# REDISTRICTING AND ENGAGEMENT: A PRACTIONER'S LENS

RANDI JOHL, JD, MMC JANUARY 28, 2021

#### Public Hearings Generally

- At Least Four Public Hearings Before Final Map Adoption
- One Public Hearing Before Maps Drawn
- Two Public Hearings After Maps Drawn
- One Public Hearing/Workshop Held on Saturday/Sunday or After 6 p.m. on Weekday
- Public Hearing Locations ADA Accessible
- If Conducted at Regular Meeting, Hearing to Begin at Noticed Time
- Option: Public Workshops In Lieu of Public Hearings
- Option: Advisory Redistricting Commission to Hold Hearings

## Outreach / Engagement (Good Faith Effort)

- Underrepresented / Non-English Speaking Communities
- Media Organizations
- Good Government / Civil Rights / Civic Engagement / Community Groups
- Translations Upon Request (72 Hours Prior to Hearing)
- Public Testimony / Maps Writing and Electronically
- Public Comments / Council Deliberation Recording or Written Summary within Two Weeks

#### Internet / Website

- Draft Map(s) and Demographic Information 7 Days Prior to Adoption (Generally)
- Agenda / PH Notice 5 Days (Generally)
- Redistricting Website / Webpage
- 10 years Secretary of State Templates
- Explanation of Redistricting Process
- Procedures for Public Participation in Hearing
- Calendar of Hearings with Times/Locations
- Notice and Agenda for Hearings
- Recordings or Written Summaries of Hearings
- Draft Maps Considered and Adopted Final Map

#### <u>Additional Considerations</u>

- Additional Council Meetings (Redistricting Introduction / Refresher)
- Additional Public Workshops (Different Locations Throughout City)
- Additional Boards / Commissions (Diversity Commission / Other Appointed Bodies / Community Groups)

### Lastly...

#### New Boundaries Notifications

- Registrar of Voters
- Inside City Hall
- Business / Residential Community
- Candidates
- GOTV Efforts