow
9	Barbara Epstein
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2	AGENDA
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4	1. Open meeting - Pledge of
5	Allegiance
6	2. Chairman's Statement
7	3. Introduction of the
8	Commissioner's
9	4. Public Statement
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2	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Ladies and
3	gentlemen, we're live. Just so you know,
4	when the streaming is on, which it is
5	now. All these microphones up here are
6	live and cannot be muted. So be careful
7	what you say.
8	If you could all rise and we will
9	pledge allegiance to the flag.
10	(Whereupon, the Pledge of
11	Allegiance was said by all.)
12	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: This is my first
13	time in this building, and it's a lovely
14	building. We thank the Town of Oyster Bay
15	for such a fine facility and letting us
16	use it. Mr. Mejias is happy that he's
17	close to home.
18	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Exactly.
19	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: The rest of us
20	have a long, long drive.
21	That said, there are some
22	housekeeping things we're going to
23	discuss at the end. We have a three
24	minute rule. The problem is that the
25	timekeeper went to the wrong place. He
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2	went to Community Drive over in
3	Manhasset. He's on his way here. So we're
4	going to do the best we can. We've been
5	pretty liberal with the speakers all
6	along anyway, so we'll do that.
7	But we have some things to discuss.
8	We put them at the end of the agenda so
9	that, if you guys want to go home, you're
10	welcome to. If you don't want to go
11	home, you want to stay here, you're
12	welcome to do that also. But once this
13	happens, there's no more testimony. So
14	we're going to give you guys the first
15	shot at this.
16	Casey Marlow, Bethpage.
17	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: If I could
18	just say thanks to the Town of Oyster Bay
19	and the Town of Oyster Bay staff for
20	being here today and allowing us to be
21	here and use this beautiful facility.
22	This was once the 14th Legislative
23	District before the last redistricting,
24	so it's good to be home.
25	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Before you start.
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2	Mr. Marlow, I'm sorry, I always start
3	these things with this little thing that
4	I keep on doing Yes, We're going to
5	call the roll. Michael, would you call
6	the roll, please?
7	CLERK PULITZER: Yes. Thank you,
8	Commissioner Peter Bee?
9	COMMISSIONER BEE: Present.
10	CLERK PULITZER: Commissioner John
11	Reinhardt?
12	COMMISSIONER REINHARDT: Present.
13	CLERK PULITZER: Commissioner
14	Maureen Fitzgerald?
15	COMMISSIONER FITZGERALD: Present.
16	CLERK PULITZER: Commissioner
17	Christopher Devane?
18	(Whereupon, no verbal no
19	response).
20	CLERK PULITZER: He's absent.
21	Commissioner Eric Mallette.
22	COMMISSIONER MALLETTE: Present.
23	CLERK PULITZER: Commissioner David
24	Mejias?
25	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Present.
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2	CLERK PULITZER: Thank you.
3	Commissioner Jared Kasschau?
4	COMMISSIONER KASSCHAU: Present.
5	CLERK PULITZER: Okay. Thank you.
6	Commissioner Andrena Wyatt?
7	COMMISSIONER WYATT: Present.
8	CLERK PULITZER: Commissioner James
9	Magin, Jr.?
10	COMMISSIONER MAGIN: Present.
11	CLERK PULITZER: Commissioner
12	Michael Pernick?
13	(Whereupon, no verbal
14	response.)
15	CLERK PULITZER: Absent.
16	Chairman Frank Moroney.
17	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Here, but doesn't
18	vote.
19	CLERK PULITZER: Right. We have a
20	quorum, sir.
21	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Thank you very
22	much.
23	As a supplement, Peter Bee, to my to
24	my right, is going to keep the time. So
25	be nice to him.
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2	Welcome to the seventh public
3	hearing of the Temporary Districting
4	Advisory Commission. This is an
5	opportunity for the residents and
6	taxpayers to suggest and tell the
7	commissioners what they want to see in
8	their maps. There will be additional
9	opportunities for the public to have
10	input into the process.
11	To date, the members of both
12	Republican and Democratic delegations
13	have heard from approximately 99 speakers
14	with varying requests for various
15	communities of interest in keeping them
16	together or not keeping them together, as
17	the case may be.
18	I trust the public attendees and
19	those watching the streaming proceedings
20	will feel free to share their ideas and
21	requests that you if you have something
22	to say, please feel free. If you come to
23	your mind tomorrow, send it in to the to
24	the county and it will be posted and
25	shared with all of the members of the
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3 The Commission has 11 people with the non-voting chair; that's me. Five 4 5 were presented by the presiding officer, 6 five by the minority leader and the 7 Commission permits, but does not require public hearings. But the prior the prior 8 9 reapportionment processes established the 10 tradition that permissive hearings 11 seeking public input should be held. 12 The County Legislature allocated 13 \$985,000 to fund the work of the 14 commission. The allocation is divided 15 equally between the commissioners 16 appointed by the presiding officer and 17 the commissioners appointed by the 18 minority leader. However, a portion of 19 that money is been set aside for 20 stenographic services. For American Sign 21 Language interpreters in Spanish speaking 22 Spanish speaking interpreters. Each 23 delegation of appointees share is 24 otherwise balanced equally for the 25 purchase of mapping technology, software,

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hiring experts, counsel and staff as they may deem necessary. In developing any map or maps, the Commission must comply with both Federal and State law. The proceedings have to be fair and open and transparent to the public. Transparency is achieved by a significant outreach to public and holding public hearings on any maps or plans for redistricting that may be submitted to the County Legislature by these commissioners or others.

Once maps or plans are drawn, there will be an opportunity for the public to see and give an opinion as to the work product. We are looking to have full hearing in early in early November at a date yet to be announced, but which has been the subject of some discussion.

The updated website will have a link to any and all maps that are presented and will be online as well. Thereafter, any map or maps may be turned over to the legislature, and all the transcripts and public comment that are generated by the

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Commission will be submitted to the legislation for its consideration. There's going to be a full record, and the full record is going to be the subject under the control of Clerk of the Legislature, Mike Pulitzer, who's over on my right.

The Full Legislature will conduct public hearings on any submissions by the appropriate legislative committee and then for the entire legislature. The goal of the Temporary Districting Advisory Commission is to have our process complete its hearings so that the Legislature has adequate time to review any submissions of maps and conduct its hearings. The County Legislature may reject, adopt, revise or amend any redistricting plan or plans that may be recommended by the Temporary Districting Advisory Commission or adopt any other redistricting plan that meets all the constitutional, federal, and statutory requirements in an effort to achieve

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1	Temporary Districting Advisory Commission 10.20.22
2	transparency. All meetings and hearings
3	will be in public and streamed live over
4	the internet, and the legislative clerk
5	will preserve those records as well.
6	Further, this commission will stream
7	the hearings and keep a record open for a
8	period of time so that any submissions
9	that you may wish to submit can be
10	included in the record. Nonetheless, once
11	that date has been passed, any
12	correspondence will likewise be
13	transmitted to the full legislature for
14	their consideration as well.
15	In preparation of this hearing,
16	notice of this meeting and others were
17	sent to the following:
18	The Office of the County Executive;
19	all county legislators; members of the
20	Minority Commission Delegation; members
21	of the Majority Commission Delegation;
22	Nassau County League of Women Voters;
23	City of Glen Cove; The City of Long
24	Beach; The Town of Hempstead; The Town of
25	North Hempstead; and the Town of Oyster
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2	Bay; 22 Villages in the Town of
3	Hempstead; 30 villages in the Town of
4	North Hempstead; 16 villages in the Town
5	of Oyster Bay; 55 libraries; 57 school
6	districts; 67 civic associations; 50
7	chambers of commerce; and 100 news and
8	media outlets that serve Nassau County.
9	There will be an additional hearing
10	scheduled for the Elmont Memorial Library
11	on October 26, which is next Wednesday, I
12	believe. With that, Mr. Mejia, is there
13	something you wish to say?
14	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: No, I was here
15	a little bit late, so we could just
16	probably get everything moving today.
17	Okay. Thank you.
18	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: All right, Casey,
19	you're up.
20	MR. MARLOW: Hi. Thank you for
21	letting me speak today. Mr. Chairman, I'm
22	glad you're feeling better.
23	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Thank you.
24	MR. MARLOW: And, yeah, like Mr.
25	Mejias said, we're close to home. I live
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in Farmingdale.

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3 I just hope that this Commission is doing better in terms of transparency, in 4 5 terms of its conduct. I know that last 6 time I was in Freeport, it was a bit of a 7 -- there was a kerfuffle to not use strong language. I just hope that at the 8 9 end of the day, this Commission does its 10 job honorably and honestly and gives a 11 map that Nassau County can be proud of 12 that complies with the new John Lewis 13 Voting Rights Law in New York, as well as 14 any Federal Legislation pertaining to 15 voting rights that hasn't been struck 16 down by the Supreme Court. 17 I know that there's some people that 18 want to talk, and I'm just glad that I 19 can be here. Thanks for all you guys do. 20 Have a great night. Thank you. 21 CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Thank you very 22 much. Second on the list is Barbara 23 Epstein, League of Women Voters. Good 24 evening, Barbara. 25 MS. EPSTEIN: Good evening, ladies

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2	and gentlemen. My name is Barbara
3	Epstein, and I'm a member of the Nassau
4	County League of Women Voters
5	Redistricting Committee. You've heard
6	this before, but for the public:
7	The League is a nonprofit,
8	nonpartisan organization that encourages
9	informed and active participation in
10	government, works to increase an
11	understanding of major public policy
12	issues and influence public policy
13	through education and advocacy.
14	There is still, unfortunately, no
15	additional information on the website. We
16	hope there would be more put onto the
17	website.
18	The other day, when we were in Glen
19	Cove, you heard that Hicksville is
20	represented by four legislators. That is
21	the worst community affected. But there
22	are seven other communities that have
23	three legislators: East Meadow,
24	Freeport, Hempstead, Oceanside, Rockville
25	Centre, West Hempstead, and Woodmere.
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Then we have the five towns, which at one time actually had one legislator. Now they have multiple legislators. You must do better.

We are asking residents also to contact Mr. Nicolello who is the presiding officer of the County Legislature and chair of the Rules Committee, which will first vote on the map. We are asking for public hearings before there is a vote on the map. We want you as a commission to plan to have hearings on the map or maps that you are presenting. We suggest the residents go to the next full legislative meeting on October 24th at 1:00 PM and do the same.

> We'd like to know when you will decide on the date that you might be presenting a map to the public before the legislature. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MORONEY: By the way, that's one of the items that's going to be at the end of this agenda.

MS. EPSTEIN: Okay. Thank you.

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2	COMMISSIONER BEE: Ms. Epstein, I
3	have a quick question for you, if I may.
4	Peter Bee.
5	MS. EPSTEIN: Yes, sir.
6	COMMISSIONER BEE: Is it the
7	League's intention to present a map that
8	it thinks might be the proper map?
9	MS. EPSTEIN: Not at this particular
10	time.
11	COMMISSIONER BEE: Thank you.
12	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Stephanie Chase.
13	MS. CHASE: Good evening, everyone.
14	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Good evening.
15	MS. EPSTEIN: I just echo what Ms.
16	Epstein said, and I'm just hoping that
17	you've heard you said 99 people, and if I
18	could remember, I would say 98 people
19	were in one accord. They all wanted
20	transparency, fairness, and honesty. And
21	I'm hoping, I'm really hoping because I'm
22	a little worried. We as people, Democrats
23	and Republicans, we have to do better. We
24	have to care. We really have to care for
25	everyone. Everyone should have a voice,

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2	and don't be so afraid. And we really at
3	this time, we should be together. I mean,
4	you might have a disagreement and
5	everybody does, just like any crazy
6	family, you know? But you come to a
7	common ground that's a fairness and not
8	meanness. And I just sincerely hope that
9	when these lines are drawn, that it's
10	fair and no one has lost their voice. I'm
11	really worried. I'm worried about this
12	and the way the country is going with
13	people all: "I want, I want" and they're
14	grabbing all the good stuff and leaving
15	crumbs for everybody else. That's all. I
16	just hope everything is aboveboard. Thank
17	you.
18	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Thank you.
19	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Thank you very
20	much. H. Scottie-Coads.
21	MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: Good evening,
22	everyone. This is maybe my fourth time
23	before this Commission and my plea is the
24	same. As I look at your faces and you
25	look at me and I somehow feel that I'm
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2	just talking through all of you.
3	We go on the website and we don't
4	see all of what we want to see, and
5	transparency is really key. That's part
6	of the Charter.
7	I don't have a prepared statement. I
8	have what's in my heart tonight. I'm not
9	representing any organization. I
10	represented the NAACP. Sometimes I
11	represent your organization. Sometimes
12	it's you (indicating). Tonight, I
13	represent myself and my community. What I
14	want to see is fairness. You have one
15	more meeting and we haven't seen a map
16	yet. I think it's ridiculous. It's
17	absolutely ridiculous.
18	I live in West Hempstead. I don't
19	live in Massapequa, but I travel around
20	wherever you go to speak my voice and let
21	my voice be heard. We are in troubled
22	times. I worry about fairness because I
23	have some grandchildren. They are little.
24	What's going to happen with them when
25	they grow, when they start growing if
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you're not being fair? Our maps are so important.

The 2020 Census gave us how the population voted. We don't even see those numbers. I'd like to be able to see how fairly the Census produced it and what you have to go by. I have nothing.

Another thing: We have three minority/majority districts in Nassau County. I'd like to see you increase that to five. And you can't say it can't be done because you've shown me no numbers to prove how many people voted, what the population was.

> I did census for 20 years. I was the coordinator in Nassau County for a major organization, but I haven't seen the numbers. I didn't come to Massapequa to complain. This is what I've said everywhere I went. We got to be fair, transparent, and we need to see (buzzer).

It sounds nice when you talk about the numbers of people who came before you, 99 people. Everybody said the same

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3 COMMISSIONER BEE: Three minutes. 4 MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: Everybody want 5 the same thing. And we traveled from West 6 Hempstead to come here tonight to tell 7 you the same thing. We want fairness and we hope to get it. I hope all of you and 8 9 I have to commend you. I mean, it's not 10 easy for any commission to do the work. 11 But, my God, please give us what we need 12 to hear. Show us what we need to see. No 13 maps, no numbers. What are we talking 14 about? It's not fair to us that we go all 15 over. You got one more meeting. And help us, by God. One more meeting, and you 16 17 still haven't give us given us any 18 numbers. No maps, no nothing. 19 So again, I don't have a prepared 20 statement, but what I've said before 21 still stands. And I stand today not to 22 make you mad, but to speak truth to 23 power. Thank you. 24 CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Ms. Coads, I've 25 got a question for you.

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2	MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: What's that?
3	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: We've heard
4	several times that there's going to be an
5	effort for a fifth minority/majority
6	district, which assumes that there's been
7	a fourth. The question I have for you is
8	in creating that fourth or fifth or both,
9	how would that affect the existing
10	districts one and two, as they exist
11	today? How do you envision that?
12	MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: I can't answer
13	that. You know why? Because you've shown
14	me no numbers. I don't know, but I do
15	know it was increased from ten years ago.
16	I don't have an exact number. I know it
17	can be done. You may have to make some
18	adjustments here and there, but you
19	shouldn't destroy the three districts. We
20	have to give us two more. Whether you
21	like it or not, the minority/majority are
22	here. We're not going anywhere. And five
23	more districts, five districts, five more
24	would give us eight. That would be great.
25	But five districts is not too much to

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2	ask. I don't know how you would do it
3	because you've shown me nothing. I have
4	no numbers. Can I get the numbers from
5	you?
6	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Soon as I get
7	them, you can have them.
8	MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: You mean to tell
9	me you're deciding on things and you
10	don't even have numbers?
11	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: I don't mean to
12	tell you that or anything other than what
13	I told you. I am asking you a question
14	based upon your background and knowledge
15	with the NAACP in particular, as to
16	MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: You remember,
17	huh?
18	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: I do. We've both
19	been around a long time. Been blessed to
20	be there. That said, I'm just trying to
21	figure out these for example, Mr.
22	Pernick, who's not here tonight, likes to
23	say that we have to start from scratch.
24	Start from scratch means we do away with
25	one, two and three as they currently
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2	exist, I would think; otherwise, it's not
3	starting from scratch. And I'm trying to
4	wrap my mind around what could possibly
5	be a way of doing it. Give some thought
6	to it. You know, I'm not asking you to
7	answer that question. Give some thoughts
8	and please come back to us and let us
9	know what your thoughts are. And
10	meanwhile, we'll try to get those numbers
11	and get them to you. I got your address
12	and we'll get it to you, and your phone
13	number if it comes in quick enough.
14	MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: Okay. And I also
15	requested to be added to your list for
16	any changes or any update on anything. I
17	haven't gotten anything so far.
18	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Okay. Well, we
19	certainly put you on the on the mailing
20	list.
21	MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: Oh, okay. All
22	right.
23	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Thank you. Thank
24	you.
25	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: So we did
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2 create a Google drive that has -- we 3 submitted a report from Dr. Daniel Magleby and Dr. Magen Gall on partisan 4 5 gerrymandering and racially polarized 6 voting. So that's on our Google Drive. 7 That lays out that given the numbers here in Nassau County, especially how the 8 9 demographics have changed. I mean, for 10 instance, just by one example, there's a quarter of a million more Hispanics in 11 12 Nassau County than there were ten years 13 ago, these reports do address the fact 14 that there can be five districts where 15 communities of color can elect candidates 16 of their choice. So we'll give you the 17 Google drive or we'll give you the QR 18 code and you go on the drive, which is 19 something that the Democratic caucus 20 members created because we can't get it 21 on the website. So we figured we'd just 22 do it ourselves and make it easier for 23 you. 24 MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: Okay. I 25 appreciate that. I appreciate that so

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much. Thank you.

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COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Thank you. 3 4 CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Thank you. Susan, I'm never going to be able to 5 6 figure out how you pronounce your last 7 name, and I apologize. 8 MS. GOTTEHRER: Thank you. Susan 9 Gottehrer with the Nassau County, New 10 York Civil Liberties Union.

> I do have a couple of questions. I know this is comment time, but I do have some questions. The process, once you release the maps, is it going to be the Nassau County Legislature that holds hearings for the public after that point? Or will it be you?

COMMISSIONER KASSCHAU: We've been consistent in asking and we've had several votes on the issue, and I don't want to revisit it again this evening. Hopefully, we'll have discussions about this later on this evening, I think, as the Chairman had alluded to earlier. But I believe the Commission, at least with

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respect to the Democratic commissioners,
would really enjoy the opportunity to
have an opportunity for the public to
review whatever maps that this Body
produces.
CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Bearing in mind
that no matter what it produces, may or
may not make it past the County
Legislature, because
MS. GOTTEHRER: I understand that.
My concern is that you haven't put out a
schedule yet and you said you're going
to address that tonight that there is
sufficient amount of hearings after the
maps are presented for people to study
them and for people to come in and
comment on them with all the data that
that was referred to here, right? We're
talking about the underlying data, all of
your reasons for your analysis about the
justifications for the way the maps were
drawn as well.
COMMISSIONER KASSCHAU: Yeah, it's a

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complex process. So not only do we want

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the lay public to be able to review the
maps, but we also want experts, or others
who want to do analysis with respect to
the maps, to have that time to go through
them carefully, because this is an
absolutely incredibly important part of
the next ten years in Nassau County.

MS. GOTTEHRER: Yeah. One of my concerns is -- that's why I'm asking if you guys are going to do it or if the Legislature is going to do it, because I know the committee meetings are scheduled for November 7th, the Full Leg (sic) is scheduled for late November, as is usual for Nassau County. Their meetings are at 1:00 in the afternoon. And so I just want to put that out there for you. I don't know if they're going to be doing those hearings after or if you guys are going to be doing those hearings. So I think that's really something very important to remember, and that there are a number of hearings and there's a good amount of time to examine the maps. So that's

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I just also wanted to ask you preemptively if you're ready for interpreters, Haitian, Creole, when you go into Elmont next week.

Also wondering where all the postings that you said, although the dates have been put out and you listed all these libraries and everything else, was that done language accessibly for everybody in Nassau County? So that's another question for you.

> And then I just sort of want to remind the data that we're talking about

> > COMMISSIONER BEE: Three minutes.

MS. GOTTEHRER: The public should have adequate information to evaluate the proposed maps, which includes the underlying data used to draw the maps and your justifications for their decisions. It means providing the data after the proposed maps are presented, and it means the Commission should release shape files

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2	and block equivalency files with any
3	draft of any map. So thank you.
4	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Thank you. Do we
5	have any more registered speakers,
6	Michael?
7	CLERK PULITZER: Not at the moment,
8	sir.
9	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Okay. Why don't
10	we take a few minutes and then move on to
11	the second piece of this?
12	COMMISSIONER BEE: Are you declaring
13	a brief recess?
14	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Yes. A brief
15	recess.
16	(Whereupon, a brief recess
17	is taken from 6:35 p.m. to 7:12
18	p.m.)
19	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: I understand
20	during the recess that some people came
21	in. I don't know who we missed. Anyone
22	that came in after we went downstairs,
23	does anyone wish to speak?
24	(Whereupon, no verbal
25	response.)
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2	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Okay. Thank you.
3	Each member of the Democratic and
4	Republican Delegations have come to an
5	understanding with respect to how we're
6	going to proceed going forward.
7	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Yes, I think
8	we the November 10th would be a work
9	session where both delegations would
10	present a map by experts to the public.
11	And they will talk through the map and
12	each side will explain to the public
13	exactly what work was done to get to the
14	map that they drew at that point.
15	And tentatively, because we do have
16	to make sure that our delegations can
17	make it as well, on the 16th, we'd have a
18	public hearing where the public would
19	comment on the maps themselves. They
20	would have had nearly a week to look at
21	them. And there will be further time
22	between November 16th and November 29th
23	for members of the public to issue and
24	submit written comment to the Commission.
25	Correct?
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COMMISSIONER BEE: Yes, Commissioner. I think we both also agreed, just as you said a moment ago, we have to make sure our respective members can make it. We have to make sure that the mapmakers can make it. It is a mutual joint goal to follow that schedule. COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Yes. We're trying to make this work, and if our if our experts can't be here, they would

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appear remotely. We are thinking about doing this at the Legislature, which probably would be the best way to do it and has the best facilities to have these meetings with the ultimate goal to have a meeting on the 29th for the Commission to vote on the maps that we would be sending to the Legislature.

Again, these meeting dates are tentative right now. But it is expanding the hearing schedule, giving the opportunity to the public to to have some input into the maps themselves. And we will be checking with our delegations to

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2	make sure that the dates work for them as
3	well.
4	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: We also have to
5	reserve that these dates in the
6	Legislature, but I'm pretty sure that
7	they're open.
8	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Are we going
9	to publish the maps after the work
10	session?
11	COMMISSIONER BEE: I don't think
12	there's been a decision reached on that,
13	but at least we've come this far
14	bipartisanly.
15	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Yes.
16	(Whereupon, the following
17	questions were asked from the
18	public without coming up to
19	microphone to speak.)
20	MS. SCOTTIE-COADS: Do we know who
21	will be drawing the maps?
22	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: The experts
23	that we submitted reports from already,
24	Dr. Magleby and Dr. Gall, will be working
25	on that for us.
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2	MS. GOTTEHRER: Can you make sure
3	that it's not 1 o'clock in the afternoon
4	at the Legislature, please?
5	COMMISSIONER BEE: I think we had
6	conversation that it was more likely than
7	not it would be an evening session, and I
8	think that again is a goal. We're not
9	carving it in stone. These are our plans.
10	We will see whether or not the plans can
11	happen.
12	MS. CHASE: And you're thinking
13	again this is November 16th?
14	COMMISSIONER BEE: The three dates
15	where November 10, November 16 and
16	November 29.
17	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: And again,
18	those are tentative, though. They could
19	change depending on what the schedules of
20	the other commissioners are.
21	MS. GOTTEHRER: So that's one public
22	meeting for the public to come in and
23	comment on what you presented, correct?
24	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Yes. But there
25	will be almost two weeks for the public
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2	to submit written comments to the map,
3	hopefully it will be put up
4	MS. GOTTEHRER: It will be put up on
5	the website like everything else is
6	getting put on the website. Because you
7	guys can't agree (steps up to
8	microphone). Can you do me a favor? Can
9	you tell me why the things that are on
10	here are not on the website?
11	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: I'm sorry. If
12	you could say for the record what you're
13	talking about on the on the Democratic
14	MS. GOTTEHRER: What the Democratic
15	side has put out in a Google form that
16	the public doesn't really know how to get
17	to. Can you explain to us why you are
18	against having this stuff on the website?
19	COMMISSIONER BEE: I think we
20	previously commented that a lot of
21	material has gone on the website, and we
22	appreciate your comments as to what else
23	should go on the on the website and we
24	will certainly be taking that into
25	consideration.
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2	MS. GOTTEHRER: Can you tell me why
3	it's not up there now and why people
4	I'm going to have to go on Facebook and
5	put this up tomorrow. This is not
6	necessary. Can you tell me why you're
7	against whatever is in here going public
8	on your website?
9	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Number one, I
10	don't have any idea what's in the thing
11	you're pointing at.
12	MS. GOTTEHRER: Okay. Well
13	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: May I finish?
14	MS. GOTTEHRER: Yes.
15	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Secondly, that's
16	that's a document that was prepared by
17	the by the Democratic Delegation.
18	Perfectly legitimate for them to do it,
19	but they have not submitted it to us to
20	put it on the website. So there's your
21	answer.
22	MS. GOTTEHRER: They haven't asked
23	the Clerk of the Legislature to put
24	information on the website that hasn't
25	made it to the website.
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2	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: That's your
3	question, not mine.
4	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: I think the
5	reason that we did the Google drive was
6	because we asked for it to be put on the
7	website and it wasn't the Clerk of the
8	Legislature.
9	MS. GOTTEHRER: Okay, thank you. Do
10	you have any reason why you can share
11	with us why it wasn't put on the website
12	what they requested be put on the
13	website?
14	COMMISSIONER BEE: Nothing beyond
15	what we've already said.
16	MS. GOTTEHRER: Which is not a lot.
17	Thank you.
18	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: That being said,
19	is there a motion to adjourn?
20	COMMISSIONER BEE: Moved.
21	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Seconded.
22	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: All in favor?
23	(Whereupon, all members of
24	the Commission respond in
25	favor.)
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2	CHAIRMAN MORONEY: Passed. Please
3	drive safe and get home safely. Thank
4	you.
5	COMMISSIONER MEJIAS: Thank you for
6	coming. And again, thanks to the staff
7	here at the Town for making themselves
8	available, our court reporter and our
9	interpreters and our sign interpreters.
10	Thank you.
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13	(Whereupon, above matter
14	concludes,7:16 p.m.)
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