

Milwaukee County Independent Redistricting Committee on 2021-10-08 1:00 PM - VIRTUAL MEETING

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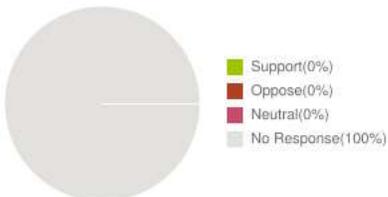
eComments Report

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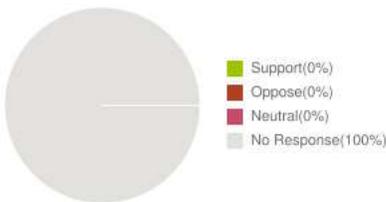
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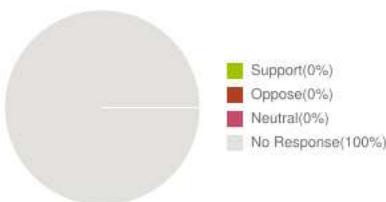
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Robert Hullum

Location:

Submitted At: 1:12pm 10-08-21

(Submitted by Supervisor Felesia Martin)

Honorable Judges, thank you for your concerted efforts in taking on this arduous task of drawing Milwaukee County District Maps. This committee has been led in a commendable manner. This is what we imagined when we approved an Independent Redistricting Committee: a process whereby it would engage with the public, openness, and transparency.

In reference to the recent Map K, I request that the committee review District 5 and address issues relating to communities of interest. District 5, between Keefe Ave and Burleigh, should move 6 blocks east to include 49th

Street to 44th Street. This is to ensure that neighborhood teams, block watch, and safety groups remain intact and are able to coordinate with one supervisor. In moving these blocks east, this would obviously decrease the population of District 10; we could then move District 10 west between Center Street and Meineke, from 51st to 57th Street.

This proposed change does not impact my status as the incumbent in the district (as I am already within the district), which I believe would interfere with the independent nature of the IRC. However, in the name of protecting a likeminded community, we must consider that we have spent the last three years building trust to reimagine a district in which a portion of it has been depressed and oppressed after the unrest of 2016. Of course, I refer to the shooting death of a Black man by a Black MPD officer. Many Black residents in the present District 7 have clearly expressed that “no one is listening, and no one cares about us.”

While we are a Black-majority district, we are also the most diverse community, across all categories, in Milwaukee. We have begun to demonstrate that we are one community, committed to addressing our concerns and issues together. The changes I have proposed will help our community carry over the energy and passion of change that have occurred under the current district map to the maps for the next decade, regardless of whether I am re-elected to represent this community.

Additionally, one minor change I suggest is that District 5 in Version K be changed to District 7, which is the district number under the current maps. As has been previously discussed, for communities like mine, changing district and ward numbers can dramatically impact the civic engagement and understanding in the community. Renumbering this as District 7 would remove a barrier to participation and understanding for many of my neighbors.