



MEMORANDUM

November 1, 2021

TO: Charlotte City Council

FROM: Malcolm Graham, Chair - Redistricting Ad Hoc Committee

SUBJECT: Redistricting *Ad Hoc* Committee Report Out

The Mayor commissioned a Redistricting *Ad Hoc* Committee on July 8, 2020 to review the city's 2020 federal census data and propose revised district maps based on the data, prior to the delayed municipal election deadlines. The Mayor's charge to the Committee:

- Develop redistricting recommendations based on district criteria, legal principles and public engagement,
- Recommend revised maps for full Council consideration and adoption at its November 8, 2021 Business Meeting, and
- Notify the Mecklenburg County Board of Elections by the November 17, 2021 deadline of the revised district boundaries, as required by law

The Committee included Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, and Phipps. The following are highlights of the Committee's work:

1. In August, after the City issued a request for proposals, the consultants Parker Poe and N-Focus were selected to provide legal, demography and GIS services.
2. On August 23, 2021, the Committee met to discuss the Mayor's charge and next steps.
3. On September 7, 2021, the Committee met and adopted criteria for redrawing of district boundaries, reviewed preliminary census data and set future deadlines.
4. On September 22, 2021, the Committee met to review the final 2020 census data and four (4) draft plans were presented by the consultant based on that data. The maps were titled Draft Plans A, B, C and D; Draft Plans A, B and C were voted out of Committee for consideration by the public and full Council.
5. On October 5, 2021, the Committee met and convened a public listening session; the Committee received public input and answered questions during this session.
6. On October 12, 2021, the Committee met to discuss the public session comments and Draft Plan B1 was presented as an alternative map based on the additional feedback; Draft Plan B1 was also voted out of Committee for consideration by the public and full Council.
7. On October 18, 2021, the full Council held a public hearing to receive comments and feedback on the four proposed maps (Draft Plans A, B, B1, and C).

8. On October 20, 2021, the Committee met to discuss the public hearing and feedback and voted unanimously to submit Draft Plan B1 as the Committee's recommended map for consideration by City Council.

The Committee recommends the following action to the full Council:

That the Charlotte City Council consider the Redistricting *Ad Hoc* Committee's recommended map, Draft Plan B1, for adoption at its November 8, 2021 Business Meeting.

City of Charlotte 2021 Redistricting Draft Plan B1- 10/20/2021

