

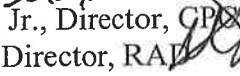

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FROM: Marcell R. Todd, Jr., Director, CPC 
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RE: Preliminary Drafts of City Council Districts

DATE: January 19, 2012

City Planning Commission (CPC) and Research and Analysis Division (RAD) staff have received a number of requests for the draft maps of proposed Council Districts. Attached for your preliminary review are three of the four options we are devising (the fourth requires additional modification in order to be more clearly distinct from the other three). These maps were drawn following the boundaries of the voting precincts, which were revised by Elections at the end of 2011. Utilizing the voting precincts map as a base with requisite population data attached, district maps were drawn following the three criteria set forth in the Home Rule City Act 279 of 1909 as amended, which require: that the population of the districts to be within the 11.9 % of the value of the largest and the smallest districts; that no ethnic voting groups are split and that each district be compact and contiguous.

Later today we will complete the fourth map option and provide it to your office. Subsequently, we will work with Data Driven Detroit to test the maps for compactness and contiguity utilizing computer software. We are consulting with the Law Department as it concerns the process moving forward as well as the validity of associating any other data with these maps.

The attached maps are preliminary and not yet ready for public consumption.

It is RAD's and CPC's intention to have four distinct district map options and the companion report(s) to each Council office by the close of business Friday.

If you have any questions please let us know.