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1 PUBLIC MEETING, BEFORE THE INDEPENDENT
2 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION, convened at 12:22 p.m. on
3 December 6, 2021, at the law offices of Snell & Wilmer, 400
4 East Van Buren Street, Phoenix, Arizona, in the
5 presence of the following Commissioners:

6 Ms. Erika Neuberg, Chairperson
7 Mr. Derrick Watchman, Vice Chairman
8 Mr. David Mehl
9 Ms. Shereen Lerner
10 Mr. Douglas York

11 OTHERS PRESENT:

12 Mr. Brian Schmitt, Executive Director
13 Ms. Lori Van Haren Deputy Director
14 Ms. Valerie Neumann, Executive Assistant
15 Mr. Mark Flahan, Timmons Group
16 Mr. Brian Kingery, Timmons Group (via Webex)
17 Mr. Parker Bradshaw, Timmons Group
18 Mr. Doug Johnson, NDC (via Webex)
19 Ms. Ivy Beller Sakansky, NDC (via Webex)
20
21 Mr. Roy Herrera, Ballard Spahr
22 Mr. Daniel Arellano, Ballard Spahr
23 Mr. Eric Spencer, Snell & Wilmer
24 Mr. Brett Johnson, Snell & Wilmer
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P R O C E E D I N G

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3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Welcome back, everybody. We
4 just want to make sure that the audience is hearing us as
5 well so you have access to a hundred percent of the public
6 meeting.

7 MS. NEUMANN: Yes. We are live.

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. Welcome back,
9 everybody. We will dive right back in. We're on
10 Agenda Item No. VI, draft map decision discussion. We are
11 on congressional map drawings.

12 We -- prior to recessing we had brought up the
13 interest in -- in looking at CD-3. One item of business I
14 just want to discuss, you know, we have the full day today.
15 Do the Commissioners have any opinions regarding do we just
16 keep working on the congressional map until we're exhausted
17 and need a break or do you want to ensure that we carve out
18 time for the legislative map?

19 The first deliberation process we tried to save
20 time every day for both. I don't necessarily feel we need
21 the same approach this time provided that neither gets
22 shortchanged, but I'd like to know what's on your mind
23 before we continue on the CD map.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I guess my preference would
25 be to keep going with the CDs mostly 'cause my mind is now

1 focused on that. That would be my suggestion but I'm open
2 with others.

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I'm good with following
4 Commissioner Lerner's suggestion.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

6 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: I agree.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. We'll keep --

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: Chair, if I might?

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes.

10 MR. D. JOHNSON: Oh. Just -- just looking at
11 the -- kind of the work planning going forward. No problem
12 at all, we can do the congressional, but if you can carve
13 out a little bit of time at least for some big picture,
14 like, direction to go through and, you know, minimize the
15 deviations everywhere. Those kind of big picture
16 instructions that we could do and have ready for you next
17 meeting. If you don't get into the details district by
18 district at this time.

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. That's an excellent
20 point, Doug, that you want to capitalize that we have, you
21 know, a couple of full days between now and we deliberate on
22 Thursday so we want to give you, you know, some direction.

23 My sense is we'll focus on the CDs. If we get to
24 some very frustrating bottleneck areas, that maybe we can
25 take a break and switch to the LD.

1 Okay. So District 3 on the congressional map.
2 Again, I'm going to want to take a look at our map versus
3 the submission of -- of the Latino Coalition. I have not
4 actually compared much the differences between their first
5 submission and the second, so I don't have strong opinions
6 as I did on the -- on CD-7, but I'd like to take a look at
7 that.

8 And open it up to discussion from my colleagues.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So I --

10 COMMISSIONER YORK: Is Brian going to pull up the
11 submission?

12 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, can you pull that up?

13 MR. KINGERY: Yes.

14 All right. So as I'm reloading everything, which
15 one did you want me to pull up?

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: It's CD-3 and I think we're
17 going to be interested in looking at comparing and
18 contrasting the recent submission from the Latino Coalition
19 and our draft map and look at some of the differences
20 between the two of them.

21 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Chairman, we might want to also
22 look at the original Latino map because it will fit into --

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Oh, that's true.

24 COMMISSIONER MEHL: -- the Tolleson piece.

25 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You know what, that -- that

1 actually is a really interesting point. There was a
2 cohesion to their initial submission and it may make sense
3 to also look at that cohesive flow.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So that -- so we might want
5 to look at all three.

6 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yes.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I would like to look at the
8 more recent one because I think -- the more recent one I
9 think was in keeping with looking at how the entire picture
10 was; and even though D-7 if we changed it to the
11 Avondale-Tolleson split, I don't think that it impacts it
12 that much, but I would like to look at that -- at this
13 latest submission.

14 That's the one I've been focusing on, so it will be
15 easier for me to be focused on -- to look at that one.

16 MR. KINGERY: All right. So we have the original
17 congressional, or the -- sorry -- the approved congressional
18 and we want to compare...

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And I'd like to make the
20 additional comment that on the approved congressional,
21 nobody liked it.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I didn't mind it.

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Everybody -- everybody who
24 spoke was objecting to Peoria being included in D-3.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Oh no, no. From the public's

1 perspective.

2 COMMISSIONER MEHL: That was universal.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah. From the public's
4 perspective for sure.

5 COMMISSIONER MEHL: So should we look at actually
6 the 7.2 D-3 instead or -- I don't really care.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Well, we could -- you know
8 what, actually I want to clarify that aside from maybe
9 that -- that Peoria part it, there was remarkable agreement
10 over CD-3 as a community of interest. I mean, it so
11 beautifully captures the city of Phoenix and a critically
12 important community of interest in Phoenix, the Latino
13 community, Alhambra area, the larger airport and I think it
14 empowers the city of Phoenix to have strong representation,
15 so.

16 I think there's a lot right about CD-3 but we can
17 improve it.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I think this new one with
19 this Avondale change, like you're saying, I mean, I don't --
20 I think that there's a lot with it. I think the new version
21 has Avondale or -- as a -- as a border and so that might
22 work with this.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah, it may flow.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Exactly. That's -- thank
25 you.

1 COMMISSIONER YORK: There's connectivity --
2 Chairman? I'm watching it on YouTube.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: What?

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: I'm watching this stuff here
5 and we are so delayed. Like, you talk and move your -- and
6 then five minutes later the words come.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Oh. So it looks like -- it's
8 probably hard to follow.

9 MS. VAN HAREN: There's a delay on YouTube but it
10 doesn't mean that they're -- so they're seeing what we're
11 saying, but it's a delay for you. Does that make sense?

12 So if you're the public -- right, but they're
13 seeing what she's saying realtime as she's saying it. So
14 there's like a five-second delay.

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: But you're saying the voice and
16 video are in sync?

17 MS. VAN HAREN: Yes.

18 COMMISSIONER MEHL: But there's -- it's just
19 delayed.

20 MS. VAN HAREN: Right. It's just not when you're
21 looking at it right now.

22 MR. KINGERY: All right. So I have essentially
23 three maps that I'm showing. The congressional -- approved
24 congressional draft map as the base and then I've added to
25 compare the most recent Latino Coalition submission and then

1 just being able to turn on and off this one layer of their
2 original.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Can we zoom in to -- to D-3?

4 MR. FLAHAN: So Brian, can you also grab the rest
5 service of the original Phoenix district, too, from the
6 Latino Coalition?

7 MR. KINGERY: Yes. Which one is that, do you know
8 it by chance?

9 MR. FLAHAN: I can get it. Hold on.

10 MR. KINGERY: Was it a CDF?

11 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah, it would be a CDF.

12 It is CDF007.

13 MR. KINGERY: 'Kay.

14 All right. All right. So red is 007, blue is 006;
15 if we turn those off, then we have our original -- or our
16 approved draft map.

17 MR. FLAHAN: Turn off the districts -- turn off the
18 compared plan for a second or the differences. There's a
19 lot going on in that map.

20 MR. KINGERY: Yeah.

21 MR. FLAHAN: Okay. Turn on CDF007 and turn on
22 CDF -- so here -- here's the difference between the two
23 District 3s. The current congressional draft map is in
24 green -- hold on.

25 So the current congressional draft map is in green

1 and the original Arizona Latino Coalition's map is the one
2 that's sort of in that red -- see-through red with the gray
3 outline.

4 So you can see the original submission went farther
5 up in Glendale, so north of Camelback up to Northern Avenue
6 and then it came more east down it looks like 19th Avenue.

7 COMMISSIONER YORK: 19th, yeah.

8 MR. FLAHAN: And then sort of made a zig-zag out
9 and picked up a little bit north of I-17.

10 And Brian, can you turn on the other CDF006?

11 And when you use the southern district that the
12 original AZ Latino Coalition submitted, you can see that the
13 Phoenix piece pairs up right next to each other.

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

15 Well, I like what the Latino Coalition did in terms
16 of eliminating the Peoria piece, it seems like they captured
17 a -- a dense Latino area in the -- I believe it's the -- the
18 western part of Glendale or that western part in that area.
19 I think they improved our district.

20 I'm not saying I want to accept it entirely, but I
21 like their version better than ours.

22 MR. FLAHAN: And then you can see -- Brian, leave
23 the districts up for a second. Go over to where it says
24 Tempe and you can see the other three changes out to the
25 east, can you zoom in over there?

1 COMMISSIONER MEHL: So those would go with what
2 map?

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: What's the difference between
4 the green and the brown?

5 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I think the brown is the
7 original district and the green is the new one, looking at
8 my map of the new one.

9 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, what do you got going on there?

10 MR. KINGERY: A lot, to be honest. So let me
11 close -- there we go.

12 So this is -- let me get some contrasting colors
13 going on.

14 MR. FLAHAN: Can -- can you zoom out more, too?

15 MR. KINGERY: All right. So this is our approved
16 draft map.

17 MR. FLAHAN: Okay. Turn on CDF007.

18 Okay. It looks like our border then follows
19 correctly. All right.

20 MR. KINGERY: And then it just goes a little
21 further north.

22 MR. FLAHAN: Gotcha. Okay.

23 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah, I would go north of
24 Osborn to pick up those neighborhoods Downtown Phoenix,
25 Willow and Perry and Encanto.

1 MR. D. JOHNSON: Well, before we get into the
2 specific road -- before we get into specific roads, let's
3 make sure we have the big picture of where we going with
4 this.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, and I don't want to
6 overly pack it either. I want to have it sort of a -- where
7 it's performing but...

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: Brian, can you zoom back out so we
9 can see the bigger picture, please?

10 So we can see -- thank you.

11 MR. FLAHAN: So that's what we have.

12 Brian, turn on CDF007 again.

13 COMMISSIONER MEHL: The 007, is that the newer or
14 older?

15 MR. FLAHAN: This is the old -- this is the
16 original submission from the Arizona coalition.

17 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Okay. So it's the one that
18 fits actually into the other piece we've already done?

19 MR. FLAHAN: Correct. Correct.

20 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I think there's a lot of
21 positives here.

22 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I do, too. I think it
23 improves on the map.

24 MR. FLAHAN: Do we want to look at the newer
25 submission?

1 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah, turn off 7 and turn on
2 6.

3 MR. FLAHAN: Can you turn off 7 and turn on 6,
4 Brian?

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I want to make sure that
6 Guadalupe is in there while we're talking about the, you
7 know, Latino...

8 COMMISSIONER YORK: It's the little --

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It is.

10 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: It is.

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: It is? Okay.

12 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, can you turn on Tolleson
13 boundaries?

14 COMMISSIONER YORK: Tolleson is in the other area.
15 It's in the original suggestion, that little toe down there
16 in the top part, that's the --

17 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah, okay. Gotcha.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Tolleson, yeah.

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: That's in District 7 now?

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yes.

21 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Okay.

22 MR. FLAHAN: Yep. You'll see up here you lose a
23 little bit of District 9, but that's not a problem.

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: Can we go look at the most
25 current Latino suggestion?

1 MR. FLAHAN: Yes.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I think for that one you can
3 easily use Avondale as the city line -- as the boundary.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, I understand. I just want
5 to see it.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: No, I'd like to use that one
7 to start.

8 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, can you up the 0073?

9 MR. KINGERY: Would you rather me add it as a
10 compare plan or just add in like the CD --

11 MR. FLAHAN: No, just add in -- add in the overlay.

12 MR. KINGERY: Just of the differences?

13 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah. Exactly how you're doing CDF007
14 and CDF006. Can you just add CD0073 on top of it?

15 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Is 73 the latest Latino
16 submission?

17 MR. FLAHAN: Hm-mm.

18 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Okay.

19 MR. FLAHAN: The difference is when they submitted
20 the most recent they submitted a full state map for
21 congressional, where before, the original, they only
22 submitted the two districts, 3 and 7.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: This is their second one
24 that's up right now?

25 MR. FLAHAN: No, no. We're getting it up right

1 now.

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: No.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So wherever we have -- I
5 think the lighter colors around there -- yeah.

6 And see the main thing I'm looking at to know the
7 difference is that area on the far east, when it's curved
8 down it was their original submission, when it's a block
9 it's the new one.

10 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, can you zoom into that eastern
11 edge that's just above the blue District 2 -- sorry, the
12 western edge.

13 Yep. Right there.

14 MR. KINGERY: That's as far as I can go in before
15 it disappears. Let me fix the scale dependency.

16 MR. FLAHAN: So it basically follows the -- the
17 canal that comes down there, the river.

18 Okay. Can you turn on the other districts?

19 And then can you make CD-73 just have a border, an
20 outline?

21 MR. KINGERY: Uh. No.

22 MR. FLAHAN: Okay.

23 Then turn off the districts for a second. I guess
24 you're going to have to bring it in as a plan if you can't
25 make it an outline like the other one.

1 MR. KINGERY: Okay. So let's pull it in directly.
2 So CD-73 is there.

3 Is it this one?

4 MR. FLAHAN: No. Nope. Nope -- change the --
5 change the created sort by.

6 MR. KINGERY: That one?

7 MR. FLAHAN: Yep.

8 Turn on the differences and turn off the compared
9 plan.

10 So it looks like there is really where the
11 differences are. The head of Peoria, that sort of goes
12 north there -- and go south, Brian. Drag the map south.

13 It doesn't come out as far over as the -- as the
14 canal.

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: It's the Avondale border.

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right.

17 COMMISSIONER YORK: The Avondale map except
18 Tolleson.

19 MR. FLAHAN: Yep.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And that's what we should be
21 using at that point is the Avondale border.

22 MR. FLAHAN: Turn -- turn off the active plan for a
23 second, Brian. Turn on the compared plan.

24 Okay. You see there's a couple changes out there
25 on the Tempe border, too, it's over by the 143; and where

1 the 10 comes down on the Broadway curve --

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah.

3 MR. FLAHAN: -- a couple changes there, too.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: That little neighborhood, it
5 picks up just west -- east of the airport actually fits the
6 community of interest --

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah.

8 COMMISSIONER YORK: -- that's related to Downtown
9 Phoenix.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yep. That's works.

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: The only thing I would say is
12 on the old map I think we need to be north more -- we need
13 to push north more a little bit. I think they're as far
14 north as Osborn and Thomas.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, I don't think we want
16 to go too far north. We want to --

17 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: That's be --

18 MR. D. JOHNSON: But I think -- I think the north
19 edge is the Glendale-Peoria border.

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, we're talking about in
21 Phoenix, Doug.

22 MR. D. JOHNSON: Oh, okay.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That far north. Yeah, in
24 that area I think we went Van Buren and I think the original
25 map went up to McDowell, but I wouldn't go any further north

1 than that on it because we still --

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, I would like to see
3 McDowell at least, because if you go along the highway it
4 definitely matches that community to the south.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I could go up to
6 McDowell, I don't think we want to go further -- we don't
7 want to go to Osborn.

8 But McDowell was the boundary on --

9 COMMISSIONER YORK: I'm just worried about
10 downtown, we kind of chop those whole neighborhoods.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah.

12 Well, and McDowell was the original boundary for
13 the first one.

14 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So if we went up -- up to
16 that.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Well, let's look at McDowell
18 for now.

19 MR. FLAHAN: Do you want to bring up the old
20 original submission?

21 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah.

22 MR. FLAHAN: Turn off -- okay, Brian --

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We want to be closer to the
24 original.

25 MR. FLAHAN: Can you turn off the compared plan and

1 the differences.

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I also want to make sure that
3 we're incorporating the African American pockets as well
4 because I think this district there's a lot of crossover
5 votes and there's some political cohesion and a community of
6 interest cohesion here that we want to be sensitive to.

7 MR. FLAHAN: And turn on CDF007, Brian.

8 Can you see what the northern edge is in Phoenix
9 right above the word "Phoenix"? What are those roads?

10 So the original submission went up to looks like
11 maybe Thomas.

12 MR. KINGERY: Yeah, east Thomas.

13 MR. FLAHAN: East Thomas is that -- is that lower
14 border; and then when it comes up between 7th Street, it's
15 probably -- that's Central Avenue, it goes up north Central
16 Avenue and then it cuts back over west again on Indian
17 School.

18 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah, that takes it into those
19 neighborhoods.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: It also sounds like this
21 submission is a bit of a compromise between -- what I'm
22 hearing between Commissioners York and Lerner, I hear
23 Commissioner York is interested in bringing it further
24 north, Commissioner Lerner is arguing for not bringing it up
25 as far north. The initial submission of the Latino

1 Coalition seems to be in the sweet spot of both of you.

2 Not that I'm saying I'm -- I'm for that yet, but
3 just maybe as a starting point.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I thought we were at
6 McDowell, but maybe I was wrong.

7 Well, Van Buren is this one.

8 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah.

9 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right. You're on the freeway,
10 basically.

11 Thomas is -- Thomas works for now.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I don't know that that -- I'm
13 just trying to get my -- seems like...

14 COMMISSIONER YORK: That little jog,
15 Commissioner Lerner, that takes them to the Prairie, the
16 Cherry Lynn district, the homestead -- Phoenix Homestead
17 neighborhoods and parts of Willow. And so --

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, we want to keep the
19 historic communities together, the historic neighborhoods
20 together.

21 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right. Right.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I think a lot of the --

23 COMMISSIONER YORK: That's what I was trying to
24 accomplish, to Osborn.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right. Yes, but I think

1 Osborn is just a little too far.

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah, Thomas would work.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That works.

4 And I think a lot of the African American
5 population isn't here because a lot of them are in South
6 Mountain area and Laveen, so I think that...

7 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Grant Village.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And the downtown mostly tends
9 to be south of McDowell I think, but Thomas would be as --
10 probably as far north as we want to go.

11 I think we're fine on the east, right, is everybody
12 good with that?

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah, it's Tempe, Guadalupe,
14 Phoenix border.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah. And what's -- what's
16 to the west of I-10 is usually -- other than Guadalupe, has
17 usually been part of this district.

18 COMMISSIONER YORK: Correct.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I would -- I still think
20 McDowell or the free- -- I'm having trouble seeing
21 everything.

22 COMMISSIONER YORK: If you go south of McDowell,
23 Shereen, you don't pick up the...

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I was thinking south of the
25 freeway now.

1 COMMISSIONER YORK: There's not a freeway down
2 Van Buren.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right. I'm just trying...

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: The original suggestion was up
5 to McDowell.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, McDowell -- yeah. And
7 that's why south of McDowell, that really gets those
8 communities that are all connected in that area.

9 The Thomas to McDowell is a little bit different in
10 those areas.

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, the Phoenix Homestead
12 neighborhood is north -- is 28th Street to 26th Street north
13 of Thomas.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, I'm thinking popu- --
15 demographics more. I'm not thinking --

16 COMMISSIONER YORK: I assuming that this map was
17 tested back when they submitted it for population. So by
18 keeping boundaries where they are, we're more likely to be
19 pretty close on the population.

20 I would encourage you to go sort of temporarily
21 this looks pretty good and move on.

22 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I -- I agree. I think it's
23 a -- I think it's a good compromise and I think that we
24 could take a look at how it all plays out with the ripples
25 and also take a look at population deviance and then

1 subsequent Latino CVAP. So before, you know, with fine
2 tuning, those are some of the data points we're going to
3 want to look at.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So is there --

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Is there a certain population
6 deviance, Commissioner Lerner, that you were, you know, had
7 in mind? Because earlier you were expressing --

8 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Population applies to
9 legislative, because in congressional there's not a lot of
10 community --

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I didn't have a population --

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I was just interested in more
15 of the demographic piece.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You just used the word
17 "packing" earlier and I just want to make sure we're not --
18 I want to make sure we're careful to do right by everybody.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, thank you for that.

20 What I was saying is -- and it goes to some of our
21 discussions that we've been having about not putting so many
22 people into one district for the sake of add -- harming
23 another, kind of making sure that we create those
24 communities of interest and not working to just say well,
25 let's put that community because it happens to be another

1 Latino community, let's just put it in there, if they could
2 also be served in another community.

3 That's all I was referring to.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. Got it.

5 Anything else on CD-3?

6 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, that's the direction.

7 MR. FLAHAN: So the direction that I have for CD-3,
8 eastern border is okay with Tempe, Phoenix, and Guadalupe.

9 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Hm-mm.

10 MR. FLAHAN: The question is: Where are we going
11 north? Is it McDowell? Is it Thomas?

12 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We're taking the old -- the
13 original Latino submitted map in full.

14 MR. FLAHAN: So we're taking the --

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah. To Thomas.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I would like to do that. If
17 the two of you want to debate what line, is it Thomas or is
18 it --

19 COMMISSIONER YORK: I think it handles it
20 perfectly.

21 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah. And we can -- we'll
22 adjust later but we need to --

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I think the population makes
24 sense using the first Latino version just 'cause they had it
25 all balanced.

1 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, it handles Alhambra
2 better and everything else should go up, the Black Canyon
3 freeway and includes that little corner of Glendale that
4 actually is -- fits the population of communities of
5 interest communities to the south there.

6 There's a lot of good about this map. Shereen and
7 I can kick the can back and forth about Osborn or Thomas and
8 McDowell later I think. So I would adopt this.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I'm comfortable adopting this
10 for now as well.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We're just -- we're just
12 saying that we'll move forward with another -- yeah, we got
13 the -- yeah. Yeah, I'm comfortable with moving forward.

14 Do we want to make that one little change on the
15 east side, though, or not? I don't know what that does.

16 MR. FLAHAN: You mean --

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That one by Broadway curve,
18 that's what I call it anyway.

19 COMMISSIONER YORK: Oh, to move that over there?
20 Yeah.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Just as a -- I'm just asking.
22 I think that is a natural boundary right there.

23 COMMISSIONER YORK: Follow the 143 down Baseline.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yes.

25 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right down the...

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Down just following that.

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: It's not Baseline.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: The 143?

4 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: The 10.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: The 10, following the 10
6 down.

7 COMMISSIONER YORK: Following the 10 over.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Just kind of just connecting
9 that one little piece. That's all I was wondering
10 because --

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right there, Brian, you know,
12 where the highway moves south. The other way.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: If you scroll down a little
14 bit.

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: To your -- to the east.

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We don't have to, it just was
17 a thought.

18 MR. FLAHAN: Go down farther south, Brian.

19 COMMISSIONER YORK: No.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Just that little piece.

21 MR. FLAHAN: That's what you're talking about,
22 right, that Broadway curve piece?

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah.

24 MR. FLAHAN: So -- so if you go all the way to the
25 bottom from that curve all the way to connecting to

1 District 3 where it is right now.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Mm-hm.

3 MR. FLAHAN: It looks like there is...

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It may be adding too many
5 people.

6 MR. FLAHAN: 1,302 plus 1,717. You are adding
7 about 3,019 people. The current -- that current District 3,
8 the original that they had is right on the money at 794,611.
9 So we'd have to lose 3,019 --

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Let's just leave it.

11 MR. FLAHAN: -- from somewhere else if we made that
12 change.

13 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Leave it.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: No, that's okay. It's only
15 because I know that that's been a natural boundary, so. But
16 that's fine. We don't need to mess --

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: It's such a linear line, I
18 like it.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: All right. Let's leave it.
20 Just checking.

21 MR. FLAHAN: So take CD-3, the original Latino
22 district, and just plop it in --

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Make your life easier.

24 MR. FLAHAN: -- exactly how they submitted it
25 originally?

1 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yes.

2 MR. FLAHAN: Okay. All right.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. We have two districts
4 down, CDs.

5 Third congressional district is --

6 MR. FLAHAN: Before you go there. And we're good
7 to put the CD-3 into both of the District 7 maps you wanted
8 us to draw this morning?

9 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yes.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Hm-mm.

11 MR. FLAHAN: Okay. Just making sure.

12 All right.

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I'm trying to go back to what
14 our priorities were.

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I'd suggest going to the East
16 Valley or West Valley, staying in Maricopa and going in the
17 East or West Valley.

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: On the CD?

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: On the CD.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: That's fine. I'm just
21 anxious to get to the East Valley on the LDs, but that's
22 okay.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So which district do we want
24 to work on this?

25 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You want to move out 4 and

1 then 5 maybe?

2 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Sure.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So --

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: Should we go work on 8, because
5 there's more work to do on 8 than there is...

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, we could -- doesn't
7 matter to me, but what if we went to district -- I'm fine
8 with going to District -- to some extent District 8 will be
9 impacted by District 1 as well, right?

10 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, D-3 is going to move out
11 of 8.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right, it is.

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: So...

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's going to change.

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You know what, Commissioner
16 Lerner, you triggered -- I think you're bringing up an
17 important point and that is that if there's going to be a
18 congressional district that is going to change
19 significantly, maybe we start with that one first rather
20 than perfecting the other ones and then coming back and
21 having to blow it all up.

22 So if -- if -- I mean, I hate to say this, but if
23 there's an area of greatest contention that we need to make
24 a fundamental decision on, we may want to do that sooner so
25 that the rest of the pieces can fall into place.

1 And so, Commissioner York, is that maybe why you're
2 bringing up D8, you think it's more consequential in
3 decisions?

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, it's going to pivot the
5 map because in my opinion the retirement communities need to
6 be together.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: No question.

8 COMMISSIONER YORK: We heard that. And so it's
9 going to swing the current district to the -- to the west;
10 and if you put Peoria back in there, I don't know what that
11 population balance is like but...

12 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I'm fine going D8 to D-1 and
13 then around the other way. I mean, that -- that may be a
14 more difficult decision, so.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So the only -- and I'm fine,
16 doesn't matter to me really within Maricopa which order we
17 do.

18 But I think what we do with District 9 is going to
19 impact District 8 significantly.

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And so they're all obviously
22 interconnected, but my concern is -- I mean, we can go to
23 District 8 but then we need to know that we're going to be
24 coming back and we may have to make adjustments when we look
25 at District 9.

1 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Maybe we want to do
2 District 2.

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We'll never want to do
4 District 2.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I'm saying if you want to
6 make decisions that are going to impact the rest of the map,
7 maybe we don't dance around all these little things and we
8 go right at it.

9 COMMISSIONER YORK: That's fine.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And maybe this is a situation
11 where we take advantage of the mapping team's time and I'm
12 going to guess that we may have two -- you know, not me but
13 you guys, have two different visions of where to go with
14 this and maybe we need, you know, some room, not infinite
15 room, just to play out the different ideas.

16 COMMISSIONER YORK: That's fine.

17 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: I like D-2.

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I think D-2 is the most
19 consequential.

20 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: We talked about VRA districts
21 and I think that's on the list of a lot of debate.

22 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I do not believe, though, on
23 the congressional side D2 is a VRA district; am I correct,
24 Counsel?

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: No, it's not.

1 COMMISSIONER MEHL: It's not.

2 MR. D. JOHNSON: Well, just -- just to be clear on
3 that, it -- it is consolidating a lot of Native American
4 tribal reservations and population, so it is -- it is by far
5 our highest Native American seat but it's nowhere near a
6 majority seat.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Correct. We have a -- a
8 special community of interest heard that needs to be
9 considered --

10 MR. D. JOHNSON: Right.

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: -- but there's no VRA
12 responsibility.

13 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: No.

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You know, nobody reaches a
15 threshold of population, but we have a responsibility to, in
16 my opinion, do right by the Native American community and --

17 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And Chairwoman, I'd like to
18 point out, we're going to do right by the Native American
19 community whichever way we go; and we're going to have some
20 disagreements on this map, but none of the disagreements are
21 going to go to the heart of the Native American community.
22 They're going -- they're going to be 22 percent of the
23 population of this district because that's what they are,
24 and the real question is what non-Native American areas are
25 going to be combined with them, that will be the debate.

1 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: That's true. That's right.

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, and the other thing I
3 think we heard is that most of those communities, if not all
4 of them, didn't want to be part of Maricopa County. They
5 wanted their representation outside of Maricopa County.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I don't know that that
7 was the tribe saying that, it was lots of other people.

8 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: There were a lot of people
10 that don't want to be part of it.

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right, but that's...

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: But I think that they want to
13 be together and -- but they also want to have a voice.

14 So, yeah, District 2. I think the big question for
15 District 2 is the fact that our current iteration will --
16 well, actually, maybe what we can do is pull up the Navajo
17 Nation, could we take a look at that?

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Sure.

19 MR. FLAHAN: CDF010?

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yes. We heard about that
21 plenty through all our hearings.

22 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yep, that's the one.

23 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, can you pull up CDF010?

24 MR. KINGERY: Want me to just add it to the map
25 like the other ones?

1 MR. FLAHAN: Yep, can you add service?

2 MR. KINGERY: Yep.

3 MR. FLAHAN: So the dark border is the CDF010.

4 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Hm-mm.

5 MR. KINGERY: And if you wanted to see
6 demographics, give me one second and I can go ahead and pull
7 that in. Was it -- those were all the -- for legislative
8 districts, correct?

9 MR. FLAHAN: It is NNHRC congressional map.

10 MR. KINGERY: What was it -- oh, this one?

11 MR. FLAHAN: NNHRC congressional map. Yep.

12 MR. KINGERY: 'Kay.

13 All right.

14 MR. FLAHAN: So you see the plan here is on the
15 screen. It's minus 14 people from the target deviation
16 number for population.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Can you repeat that, please?

18 MR. FLAHAN: It is 14 people short than the ideal
19 target population for a congressional district. It is only
20 7,000 -- 794,597.

21 Brian, if you scroll over in the attribute table --
22 yep.

23 So in the Native American CVAP number, it is
24 21.02 percent Native American and in the single-race
25 Native American VAP number, which is the G_AINH18_P is 17 --

1 sorry -- 18.73 percent Native American.

2 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: And Madam Chair, that -- that
3 includes I would think a -- a very large number of tribes,
4 probably anywhere in the country and so just starting from
5 the top you got -- you got Hualapai, Havasupai, Kaibab, San
6 Juan Paiute, Navajo Hopi, White Mountains, San Carlos,
7 Ak-Chin, Gila River, and parts of -- I guess some pockets of
8 Tohono O'odham community, which is very significant.

9 Mark, take it.

10 MR. FLAHAN: And -- and when the plan was
11 originally submitted it had non -- it had nine contiguous
12 parts so that was -- that was correct. It passed all the
13 integrity checks going forward.

14 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yes. That's it, right? Yes.

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I'm presuming it affects the
16 competitiveness of other districts around it. It doesn't,
17 you know, exist in isolation so I'm sure that it affected
18 CD-6 significantly.

19 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Right. But we're on this one
20 right now.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. But that's --

22 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And -- and that's a significant
23 reason that I don't like this. It takes in too much of
24 Southern Arizona and -- and Graham-Greenlee wanted to be
25 with Cochise and ought to be with Cochise, and I -- and I

1 just don't think this map is as good for the State as the
2 map that we've drawn.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And so my concern --

4 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Go ahead.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: If you want to.

6 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: I guess it -- it's like a --
7 like a pendulum, and so we could turn it and go -- include
8 more of Mohave County but I don't think that's right but,
9 you know, the communities of interest that we're talking
10 about, the Native communities --

11 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I actually thought that
12 including Mohave County that was my orig- -- very
13 originally, that's what -- what I argued and I think
14 including Mohave County and going the other way with it is
15 something we would look at as an alternative.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I'd like to remind everybody
17 that I shot down the very first vote, sometimes one vote
18 equals many votes, shot down the whole Republican, my
19 colleagues' vision for the north, because the -- the vote
20 spread was way too -- too extreme. It was an R-plus well
21 above ten, and I -- and I -- if -- what?

22 COMMISSIONER MEHL: That's good.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And -- and from my
24 perspective, you know, I'm deeply committed to -- to
25 reigning in the extremism to ensure that -- that no

1 community is going to be marginalized.

2 If we could -- I believe -- I like our version
3 of -- of the map better as well, I think it fit better
4 with -- with other communities like, you know, the southern
5 part of the map. If there were -- right now I think our
6 vote spread is about 7 and a half percent, which is just
7 outside of our range of competitiveness. If there was some
8 way to bring it in a half of percentage point or modify it,
9 I'd like that, I'd like to make it a little bit more
10 competitive.

11 But I think that we're also doing right by many
12 other constituent groups in the area, and I -- and I'm not
13 sure -- the most compelling thing about this map I
14 understand is that it meets the needs of the Native American
15 community. There's a lot of other communities that were
16 responsible to -- to equally meet the needs of and -- and
17 I'm not sure that this map accomplishes that.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: If I can make a point about
19 Mohave County. Mohave County has been -- and Prescott, the
20 Yavapai split that's there, has been like that for decades.

21 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Two decades.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: There's one period of time
23 where the Hopi asked to be separated from the Navajo that it
24 was, but otherwise that's a natural connection. And we
25 heard from people saying -- we got letters from Lake Havasu

1 saying we want to be with Prescott; we heard from people in
2 Prescott area saying we want to be with Mohave.

3 That split which I also had requested early on and
4 was not approved by our group, just like Commissioner Mehl's
5 proposal wasn't. I had requested this particular split.

6 Now, I'm not talking about anything in the south.
7 I'm just talking about the Yavapai County-Prescott area
8 split. That's all. We could negotiate the other pieces,
9 but that particular connection between those populations has
10 been around for decades and I think that it's something we
11 should continue to have. It's what they have now, it's what
12 they've had -- I looked back 40 years and it's been pretty
13 consistent that Prescott and Yavapai County have been
14 connected to Mohave.

15 We got -- the other piece that -- that I
16 particularly like about that split, and I'm only talking
17 about that, we can work on the rest, is that it actually
18 helps move out a lot of the population from the West Valley.
19 It takes 60,000 people out. Right now the way the map --
20 our map is drawn, as Doug Johnson mentioned, it's really
21 much more of a West Valley, it has a very heavy population
22 for Maricopa County and West Valley.

23 Putting this split back like it's been for years
24 makes it that rural county for 9 which -- because 9 and 2
25 are inextricably linked, right? So putting that back like

1 it's been will actually make 9 more rural and 2 more -- we
2 can make 2 more rural depending on how we divide that.

3 But that's what I like about that northern piece,
4 doing it that way, is keeping with some of the historical
5 pieces that we've had, making less of the West Valley part
6 of District 9 which will help District 8. That's why I
7 thought it would be good to do this one first, because once
8 we do that it can make District 8 a little more cohesive as
9 well; and it allows District 2 to become in that even lower
10 range of competitiveness.

11 It will still be a Republican-leaning district no
12 matter what we do with that, but it will make it a closer
13 competitive district than what it currently is.

14 So I just want to mention that -- that taking that
15 cut-out would be exactly what has been in that northern area
16 for many, many years and that people are used to.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And won't it make CD-9 much
18 more extreme?

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: CD-9 is not going to be --
20 it's not going to affect it. I think the numbers right now
21 are pretty extreme without that. It's not going to change
22 that. That district is always going to be 20 to 30 points.
23 I don't think there's anything that can ever bring that
24 district -- just by the makeup of the people who are there.

25 COMMISSIONER MEHL: So let me under- -- I don't

1 fully understand what you're saying. So you're putting
2 Mohave with Yavapai County?

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: With -- with that split like
4 it's been.

5 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Part of it. Part of it.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Part of that, that part of
7 Yavapai County from Mingus Mountain over like it's been
8 many, many years. Just taking it back to what it is today
9 and what it's been for over 40 years. I don't know, that's
10 as far back as I could do my home- -- I mean, that's as far
11 back as I could find. It's probably out there more, but.

12 And so --

13 COMMISSIONER MEHL: But by doing that, you then
14 come down into District 6 --

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: And 7.

16 COMMISSIONER MEHL: -- and take Graham, Greenlee,
17 and Pinal. There are consequences to doing that.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: The Graham County
19 supervisors --

20 COMMISSIONER MEHL: The current -- and the current
21 D-2 was a compromise originally, I mean.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It was not a compromise for
23 us. I -- I proposed --

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: It was a -- go ahead.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm sorry. It was not for

1 me. I asked to have the -- I asked for this exact feature
2 and it was turned down.

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And I -- and I asked for
4 Yavapai to be --

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right. But I don't -- I
6 never -- I just as -- just as I know you-all have not liked
7 CD-8 when we finished, this was the one for me that I said
8 needed to have a major change. This was the big one for me.

9 And -- and I do look at the historical piece of
10 that, that these people have been connected for a very long
11 time, and that if we keep this district -- I will say this.

12 Almost no reason for us to us have placed or -- or
13 listened to so many Native American communities asking to be
14 in District 2 because they're never going to be get able to
15 vote for a candidate of their choice. It won't be
16 competitive enough.

17 This will always -- District 2 will always be a
18 Republican-leaning district. I'm not worried about that
19 part of it, what I'm worried about is having them have at
20 least have an opportunity to vote for somebody of their
21 choice.

22 Right now District 2 is a Republican-leaning
23 district, so we just go back to some of that.

24 Graham County folks also had said that they don't
25 necessary -- they don't want to be -- well, that's

1 District 6 which is a whole different thing, but they don't
2 want to be with Pima County. So that's another big piece as
3 part of it.

4 But to me one of the bigger issues is we heard loud
5 and clear from people in the West Valley not wanting to be
6 with Mohave county, with the Colorado, and we've heard loud
7 and clear from people in Mohave wanting a district that was
8 more rural. And I feel if we take that Yavapai County split
9 like it's been, that helps begin to accomplish both of those
10 things that we heard from the people along the river as well
11 as in the West Valley.

12 That makes District 9 a more rural district in many
13 ways, and then we can look at what happens in the West
14 Valley to see what we can do.

15 We pull in places like Wickenburg and all the areas
16 that wanted to go there, it might help make that the rural
17 district that they want.

18 COMMISSIONER YORK: Brian, can we see an overlay of
19 the District 7 LD -- Latino Coalition map version 1 on this?

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And I just want to for the
21 record say that from my view the current -- our draft map
22 CD-2 absolutely is a compromise.

23 I -- I was part of a negotiation where one side
24 wanted in essence an entire northern district because it
25 really worked well with your vision for the rest of the map,

1 and I had another side that had a completely different view,
2 and I thought we navigated some kind of compromise that left
3 the vote spread somewhere around seven so that it made more
4 likely that -- that communities would be, you know,
5 represented.

6 And I don't know why a point spread of seven, why
7 any member of the Congress -- why you would presume that --
8 that 22 percent of that district would be ignored. Why do
9 you presume that a member of a Congress would not do right
10 by the Native American community?

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm -- I can get real
12 political on that, but I don't see that they are going to be
13 looking at that, they don't need them to -- to win the vote.

14 I -- as you know, my proposal was a 4 percent
15 spread because I feel that is within a district a truly
16 competitive district. I do not feel a 7 percent is a truly
17 competitive district, but we went with it and I supported it
18 because that was what everybody -- as a -- as a compromise.

19 My view though is that -- that if we can get this
20 into a truly competitive, like it is now -- District 2
21 currently I think is a 2 or 3 percent -- a 2 percent I think
22 Republican district in it's current iteration, it's very
23 competitive within that district.

24 But -- but more so, even if we pulled out a
25 conversation about that, we're talking about two rural areas

1 along the Colorado River and then in the northeast, and both
2 of those could be better represented by more rural areas if
3 we dig through that Mingus Mountain split and put Prescott
4 like it's been for many years. Like I said, it's at least a
5 40-year history if not longer, that we have the
6 representation in that area, that we combine those.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I have to be honest, just in
8 terms of future arguments, how we've done things in the past
9 isn't necessarily in my mind the driving force. The reason
10 why we redistrict is because everything changes and we're
11 responsible to wipe the map the clean and -- and come from
12 the perspective of who our population is today.

13 And I have a question. Are we going to in all
14 districts if there's a minority community that's about
15 one-fifth of that district, are we going to commit that
16 every minority group of that size deserves a competitive
17 district under 4 percent spread? Is that ever something
18 that we could promise or -- or give to everybody?

19 I want to be fair to the entire State.

20 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Well, Madam Chair, though,
21 but there's a long history with Natives. That 20 percent,
22 you know, has been around since, you know, 1867 --

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Hm-mm.

24 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: -- and the state of Arizona
25 was basically stuck on -- on top of the reservation, and I

1 think there's the unique circumstances and the challenges
2 and so that's why there's such a big concern about making
3 sure that at least -- in this district at least 20 percent
4 of this does include Native American.

5 And so, you know, should we give special
6 consideration to our tribes? The answer is yes. Because of
7 the Voting Rights Act, because of reservations, because
8 tribes -- Indian people were not allowed to vote until way,
9 way after many of us here in this State. And so I think we
10 have unique challenges and unique responsibilities.

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I agree a hundred percent and
12 that's why I voted down the Republican plan in the very
13 beginning and I found that vote spread to be unacceptable.
14 I was very concerned about the community being marginalized.

15 But I -- I again come back to, we have to
16 redistrict based on our population today and minority
17 communities do deserve recognition and I want to, you know,
18 focus and empower them as much as possible.

19 In this case they do not rise to the level that
20 requires or even calls for a VRA district, and so I want to
21 do right by all minority communities; and again, I come back
22 to this, I'm not sure that minority communities at
23 22 percent of the district can all, you know, be, you know,
24 given that same deference of -- of competitiveness.

25 And -- and, you know, at what point does that stop

1 based on -- on the past? I mean, you know, our demographics
2 are shifting. Some populations are increasing, some are
3 decreasing. I think that's our job is to recognize the
4 shifts.

5 Again, I want as competitive as a district as
6 possible to try to -- you know, I want to make sure that
7 elected leader must consider the Native American community.
8 At a 7 percent spread, I have a hard time thinking that they
9 wouldn't be, you know, considered in a very significant way
10 and -- and there's a lot of implications on the map in the
11 other areas.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So, if we take it just from a
13 community of interest perspective, public testimony was in
14 favor of having this split, we heard that from people, we
15 heard it from people in Mohave, we heard it from people in
16 Yavapai that this would be a good split.

17 When we talk about the competitiveness piece,
18 nine -- all nine races with this configuration went to
19 Republicans. The -- the information -- the concern there,
20 that's a 7.6 percent split. My feeling is just because
21 it's -- it will have -- all of everything we're doing has
22 ramifications to every other district. Everything else is
23 going to have to be adjusted, but community testimony was
24 Mohave County was requesting a rural -- wants a rural
25 district, they do not like the fact that they would be so

1 closely tied that the West Valley would actually have -- I
2 don't recall what Doug's number was, but it was going to be
3 a very significant percentage and he even called it, it
4 would be more of a West Valley district than a rural
5 district when he -- when we looked at this configuration.

6 I don't know if Doug remembers -- do you remember
7 those numbers?

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: I don't remember but it was at
9 least two-thirds West Valley.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. It was
11 60-something percent something.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right. So if -- if -- with
13 this split, it gives Mohave County back what they have
14 requested, which is a rural-focused district. By putting
15 Prescott and that Mingus Mountain split right there, it
16 gives them -- it gives that -- it basically will give us
17 essentially two really good rural districts, District 2 and
18 District 9. Both will be Republican, one heavily so which
19 it already is, that really won't change much probably the
20 percentages, whether it's 20 or 30 percent it's not going to
21 affect it much; but it will narrow the competitive -- the
22 numbers in District 2 to again still be Republican but
23 meeting the community of interest requests that have been
24 made.

25 I mean, we got -- think of all the letters that we

1 got from Havasu saying: Please put us back together, please
2 put us with that. The requests that we received and the
3 testimony that we heard really focused -- even though we're
4 talking about District 2 -- on District 9 with the fact of
5 what they were asking for, to not be a West Valley district.

6 And also what we heard in the West Valley that
7 said: Please don't put us in the Colorado River district.

8 So this -- this cut that we could make by putting
9 Prescott and 60,000 people in there could meet the needs of
10 that Colorado River district and the West Valley; and to be
11 quite honest, I think it will make District 8 easier to lay
12 out by pulling together some communities of interest in the
13 West Valley that do belong together that right now would
14 have to be split to go into the Colorado River area, it will
15 connect them in a better way.

16 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I think that the testimony was
17 a lot more confused and not nearly as coherent as you
18 suggest, and the impact as you go around the map and what
19 happens in Cochise County and Southern Arizona and even how
20 that comes in and impacts Pinal is significant and it --
21 overall it gives a better balance to the -- to the
22 communities and to the map.

23 And no matter what happens, the -- the river
24 communities are going to be combined with other major
25 populations. There's really not a way to -- to totally

1 avoid that.

2 The best way to avoid that is putting Mohave back
3 in with the northern district and let Yavapai come down the
4 other direction.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We heard over and over again
6 from people -- I mean, I don't think it's as confusing as
7 you say, Commissioner Mehl.

8 We heard over and over from people asking in the
9 West Valley not to be placed in the Colorado River district.
10 We heard people in the Mohave district asking to not have a
11 district that was going to be dominated by Maricopa County
12 and by people in urban areas. We heard them saying: We
13 want our rural district as we have had it and that it's
14 beneficial to them because they have the same interests.

15 And I'm -- we can work on the ramifications, but
16 just because we have -- we have this now doesn't mean we
17 can't look at what's happening on the east side. We can
18 take closer looks at that. Yes, there will be ripples, but
19 some of the ripples will be taken care of when we take a
20 look at District 8 because those will actually benefit those
21 people, and I think that's one of the things we need to look
22 at is -- this -- that's why I wanted to start with this
23 before we got to District 8, because District 8 right now
24 and the people in the West Valley are really sliced up; and
25 if we do this split, we actually can bring those communities

1 back together as they should be, those retirement
2 communities, those areas that have commonalities on the West
3 Valley, by putting that split back in.

4 And where do we get those other populations? We
5 can take a look at that. I'm very open to ideas on what --
6 where we get other populations. If we remove that piece and
7 put it into Mohave County, it helps the West Valley.

8 And then lets's talk about what the different
9 options are in the other areas. I mean, this is -- this is
10 one iteration, I'm sure there are others. We have that
11 piece of District 6 that comes up into Pinal County that a
12 lot of people don't like as well. Maybe we pull some of
13 that in, that's another possibility, but that's one of the
14 things we could be looking at would be what are the other
15 options.

16 But to not do this because of the ramifications of
17 other things I think just doesn't address some of the
18 concerns by people in the Mohave County, Yavapai, West
19 Valley that we heard very clearly about not wanting to be
20 connected.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So -- so I have a thought.

22 MR. D. JOHNSON: Can --

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I just want to share kind of
24 a -- a strategy or an idea of maybe how to handle this.

25 This may be an area where maybe it makes sense to

1 allow both sides to pursue a little bit of map and have two
2 different versions. I have to be honest, I'm not prepared
3 to -- to be a decisive vote right now. I'm curious to see a
4 little bit of where it would go.

5 But I have to be honest, if we're going to open up
6 the conversation about Mohave County, then I'm going to also
7 open it up to maybe, you know, Commissioner Mehl, you want
8 to reintroduce your -- your northern boundary.

9 I mean, seriously, if the rationale is the rural
10 area and all of that, then I want to be consistent and --
11 and open up those three options. 'Cause again, I thought
12 D-2 was a compromise between both sides, now I'm being told
13 it's not really a compromise and they're wanting more
14 compromise.

15 So how -- I know it's a little bit of extra work
16 but we have a couple of days in between. Mapping, how would
17 you feel and Colleagues how would you feel if each of you
18 got a little room and we did two different versions of the
19 north and see how it affects the rest of -- and then you can
20 try -- show -- show us the demographic data, show us the
21 levels of competitiveness at the other the districts, we can
22 look at what other communities of interest might be
23 marginalized, et cetera.

24 If you have a better idea, I'm open to it.

25 MR. D. JOHNSON: Chair, if I might?

1 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes.

2 MR. D. JOHNSON: Just on this question, as sticky
3 an issue as -- as Prescott and Verde Valley community, I
4 actually think the other end of District 2 in the Navajo
5 proposal is actually stickier. So maybe we look at that to
6 see if we want to go down this road, just because if I'm --
7 if I'm seeing the Navajo maps correctly, they're -- they're
8 putting Marana and Oro Valley into D-2. Which I don't know
9 that --

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We don't have to do that. We
11 don't have to do that.

12 MR. D. JOHNSON: And I think with the decisions you
13 made earlier about the D-7, you're either going to have to
14 do that and radically change D-7 down in Tucson, or you're
15 going to have to go into Apache Junction or San Tan with
16 D-2. So maybe we look down there and see how the folks who
17 are interested in making that change would want that
18 addressed.

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I think if Marana ends up in
20 D-2 again I may not be able to go home.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I don't -- I don't think that
22 that's -- I mean, that's what I'm saying, though, is we
23 don't need to be -- I'm --

24 COMMISSIONER MEHL: But I think it's the
25 consequence.

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I --

2 COMMISSIONER MEHL: It's the consequence of it.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: But it's not.

4 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I think it does have to be.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's just one version of
6 it, right? There are other versions here.

7 COMMISSIONER MEHL: But you have to get population
8 down there somewhere, and it gets it either out of Marana or
9 it gets it out of San Tan or into -- again into Maricopa
10 district.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: This is Marana -- this is the
12 Navajo version, there's also the Latino Coalition version
13 which takes a different tack of that and -- and so we can
14 take a look at that one because their map also does the same
15 thing with Mohave and pulls out Yavapai.

16 Can you pull that one up for D-2, the Navajo -- I
17 mean, the Latino one which does not -- I'm not in agreement.
18 Of course, we don't want to be going down into that area, so
19 we agree, we'd never suggest.

20 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Thank you.

21 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: We joke about not being able
22 to go home, I can't go back to Navajo if Prescott is
23 included, so.

24 COMMISSIONER MEHL: One of us is going to have to
25 get a camper.

1 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah, so maybe we both will.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: This -- I just want to be
3 clear that this is not something -- I know it sounds like it
4 may be, but I -- I raised this issue early on about this
5 split and I think we made the decision to go with this
6 because --

7 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Mm-hm.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- and I think as I said
9 earlier I don't think we spent a lot of time on the north.

10 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: We did not.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We got very caught up in the
12 Maricopa County and the south and we didn't go back to the
13 north to have that. But had we, I would have gone back to
14 this question. And it -- and it -- I really do think that
15 it will impact in a very positive way some of the Maricopa
16 districts and give the -- the rural districts a much better
17 opportunity to keep their -- to address their concerns.

18 But I would -- I'm in total agreement that we don't
19 want to be going that far south as part of it.

20 Is this the Navajo one?

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: Brian? Brian, can you bring up
22 the Latino Coalition map?

23 MR. FLAHAN: You want the newest one, right?

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That has the full set.

25 MR. FLAHAN: I think that's 73, Brian.

1 MR. KINGERY: Yeah, it's the 73.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: The other thing I would
3 mention is there were several maps proposed that included
4 that split as well. We heard a lot of public comments about
5 this split.

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So what I would -- I would
7 like to go back to what I suggested.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I agree, that's fine.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Please, I would like to
10 have -- flesh out the map and -- and make a case and -- and
11 my colleagues on the right as well, and whether it's our
12 draft map or -- or that initial one.

13 MR. D. JOHNSON: Brian, if --

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Go ahead.

15 MR. D. JOHNSON: Oh. Okay.

16 MR. KINGERY: This is it, correct?

17 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: This is the Latino?

18 MR. KINGERY: Mm-hm.

19 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah.

20 MR. D. JOHNSON: And -- and just to highlight, this
21 has the --

22 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: That doesn't have --

23 MR. D. JOHNSON: -- the San Carlos reservation is
24 not in District 2.

25 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah. I don't see it

1 included, the San Carlos.

2 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I think our current D-2 map is
3 a very good map and it's a compromised map.

4 I think one possible strategy would be to really
5 leave for the day the CD maps, and I think the -- the
6 current proposed maps by my colleagues as alternatives I
7 don't think will work at all. So if you want to come up
8 with a different map to try to suggest to us that we can
9 look at over the next few days, so that by the time we come
10 back on Thursday we would have a chance to review.

11 But something that goes down into Marana or cuts
12 the tribes, those aren't maps that are currently working, in
13 my opinion. Obviously may not be a shared opinion. And
14 meanwhile I'll -- I will redo a map that includes Mohave
15 with the northern as an alternative to look at once again,
16 but I'm comfortable with the current map.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I would like us to work on it
18 and within that -- with our mapping team.

19 So yes, we can all go home and other people can
20 work on maps, but I'd like the mapping team to take the
21 lead. And -- and if -- and if they're going to be
22 substantial changes, I'd like them to happen now so that on
23 Thursday when we reconvene we can make decisions and -- and
24 move.

25 So if we're going to give everybody the --

1 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Then I would like to see a map
2 that includes Mohave County with the northern communities,
3 which means that the -- the current D-2 would pull up out of
4 some of the area south of Phoenix.

5 MR. D. JOHNSON: Well, let's -- can you -- let's
6 focus your direction on one map at a time, please.

7 So --

8 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Why would we want to do that?

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Let Commissioner Mehl say his
10 and then I'll --

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Here's my point. I prefer
12 the compromise we already achieved. From my perspective,
13 D-2 is and was a compromise. If that's not satisfactory, I
14 want my colleagues to have the option to make the full
15 argument.

16 So Commissioner Mehl, I know it's frustrating, but
17 I don't want to shut down my Democratic colleagues and say
18 no, I won't look to see what's possible. I want to see
19 what's possible.

20 I agree, I didn't think the change -- this was the
21 version I thought, you know, achieved the best for
22 everybody, but do you want to take 15 minutes and give some
23 suggestions and we can come back on Thursday and make a
24 decision about which option?

25 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Well -- well, Madam Chair, I

1 thought last month we all decided that we had an endpoint
2 and so we decided on the final draft map subject to further
3 discussion --

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah.

5 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: -- adjustment, and it was a
6 compromise at the moment with the thought that we could
7 revisit that and that's what we're trying to do today.

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

9 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah. So for me, I think a
10 blend of the Navajo map and the Arizona Latino Coalition.
11 We have to include the San Carlos reservation and
12 the White Mountain reservation in -- in that compromise.

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: But that's taking the
14 compromise that we achieved between the Rs and Ds and then
15 taking that compromise and now compromising with further,
16 you know, Democratic views. I mean, it just -- the
17 compromise seems to be moving in one direction.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I would -- I would say
19 that --

20 MR. D. JOHNSON: Let me -- let me ask direction --
21 let me try to ask for some direction here.

22 So first of all, I think given the San Carlos thing
23 you probably want to start with Navajo map rather than the
24 Latino Coalition map.

25 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yes.

1 MR. D. JOHNSON: But I'm open to what
2 Commissioner Lerner wants to put on that map.

3 And then the question becomes -- and then we'll
4 zoom down to Pinal and say: Okay, this is the Lerner and
5 Watchman map, we'll put Graham and Greenlee in, and then we
6 have to figure out do you want to put Marana and Oro Valley
7 in there or where do we go down there?

8 So, Brian, can you show the Navajo.

9 Yeah. So -- so -- yeah.

10 So the challenge is we can come -- come down
11 into -- the Native population balance by coming down into
12 Marana, I believe that's part of Oro Valley as well down
13 there. And we can do -- we can do that; of course that's
14 going to be push D-6 way west into -- into the city of
15 Tucson compared to where we talked about earlier, but we can
16 do that.

17 Oh, actually, that's just splitting Marana.

18 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: No, pull it up.

19 MR. D. JOHNSON: The other option is to take it up
20 into Florence and those areas, but we -- we very likely will
21 end up -- you're getting into San Tan Valley and Apache
22 Junction just 'cause there isn't enough people in Florence.

23 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, but you already -- you
24 already have Avondale considered --

25 MR. D. JOHNSON: I'm just asking for what

1 Commissioner Lerner wanted, if we're doing two maps what
2 course she wants to take.

3 You're right -- you're exactly right, Commissioner
4 York, we can't go west because that's our Latino Coalition
5 map, yeah.

6 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right. The --

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I would like to see it border
8 that map. I mean, I don't have the -- when I was looking at
9 this I was looking at it -- the Latino Coalition map which
10 had the new version, now we have the old version of Latino
11 District 7.

12 MR. D. JOHNSON: Right.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I don't know how this
14 District 2 fits that -- okay. So there's some -- thank you.
15 That helps.

16 So there's some overlap. And I don't want to go
17 down into Pima County --

18 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: No, I agree.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- so we would want to -- to
20 cut across there. And I guess I would have to honestly --
21 doing this off the top of my head now will be tough, but I
22 would try to pull it up to the -- to the border --

23 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Graham-Greenlee.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah. Coming up, because you
25 can actually pull that up and not dip that far south.

1 Either way, District 2 was coming around the -- our
2 version or this version was going to come south pretty far.

3 And just to be clear, when we said we were going
4 with this it was so that we could then hear feedback from
5 the public on this, and the feedback has been pretty loud
6 about this West Valley District 9.

7 So in terms of the compromise it was: Let's go
8 listen; and then we've heard from the public that they don't
9 like this iteration of it.

10 So I like the coalition version of the map, but --
11 but because we've made those now new adjustments with the
12 coalition, I don't know how that all will fit together in
13 terms of population.

14 MR. D. JOHNSON: Well, I'm also seeing the other
15 thing that might mitigate how -- how much we have to go into
16 Apache Junction/San Tan, would be we could pick up the rest
17 of Gila County, the Payson area which was left out of this
18 map. It that -- if you're open to that.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right. I'm open to that.

20 I'm really looking at the Mingus Mountain split
21 more than anything else as part of that, so.

22 MR. D. JOHNSON: Right. I'm just trying to get
23 direction. To bring that back to you, we'd have to know
24 where to go to the other end. We kind of -- I don't want it
25 to be a surprise if we end up having to go into San Tan and

1 Apache Junction to finish it, but we can minimize that
2 certainly.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah. I -- I will be honest,
4 I'm going to have -- let me see if I can pull it up again.

5 What was it called again? NN?

6 MR. FLAHAN: It is called.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Congressional map. NNHRC.

8 MR. FLAHAN: Yep.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay.

10 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And then as a separate
11 alternative my -- mine is simpler to describe, it's taking
12 Mohave, Yavapai, Coconino, Navajo and Apache Counties in
13 whole.

14 MR. FLAHAN: Hold on a second. Mohave...

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: The top five counties in whole.

16 MR. FLAHAN: Coconino...

17 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And then adding in what you
18 need to get all of the Fort Apache and San Carlos
19 reservations into that district.

20 MR. FLAHAN: Fort Apache and San Carlos, is that
21 the -- the last tribal nation that you said?

22 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yes.

23 MS. SAKANSKY: If I may, Mohave County has
24 approximately two thousand and 18 -- -- two hundred thousand
25 and 8 -- I can speak -- 218,000 and Yavapai County has

1 236,000.

2 MR. D. JOHNSON: That's fine.

3 Yeah. Oh. Look at Brian. There's your map.

4 MR. KINGERY: Going back and this is Series 3. So
5 CD 3.2.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, see, that cuts way --
7 again, it takes it from the Colorado River over. And then
8 that was the one that had a very far spread, right,
9 competitive-wise?

10 COMMISSIONER MEHL: It's not a competitive district
11 I admit, but it's a really good district and it sets up the
12 map nicely.

13 It really -- it does a great job of communities of
14 interest; it's not a competitive district.

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: What I would like to do is
16 come back on Thursday and look at -- I will -- well, we --

17 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah, we can relook at that
18 one. That is -- that is it.

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: -- look at this plan and
20 reevaluate the plan you're creating and -- and we'll make a
21 decision.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I would like -- Doug, if
23 you can take a look at some of those options. Because
24 without me looking at demographics and all and numbers,
25 it -- I could do it but give me an hour in a back room here

1 and I'll start working on moving it around, but we don't
2 have that. So I -- I would appreciate that help with being
3 able to look at what I'm trying to accomplish here, because
4 I can't do this in two minutes and tell you to move this and
5 this around because I don't know the populations, I don't
6 know the demographics, I don't know any of that off the top
7 of my head.

8 I know that we don't want to go into this far south
9 but I also know that there are areas that we potentially
10 could bring together and -- and like you mentioned with
11 Payson. This will narrow the gap, but basically more so,
12 more than anything, it basically brings communities of
13 interest together.

14 And, you know, when I suggested the Yavapai split,
15 at the time we didn't do a map at that time, although you
16 did say you could make something work, but the decision by
17 the -- the group was not to move forward with that at the
18 time.

19 So maybe you can go back to that if you can recall.
20 You had had some ideas on how that could work, I just didn't
21 get -- get approval to ask you to do it at the time.

22 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah. Well, and -- and we're very
23 different now because of the decisions on CD-7, kind of
24 drawing that -- as Commissioner York presented, we've kind
25 of drawn a line at the western edge of Pinal.

1 But yeah, we can essentially take your directions,
2 take the Navajo map -- or the Navajo District 2 as much as
3 we can, except not going into Pima County with District 2,
4 and then we'll put all that Payson in and see where the
5 numbers fall out in the Flor- -- maybe Florence will be
6 enough with Payson to balance it. Obviously we'll minimize
7 the -- the San Tan, Apache Junction, Gold Canyon that we
8 have to take --

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And -- and --

10 MR. D. JOHNSON: -- in there.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right. And it may be -- it
12 may be that there may be some areas on the edge of
13 District 7, I don't -- I don't know that part and I'm
14 looking up there that goes along -- I don't know the
15 northern piece that goes into that claw or whatever we're
16 calling it in District 6 right now.

17 COMMISSIONER YORK: Thumb. We're calling it a
18 thumb.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Thumb. Whatever you want to
20 call it. Okay.

21 I don't know what's in that area but there may be
22 some places around there that can be adjusted slightly, too,
23 for that district.

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: That's the I-10 corridor.

25 MR. D. JOHNSON: It's already taking all of that.

1 Yeah, it's got everything in Pinal County except for the
2 Tohono O'odham reservation -- leave that up -- the
3 Tohono O'odham reservation and then the -- and then
4 Florence, San Tan and Apache Junction.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right.

6 MR. D. JOHNSON: Everything else is already in
7 there.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: All right. If you could kind
9 of see what you can come up with because, literally, if I
10 walked away for a half hour I could probably give you very
11 specific suggestions or if I just did it here, but I can't
12 do that on the clock basically.

13 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yep.

14 No, I think --

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: We'll also break at some
16 point and if, you know, if you have additional feedback
17 before the close of the day, we're still in public session,
18 so.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Thank you.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah, we're still allowed to
21 talk to you, Doug, in public.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay, that's fine, too.
23 Maybe --

24 MR. D. JOHNSON: Well -- yeah, we are trying to get
25 all our direction in public as much as possible, so. And I

1 think we have pretty good direction now, so. I think that
2 will work for both maps.

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And I just have a really easy
4 question. The old northern CD map, what was the number of
5 that map so I can look it up again?

6 MR. FLAHAN: I think it was in the three series.
7 Let me see...

8 MR. KINGERY: It was 3.2.

9 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: 3.2.

10 MR. KINGERY: This one?

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yes.

12 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And that's still on that list
13 where I can open it up and see it?

14 MR. KINGERY: Yeah, correct.

15 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, Brian, bring up 3.1 also.

16 MR. KINGERY: In 3.1 we did have a portion of the
17 area on the side.

18 MR. FLAHAN: Okay. Never mind.

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: It was 3.2.

20 MR. FLAHAN: It was just, did you want to go with
21 La Paz County or not I think was the main difference. But
22 Brian's right, we did have a big section of Yavapai on the
23 side there.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Thank you. I feel really
25 comfortable with this approach to -- to really look through

1 very comprehensively both ideas, multiple ideas. We can
2 make a decision on Thursday and that will help us then
3 conquer CD-9 and -- and fill out the rest.

4 With that I'm curious, I would love to dive into
5 the legislative districts. I think that there's some areas
6 that we may find a lot of consensus thoughts.

7 MR. FLAHAN: I have a question before we move off
8 of congressional.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes.

10 MR. FLAHAN: So we have basically two maps in
11 Tucson that are -- that are different right now and now we
12 have two more changes that we want to go in the north.

13 So are we talking we need to make changes -- that's
14 exactly where I'm going. Do we need to make four maps or do
15 we need to make two maps or a combination of both?

16 We can do anything, I just need to know the
17 direction of what you're looking for.

18 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I'm comfortable with the 3.2
19 map will give us enough to see on what I asked for.

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, but you don't have the
21 LD-7 and LD-3 that we just agreed to.

22 COMMISSIONER MEHL: No, but the -- the --

23 COMMISSIONER YORK: I mean, CD-7.

24 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah, but --

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I think we need to see CD-7.

1 MR. D. JOHNSON: Just four maps.

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: That's kind of what I thought.

3 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah. It's definitely four maps
4 coming back to you.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah. Sorry.

7 MR. FLAHAN: So -- so you want four maps?

8 Okay. That's fine. I just need to make sure I
9 know where we're going.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: That's preferable.

11 MR. FLAHAN: Okay. We'll make the Tucson changes
12 and then we'll take each Tucson change and make --

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: Tucson-Yuma, Tucson-Avondale.

14 MR. FLAHAN: Yes. You're a hundred percent right.
15 We'll take the rest of the State changes and then we'll pair
16 one with the north and then the other north idea and then
17 we'll then do the same thing. Sound good?

18 COMMISSIONER MEHL: All right.

19 MR. FLAHAN: All right.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. Great.

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: Okay. And then just as a general
22 instruction for all of the maps, do you want us to try to --
23 where there's city lines on the East Valley, do you want us
24 to try to follow them? Or is that just a leg thing?

25 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Am I missing something?

1 COMMISSIONER YORK: We didn't ever introduce here.
2 Rachel.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Angela.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Angela. Oh, everybody's
5 saying court reporter, court reporter. I'm like what?
6 We're supposed to introduce you.

7 Angela, our court reporter is here, our
8 transcriptionist.

9 MR. B. JOHNSON: And does she need a break before
10 we go into the LDs?

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay, do you want a break
12 before we go?

13 You've got it.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That would be nice.

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Sorry, I'm a little slow.

16 COMMISSIONER YORK: I would have voted for that
17 also.

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So it's 1:45. We'll take,
19 what? A ten-minute break and we'll dive back into LDs at
20 1:55.

21 Thank you.

22 (Recess taken from 1:45 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.)

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24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Welcome back, everybody. We
25 are returning to Agenda Item VI, draft map decision

1 discussion. We just wrapped up congressional -- initial
2 deliberations on congressional map drawing.

3 Commissioner Lerner, you had some the data
4 regarding the congressional districts quickly that you
5 wanted to share with Mapping?

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yes, please. Thank you,
7 Chair.

8 So this is -- this would go with some suggestions,
9 but I would also appreciate the assistance of the mapping
10 team.

11 But the suggestion had been that I could give you
12 some ideas for how to take this out of Pima County, which we
13 all agree we don't want to do, and so I spent my time
14 looking at numbers of cities -- my break, adding up
15 population of cities.

16 So here's a suggestion, but I will say to the
17 mapping team, if this doesn't work feel free to be -- have
18 some flexibility with it.

19 Doug, you had mentioned Payson, so I would agree
20 with adding Payson in there; Florence could be another
21 community, I don't think that's in there right now; taking
22 and putting Apache Junction and Gold Canyon, which are --
23 could also be added into those areas, and I think that would
24 take care of the Pima County piece, that population size,
25 based on what I'd adding and the population leaving from --

1 from Prescott.

2 But again there's flexibility in all of that, but
3 that's the numbers I found as I was looking through there.
4 And it may be that you need to grab some other communities
5 instead, but it seems like that could balance that
6 population.

7 Does that make sense?

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yes, and -- and, obviously, we
9 haven't looked at it, but I think that's more than enough
10 people, yeah. Hopefully we're not -- I can't imagine we
11 need all of Apache Junction, we may just need a little bit
12 of it, but we'll --

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay.

14 BY MR. D. JOHNSON: -- play around with it and --

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Doug, maybe if you take enough
16 of Apache Junction you don't have to come into
17 Graham-Greenlee, so. Which would really help on --

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Sure.

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: -- District 6.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That would be fine, too.

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: Oh. And that would -- that would
22 actually let us do a lot more closer to what the mayor and
23 Latino Coalition asked us to do in Tucson if we could leave
24 Graham and Greenlee in 6, and just take from Apache Junction
25 if that's okay with Commissioner Lerner and Watchman.

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That sounds -- sounds good to
2 me, that would be good.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Excellent.

4 MR. D. JOHNSON: That may -- that may actually
5 allow us to come back with just two maps instead of four
6 then, so.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, whatever you --
8 whatever you can do is great.

9 MR. D. JOHNSON: So.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Thank you. That was just --
11 that was just quick while we were on the break just to look
12 at numbers, so appreciate that.

13 Thank you, Chair.

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Of course. Thank you.

15 We will move to the legislative side if they
16 colleagues would like to start. As.

17 I mentioned earlier in the day, I'd like to look at
18 the East Valley I think that there are some clean fixes. I
19 don't know if there are other priorities that people have.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm fine with the east.

21 DIRECTOR SCHMITT: I think Mark had one more thing.

22 MR. FLAHAN: We did have the numbers that you guys
23 were requesting in the Yuma area on congressional. Do you
24 want us to --

25 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah.

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That would be great.

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Sure.

3 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, is that possible to pull up?

4 MR. KINGERY: Yes.

5 So if you remember this graphic -- can you guys see
6 my screen?

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yes.

8 MR. KINGERY: Okay. So there is a new map
9 available to you shared publicly and to the draft map
10 development group. And here it is.

11 So everywhere there is a difference between both of
12 the legislative districts and the congressional Latino
13 district are shown here in red, and they're in the
14 unassigned category but you can see that there are close to
15 19,000 people, and then you can see the rest of the
16 demographic breakdown there.

17 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, can you move your screen up a
18 little bit or like -- hold on.

19 We have people starring us in the face, we can't --
20 there you go. Okay, cool.

21 MR. KINGERY: So red is the differences in this
22 case.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So it's a total of 19,000 --
24 and so can you explain which way it goes? Is it 19,000 --

25 MR. KINGERY: 18,872 with 60 percent Republican,

1 39 percent Democrat.

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: I thought we agreed to put the
3 Indian reservation, to include that?

4 MR. FLAHAN: The red is just the difference between
5 the two maps. You guys asked us to come back with numbers
6 of what the population was between the two maps.

7 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah.

8 MR. FLAHAN: So we just need to point out the
9 differences.

10 MR. KINGERY: So blue is the original Latino; and
11 then here is the two legislative districts, and then where
12 those two either overlap or -- or don't touch in a sense,
13 are displayed in red.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So it's 19,000 people. And
15 just clarify for me -- I'm sorry, I'm not understanding.
16 19,000 people being gold -- with the Yuma Gold, of those
17 19,000 people being moved out the Latino Coalition 7 --

18 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yes.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- or into?

20 That's what it is, it's out?

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: Correct.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And do we know
23 demographically are they -- they're not a Latinos, right, in
24 that area? Is that what's happening is they're being moved?

25 Do we know that demographic?

1 MR. D. JOHNSON: It's --

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Well, if you look at just the
3 party registration Republican versus Democrat, the part
4 that's being removed is heavily Republican.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay. So that's the red
6 means is Republican?

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Correct.

8 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: No.

9 MR. FLAHAN: No.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay.

11 MR. D. JOHNSON: It's actually interesting, so that
12 area is -- the -- the spread is heavily Republican as the
13 Chair just said, 21 percent, but I believe -- and Brian,
14 correct me if I'm wrong, but I believe ST1519-M21 is the
15 Latino percentage, correct?

16 Or is that --

17 MR. KINGERY: 21? Let's check just to -- just to
18 verify.

19 MR. FLAHAN: And Doug, I believe you are correct.

20 MR. KINGERY: 21 Hispanic CVAP.

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: Okay, yeah. So it's heavily
22 Republican even though it's 49 percent Latino.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay.

24 MR. D. JOHNSON: But it's not as Latino as the area
25 south of it in District 7 which is 53 percent Latino.

1 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: When I look at it, it tells
2 me that the mayor kind of understands his population but...

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Mm-hm.

4 That helps. Thank you. From my perspective it
5 helps understand that -- that -- why he was doing that
6 split, because that's what I didn't understand.

7 MR. KINGERY: And if you or anyone else wants to
8 dig into this map a little bit further, it is available,
9 accessible to the public, and then you as a Commissioner
10 have access to it in this development group.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And what's it called again?
12 Is it called Yuma Gold, is that it?

13 MR. KINGERY: Yuma boundary differences between
14 legislative district plan 57 and then the CDF-6, which is
15 the original Latino Coalition submission.

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay. Thank you.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: That's really incredibly
18 helpful, Brian.

19 MR. FLAHAN: And Brian, to get there you got to go
20 into the everyone folder, right?

21 MR. KINGERY: Yep. So if I wanted to open this, I
22 share with everyone and then you can search by created date
23 for Yuma.

24 Yep, you can just type in "Yuma" and it will come
25 up.

1 MR. FLAHAN: Thanks.

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay?

3 Anybody have a preference on LD areas to start. If
4 not, there's a map that I think we could use just as a
5 starting point that was raised on -- in our hearings when we
6 were in the East Valley, I believe it's something called
7 Gilbert consolidated, that does a better job of the
8 boundaries with Chandler and Gilbert keeping them in two
9 districts, so.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Is that the one they kept
11 citing LD-61 or something?

12 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I don't think so.

13 MR. KINGERY: Consolidated Gilbert plan?

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: There was one we kept
16 hearing.

17 MR. KINGERY: Which I'm going to open it two ways
18 and I'm also going to add it as a service on to our main
19 legislative. It's LD58.

20 All right. So this is the Gilbert consolidation.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So if you zoom in into the
22 Chandler, east Gilbert, East Valley areas, please.

23 Right. So -- so I think if -- what I like about
24 this is if you look at the city boundaries of the Chandler
25 and then look at the city boundaries of Gilbert, you'll see

1 that it's divided just into two districts.

2 What I also like about this is in that D13 I
3 believe it's Sun Lakes, a community that we did not include
4 in C -- I'm sorry, LD-13, that they very much wanted to be
5 kept whole with Chandler.

6 I think that split of the panhandle does a much
7 better job of differentiating the Latino-Asian community and
8 better fits communities of interest.

9 And I can keep going east if nobody wants to chime
10 in.

11 COMMISSIONER MEHL: You're doing good.

12 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I would like some feedback.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I actually -- could we at the
14 same time that we're looking at this one look a lot at the
15 other one that we heard a lot, LD61? I don't know what the
16 other name is, but that was mentioned at several of our
17 meetings, people kept bringing it up. And -- and I didn't
18 know about -- I mean I looked at lots of different Gilbert
19 maps, so this is one, and can we just look at a comparison
20 to that one, LD0061? But I don't know what the other name
21 is.

22 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right, and I would also say
23 in -- in this map, the consolidated Gilbert, it also as it
24 moves east kind of consolidates Queen Creek with
25 San Tan Valley, so I think it fixes some other areas that

1 have been separated.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, I'm just curious about
3 the comparison the between the two of them, that's all.

4 And that is LD --

5 MR. KINGERY: So did you want to specifically
6 compare LD-61 to -- to the comparison Gilbert plan?

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I would be curious. If we
8 could do that. I honestly don't know the differences at
9 all --

10 MR. KINGERY: Let me --

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- because I haven't --

12 MR. KINGERY: -- look up the name of LD-61.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's what I didn't
14 remember.

15 MR. KINGERY: All right.

16 Submitted -- there we go. Arizona competitive and
17 balanced legislative map.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Just curious what the
19 difference is.

20 MR. KINGERY: Then you want to look in the Gilbert
21 area?

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, just at those -- at
23 those two districts, it would be interesting to see -- to
24 compare those two areas. And I would be interested in how
25 they -- if you can put the city boundaries and I don't know

1 if you have school districts in there, it would be
2 interesting to compare those in the East Valley. We've
3 talked about the Kyrene, and but there might be other school
4 districts we might be able to keep somewhat together.

5 MR. KINGERY: So there's the unified school
6 district on there.

7 MR. D. JOHNSON: I don't know about you guys, but I
8 can't -- can't make them out, Brian.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Thank you.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: There's so many things I was
11 like what.

12 MR. KINGERY: Cartography on the fly.

13 All right. So looking at this, the consolidated
14 Gilbert plan is -- shown here. Turn the school districts
15 off.

16 So you have the green with -- 13 I'll just make a
17 little more prominent. So 13 is yellow, 14 is green; and
18 then when we go into the compared plan, I'm showing the
19 differences.

20 MR. D. JOHNSON: Can you turn off the active plan
21 because we haven't -- we haven't seen the other plan yet.

22 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Let's look at the other plan
23 as it relates to the city lines alone just so we can see it
24 cleanly first.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: This one, the 58?

1 COMMISSIONER MEHL: 61.

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: The one you suggested,
3 Commissioner Lerner.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Oh, the one I -- okay. I did
5 not know if...

6 MR. KINGERY: Let me open it up just so it's clean
7 and doesn't have any other extra lines --

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Thank you.

9 MR. KINGERY: -- showing.

10 All right. So essentially three maps open in the
11 redistricting system. We have the approved draft,
12 legislative draft map; and then we have the consolidated
13 Gilbert plan shown here; and then we have the LD-61 Arizona
14 competitive and balanced legislative map being brought in
15 right now.

16 All right.

17 MR. D. JOHNSON: Can you show Chandler? I'm not
18 sure Chandler is all intact in there.

19 MR. KINGERY: I'll do a little picture in picture
20 here.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Oh, there we go.

22 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, can you --

23 MR. KINGERY: Right, so the consolidated one, the
24 District 14 -- let me change colors.

25 District 14 along the north looks to extend more

1 toward the west.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So the red that you're
3 showing us in Chandler, right?

4 MR. KINGERY: Yes.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Did you want to look at
6 Gilbert, too?

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That would be good.

8 MR. KINGERY: Red on both sides.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Let's look at Gilbert on both
10 maps, too.

11 No offense, but that map is really a perfect
12 square. That's our best district.

13 And also I believe D3 is also extremely
14 competitive.

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: Didn't we hear some testimony
16 about Sun Lakes wanted to be with Hamilton?

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: They wanted to be with
18 Chandler.

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Sun Lakes wants to be with
20 Chandler.

21 So both cities do that.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I mean, you've got east
23 and west Chandler both going --

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, no, I think you moved
25 that District 12 map on the right is moved Sun Lakes -- can

1 you show us where Sun Lakes is, Brian?

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It goes into -- it's still in
3 Chandler on that one 'cause I did double-check that.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: Barely.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: No.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: But go ahead --

7 COMMISSIONER YORK: It's more with District 12.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Go ahead and show us
9 Chandler's boundaries.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: No, but the whole -- the
11 whole community identifies with those in Chandler.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: No, I do --- I understand
13 that. But on that map can you show us -- see, it's next to
14 Chandler.

15 That's Chandler on the -- Chandler is immediately
16 north of Sun Lakes.

17 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right, I get that. But the
18 community of Sun Lakes isn't in Chandler on that map.

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right, and --

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I know.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: -- the community of Sun Lakes
22 would like to be with Chandler.

23 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I understand that. But if
25 it's -- if that is Chandler, Sun Lakes is immediately south

1 of the -- that yellow line in District 12.

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Uh-huh.

3 COMMISSIONER YORK: Brian, can you put Chandler on
4 the right map -- I'm mean, not Chandler, sorry. Can you put
5 Sun Lakes on the right map?

6 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yea, I think what Commissioner
7 Lerner is saying is that it is with the District 12 portion
8 of Chandler.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's -- thank you.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right, except Sun Lakes and
11 in fact the mayor of Chandler, they feel that it's family.
12 They feel like Sun Lakes is Chandler, Chandler is Sun Lakes
13 and they want to be together in a district because they're
14 communities of interest together and have shared needs of
15 interests.

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I a hundred percent agree.
17 But they -- and I'm just saying, they're still with
18 Chandler --

19 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: They're still.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- they're just with west
21 Chandler, not east Chandler is all I'm saying.

22 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right, but the heart of the
23 district in which the elected leader will most focus on
24 Chandler and advance Chandler's interest I think is going to
25 be LD-13.

1 COMMISSIONER YORK: Correct.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I just -- I just want to
3 be -- I understand what you're saying --

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- I just want to be clear
6 that it's not that they're not with Chandler --

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- they're just with west,
9 that's all.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: They're still in Chandler,
11 but in terms of the main core empowered legislative
12 district.

13 I happen to like the compactness and contiguity of
14 -- of the consolidated Gilbert map.

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: I agree.

16 MR. D. JOHNSON: Brian, can you -- Brian, can you
17 show us the CompDem votes and CompRep votes for the right-
18 hand map, please?

19 MR. KINGERY: Yeah, let me turn them on real quick.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Also make sure that we look
21 at Gilbert because we heard so much about them.

22 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Oh, absolutely. And -- and
23 continue east.

24 MR. KINGERY: Those 21, 2, and then go down to the
25 list here. So comp --

1 MR. D. JOHNSON: They're --

2 MR. KINGERY: Oh.

3 MR. D. JOHNSON: -- right above there.

4 MR. KINGERY: Yep, sorry. Go back up.

5 Votes and then 2020Dem.

6 MR. D. JOHNSON: You need the Dem votes, too,

7 Brian. Yeah, up top.

8 Yeah, thank you.

9 MR. KINGERY: And then Attorney General.

10 All right.

11 So 13.

12 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah, okay.

13 It's -- yeah, so it's competitive in both version.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Doesn't that just do 13 and

15 14, do you know?

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Hm-mm.

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Does this -- does this map
18 that we're looking at, the consolidated, really just focus
19 on 13 and 14? It's just --

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: No. All East Valley. All
21 east of the --

22 COMMISSIONER YORK: 12, 9, and 10 are pretty good.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I'm just -- I'm curious
24 because it has this one block and I don't know what it
25 belongs to.

1 North of D13 on this one. At least on my map it's
2 showing, I don't know if it's D12 or...

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah, I think -- yeah.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: You see how it's different
5 colors?

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: That map, it's not coloring
7 it properly.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's why I was wondering.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah. It goes with the
10 district to the west.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So it would go with
12 District 12?

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Exactly, Yes. That panhandle
14 is separated one with Gilbert and then --

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I don't know why you're
17 colors...

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's why I was asking.
19 I'm curious about Gilbert.

20 MR. FLAHAN: Well, for the consolidated Gilbert
21 plan the description the user put in there is that: "This
22 plan consolidates the town of Gilbert so it's split across
23 fewer legislative districts"; and the objective is, "This
24 plan splits Gilbert into only two districts instead of
25 five."

1 And I can find the other one, hold on.

2 The Arizona competitive and balanced legislative
3 map, the plan description is: "This map creates nine
4 competitive legislative districts, seven Latino VRA
5 districts, one Native American VRA district, and is
6 perfectly balanced from a partisan perspective according to
7 the VRA. Map also seeks to respect urban boundaries to the
8 greatest extent possible.

9 The plan objective is to "Create a map with nine
10 competitive legislative districts, seven Latino VRA
11 districts, one Native American VRA district perfectly
12 balanced in terms of partisanship according to Dave's
13 Redistricting app. Respects municipal and county boundaries
14 to the greatest extent possible, and both are minimized to
15 two splits."

16 That's what the user wrote about both plans.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Which --

18 MR. KINGERY: Both placed on the screen.

19 MR. FLAHAN: Thanks, Brian.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: What's the competitiveness
21 levels of LD-13 in the two different maps? I'm just trying
22 to focus on district to district. You know, I'm not a plan
23 of adopting the whole map from somebody, but taking the best
24 from everything, and I think there's a lot going right in
25 that East Valley map, but let's look at the competitiveness.

1 MR. KINGERY: So both District 13s are highlighted
2 on each one. But that form change.

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We can't see it.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, it's not showing up.
5 Can you do it as a separate window?

6 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Just tell us.

7 MR. KINGERY: So let's do some quick math.

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah. 4.36, yeah.

9 MR. FLAHAN: What's the math, Brian?

10 MR. KINGERY: 47.82 -- 4.36 leaning Republican; and
11 then on the right -- right-side map, let's go ahead and do
12 50.56 minus -- 1.12 leaning Democrat.

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. Can we take -- do the
14 same thing on 14?

15 MR. KINGERY: Sure. So 14. 57.87, 42.13 -- 15.74
16 spread leaning Republican; and District 14 on the right map
17 being displayed is 17.54 leaning Republican.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So part of why I think I was
19 drawn to this -- to the one on the right is because it --
20 and I understand what you're saying, but it does take -- it
21 does include Sun Lakes into -- it does group them with
22 Chandler, they are still with Chandler 'cause Chandler is
23 split, so it's not that they were separate like they were in
24 an earlier version of the map; but also there are
25 populations north of -- in the north part of Chandler, we

1 heard a lot about old -- older populations, Latino
2 populations, Asian American populations that are in those
3 areas and so it would -- it basically -- I feel that this --
4 this particular iteration would allow them to have a voice
5 kind of groups Chandler, I think, in a -- in a pretty good
6 way.

7 And doesn't -- you kind of -- either way we still
8 have a little bit of a panhandle but not too much. I think
9 this one gives Gilbert a panhandle, the one on the left
10 little bit of a panhandle, Ahwatukee and Gilbert; the one on
11 the right is much more over all vertical without as much of
12 that.

13 But it's really the populations.

14 COMMISSIONER YORK: Gilbert consolidated follows
15 the town of Gilbert much better than the one on the left --
16 the one on the right, sorry.

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Let's -- can you show us that
18 again?

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I also think it's more
20 compact and contiguous, but I'm happy to move further east
21 and compare the boundaries and competitiveness levels of the
22 surrounding districts, because maybe it's not just these
23 districts, it's how it impacts the ones around them.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Sure.

25 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I mean, I, you know, the map

1 on the left to me looks much cleaner and still competitive.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I --

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I think it's very cleanly.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I think District 12 is
5 cleaner on the right than the left.

6 COMMISSIONER YORK: You're basically following.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's a pretty good
8 north-south line that's there.

9 COMMISSIONER YORK: That's the line down Price
10 Road.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: District 12 on the right.

12 COMMISSIONER YORK: On the left.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: On the left, no, because it
14 has the piece that goes across.

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: You jog past the 60, jog past
16 the 101 on the east.

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: The boundary for the one on
18 the right is a nice clean, it takes -- it goes just a little
19 bit past the -- on Price Road.

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: It's a mile.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's --

22 MR. KINGERY: Oh. Sorry.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's okay. We can go to the
24 other districts, but -- but that jog that happens in
25 District 12 over there is the part of what I'm not loving

1 about the one on the left. I know it's nice to have a
2 square, but...

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: The jog follows the boundary.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: It follows the town.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right, it's a natural split.

6 And I think the communities on the left-hand map
7 that you're talking about, Shereen, are included in that
8 Phoenix-Ahwatukee district more completely than they are on
9 the right-hand map.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right.

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: So I think those communities
12 are up on the top part of it --

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You mean the Latino
14 communities?

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: The Latino communities.

16 COMMISSIONER YORK: -- than you are.

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right.

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So they actually seem more
19 split in the map on the right.

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: That's how I read it.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Hm-mm.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, no. I mean, the part
23 that's split on the right -- they we are all together on the
24 right.

25 COMMISSIONER YORK: They're --

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's the very northern part
2 of Chandler, that's all together; and then it's that piece
3 that goes across, the piece over there.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right, the map on the left
5 follows the Gilbert city boundaries.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right.

7 COMMISSIONER YORK: This one doesn't on the right.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: This is what we're seeing is
9 Chan- --

10 COMMISSIONER YORK: That little -- that little
11 finger coming up in District 13, that's -- that's actually
12 part of Gilbert. If you go to the map on the left, the
13 little community that's above Chandler on that perfect
14 square of 13 that it's in part of District 12 I think it is,
15 that's where the different minority segments are.

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right, but if you look right
17 now on the difference you're seeing in Gilbert, the one on
18 the right has a much nicer cleaner line for Gilbert than on
19 the left, which cuts into quite a bit of Chandler on the
20 left.

21 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, but --

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So Gilbert on the right is
23 pretty cohesive, but on the left you have a big chunk of
24 east Chandler that's included in the Gilbert piece. That's
25 all I'm saying.

1 I mean, and the one on the right you have just a
2 small part of that.

3 It's the line seems to align much closer to the
4 Gilbert than they do to Chandler.

5 That's Gilbert that's blue, right?

6 MR. KINGERY: Yes.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, so the one on the right
8 actually aligns.

9 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I think the one on the left
10 aligns better. It doesn't include part -- it splits
11 Chandler into two, but it aligns Gilbert really
12 consolidated.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah.

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: The mayor of Chandler is
15 extremely happy with District 13 and Gilbert consolidated,
16 by the way. Said he was happy to go on record with that if
17 it meant anything to anybody.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm always happy to hear from
19 mayors. But I want to be consistent, right?

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I want to be -- if we are
22 going to listen to that mayor, I want to listen to all
23 mayors.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: No, I'm not --

25 COMMISSIONER MEHL: You can't listen to all mayors

1 because they're going to disagree.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I know. But it's like,
3 I want to be consistent, that's all. I'm always happy to
4 listen to mayors because I feel they're more nonpartisan
5 than anybody else; they want to hear everybody.

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: There's a difference between
7 listening and agreeing.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, absolutely.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I mean, we have the right to
10 still not agree no matter how much we listen.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah.

12 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: But I deeply value the input
13 of mayors as well.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So I mean, I agree with you
15 that let's keep moving around and seeing, because I -- I'm
16 clearly seeing a different -- the alignment I'm seeing on
17 the District 14 is almost a perfectly alignment with Gilbert
18 with the exception of the piece on the top part where I'm
19 seeing it one way and you all are seeing the otherwise.

20 So let's look at the others.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So -- so let's keep moving
22 and --

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, that sounds great.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: -- and we'll see which maps
25 allows us the greatest ability to, you know, represent

1 people.

2 MR. FLAHAN: And I'm running the population numbers
3 for guys right now, so.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Thank you.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So why don't we compare 15.
6 Unless you want to go north.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: No 15 -- I think 15 sounds
8 great.

9 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Let's do 15.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

11 MR. KINGERY: So I'm going to go ahead and do a
12 save-as on these just so we can keep color schemes and just
13 the added attributes in case we want to come back and
14 revisit it. So this was LD0058, and this one was 61 --
15 LD0061.

16 All right. And so now which direction? You wanted
17 to go north into 15?

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: West -- east.

19 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: East.

20 MR. KINGERY: East. Okay, East.

21 District -- so here's our approved draft map on the
22 left.

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We don't care about the
24 approved draft map.

25 MR. KINGERY: You guys want to stick with these

1 two? Okay.

2 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We're just comparing 58 and 61.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: We think people have already
4 improved on our draft map, so we're -- we're looking at
5 improvements.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I, actually -- there's one
7 another map I wouldn't mind us looking at these at some
8 point, maybe when we do on 15. The Latino Coalition did do
9 an additional drawing of these, I would appreciate if we
10 could look at that in addition to 58 and 61, just to see
11 what they did. Just to see what they did since they took
12 the time to do that.

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: 61 is that what it is?

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: 61 is the one on the right
15 and 58 is the one on the left.

16 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: The left is the consolidated
18 Gilbert, I believe.

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So -- so let me tell you what
21 I like about this and again partly why I was drawn to the
22 map, because the pieces made sense.

23 It keeps the growing communities of San Tan and
24 Queen Creek which are communities of interest together, they
25 have a lot of shared concerns around economic development

1 and infrastructure; it keeps Queen Creek unified as a city;
2 I think it's also compact and contiguous, and I think that
3 it -- it helps create compactness and contiguousness around
4 the other districts as well.

5 I presume that it's, given these communities of
6 interest, making it competitive would -- would probably be
7 very challenging and would cause significant detriment to
8 having them elect leaders of their choice, but we can of
9 course look at the party differential as well.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We don't want to. Need to.

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Just wanted to state that
12 fact.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We know what's going to
14 happen.

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: It's pretty Republican.

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's very Republican.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: We still need to establish a
18 record of why we're doing and why -- you know, it may be too
19 challenging and people are saying why are these districts so
20 extreme? You know.

21 COMMISSIONER MEHL: It's a where people live.

22 COMMISSIONER YORK: It's where people live.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Exactly. Our communities of
24 interest have, you know, similar shared political views in
25 there.

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So what's the blue line
2 there, Brian?

3 MR. KINGERY: Queen Creek.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Queen Creek. Okay.
5 So both of them hold Queen Creek together?

6 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Hm-mm.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Can you give us what the
8 percentages are for those like you did before?

9 MR. KINGERY: Yes. I'll do it on the fly.

10 So for District 15 for 58 -- let's go 63.70,
11 36.30 -- 27.4 spread leaning Republican; and then for the
12 map on the right for LD-61, it is -- 64 -- 28.48 leaning
13 Republican.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Pretty much the same.

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I object to both of these maps
16 because they clearly pack Republicans.

17 MR. D. JOHNSON: Looking at these just so we note,
18 I think, it's, Brian, for me to say one of the left putting
19 Queen Creek with San Tan Valley consolidating them, and the
20 one on the right is putting Queen Creek with Apache Junction
21 and -- and I think Gold Canyon might be in there, too.

22 So just the community differences between the two
23 and why one of them comes down and the other one goes up.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And -- and that is part of
25 why I mentioned that I think the idea of keeping San Tan and

1 Queen Creek together as an economic unit, communities of
2 interest make sense.

3 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yep.

4 MR. KINGERY: So the San Tan Valley is highlighted
5 in blue on both maps right now.

6 COMMISSIONER YORK: The one on the left.

7 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Of the two bad maps, I prefer
8 the one on the left.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Actually at the end I think
10 what we're all going to say: Of the least worst maps, this
11 is what I vote for.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: At some point when can we
13 pull up the Latino Coalition?

14 Do we want to keep going around? Or do we want to
15 go -- now we've done 13, 14, 15, is there another one to
16 look at before we take a look at those?

17 COMMISSIONER MEHL: What else are we trying -- what
18 else do we think these maps show us? What other districts
19 should we look at?

20 I don't know them well enough.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I mean, we didn't look
22 at 12. We could go back over to the -- just to that border.

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Okay.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's the Ahwatukee if we
25 want to go --

1 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- that way we've covered all
3 of that the southern piece.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Thinking wholistically, I
5 think it would be a good goal for us to have a general sense
6 of -- of where we want to go with this part of the map; and
7 if we're going to have two versions, take advantage of the
8 mapping team's time. So let's think about the areas that we
9 need to cover that will help take advantage of the mapping
10 team.

11 And I'd like to -- I'm not -- I say lock in just
12 conceptually again, not a vote, I would like us to really,
13 you know, get a sense of what we want so we can build it
14 out, you know, and -- and make real progress.

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, I think Sunnyslope should
16 be back in with LD-1.

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Let's look --

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Oh, you're going all the way
19 down there now?

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: He's going west.

21 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, I'm just saying you want
22 wholistic big changes, that's 51,000 people, we've already
23 moved them out, I'd like to move them back in; and I'd like
24 to push D-4 over to McCormick Ranch and Pima Road and those
25 two themselves and move around 2, 26, 24, 27, 3 -- so that's

1 the wholistic thing.

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Well, before we do that --

3 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Let's go to 12 first.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: -- maybe we need to take a
5 look at the VRA districts.

6 COMMISSIONER YORK: That would be fine.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Could we -- I mean, I'm okay,
8 could we finish though just one piece, though --

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: That's right.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- there's four or five
11 districts and then move --

12 COMMISSIONER MEHL: You want to look at 12 still?

13 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yes, look at 12.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I would still be
15 interested because we've done 13, 14, 15, what if we look
16 at -- and 12, I mean, that seems to take the southern group
17 right there just so we can --

18 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And then --

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- take a look at those and
20 then go back and actually to the coalition version of 12,
21 13, 14, 15 --

22 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Okay. That's fine.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- if that's okay.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And then make a decision on
25 which of these two East Valley versions we have a preference

1 for and then we can explore these other issues that may
2 require more mapping time.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I would like to compare
4 the Latino Coalition to these four as well.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Because we -- we haven't
7 looked at that. And mostly because since they did go to the
8 trouble of --

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- creating them. I know we
11 can't show three next each other, but if we can at least
12 take a closer look at 12 here just to get 12, 13, 14, 15;
13 then pull up the Latino one for those same four districts.

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And I want to make --

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Would that be okay?

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes. And I want to make
17 clear, just because we may not have public deliberative time
18 on the whole map that every community submits doesn't mean
19 that we as Commissioners don't study them.

20 So, you know, we are looking at all of it; we may
21 not be bringing something up because it may not be something
22 that's compelling us, but -- but please don't presume that a
23 lack of public discussion means a lack of consideration.

24 MR. D. JOHNSON: In terms of District 12, I would
25 note its shape is largely dictated by what -- what you

1 decide in terms of 13 and 14. So it's worth taking a look
2 at it to see the impact of the different options for 13 and
3 14. But it's not -- not one where you have to spend a lot
4 of time deciding what you want to do differently, just --

5 COMMISSIONER YORK: Drop -- drop in the Kyrene
6 School District, please.

7 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, bring up the elementary school
8 district, it's the Kyrene Elementary School District.

9 MR. KINGERY: Yeah.

10 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's on 12.

12 COMMISSIONER YORK: It shouldn't be.

13 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah, the entirety.

14 COMMISSIONER YORK: Search for...

15 MR. D. JOHNSON: Can you highlight Kyrene like you
16 can with the city or is that not possible?

17 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah, you --

18 MR. KINGERY: Yes.

19 COMMISSIONER YORK: There we go.

20 MR. KINGERY: Highlighted in yellow.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I vote for the map on the
22 left.

23 COMMISSIONER YORK: So do I. I just wanted to make
24 sure that we can get it on there.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm going to ask again just

1 to look at the Latino Coalition and again we can look at the
2 numbers.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I just meant of these two.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Sure. Sure.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah, of these two.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Can we look at those numbers
7 that you've been given us as well on 12? That you've been
8 giving us in terms of the vote spread.

9 MR. KINGERY: Yes. So let's do 12 first and then
10 the Latino map if you could get that --

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: No, I'm sorry. Brian, I
12 meant the 58 map -- map 58 and 61 that you've been giving us
13 is what I meant. Sorry.

14 MR. KINGERY: What is that? I missed it.

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: The vote spread on 12 for these
16 two maps on the screen.

17 MR. KINGERY: Okay. We have 56.29 minus -- so for
18 District 12 on the left, it's 12.58 leaning Democrat; and
19 for the one on the right, 10.42 leaning Democrat.

20 So left 12.58, right side 10.42.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Thank you.

22 So can we now move over to the Latino Coalition
23 versions of this?

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And maybe we should keep the
25 map on the left open because my sense is -- well, that's a

1 more popular map of the two we just compared, and then we
2 compare the Latino map against this one.

3 MR. KINGERY: Okay.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Commissioner Lerner?

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's fine. I prefer the
6 other map, I'll be honest. The other one because I
7 actually -- I think it meets the needs and ends up also -- I
8 think it meets communities of interest the way they can be
9 designed and it also happens to be a little more
10 competitive.

11 But I would love to -- but I'm happy to do a
12 comparison between the one -- either one of them with the
13 Latino.

14 MR. KINGERY: So the one that I have highlighted,
15 Ray, to open, that's the one that we're wanting to focus on?

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I can't tell what it is.

17 MR. KINGERY: Arizona Coalition updates from
18 legislative draft map?

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Sure. If that's the latest
20 one, I don't know.

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah, the latest one.

22 MR. FLAHAN: Yep. That's it.

23 MR. KINGERY: Okay. So their -- their plan may or
24 may not have different colors, but we'll go ahead and set up
25 the same view as close as possible.

1 So we want to go into Kyrene or which -- which area
2 do you want me to go into?

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: 12, 13, 14, 15.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: Gilbert area.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: The same areas that we've
6 been in, that southern Maricopa east.

7 MR. KINGERY: They have everything locked. One
8 second.

9 All right. Got it.

10 COMMISSIONER YORK: Go out a little bit, Brian.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: There's something weird
12 there.

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: Zoom out.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: You can see how that -- that
15 different color on his that I can't quite get that.

16 Maybe it's because of the map is of the school
17 district.

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah. Maybe some other
19 boundary. That's -- hm-mm.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's the same issue I have.
21 It confuses me also.

22 MR. D. JOHNSON: Then Brian, you're going to want
23 to scroll down to the numbers for 12, 13, and 14.

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: Also want to see Gilbert
25 outline.

1 MR. KINGERY: Just one second. Get all the maps
2 synced up and then the --

3 MR. D. JOHNSON: And scroll down so we can see the
4 numbers for 12, 13, and 14, not just 12, please.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's okay for here -- well,
6 yeah.

7 MR. KINGERY: All right. Then the map on the right
8 is 4.08 leaning Democrat.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: For which district?

10 MR. KINGERY: For District 12.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Can you do that with each of
12 the districts we've looked at, 13, 14, 15, just that way --

13 MR. KINGERY: Yes.

14 So for District 13 it's 4.86 points leaning
15 Democrat; for District 14 it is 18.98 points leaning
16 Republican; and for District 15 it's 28.7 points leaning
17 Republican.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I don't think there's much of
19 a difference, obviously, vote-wise in 14 and 15.

20 COMMISSIONER MEHL: It actually moved up the spread
21 quite a bit.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: 15 is the same in all of
23 them, they're at 28; and 14 they're either 16, 17, or 18; in
24 12, it narrows the spread quite a bit for Democrats, it
25 lowers it from 12 or 10 down to 4; and in 13, we're all over

1 the place.

2 But map 58 as a 4 percent for Republican; map 61
3 has a 1 percent for Democrat; and Latino Coalition as a 4.8
4 or 5 percent for Democrat.

5 So the big difference probably is 12 gets narrower,
6 13 flips between Republicans and Democrats depending on how
7 the layout is.

8 COMMISSIONER YORK: Chandler is.

9 COMMISSIONER MEHL: The communities of interests
10 are --

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm just saying that --

12 COMMISSIONER MEHL: -- very, very disaffected in
13 the coalition.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm just giving you the
15 number because you said they were similar. Just clarifying,
16 that's all.

17 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Thank you.

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah. I -- I appreciate
19 looking at the competitiveness and I want to continue to do
20 so, in having the conversation though I -- I'm not
21 comfortable breaking up communities of interest in order to
22 accomplish that, especially because I think it creates even
23 further problems.

24 I believe the Latino map breaks Mesa up into
25 potentially five districts, so we need to really look at the

1 implication for Mesa as well before going there, so.

2 Again, I remain -- there's nothing that I've seen
3 so far that -- that in any way sways my mind about
4 collectively what captures the East Valley, and particularly
5 the communities of interest, as much as the one on -- on the
6 left.

7 Without compromising compactness and contiguousness
8 and, you know -- and I -- you know what, the truth is I'd
9 love to come back afterwards and look at, you know, minor
10 modifications to increase competitiveness, but I don't want
11 competitiveness to drive the whole shape of the map so that
12 communities of interest are left having to not be together
13 because we prioritized competitiveness simply. I mean, it's
14 just that basic.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And that's not what I was
16 referring to. I was just -- I was just -- the comment had
17 been that that -- that this -- the Latino Coalition made
18 some big changes, I just wanted to explain that they
19 didn't --

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- in those particular areas;
22 and that in the areas that they did, they actually narrowed
23 the competitiveness. I just wanted to clarify that.

24 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And I just want to point out
25 that our current draft map got shredded pretty good by the

1 public in this area, and rightly so.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yep.

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And that this consolidated
4 Gilbert map actually does a really fine job of answering the
5 vast majority of the criticisms that we had on our draft
6 map.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I think -- I think the
8 other -- 61 does the same thing.

9 I mean, the key was, there was no way we were going
10 to have Gilbert have five splits. That's what -- that's
11 what we heard loud and clear and, of course, that's not what
12 the intent was.

13 But I think in both cases you have -- you have a
14 consolidation of Gilbert and Chandler, which is what we want
15 to be doing as much as we can.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: What I would suggest is that
17 we for now go with the LDs that we discussed from the
18 Gilbert consolidated, not from a locked-in perspective but
19 rather as a starting point perspective for next time so that
20 when you go home and study what you like most about the
21 other parts of the map you can come in and say how can I
22 improve this.

23 But when I look at the maps overall for all the
24 reasons I've already said, I really like the Gilbert
25 consolidated and would like that to be the starting point

1 for the Southeast Valley.

2 COMMISSIONER MEHL: So that's 12, 13, 14, and 15?

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Correct.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: 9 and 10.

5 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And 9 -- and 9 and 10 also?

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: We haven't discussed them.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We can do that.

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: We can leave that aside for
9 now; we can discuss it. I -- you know, and again we do have
10 to consider Mesa. I mean, Mesa's the largest, you know, and
11 we have to honor Mesa.

12 They want to be split but not five. They want to
13 be split I believe into four districts because they like --
14 or at minimum three, but as long as they're strong empowered
15 districts; but they like a lot of representation.

16 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And does this map on the left
17 do that in those districts to where we should talk from it?

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes.

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Then I would suggest that we do
20 it.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

22 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Let's look at Mesa.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Does anybody want to look at
24 the Mesa on the map or do you just want to go over this for
25 now?

1 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: I'd like to look at Mesa.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I think it would be good to
3 look at Mesa.

4 MR. D. JOHNSON: Chair, if I might?

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes.

6 MR. D. JOHNSON: Chair?

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes.

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: Oh. I was going to note on Mesa's
9 front a couple of points to keep in mind. Much more so than
10 Chandler and Gilbert, in the first round you did have an
11 extensive discussion about Mesa, you may remember at one
12 point we had 9 and 10 horizontal and had a whole discussion
13 about communities of interest there that led to going back
14 to the vertical approach.

15 So it is good you've already covered that in quite
16 a bit detail.

17 The other piece is is that 12, 13, 14, and 15 are
18 kind of self-contained, but 9 and 10 are really our -- our
19 channeled for population from rural areas into Maricopa, and
20 so where that vertical line in Mesa goes will move quite a
21 bit depending on what happens, you know, out in Gila and
22 over in the West Valley and all of those kinds of things.

23 So -- so just want to remind the public for the
24 record that you have spent a lot of time on horizontal
25 versus vertical and the communities of interest in the city,

1 and to say a lot of exactly where that line goes will be
2 dictated by your decisions elsewhere.

3 COMMISSIONER YORK: Doug, when you describe --

4 MR. D. JOHNSON: And the 12, 13, and 14 and 15 and
5 make all kinds of changes at any point because they are
6 largely self-contained.

7 COMMISSIONER YORK: Doug, when you're describing
8 the vertical, you talking about the southern boundary of 9
9 and 10?

10 MR. D. JOHNSON: No. Oh, sorry. No, the boundary
11 between 9 and 10 being vertical as opposed to -- there was a
12 vision that had 9 sitting on top of 10.

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: Oh.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We switched it from being
15 vertical this way.

16 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah.

17 Is that map, the Gilbert consolidated, is that
18 balanced?

19 MR. D. JOHNSON: Looking at the numbers just shown
20 here, they're plus or minus 2 percent, 2.66.

21 It looks 11 is the worst -- oh, that's over in
22 South Phoenix.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, there's --

24 MR. D. JOHNSON: So it's in the 5 percent range,
25 but it's not closely balanced.

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's where some of those
2 adjustments could potentially come in, taking some lines
3 here and there.

4 I know we've heard a lot from people about
5 precincts as well, so that will be another place.

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. I'd be -- I like
7 again how Mesa fits. It empowers I think them in three very
8 strong legislative districts. The mayor there expressed
9 that as something that's just helpful for all of Mesa's
10 constituents. They're reasonably compact, contiguous.

11 There's one area, I don't want to get into it now,
12 but the Salt River Pima tribe has described an area that
13 goes into LD-9. I believe, Brian, if I'm -- they want LD-8
14 to go a little lower to capture where some of their youth go
15 to school.

16 However, from a Mesa perspective, there's an area
17 called Lehi that is an older, very, you know, different
18 group, very different group, that really doesn't fit with
19 D8. So I just want to let the public know that if we go
20 with this as a general approach, this doesn't mean that
21 we're not going to come back into these fine areas and --
22 and clean it up.

23 I don't know if you want to look at it right now,
24 Mark. But if you zoom into Lehi, L-E-H-I, I think. And
25 then look at it. I have to compare -- the Salt River tribe

1 submitted a map so we can compare their map versus this map
2 and -- I don't know if there's a way to fix it.

3 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, the other thing --

4 MR. KINGERY: That be an elementary school
5 district?

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Lehi is a little tiny town.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah, Lehi is just like a
8 retirement -- no, I don't know if it's retirement.

9 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Not retirement.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's just like a small town
11 that's in that area.

12 MR. KINGERY: Where -- approximately where my
13 cursor is?

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm not sure where it is, to
15 be quite honest with you. I think it's pretty small.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: No, I think it's -- tip it to
17 the right -- to the right corner of D9, I think.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's pretty small.

19 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: It's pretty small.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Here, you know what, let me
21 go back to my maps.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That might be it right here.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I can show you -- you know
24 what, I can show you what they showed me.

25 Maybe. Oh, I didn't bring the right map. Forget

1 it.

2 MR. FLAHAN: Is it the Lehi Crossing area?

3 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Gilbert Road, I think.

4 MR. FLAHAN: Okay. That's the upper 202 and
5 Val Vista going west, and then there's Lehi Elementary
6 School that is the upper 202 between North Gilbert Road and
7 North Mesa Road.

8 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah, that's the latter.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's -- I think it's the
10 latter also.

11 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, you're basically right there.
12 Do you see on the left map, do you see there's like
13 a jog to the west and a road, a major road called Gilbert
14 Road?

15 Move your cursor. Yep. Nope. Stop. Stop.

16 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Go right.

17 MR. FLAHAN: Move your cursor to the right.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: East.

19 MR. FLAHAN: That's it.

20 So right between that road and then the next major
21 road, Mesa, that's where Lehi Elementary School is.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's a very small community.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: A very passionate community.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: They were like an original
25 settlement to the community.

1 MR. FLAHAN: Move your map to the west, Brian.
2 Move that map to the west.

3 Yes, there you go. That's the area where the
4 elementary school is that's called Lehi, but...

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: The tribe would like LD-8 to
6 go -- to move south to capture that elementary school area
7 where their children go.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Oh, yeah, Westwood they want
9 to go to. Yeah.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And I'm open to looking at
11 that as long as we can protect it to not affecting the Lehi
12 area.

13 And we'll have to -- I mean, I don't know. My --
14 my real point is I'm not ready to make a decision on the
15 specificity. If we go with this Gilbert consolidated map, I
16 just wanted to make it clear for the public record I'm not
17 making a determination on these, you know, explicit
18 boundaries, I'm still open to trying to find ways that best
19 serve the Salt River Pima County and the Mesa community, and
20 an area where we -- where we ought to study and learn and
21 receive feedback about, you know, as we move forward.

22 MR. FLAHAN: And Salt River --

23 MR. D. JOHNSON: Can I ask for some direction on
24 that?

25 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Oh, yes.

1 MR. D. JOHNSON: There were different comments
2 there from different people, I just want to -- Lehi I
3 believe is currently in District 8 with Salt River, do you
4 want it to stay there or should it move into D9?

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You know, I think they're
6 going to need to go into D9. I didn't even know they were
7 in D8.

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: At least on these maps it is
9 showing it is. Okay.

10 It's small enough it's not going to be a big
11 impact.

12 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: How many people is it?

13 MR. D. JOHNSON: Don't know.

14 COMMISSIONER YORK: We have it in D9 on the current
15 draft map.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right -- oh. So Lehi was
17 there in our draft map but it's not on the Gilbert
18 consolidated map?

19 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, it's on this.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Wait. It is or isn't?

21 COMMISSIONER YORK: Can you see it?

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I don't see. Where is it,
23 Doug? York.

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: Can you see the river?

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah.

1 MR. KINGERY: Lehi Elementary is right here.

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah, so that needs to go into
3 D8.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: No, D9. That's were they
5 want to --

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Oh, Lehi, that's why I
7 couldn't find it.

8 They want to be in D9 probably.

9 CHAIRPERSON LERNER: Okay, then. They're in D9.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. They want to be with
11 Mesa.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, so they should be okay.
13 Yeah, they're fine.

14 MS. SAKANSKY: The population of Lehi is 2,526.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Small. Small, little
16 community.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. So my only point is
18 I'm open to, you know, what the Salt River Pima is asking
19 for as long as it doesn't affect, you know, those -- those
20 communities.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And in the conversation that
22 I had with the president he said that -- I know they said --
23 even in their letter they said they would like to go into
24 Mesa but they don't have a -- they don't need a particular
25 location, they just wanted to be connected to Mesa; and they

1 do have that here. And we can always look at the boundaries
2 but right now they're connected north of the Red Mountain.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Or the 101 -- or the 202, I
5 always forget, and they're a little bit over.

6 So they could go a little bit further south, but in
7 the conversation he basically said as long as we are
8 connected to Mesa, that's what's important so they have that
9 relationship.

10 And it looks like in this particular version I'm
11 looking at, the consolidated, it has them in there to a
12 point.

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. So it sounds like it
14 works.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We can take a look at it.

16 MR. KINGERY: So to keep the tract together that's
17 outlined in yellow is the full census tract.

18 MR. D. JOHNSON: The community --

19 MS. SAKANSKY: I'm showing -- I'm sorry, Doug.

20 MR. D. JOHNSON: The confusion is, the tract you're
21 highlighting is where the school is and isn't the
22 neighborhood the area -- the unincorporated area that's just
23 north of that between there and the river?

24 I think that's -- yeah.

25 MS. SAKANSKY: I'm showing it as a neighborhood

1 within Mesa.

2 MR. FLAHAN: Well, Salt River did submit a
3 legislative map that talks about District 8 modified to
4 include tribal lands and extend south into the Mesa public
5 schools.

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Can we -- can we pull that up
7 and compare it with the Gilbert consolidated?

8 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, can you --

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: That's exactly what we need
10 to look at.

11 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, can you pull up submitted plan
12 name SRPMI-C10.

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Thank you. That would have
14 been easier just to do that.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I know that in
16 conversations I know that they have flexibility they said.
17 This was their version but they also said we're just -- we
18 just want to be connected.

19 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah.

20 MR. KINGERY: This one.

21 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah, that's it. Yep.

22 So this is what they submitted on I believe it was
23 December 1st.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: You've talked to them, too,
25 right?

1 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Hm-mm.

2 MR. KINGERY: What IRC plan name is this?

3 MR. FLAHAN: LD0067.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: Way too far south.

5 MR. FLAHAN: So if you zoom in to District 8, Brian
6 there, so where it's right above District 9 and District 10.

7 Yep. Zoom out a little bit.

8 So that's what they submitted into the system.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's very similar to what
10 this -- oh no, over there? On the right?

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: That's more than 2,500 people.

12 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah.

13 MR. FLAHAN: It comes in a lot more than you guys
14 were talking about originally.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, and I know that they --
16 yeah, they were not -- I know that they basically -- their
17 main concern in discussing, just talking to them and we can
18 go back and double-check with them on maybe boundaries which
19 probably would be good, was as long as they were part of
20 Mesa's LDs. They want relationships with Scottsdale, Tempe
21 and Mesa, all three, so they want to be a component of all
22 three.

23 And I think LD-8 in this -- I'm looking at the
24 consolidated one, which is still new to me, but in this
25 consolidated one the tribe is connected to all three cities,

1 which is what they've been requesting because they have
2 relationships with each one.

3 So we can take a closer look but it looks like they
4 drew the boundary at the freeway on this map, this
5 particular group.

6 COMMISSIONER YORK: The consolidated one.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah.

8 So -- yeah.

9 COMMISSIONER YORK: Which is fine.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: The consolidated one, yeah.
11 That's what they did, so.

12 So I don't know that we have to make major changes
13 in that.

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. So for now it sounds
15 like we're pretty agreed upon as a starting point for
16 ongoing deliberation adopting Gilbert consolidated -- guys,
17 help me with the numbers. Is it --

18 COMMISSIONER MEHL: 9 through 15.

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: 9 through 15.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Wait.

21 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Except 10 and 11.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We really haven't taken a
23 close look at those.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah, no, no, no, you're
25 right. Nine...

1 COMMISSIONER MEHL: 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15.

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Exactly.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Wait.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: 9, 10, 12, 13, 14.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, can we get a look
6 at the --

7 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I thought 15, too.

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And 15.

9 Just as a starting point. Just -- just --

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I know --

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: -- just.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I know. I just want to know.
13 We've been getting the point spread, I would like to get
14 that for 9 and 10, that's all.

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: For this map. Because we've
17 been doing that with the others.

18 MR. KINGERY: On the left?

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Just the one on the left.

20 MR. KINGERY: All right. So for District 9 -- it's
21 going to be pretty close, 51 minus 49 -- 1.02 leaning
22 Republican for District 9.

23 District 10 is 60.2 -- oh. 60.78 minus 39.22 --
24 21.56 leaning Republican for District 10.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That is the East Valley.

1 MR. D. JOHNSON: And -- and I would just add the
2 caveat you had mentioned before, the actual border between 9
3 and 10, exactly where it runs, will be dictated by
4 everything else that goes on over in Phoenix and out in
5 Gila, so.

6 But the -- the general configuration is following
7 this guidance.

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So it sounds like we can mess
9 with competitiveness and keep that a solidly competitive
10 District D9. D10 is, you know, going to have a big spread
11 due to the communities of interest that -- that happen to
12 live there.

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: The other thing it does is it
14 keeps Leisure World and all the retirement communities
15 together.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes.

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Which one?

18 COMMISSIONER YORK: D10.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah. D10 and we heard -- we
20 got some letters from -- but we -- we are all in agreement
21 that this is just a starting point, right?

22 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Just for discussion.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That we're going to be able
24 to make adjustments.

25 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I'm not ask -- I'm not ready

1 to lock anything in and I'm not asking anybody to lock in
2 anything. I think we've made a ton of progress and I think
3 it's a great starting point. There's a lot that I like
4 about it, so -- you know, but -- but we'll all think about
5 it.

6 But I think it's a great starting point.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I -- I -- okay. I have
8 concerns, but we'll come back to it.

9 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: CD.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Mm.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah. No, that's fine.

12 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah, that's fine.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I mean, I'm just saying I
14 know there are some changes I would like to see us possibly
15 make, but we'll come back to it as you say.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. Right.

17 Other areas you want -- what time is it?

18 COMMISSIONER YORK: 3 o'clock.

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: 3:00 p.m. Keep going.

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yuma.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Staff, just remind us when we
22 should take a break.

23 Okay, where do you want to -- where do you want to
24 go?

25 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, I think we should map the

1 LDs with the congressional split in Yuma that we're talking
2 about actually.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Wait, we're going to jump out
4 of Phoenix?

5 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, Yuma, it just seemed
6 easy.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yuma seems easier?

8 COMMISSIONER YORK: It just seemed like that was an
9 obvious thing to tackle.

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You know, one serious study
11 that -- that -- we need to do so I think it would be
12 productive without making decisions if we have the mental
13 capacity, is I would like to look at the Latino Coalition's
14 submission of their legislative districts, seven legislative
15 majority-minority Latino districts, and compare that to the
16 majority-minority districts in our draft maps.

17 Again, not to necessarily make decisions, but I
18 want to understand -- they understand their community better
19 than anybody, and -- and they have submitted, you know, very
20 helpful, you know, feedback, both the map and the narrative.
21 So I want to understand their districts and where they think
22 we got things right and where they think we got things
23 wrong.

24 But that's just one idea, I'm happy to go -- to go
25 to Yuma.

1 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, that would be -- that would
2 be the most productive.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

4 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Sounds good.

5 MR. D. JOHNSON: And I can just add, I think we
6 have good direction on Yuma right now, which is to implement
7 Yuma Gold as much as we can within whatever population the
8 Commission would be comfortable with so I'll bring it up.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So we're looking at the
10 Latino, correct?

11 MR. KINGERY: Okay. So on the left is the approved
12 draft map and then on the right is 69, which is their most
13 recent updates.

14 Did you want me to bring this back into one viewer,
15 kind of do the plan compare?

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah.

17 COMMISSIONER MEHL: For me it's easier to go
18 district by district rather than looking at too many at
19 once.

20 MR. KINGERY: Okay.

21 COMMISSIONER MEHL: But is there like a kingpin
22 that sort of swings everything else that we should start
23 with?

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: Probably 24 or 23.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, we're just going to

1 look at their districts, right?

2 Are we looking at just the Latino Coalition
3 districts or are we looking at everything?

4 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And we're looking at our
5 existing draft map.

6 MR. KINGERY: Yeah, so left is the approved draft
7 map and the right is their submission. So if you want to
8 start with District 24, it's very different.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And one of the things that
10 will -- I'm just pulling it up. 24 you said?

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: Hey, Brian, you've got to back
12 out, we can't get our heads wrapped around this.

13 Thank you.

14 MR. KINGERY: Want more?

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: No.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah, I remember that LD-24
17 was one of our draft maps districts that the Latino
18 community had a lot of problems with. It's overpopulated,
19 the citizen -- the CVAP is very high, it's 63 percent, and
20 they felt that that was not empowering them in any way.

21 MR. KINGERY: 63.05 in there for District 24 is
22 52.26.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: District 24. Where is it?

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: Brian, what's D11 in both?

25 MR. KINGERY: Let me zoom to District 11.

1 We have green on the left and pink on the right.

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: Correct, but what's the CVAP?

3 MR. KINGERY: So CVAP on the draft map is 48.58,
4 and on their submission 47.27.

5 All right. I'm looking at 21, so which is -- yeah,
6 let's -- yeah, Hispanic CVAP.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So one of the things I think
8 they did is -- are we looking at any one in particular? Can
9 we maybe go one by one? That might be helpful.

10 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Should we start at 11 just
11 because they're more similar, if we decide what we like
12 there and then maybe spin from that?

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes, but I would also like to
14 note that I think 24, it needs to really be fixed.

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Okay.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So as we're moving, we can't
17 get to the point where it's sandwiched in again. And, you
18 know, that's got to change, so.

19 Okay. So 11.

20 They're not overwhelmingly different.

21 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Right.

22 COMMISSIONER YORK: 24 is overwhelmingly different,
23 that's got us messed up, that's the problem.

24 MR. D. JOHNSON: Brian, can you zoom out just a
25 little bit so we can see the whole district?

1 Yeah, there you go. Thank you.

2 MR. KINGERY: Yeah, District 11 the spread is
3 50 points give or take for both plans.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And -- and which one -- I
5 think you said that the draft map had a higher Latino CVAP?

6 MR. KINGERY: Yeah, four -- yes, 48.58 in the draft
7 map and 47.27 in their submission.

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: But in our map it is
9 overpopulated, almost 10,000 people.

10 MR. KINGERY: Correct.

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So that --

12 MR. KINGERY: 4 percent over target.

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

14 MR. KINGERY: And their map is -- let me -- it's
15 really close. Let me turn on the percentage for
16 District 11.

17 Yeah, it's .23 percent under; 500 people. 539
18 under target. It's almost perfectly balanced.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: In their map?

20 MR. KINGERY: Yes.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah, so -- so in my opinion
22 if we were to go with the draft map, it would -- I would
23 like to see it changed so that it's not overpopulated.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Wait.

25 MR. KINGERY: So the draft map is 9,700 people

1 over, and their District 11 is 500 people under.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So wouldn't we want to look
3 at theirs?

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, that's just for 11 --

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right, well --

6 COMMISSIONER YORK: -- but the way they do 1 and 4
7 and 2 and 26.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I get it. I know. But I
9 mean -- I guess I'm getting -- I'm getting a little confused
10 over where -- what we're doing. I thought we were going to
11 go with taking a look at their coalition -- with their
12 maps --

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- and their districts.

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: Which are the VRA districts?

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, that's what we -- I
17 think that's what we want to --

18 COMMISSIONER YORK: Focus on.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right.

20 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Start with 11.

21 COMMISSIONER MEHL: So let -- can we get a readout
22 of what the VRA districts are here in -- in the Phoenix
23 metro?

24 MR. B. JOHNSON: You mean the Phoenix VRA tracking
25 districts?

1 MR. KINGERY: Let me pull that.

2 COMMISSIONER MEHL: The potential districts that
3 may have VRA implications.

4 MR. KINGERY: Does that show on -- Doug, do we have
5 that as a PDF already on the website or is that a number --
6 are those numbers you have to pull?

7 MR. D. JOHNSON: Probably the easiest way is to
8 pull them. You have to go through the -- the table and see
9 which ones are the heavily Latino ones. But it -- let me
10 look here.

11 So the only question is which ones are in Phoenix
12 and which ones are in Tucson.

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right.

15 MR. D. JOHNSON: So it's 11 -- in our map and in
16 the -- in the official draft map, it's 11, 20 which is down
17 south, 21 which is down south, and then 22, 24, and 26.

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: What about 23?

19 MR. D. JOHNSON: Oh, yeah. 23 is as well, but it
20 that here or down south?

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's Pima.

22 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And -- and 24.

23 No?

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: 24 is up there.

25 MR. D. JOHNSON: Definitely 24.

1 Yeah, so in here we're looking at 11, 22, 24, and
2 26.

3 And I don't know about in the -- the coalition map,
4 which ones -- we have to look and see which ones of theirs
5 are majority -- or significantly Latino.

6 I don't know -- maybe can we take a look at the
7 demographics for 1 and 4 and see if either one of them are
8 heavily Latino?

9 I think one is.

10 21. Yeah, so 1 is definitely not and the 4 is
11 unlikely.

12 MR. KINGERY: Four?

13 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah, so -- so in the coalition
14 map it's going to be 11, 22, 24 and 26 are there...

15 So the same. Actually, it's the same numbers in
16 both maps.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I'm just getting confused.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: 11, 24, 26 and 22 are the
19 ones we're going to focus on, right?

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. Why don't we focus on
21 Maricopa County today.

22 MR. D. JOHNSON: Mm-hm.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I agree.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

25 COMMISSIONER YORK: There's so many changes in

1 there, I don't...

2 MR. D. JOHNSON: So --

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: One of the criticisms is on 24,
4 just so I understand.

5 MR. D. JOHNSON: So, fairly straight forward --
6 yeah, I was going to say, fairly straightforward to
7 incorporate their changes to 11, 22, 24, and 26 with just
8 changes around the edges to the other districts.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

10 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, but there's some things
11 in the other districts I'm not happy with.

12 But can I see what their 22 looks like, Brian? Can
13 you back out a little bit more?

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You know, as we're looking at
15 it, I just want to read to you the number of districts, the
16 majority-minority districts that are overpopulated.

17 In LD-11 it's overpopulated by over 9,700 people;
18 in LD-20 it's overpopulated 46 -- more than 4,600 people;
19 LD-21, overpopulated by almost 10,000 people; LD-26,
20 overpopulated over 2,200.

21 It's just simply our minority community, the
22 community that -- that typically the courts allow greater
23 population deviance is overpopulated. And so I -- I'm not
24 saying I want to blow up our -- our draft map, but what I am
25 saying is that it needs to improve to meet the minimum

1 standards of -- of, you know -- they deserve some population
2 deviance not in the overpopulated range.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I agree.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And I'm not sure what it --
5 what it's going to look like right now because I know it's a
6 lot of change and we've got to dive into it.

7 We don't have to dive into it today, and my -- and
8 my vision or I imagine that what's going to happen is that
9 we're going to compromise between the Latino Coalition's
10 vision of it and our draft map vision and our progressive,
11 you know, new vision of it, and we'll come up with a
12 solution that will -- will meet all of our needs.

13 And -- and I also anticipate an ongoing dialogue
14 with the Latino Coalition so that if we start fixing from
15 our draft maps to accommodate their feedback, I'm sure we'll
16 get additional feedback, you know, to do a better job.

17 Does anybody want to dive into these differences or
18 do we want to -- I mean, I think we have at least a good
19 early start of a conversation about kind of what we need to
20 do and what we have to focus on?

21 I don't have directions for mapping team about this
22 right now because I'm not prepared to -- to make
23 suggestions, I'm open to also going to another region. What
24 do you all think?

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'd like to -- I'd like to

1 dive into it a little bit more. I mean, knowing that this
2 is just going to be our first look. But since we're in
3 Maricopa County and we've done the East Valley, I mean, I
4 think if -- we started with the VRA districts with the
5 congressional, I think it would be worthwhile if we maybe
6 look at the four that are here, not looking at anything
7 other than that; and even if there are other changes here
8 later on, everything that we have is going to have other
9 changes as we move forward and --

10 COMMISSIONER YORK: But the issue I have --

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- so it might be a good
12 starting point. Sorry.

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, you're fine. Sorry,
14 Commissioner Lerner.

15 The issue I have with the -- with the coalition map
16 is it splits Phoenix, Downtown Phoenix.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. Let's put -- can we
18 overlay Phoenix on these maps?

19 That's an excellent point, Commissioner York.

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: Whereas on the draft map we
21 were sort of stair-stepping the different communities.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I -- the other thing --
23 the thing that I -- we can certainly look at Phoenix.
24 Phoenix is going to be split anyway because it's so big.

25 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, no -- yeah.

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: But we also can look at --
2 one of the things I'd like to look at as we've been doing in
3 the East Valley is look at school districts, because I think
4 these might -- when we're looking at a district-by-district
5 level, the school districts may have some real significance
6 as we get into the -- the inner city area.

7 But if you look at it, it actually does split
8 Phoenix but it's also got some good boundaries in there,
9 there's some good downtown areas.

10 MR. D. JOHNSON: One exercise you might consider as
11 well as an option is, if you wanted us to, we could take the
12 direction to try to draw in their proposed 11, 22, 24, and
13 26 and -- within the rest of the context of your current --
14 the current legislative draft map, and then when you come
15 back on Thursday you could see what the impact is and what
16 that forces things to shift and -- and decide if those were
17 good or bad, and then obviously give us direction whether to
18 back that out or which piece is that and which piece you
19 have to back out.

20 I think as you mentioned, there's going to be lots
21 of small changes around the edges if you try to do that and
22 you've got, you know, issues you might have within the four
23 that you can then address.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's a good idea. I'm very
25 comfortable with that.

1 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, there's a few suggestions
2 I would like to make, Doug.

3 MR. D. JOHNSON: Sure.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: District 4 needs to move up to
5 encompass Paradise Valley north of Camelback Mountain and
6 over to McCormick Ranch along the 101 there. That squeezes
7 down D8.

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: Are you saying Paradise Valley is
9 divided currently? Or --

10 COMMISSIONER YORK: Just didn't have part of
11 Scottsdale I think needs to be part of it.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So I -- I guess...

13 MR. D. JOHNSON: I'm not sure I'm following the --
14 the request.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: We could start doing that but
16 I -- I guess I was comfortable with Doug's suggestion of
17 seeing these things because it might --

18 COMMISSIONER YORK: That's what we did. Last time
19 we fit in the Sunnyslope change and we changed the whole
20 map, and then we approved it and we had no time to make any
21 other comments, so I'm fearful if we get started down a path
22 of "let's see," we don't have a chance to go back to work on
23 what, you know, we feel is important.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: But I'm -- that's how I feel
25 about the East Valley right now, so --

1 COMMISSIONER YORK: Okay.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- I totally get what you're
3 saying but I know that the Chairwoman has said everything is
4 still open.

5 Because I feel the same way about the East Valley,
6 I feel like we just said okay to that but I'm not
7 comfortable with it. So I --

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I'm in no way -- let me be
9 clear. I actually -- I'm comfortable with the East Valley
10 map being our starting point; I'm not comfortable just
11 having the Latino map being the starting point because I
12 haven't studied it yet.

13 I mean, I need time to -- to study it and figure
14 out its implications for Phoenix. So I'm just open to
15 taking a look at how it impacts our map, but I want to be
16 clear that I'm not equating the two.

17 I really looked at the East Valley consolidated
18 Gilbert map and I -- you know, I studied and was convinced
19 on many levels. I -- I -- I need more time to understand --
20 and the Latino Coalition has a narrative. I just need more,
21 you know, time to -- to digest what they're asking for and
22 compare it to what we have.

23 And I wanted to give my colleagues advance notice
24 that when I come back on Thursday, to be thinking about what
25 I like. If we're going to, you know, negotiate from our

1 draft map, there are certain things that to me are not
2 acceptable in our draft map that would need to be changed.

3 COMMISSIONER YORK: Okay.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So if, you know, we can start
5 from wherever point, actually, on Thursday. We can start
6 from ours or the Latino Coalition or maybe you want to come
7 up with some magical middle thing and we can, you know,
8 start there.

9 Thoughts?

10 COMMISSIONER YORK: I'm in agreeance. I haven't
11 spent enough time on vertical districts --

12 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: -- in Maricopa County, so
14 that's a shift that I hadn't considered, so.

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. So but in the meantime
16 is there anything that would be helpful to take advantage of
17 the mapping team's time?

18 We don't want it to be a waste of time, we're not
19 going to send you down wild goose chases, but I'm -- I'm
20 open to Commissioner Lerner's idea and seeing where it goes;
21 in no way saying that I'm endorsing that, but I'm curious to
22 see.

23 And if there's something else, Doug, that as an
24 alternative that you would like to see, I'm equally as open
25 to that.

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Doug Johnson --

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And, in fact, I want to -- if
3 at any point my colleagues would like even, like, a
4 15-minute break, you can decide to go and confer and think
5 and look at notes and, you know, come up with suggestions.
6 Please, if that's at all helpful, take advantage of it.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Can I just ask a quick
8 question for Doug Johnson and then maybe a break wouldn't be
9 bad anyway. It might be that time.

10 Were you mentioning something about 24 and 26
11 having some CVAP problems or -- or was that my brain?

12 COMMISSIONER YORK: It's 20 and 24.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Which one was it, 20 and 24?

14 COMMISSIONER YORK: That was in executive session.

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah. No, I think the CVAP
16 numbers are -- are not giving me heartache. Those -- 24 and
17 26 are the two that -- they are polarized in just one of the
18 elections you had looked at, but I don't think there's a
19 CVAP problem.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay. Thank you. It was
21 my mis- -- my -- I think I'm tired. I think that's why I
22 need a break.

23 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: I need to --

24 MR. D. JOHNSON: Well, I should say, I didn't bring
25 up a CVAP problems, it's very likely you heard a CVAP --

1 comments on a CVAP problem from public comments because what
2 didn't you hear from the public?

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's probably very much the
4 case. I know I had a note on it, so I probably heard it
5 from somebody.

6 I do have a note.

7 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Break, Madame Chair.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I do have a note.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. So should we take a
10 pause at this moment and maybe 15 minutes and we'll
11 reconvene.

12 Fifteen-minute recess. Thank you.

13 (Recess taken from 3:32 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.)

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15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. I believe we are back
16 live from our recess and as we reconvene we will dive back
17 in again to Agenda Item -- I believe it's VI, right? Where
18 is my notes? -- map review and we're on the legislative
19 map.

20 And is there a different, I believe
21 Commissioner York had the interest maybe of diving into the
22 Yuma legislative section.

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: What I would suggest and Doug
24 and I have chatted is bringing up the Yuma Gold map as
25 something to look at in comparison to the Latino Coalition

1 map regarding -- because the Yuma -- if we go with the Yuma
2 map in Yuma, it has real implications, and in the Yuma Gold
3 map they actually drew the districts on that west side.
4 And -- and there's some real similarities and obviously some
5 differences, but I think they'd be worth comparing. And it
6 does go vertical with 24 and 25.

7 The one thing -- Do we have the Yuma Gold map up
8 there yet?

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Wait, 24 is in Phoenix.
10 Which one do you mean?

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right.

12 COMMISSIONER MEHL: 24 and 26.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Wait. But that's Phoenix.
14 Which one do you want to do, Yuma?

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: No, I'm saying Yuma Gold map.
16 It forces changes up into that West Valley if you go with
17 the Yuma map.

18 COMMISSIONER YORK: To look at it.

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And in the Yuma Gold map they
20 did redraw some of these same districts, and I think it is
21 worth looking at it as a comparative to the Latino Coalition
22 map.

23 MR. FLAHAN: While you were on break I had a plan
24 sheet printed out for the Latino Coalition new legislative
25 districts, so same thing that you guys see for all our draft

1 maps. So it is there for you.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I will just say I had not
3 looked at the Yuma Gold map until today, so this will all be
4 new to me.

5 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And I'm not trying to force
6 anything -- decisions on it today --

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay. Because it's brand
8 new.

9 COMMISSIONER MEHL: -- but I thought it was worth
10 looking at it and something we could all look at potentially
11 between now and Thursday.

12 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Given that I really liked the
13 mayor's solution in Yuma Gold and I really like the
14 compatibility with the VRA districts, I would like to see
15 the implication of this because I would hate to lose some of
16 what we accomplished there or what I think we can accomplish
17 there.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I did not realize that
19 the Yuma Gold did anything other than deal with Yuma.

20 So who -- who submitted this?

21 COMMISSIONER YORK: It's the mayor.

22 MR. KINGERY: So Yuma Gold is LD0057.

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yes.

24 MR. D. JOHNSON: Okay. And Brian, can you zoom out
25 so we can see everything from the West Valley to Yuma on

1 that?

2 There we go.

3 MR. KINGERY: Let me turn some of this off.

4 MR. D. JOHNSON: Interesting.

5 MR. KINGERY: Let me turn the variables on, one
6 second.

7 All right.

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: Interesting. So just as a little
9 background to my earlier comments, when I had talked about
10 we might be limited in what we could do in terms of
11 Yuma Gold and Yuma, think about the draft map where
12 District 30 is Mohave, La Paz and north Yuma, and
13 District 30 can't absorb as much population as there was
14 proposed in Yuma Gold.

15 So -- so you can see the way the mayor has
16 addressed that issue is to stop at the La Paz/Yuma border.
17 District 30 gets a little bit of population it still needs
18 from -- essentially from Wickenburg and out by Wickenburg.
19 And then District 22 comes down and gets north Yuma and
20 that -- then you can do much more in Yuma, you have much
21 more flexibility in Yuma.

22 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And that's why I wanted to
23 point out this map because it does ripple through as you
24 keep telling us. In a --

25 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Can you just reiterate your

1 point, Commissioner Mehl? I'm not...

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well...

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: It gets you -- if you accept
4 the Yuma split in Yuma, it has implications all the way into
5 western Maricopa; and Doug pointed out one of the big ones,
6 which is you can't -- District 29 and 22 need to get
7 reconfigured in order to make -- make the Yuma split work --
8 or, District 30 and the 22 need to get reconfigured to make
9 the split work.

10 And this is the Yuma mayor, this is his suggestion.
11 Obviously worked -- he worked through it.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: This is a big difference
13 between what the Latino Coalition proposed, and 22 is a VRA
14 district. So --

15 COMMISSIONER MEHL: In this map --

16 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- this is something we have
17 to take a very close at.

18 COMMISSIONER MEHL: In this map there are still the
19 same number of VRA districts, I believe, but I don't think
20 22 is any longer a VRA district.

21 And some of the labeling here is just actually a
22 little goofy.

23 On the Yuma Gold map, Districts 11 and 25 are
24 really mislabeled compared to our map and you need to look
25 at the numbers flipped. So the District 25 map in the

1 Yuma Gold map is really more comparable to the District 11
2 map in the coalition map.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So LD -- in their map, LD-25
4 is similar to LD-11 the coalition?

5 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah. They really should have
6 flipped their numbers the other way.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So what was that flip again?

8 COMMISSIONER MEHL: 11 and 25.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So I'm not sure why we -- I
10 know you want -- I'm glad you're drawing it to our attention
11 and I think this is something that we can look at between
12 now and Thursday, But I -- I would like -- I mean, we -- we
13 barely touched on -- we did a very brief look at the Latino
14 Coalition and then we're jumping over to this I guess
15 because you want to look at the implications of it, but --

16 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, we're just trying to
17 point out 3, 24 and 26 is somewhat of a similar fashion.
18 And then there's some thoughts, right?

19 Because if you look at the draft map we approved,
20 all those West Valley districts go east-west, and the Latino
21 Coalition suggestion and this particular suggestion goes
22 more south.

23 From my standpoint it treats District 4 much more
24 how I see it should be as a community of interest around
25 Camelback Mountain north up to the loop, so there's some

1 things on this particular map that I like also.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I think in this -- and
3 I'm just looking -- like I said, this is the first time.
4 This -- this to me has District 4 going too far north and
5 also removes -- yeah. I mean, it has -- and has some odd
6 boundaries in there.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I think we're moving to too
8 many districts too quickly and losing cohesion. So I
9 suggest we pick a region for a strategic reason and -- and
10 dive in.

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: But Commissioner Neuberg, all
12 the communities around the greater Phoenix downtown area
13 kind of move together. So if you move one, you move five.
14 It's just you cannot not treat them all kind of at the same
15 time, so.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. Well, and --

17 COMMISSIONER YORK: But I would like us to study a
18 this and -- and I would like -- you know, this is a
19 preference that Commissioner Mehl and myself feel
20 comfortable with, you know, there.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I have real concerns
22 about what it does to some of the VRA districts in
23 South Phoenix and all of that.

24 So I think that, you know, taking a look --

25 COMMISSIONER YORK: Now, you know they're

1 misnumbered. So the South Mountain district is -- the
2 number is 25 and 11.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right. 25 is supposed to be
4 11, and 11 is what -- supposed to be what?

5 COMMISSIONER YORK: 25.

6 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: 25.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay.

8 COMMISSIONER YORK: And that is Laveen and sort of
9 I-10 corridor south. South of I-10 as it goes west.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: No, I think --

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: It picks up Tolleson and looks
12 like picks up some of Avondale.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: This has some major -- some
14 major shifts in a lot of districts.

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: Well, they -- they both -- the
16 Latino Coalition suggestion and this one both gives us some
17 stuff to look at.

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Can we get this sheet for the
19 Yuma Gold one as well?

20 MR. FLAHAN: Yes.

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: I would -- I would add, too, the
22 key thing to -- the concern that a number of Commissioners
23 have raised is, in this map -- hold on, put the map back on,
24 Brian -- District 22 in Yuma Gold is not a voting rights
25 district as was mentioned. They still have the same number

1 because now 25 becomes an effective Latino district.

2 So to the question about, yes, 22 obviously if we
3 change it we will not be a voting rights district anymore,
4 it would be replaced by 25 so they have the same numbering
5 again, just in different districts.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And my perspective on that
7 is -- I mean, I'm happy to have us take a look for Thursday,
8 but that's a big change to say that it's okay for the Yuma
9 mayor to make a change in Maricopa County and the Latino
10 Coalition and all versus focusing on the Yuma area and
11 saying: What do I need in Yuma to make this work?

12 But this basically reshapes Maricopa County coming
13 from Yuma. And I -- I have some concerns about -- well, I
14 have a lot of concerns about what I'm seeing with all of
15 that, but that's just a quick glance of what I'm seeing.

16 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And to me this has nothing do
17 with the Yuma mayor.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: But this came from the Yuma
19 mayor you said.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Are you sure that it came
21 from the Yuma mayor?

22 COMMISSIONER MEHL: That's what I was told.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: All I know is that area is
24 consistent with --

25 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah.

1 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: -- when we were in Yuma, he
2 handed us a map that matches that exact area.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: For this?

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Whether or not his prints are
5 on the rest of it, I have no idea. But I do know that the
6 Yuma Gold matches exactly what he wanted for Yuma.

7 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And -- and my point is that I
8 like the rest of this map; I don't even know who did this
9 map, I have no clue. But I like it.

10 MR. KINGERY: Does that username ring any bells?

11 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Pardon?

12 MR. KINGERY: The username, D Nicholls.

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: Isn't Nicholls the Yuma mayor
14 name?

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER MEHL: But whoever it is, I think it
17 has -- they tried to -- I assume the Yuma mayor worked with
18 somebody, we can ask him.

19 MR. D. JOHNSON: Doug Nicholls is the Yuma mayor.

20 COMMISSIONER MEHL: They knew that it was going to
21 have implications and they wanted to be -- I assume wanted
22 to be able to answer the implication question; but whomever
23 did it or why ever they did it, I think they have done some
24 really good things on the west side.

25 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: It sounds to me like our

1 conversation that we had earlier about the East Valley that,
2 you know, you see something that you like that fixes an area
3 and then you're curious about, you know, how it affects the
4 other areas.

5 I'm very open to looking at what you like about how
6 it, you know, moves up into the Phoenix area and I'm happy
7 to have your side present a different option.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So --

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: This is why -- this is the
10 time, you know, to bring up if they're going to be real
11 differences in your mapping visions, it's better to do it
12 now when they have a couple of days in between.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So I feel like we're
14 giving -- we pop into the Latino Coalition maps, we pop out,
15 we pop in and we pop out, but we have not really looked at
16 those -- at all of the districts.

17 And then we jump to something like Yuma Gold which
18 transforms coalition districts that they spent a lot of time
19 working on to make sure that they met the needs of the
20 Latino population, and this just goes ahead and changes a
21 district that they spent time on.

22 I'm more than happy to look at something that
23 happens in Yuma and to make adjustments, but we could also
24 look at how that might work with what the Latino Coalition
25 did and find a compromise there versus shaking up all of the

1 districts in Maricopa County which includes the Latino
2 Coalition districts that are -- that are really being
3 changed as a result of this, just looking at the comparison
4 of the maps.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I thought we already
6 established that we would reconvene on Thursday and look at
7 the Latino districts again and compare the differences
8 between their districts and our draft maps, and I asked my
9 colleagues to -- to come with counterproposals. So I
10 believe we're leaving all options on the table by pursuing
11 this.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay.

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I do want to be clear. I
14 mean, again, I'm not a fan -- when I pick areas of a map
15 that's been submitted, I'm not endorsing the whole map.
16 And, you know, I'm deeply appreciative again that the Latino
17 Coalition submitted a thoughtful map, but my primary
18 interest is their mastery of their communities of interest.

19 So I'm willing to -- of course I look at all the
20 maps and their ideas for the rest of the State, but each
21 section will, you know, we look at the merits so and I --
22 and...

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I wanted to bring this out
24 today so that everybody has time to look at it, because it's
25 something that -- that we've reviewed and -- and see some

1 positives in.

2 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: So Madam Chair, getting back
3 to I guess what -- what is the mapping consultant, what are
4 they going to do, so that I have understanding of what we'd
5 be looking forward to on Thursday.

6 I guess we can start with the legislative.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Is there anything more that
8 the Commissioners want to add about, you know, specific
9 areas around here, or are you ready just to sum up --

10 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: I'm not ready to sum it up,
11 but, you know, right now what Commissioner Mehl is
12 suggesting kind of changes everything that we've been
13 talking about.

14 But, you know, the Latino Coalition map was a good
15 start and now we're jumping to something else. So now I'm a
16 little bit confused and so maybe we can kind of recap, you
17 know, what Mark and Doug have on their plans and maybe we
18 can kind of add from there.

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. I thought we were
20 discussing alternative options, one was building from the
21 Latino Coalition legislative districts, you know, from
22 there, you know, on Thursday, as well as this other option?

23 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Okay.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I mean, is that --

25 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: That sounds good. I guess

1 maybe we also need to consider the -- since we're on the
2 legislative side, I would like to go ahead and talk about
3 the Navajo proposal, too, which we haven't gotten to yet
4 because we've been focused mainly on the south side
5 legislatively.

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay. So are we ready to
7 wrap up in this area?

8 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: We've been moving --

9 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We've been on Maricopa for a
10 while and tackling the easy one of northeast Arizona.

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So let's -- let's make sure
12 that the mapping team has a sense of direction --

13 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: We've been jumping all over
14 anyways, so let's go north.

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Doug and Mark, what is your
16 understanding of the options that we're asking of you and
17 then we'll fill in the gaps.

18 MR. FLAHAN: Doug, you want to go or you want me to
19 go?

20 MR. D. JOHNSON: Well, I just have one question to
21 pose is that I'm not clear on whether we have the directions
22 to try to put in the four Latino Coalition districts into
23 the context of the Commission's draft map or whether we
24 should hold off on that, leave that for further discussion
25 Thursday?

1 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: No, I would like -- I would
2 like to see that. If it's not -- I mean, I want to be
3 respectful of how much work it takes, you know, I would be
4 curious to look at it and look at the ramifications of the
5 Latino districts from the Latino Coalition's submission.

6 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yes. So 11, 22, 24 and 26.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Correct.

8 That's one option that -- that I think the
9 Commission, I would like to see.

10 COMMISSIONER YORK: Against our draft map.

11 Can we see the Yuma Gold map against the Latino
12 Coalition map on the four VRAs.

13 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah, that would be great.

14 MR. D. JOHNSON: Actually, can I suggest it would
15 kind of fit in to what we're doing with that, to bring the
16 Yuma Gold seat in, just that one district from the -- from
17 the west, because that could probably fit in with the
18 changes we were making in that one map; and, obviously,
19 pieces move around in the West Valley as a result of that as
20 well.

21 But if you -- if you want to see the other, like
22 what Brian has on the right-hand screen here in Phoenix,
23 that's all.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: The Yuma Gold is primarily
25 impacting -- I really would like to not have the Yuma -- I'd

1 like to see what the Yuma Gold can do --

2 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Just for Yuma. Just for
3 Yuma.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- for the West Valley and
5 Yuma, really Yuma, because that's what I was hearing from my
6 colleagues, it's the West Valley piece that you were looking
7 at for that Yuma Gold. I mean, it does -- it does a lot --
8 just in glancing at it, there's a lot of other issues. So I
9 don't know.

10 You're saying you could take a look at -- because
11 it's the Yuma piece, right, and you can take a look at just
12 that piece and then its impact just on the West Valley with
13 that one district? Is that what you're saying, Doug?

14 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yes, exactly. What -- what in
15 Yuma Gold is District 22, and more realistically probably
16 going to end up being kind of District 25 from the
17 legislative draft map, so we don't -- because 22 is one of
18 the Latino seats.

19 We can work that in, and so you -- you see the West
20 Valley impact but not the -- the North Phoenix and -- and
21 Scottsdale impacts.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That would be my preference
23 would be to see that piece since that's -- I mean, if that
24 was the intent of the mayor was to look at how best to split
25 his city and the impact was District 22, I'd like to focus

1 on that versus how it then takes in Scottsdale, for example.

2 MR. D. JOHNSON: At least -- I would suggest that
3 at least as a first step and, obviously, come back to the
4 rest of the Yuma Gold map on Thursday.

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. Absolutely. The
6 Yuma Gold map is still an option. It's accessible, so...

7 Anything else you need from us, Doug, on -- on
8 this?

9 MR. D. JOHNSON: I think the rest of it is fairly
10 clear. We've got our -- our East Valley directions, you've
11 got Gilbert and all that whole area, Mesa, we're good --
12 Mark, anything I'm missing that you have or Brian?

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Can you repeat the -- would
14 you mind going over the different directions that you've got
15 for the -- like for the East Valley?

16 If that's okay. I just -- I know we were talking
17 about --

18 MR. D. JOHNSON: Sure.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- comparing some maps and
20 stuff but I unfortunately did not take notes on that.

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah. As I understood it -- and
22 Mark, correct me if you have different notes here because
23 we're all taking notes very fast.

24 It really is the 12, 13, 14, 15 to implement kind
25 of the leg Gilbert consolidated map, I think that's what it

1 was called, that we were talking about with the
2 understanding that those -- those are fairly nicely
3 contained so they're easy to undo or modify later on if you
4 want to do that as well.

5 MR. FLAHAN: Yeah, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15 from the
6 Gilbert consolidated map.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: You were going to incorporate
8 that into our map?

9 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yes.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Is that what it was?

11 MR. FLAHAN: Correct.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I thought we were doing a
13 comparison, is that not where we were also looking at -- I
14 thought we were looking at a comparison with that and maybe
15 looking at either the Latino Coalition or the 61 to do that
16 comparison? But we're not doing that, we're just going to
17 use 58?

18 MR. FLAHAN: When you say "comparison," are you
19 talking about another map?

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, we never -- I mean, we
21 took a quick look at the coalition for the East Valley but
22 we didn't really spend much time, we pretty much put it
23 aside and I -- I guess I would like -- I would like to go
24 back at some point.

25 The coalition spent a lot of time doing a full map

1 for the State and we really haven't -- I don't feel we've
2 given it a whole lot of look at it. We've focused on a few
3 things, every so often we go back to coalition map or the
4 coalition districts, or we took a brief look at the East
5 Valley for a moment and then moved on. I feel like we asked
6 them to do -- to do this, we should give it it's --

7 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I --

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Did we ask all organizations,
9 every organization --

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Not every organization did it
11 and they were asked to do that.

12 MR. D. JOHNSON: Let me offer one --

13 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I looked at their maps for the
14 East Valley and I don't think it makes any sense at all for
15 the East Valley. So if you -- if you want to pursue
16 something, you can propose it, but I have looked at it and I
17 did not like what they did in the East Valley. So I'm not
18 in support of pursuing their East Valley version with, you
19 know, with any effort.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yeah, I want to clarify. I
21 am -- I -- I was appreciative of them fleshing out the map
22 for the main reason that for me it gave us the quality
23 information about their districts and their people that were
24 most thoughtful given the realities of the state, I thought
25 that information was going to be super helpful.

1 I don't recommend having us as a deliberative body
2 adopt another organization's full comprehensive vision of
3 our State and have to deliberate over each district they
4 proposed.

5 I mean, we'd -- we'd be here for weeks.

6 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm not asking to do that.
7 Just that my -- my sense is that we -- we glance at it and
8 move on. We spent a lot of time on the Gilbert
9 consolidated; we took a little bit of a look at 61, decided
10 it was -- others decided that that one didn't work; and then
11 we took a brief look at the Latino. I'm not suggesting by
12 any means that we adopt the Latino Coalition map, that is
13 not at all what I'm implying or asking for as much as --

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I thought it --

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- just like with any map, we
16 give it -- we give them some --

17 COMMISSIONER MEHL: But Commissioner Lerner, we
18 just directed our mapping consultants to take the four
19 potential VRA districts from their map and put it into our
20 map so we could see it, that's not ignoring it or dismissing
21 it. That's saying incorporate it so that we can look --
22 take a hard look at it.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Those four districts that I
24 was asking about.

25 MR. D. JOHNSON: I may be able to help here, too.

1 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Am I misremembering?

2 I thought we were looking at the Latino district in
3 the East Valley. I thought we -- we took a look at it and
4 compared the maps.

5 MR. D. JOHNSON: That's -- that's what I was going
6 to offer is that I think the key takeaway, at least that I
7 had from your discussion of those districts and our looking
8 at it, is that -- what we concluded is that if you go with
9 the -- what was the Chandler consolidated map, it's not
10 ruling out the Latino Coalition districts. That -- that set
11 of 12, 13, 14, 15, you can flip back and forth, you can come
12 back to that question later on, it's not going to drive what
13 you decide in Gila or in the West Valley or anything like
14 that on some decision, so.

15 So by implementing the -- the Chandler consolidated
16 map --

17 MS. SAKANSKY: The Gilbert.

18 MR. D. JOHNSON: Gilbert consolidated map, you're
19 not ruling out the coalition's map down there. You could
20 then come back to it and debate it again.

21 What we realize in that analysis is the two can be
22 switched internally without rippling out to the other
23 districts.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It may be just --

1 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And no decisions have been
2 made. All options are on the table.

3 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay.

4 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: The north?

5 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Well, I think we should look
6 at the Navajo Nation suggestion as an option just like we're
7 doing with the Navajo -- or Yuma Gold, so.

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Hm-mm.

9 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: I think that's very
10 important.

11 MR. FLAHAN: So you want us to bring up the Navajo?

12 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah, let's bring up the
13 Navajo option. I think -- what's the number on that?

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: There's a couple different
15 ones.

16 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Make sure it's the latest
17 version.

18 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: The latest version.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: There's three. I have a
20 difference between 5, 6 and 9 and 19.

21 MR. FLAHAN: They -- they submitted multiple
22 districts. Let me look real quick.

23 So they submitted -- they submitted a LD-5,
24 District 5, an LD-6, an LD-7, and an LD-19 map.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: What's LD-19?

1 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: I think those were the
2 impacts.

3 MR. FLAHAN: And they're all -- they're all single
4 districts.

5 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Right.

6 MR. FLAHAN: So Brian, you might have to grab the
7 rest service to show them all on the map or if you can show
8 them there.

9 MR. KINGERY: One second.

10 There are LDF-55, 56, 57 and 58.

11 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: 55 and 56.

12 MR. KINGERY: So let me grab the rest server and
13 add it.

14 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Submitted on Friday.

15 So Brian, the one that was -- my notes are at
16 home -- the Nation submitted something last Friday?

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: These are all...

18 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Is that what it -- is that
19 what it shows?

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: What's the 5th?

21 MR. KINGERY: Should we do this over using the
22 approved map as the base?

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: The draft map, I would
24 suggest that.

25 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yes. Approved draft map as

1 the base, yes.

2 MR. KINGERY: So would be 55, -6, 57, 58.

3 Last one -- all right.

4 So this is the four legislative districts that were
5 received last Friday.

6 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Okay. So what are the --
7 what's the data on the yellow, 6? Like the CVAP?

8 MR. KINGERY: Let me -- excuse me.

9 To see all the demographic, I'm going to have to
10 open up each plan.

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Is he saying that on the
12 right, that's what was submitted? I thought they didn't
13 want to be with Flagstaff.

14 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: It excludes Flagstaff I
15 believe.

16 MR. FLAHAN: That one is what they submitted, all
17 four of those districts.

18 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right. Right.

19 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yes, ma'am.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Can we zoom in? I thought I
21 saw Flagstaff in -- in yellow.

22 Oh, no. It's on the --

23 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: No, it cuts off Flagstaff.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Okay.

25 MR. FLAHAN: Brian, do you know what map is in

1 yellow?

2 MR. KINGERY: It's the -- just a second.

3 7, I believe -- 6. So their legislative
4 district-focused 6 plan.

5 So CVAP -- the CVAP metric that we're interested in
6 is -- is it the G_AINH18 -- that's voting age.

7 MR. FLAHAN: It's both. It's M24 and G_IANH18
8 (verbatim).

9 MR. KINGERY: Okay. And 24 percent, so 59.72.

10 MR. FLAHAN: And then the single-race
11 Native American voting age population is 56.41 percent, and
12 that was the number requested from the Navajo Nation for the
13 percentage.

14 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's for 6, right?

15 MR. FLAHAN: That was for 6, yes.

16 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And what was that number again?

17 MR. FLAHAN: For the single-race Native American
18 voting age population, 56.41; and for the CVAP
19 Native American numbers, 59.72.

20 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And what's the population
21 deviance?

22 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Less than 5.

23 MR. FLAHAN: 5.01 percent under.

24 MR. KINGERY: Under.

25 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Under.

1 So this map looks like it improves the deviation
2 and includes a lot of the reservations. It excludes
3 Flagstaff; includes Holbrook, Winslow because there's quite
4 a few Navajos that live in those two towns; and I think it
5 includes Joseph City, which is in between Winslow and
6 Holbrook, and I think there's a lot of Navajos there because
7 they work at the power plant in Joseph City, so.

8 And then we go south, it looks like it includes the
9 White Mountain and San Carlos reservation, so.

10 It's all contiguous, it's -- it's within the
11 deviation range, it includes seven or eight tribes as a
12 community of interest; and I like this map, it's good.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: It's also a lot less, right?
14 They had originally asked for a really high deviation.

15 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: They asked for a 10 percent
16 deviation.

17 MR. FLAHAN: The initial start was I think under
18 14-point-something percent, I'd have to look at my notes for
19 the exact number.

20 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Big change.

21 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Big change.

22 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: What are your thoughts?

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: My main thought is that either
24 one of these districts treats the Navajos very well, either
25 the current map that we've approved or their proposed map.

1 So it's not like that they're comparing to our
2 current map which doesn't treat them well, it does treat
3 them well. Their percentage numbers are -- are slightly
4 higher on -- on theirs but -- but not that much, not enough
5 that's going to swing that district.

6 The real difference between the two maps is do you
7 have Flagstaff with the Native Americans or do you have the
8 White Mountains with the Native Americans? And that's the
9 choice this Commission is going to have to make, and either
10 way you're going to have people that are unhappy.

11 I think the White Mountain people have been
12 disadvantaged for the last ten years, they've been really
13 unified in their voice that they don't want to be part of
14 the Navajo district; Flagstaff doesn't really want to be
15 part of it either but was more of a split opinion in
16 Flagstaff.

17 And I think the college town and the demographics
18 of Flagstaff are a better fit than the White Mountains with
19 the Navajo Nation.

20 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Well --

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: How many people are -- when
22 you say the people in the White Mountains have felt, you
23 know, disenfranchised or not represented, what -- what's the
24 population numbers of the people that you feel fit into that
25 category?

1 I'd like to look at that.

2 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah.

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I think it's about 70,000
4 people, it's a big number.

5 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: It's about the same as
6 Flagstaff.

7 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah.

8 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: But if you listen to both
9 White Mountain and San Carlos, they said obviously they want
10 to be considered in that district, but they also work
11 closely with Pinetop and Show Low and so, you know, they
12 have great communities, they work together very well, you
13 know, they're adjacent to each other. And so I think the
14 White Mountain Apache was suggesting that the White Mountain
15 communities, they're neighbors and they work well together,
16 and then they also want to be part of the Navajo district,
17 so.

18 I think Navajo feels that Flagstaff should be in a
19 separate district just because, you know, there's big
20 differences. Yes, there's -- you know, they share a lot of
21 economics but, you know, from a philosophy standpoint,
22 there's differences as they point out.

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And the White Mountains has a
24 lot of issues on water and other things where they're
25 oppositional to the interests of the Navajo Nation. And

1 that's one of the reasons that the White Mountain area very
2 much wants to be in a different district and have their own
3 representation.

4 When we first talked about this several months ago
5 and I actually asked, you know: Is Flagstaff a good fit
6 with the Navajo Nation? Actually the answer back then was
7 yes, it is.

8 So I don't think it's -- I don't -- I think this a
9 case where we could make a case for either one, but that's
10 the choice we're going to have to make.

11 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Well, as you pointed out,
12 Commissioner Mehl, some districts have plans you like, I
13 like this one. I think it's very important. It serves, you
14 know, the folks in the various communities of interest in
15 Northern Arizona.

16 When it comes to water, I think yes, there's some
17 differences, but they all have water issues, you know,
18 dealing with drought. And so I think, you know, if you look
19 at the lower -- the upper Colorado basin and the lower,
20 they're all actually trying to fight for that. Who has
21 access to the San Juan River, you know, those issues.

22 I think there's a lot of reservoirs that were put
23 together in Winslow which Navajo doesn't have access to. So
24 the White Mountain community folks have a lot of access to a
25 lot of reservoirs that were installed during the Colorado --

1 I mean, the Colorado storage project. If you look at
2 Winslow, Strawberry, that whole -- there's -- there's huge
3 reservoirs out there that were put in there to deal with the
4 White Mountain community.

5 So I think what the Navajo is proposing works very
6 well, and they're also including Joseph City which wasn't
7 impacted in the past. And so one thing that -- also I think
8 these communities are also going to be facing is just the
9 closure of the coal mine plants. The Cholla plant in
10 Joseph City is scheduled to go down, you know, there's --
11 there's a power plant over by Saint John's that's going to
12 be shutting down, which the Navajo Nation just experienced
13 shutdown of Navajo generation station.

14 And so these communities here I guess are
15 considered mining communities, so they do have a common
16 community of interest situation.

17 And forestry. Forestry. Navajo has a big forest,
18 the eastern side of Apache County does, and so they're all
19 trying to figure out together how to together work on
20 forestry. So a lot of commonalities.

21 The only difference is you have natives and
22 non-Natives, that's the only difference.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: And -- and how exactly is the
24 Native American community disenfranchised in our draft map?
25 Is it just the concerns --

1 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: It's Flagstaff, the city of
2 Flagstaff, I believe.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: But -- but wouldn't, you
4 know, there be a strong -- I mean, we -- it's a
5 majority-minority district, correct?

6 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: It is.

7 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So we'd be taking a great
8 care to ensure a high, you know, Native American CVAP that's
9 highly empowered.

10 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Flagstaff is going to create
11 some VRA problems in that district because -- in primaries
12 because of the vote, and the voting turnout that happens as
13 well as part of that.

14 It's -- there could be some real implications for
15 that, which is why they wanted to exclude Flagstaff. And
16 pretty much the -- including the Flagstaff City Council have
17 said not to be included in that district, as well as the
18 majority of people who have come and done public hearings
19 and provided us with input have said to exclude Flagstaff
20 from that district.

21 So it -- it does have implications in terms of our
22 map versus this map by where Flagstaff is. It -- it brings
23 in a lot of Democratic voters who you would think would
24 always be aligned, but that might impact -- if you have
25 different Democrats running, it will impact the primaries

1 and impact who might then get in as part of that.

2 So it's not a Republican-Democrat issue, it's more
3 a matter of Native American voters versus the white voters,
4 which are a high population in the Flagstaff area that could
5 impact that.

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: But how are their needs so
7 different?

8 You know, aren't there just shared interests?
9 Wouldn't a candidate who would win in either scenario
10 represent the Navajo needs very well?

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: What -- what we're looking
12 for is to give them the opportunity to have actual
13 representation; and if we include Flagstaff into this
14 district, there's a good chance that they would not have
15 representation, and that's really where -- what this is all
16 about. It's about the opportunity to elect a person of
17 their preference, and the chances of having that opportunity
18 with Flagstaff in there is much smaller.

19 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Flagstaff has more of a urban
20 college town; Navajo is more farming, livestock, you know,
21 and -- and tourism for the most part, but farming and
22 livestock are a big -- big industry on Navajo, which is very
23 similar to what you see in the eastern part or the southern
24 part of Navajo County and Apache County.

25 And so yes, you know, share party affiliations but

1 when it comes down to the economy, very different.

2 Flagstaff is tourism and college, Navajo -- and we
3 heard from White Mountain Apache, livestock, you know, and
4 agriculture, so. And I see that in Snowflake and Taylor and
5 Joseph City, those are huge, huge farming and agriculture
6 locations.

7 So they share and they have a different focus than
8 Flagstaff.

9 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I also heard a lot of common
10 enmeshment with social and cultural interchanges between the
11 Native American communities and Flagstaff; tourism, that's
12 highly in common.

13 You know what, I'm -- I'm not ready to make a
14 decision on this.

15 COMMISSIONER YORK: Is there a reason why their map
16 didn't include that eastern boundary of -- of east
17 Flagstaff? There's a community out there with quite a few
18 bodies.

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So it breaks up communities
20 around Flagstaff is what you're saying?

21 COMMISSIONER YORK: It does, yeah, as far as...

22 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Are you talking about 89
23 going out of Flagstaff?

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yeah.

25 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah. Well, that -- that

1 community was actually created as a -- as a Navajo County.
2 Little bit of history with the Navajo-Hopi relocation
3 program. They -- they basically relocated about a hundred
4 thousand Navajos from the Tuba City area down to north
5 Flagstaff in the part that we're talking about.

6 And so that -- that program didn't work out but you
7 still see some Navajos there. But there's still an
8 affiliation and affinity toward the north part of Flagstaff
9 because many of those homes are actually Navajo homes, and
10 because our people weren't -- weren't taught about taxes and
11 all those other things, basically a lot of our Navajos had
12 to move and they moved back to Tuba City and left the
13 community intact. So now you have a nice community which a
14 lot of non-Navajos reside in.

15 So I think that's why on the Navajo map, that's why
16 you see it included.

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: There's -- I mean, there's --
18 we -- I mean some of those lines could probably be adjusted,
19 but basically this is a -- when you mention economy,
20 communities of interest, things that they have in common,
21 they have a lot in common with the communities. The big
22 difference is ethnicity that they have.

23 But tourism is big in -- we heard that a lot from
24 the White Mountain folks, people come up -- they said that
25 all the time. People come up to spend time here just as

1 they do in some of these other areas as well. In fact,
2 probably all the rural areas can speak to tourism because
3 they talk about how people from the urban areas go up to
4 escape.

5 They -- they have a lot in common in terms of
6 economics, in terms of ways of life in this area. The big
7 difference is the ethnic makeup that we're talking about,
8 and I think there's more in common in terms of all of those
9 factors that we are looking at, communities of interest, by
10 putting them together than not.

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Now, we'll look into the
12 Native American population in Flagstaff.

13 But I want to be cognizant of the time. We only
14 have 'til 5:00 p.m., is that a hard stop because our
15 YouTube, so -- so we ought to be, you know, five minutes
16 before then.

17 I'm not ready to make a decision on this, you know.
18 I'd like to learn a little bit more and not today, I would
19 like to be able to take advantage of legal counsel maybe
20 next meeting vote to go into executive session if this is a
21 VRA district. If this is a majority-minority district, then
22 we're looking at the ability to elect and what it means
23 primary, general, you know, same race. I think I need a
24 little time to dive into that a little more before, you know
25 making, a decision on this.

1 So I suggest we pause.

2 MR. D. JOHNSON: Chair, if I might give a --

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes.

4 MR. D. JOHNSON: -- something to think about over
5 the next two days for the Commissioners?

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Yes.

7 MR. D. JOHNSON: One thing that we haven't looked
8 at much in this map, but in Navajo County it leaves out just
9 8,000 of the 110,000 and actually in Apache County, you may
10 have not even noticed, but southeast of Edgar (verbatim) is
11 leaving just 1,500 people out of Apache County, those are
12 the two notches. So really small groups carved out.

13 So one -- one thought you might look at is
14 Coconino -- Coconino County submitted a map, it's
15 Coconino LD-7. It's almost the exact same numbers as the
16 Navajo map, but instead of leaving out those 10,000 people,
17 it leaves out about 10,000 people who are just north of
18 Flagstaff. So it puts all of the same communities together
19 except for those communities.

20 So just an alternative way to avoid those divisions
21 of Navajo and Apache Counties for you to consider and
22 hopefully for the Navajo to win a seat.

23 I think it would be strange to leave out just 1,300
24 residents from a county who aren't in the city themselves,
25 they're unincorporated. Just something to think about as

1 you -- as you come back to this question on Thursday.

2 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Thank you.

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And my final comment would be,
4 communities of interest between Flagstaff and the Navajo
5 Nation I think simply are much closer than that for the
6 White Mountains. So that would be my parting comment to
7 think about.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Could I ask a question?
9 Separate, just -- can we ask --

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Cognizant of the time that we
11 do need to also officially end the meeting at some point.

12 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's my last question, and
13 I actually have a 5 o'clock stop on my car, so I definitely
14 want -- parked in the wrong place.

15 Can we ask for the mappers to see -- and I'm
16 perfectly fine to look at the Coconino LD-7 instead of this
17 one if that modifies slightly or takes care of a problem,
18 but can we incorporate this into a map so we can see how
19 that would look, just like we've been asking them to do with
20 others? Would that be okay? So we can take a look at that
21 on Thursday.

22 The three districts that were put in by the Navajo
23 with that one adjustment that Doug mentioned.

24 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I have to be honest, I'm
25 interested in the Navajo LD that they submitted. I --

1 before putting in the others. I mean, again, for the same
2 reason that I don't want to take all the other districts
3 from the Latino Coalition or I don't want to take any of the
4 other districts from any of these maps. I'm not ready to do
5 that.

6 I mean, you know, look if -- you're welcome to go
7 down that route. In my opinion it's -- it's a big jump and,
8 you know, I'm not sure it would be fruitful. But -- but if
9 it's something that's very important to you and the
10 Commission wants, then I'll agree.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I mean, I'm interested
12 in it because as we keep saying there's ramifications with
13 any one of these iterations. It's not saying that we would
14 accept everything wholesale, as you've been saying.

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So you're saying you want to
16 adopt all four Navajo Nation districts and fit them into our
17 map?

18 I'm confused what you're asking for.

19 COMMISSIONER LERNER: There was the five -- five --
20 six, oh, yeah, that's right. They added 19 which I had not
21 seen until today.

22 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Right.

23 COMMISSIONER MEHL: And I think this really just
24 swaps things between 6 and 7 and has no other impacts. Am I
25 wrong on that?

1 COMMISSIONER LERNER: From our -- I'm talking about
2 from our maps.

3 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Yeah.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: If that's the case and that's
5 all we would need to do, I guess when we're swapping that
6 piece, I would be interested to see how that works.

7 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Did they do anything else in
8 the Navajo map other than swap 6 and 7?

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Isn't it 5, 6 and 7 that they
10 kind of made adjustments or is it just 6 and 7?

11 MR. KINGERY: 5, 6, 7 and 19.

12 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah, It's -- that's why they
13 included the extra map.

14 MR. FLAHAN: So I know for 19 which is the southern
15 district, that is what Doug was talking about where they
16 left out a part. Was it Apache County or Navajo County,
17 Doug?

18 MR. D. JOHNSON: It's -- it's the part right below
19 Edgar (verbatim) there.

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: Eagar by the way.

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: I don't -- yeah, looking at the
22 map. On the right-hand map, yeah.

23 So you can see -- on the right-hand map you can see
24 the county line the -- the purple LD does not go all the way
25 down to the county line there on the north edge of Greenlee.

1 It stops before Greenlee County line.

2 MR. FLAHAN: Right there.

3 MR. D. JOHNSON: They're bringing 19 up to pick up
4 those 1,300 people.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: And I'm not too worried about
6 that right now to be honest because I figure we'll adjust
7 anything --

8 MR. D. JOHNSON: Right.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: -- with that as part of it.

10 But I am curious over how that would ultimately
11 look and as part of, you know, VRA kind of issues.

12 So if that would be okay, I appreciate it.

13 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: That would be great to do.

14 CHAIRPERSON LERNER: All right.

15 MR. FLAHAN: So 5, 6 and 7 incorporating, is that
16 what we heard?

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Yeah, 5, 6 and 7.

18 MR. D. JOHNSON: What did they do -- what did they
19 do to 5?

20 COMMISSIONER YORK: Nothing.

21 MR. FLAHAN: 5, I --

22 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, just 6 and 7 -- 5...

23 MR. KINGERY: One second, I'll pull it up.

24 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Did they have --

25 COMMISSIONER YORK: We didn't have any discussion

1 around 5, let's not go there.

2 COMMISSIONER LERNER: No, I don't want to have a
3 discussion any more at all.

4 COMMISSIONER YORK: Let's work on 6 and 7.

5 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Today.

6 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: So you're wanting -- but did
7 -- did anybody else ask to incorporate all districts that we
8 didn't discuss?

9 I just want to be consistent in what we're doing.

10 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: We're not consistent.

11 COMMISSIONER LERNER: They didn't make any changes.

12 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: You had other things you
13 liked in these other maps, did we allow you to incorporate
14 other things that we didn't discuss in the map or not, or
15 did we just limit with what we were able to deliberate on?

16 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We pretty much did pieces.

17 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So we can do 6 and 7.

18 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yes.

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: I just want to be balanced --

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: That's fine.

21 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: -- in what I'm -- I'm
22 allowing for all sides.

23 COMMISSIONER LERNER: 6 and 7.

24 MR. D. JOHNSON: They submitted 5 but they didn't
25 change it. So it would just be 6 and 7 and those 1,300

1 people, the 19.

2 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We can worry about the 1,300
3 later, so.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right.

5 MR. FLAHAN: So 6 and 7.

6 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Just the difference between 6
7 and 7.

8 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: 6 and 7.

9 MR. D. JOHNSON: So we don't end up with a whole
10 they'll be unassigned, but like I said they with flip back
11 and forth in a second.

12 The -- the other quick question I had is: Do you
13 want us to try to address the deviation in map Y at this
14 point or wait and give us direction on what number we should
15 aim for on Thursday?

16 Should we, you know, aim for one -- no more than
17 plus or minus 1 percent at this point or...

18 COMMISSIONER MEHL: We're probably one step too
19 soon for that.

20 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yeah, I'd like to wait on
21 that.

22 MR. D. JOHNSON: That's perfectly fine.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Though, I -- I think we all
24 agree that there's precedent that minority communities, you
25 know, can take advantage of population deviance for -- for

1 empowering, you know, helping them elect a leader, so.

2 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Yes.

3 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: We'll have a thoughtful
4 conversation.

5 MR. FLAHAN: So we only have one map for
6 legislative to make, incorporating all the changes; is
7 that --

8 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Hm-mm.

9 MR. FLAHAN: -- is that correct?

10 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Right.

11 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, you have East Valley maps.

12 COMMISSIONER MEHL: I'd like to see all the East
13 Valley changes with our existing map, separate from this
14 change.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Right. Those are separate.

16 MR. FLAHAN: Okay.

17 COMMISSIONER YORK: And we also have LD -- I mean,
18 the VRA districts for the Latino Coalition --

19 COMMISSIONER MEHL: That would be separate.

20 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Against our --

21 COMMISSIONER YORK: -- against the Yuma Gold.

22 MR. FLAHAN: Okay. So East Valley is one, that's
23 consolidated.

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: Yuma.

25 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I didn't think we were

1 looking at all of Yuma, were we?

2 COMMISSIONER YORK: No, just the LD districts -- I
3 mean --

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Just that one.

5 COMMISSIONER YORK: -- VRA districts against, just
6 to see what it would look like.

7 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, I thought it was just
8 the Yuma piece for Yuma Gold. Because we didn't look at
9 anything else in Yuma Gold other than that one area in Yuma
10 and that we knew that that one district was getting changed.
11 I didn't think we were seeing all of the rest of it because
12 we had not looked at any of that.

13 COMMISSIONER YORK: But when we -- when we change
14 23, it will cause a change in 30 or 22.

15 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Well, it was just -- I think
16 he was just going to look at the West Valley piece.

17 COMMISSIONER YORK: Right. Right.

18 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay. Yep. Yep. Okay.

19 MR. FLAHAN: Doug, you want to give us a read out
20 of what we have?

21 MR. D. JOHNSON: Yeah. Yeah, I think on the right
22 side we've got -- it sounds like one map that's the existing
23 draft map with just the East Valley, leg Gilbert
24 consolidated changes; and then a second leg map that has the
25 East Valley changes, incorporates the Yuma Gold connection

1 between Yuma and the West Valley, works in the four Phoenix
2 districts from the Latino Coalition and balances those out,
3 and then the 6s and 7s changes from the Navajo.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: So Doug, just for --

5 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Two minutes and then we've
6 got to move, we don't have an option. We need to close the
7 meeting before we run out of time.

8 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Just a question, though. All
9 of those are up against our existing maps, right, that
10 you're talking about?

11 MR. D. JOHNSON: We're starting from the existing
12 draft, yes.

13 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Okay. Thank you.

14 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Any urgent questions?

15 Any needs from Counsel?

16 Okay. I believe at this point we will move to
17 Agenda Item No. VII, next meeting date.

18 We will reconvene Thursday, same arrangement, the
19 Commission will be live -- I believe here at Snell & Wilmer
20 again, correct? -- starting at 9:00 a.m. and going 'til I
21 guess 5:00 p.m.; Mapping will be virtual.

22 With that we'll move to Agenda Item No. VIII,
23 closing of public comments.

24 Public comments are now closed. Please note,
25 members of the Commission may not discuss items that are not

1 specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant
2 to A.R.S. 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public
3 comment will be limited to directing staff to study the
4 matter, responding to any criticism, or scheduling the
5 matter for further consideration and decision at a later
6 date.

7 With that we arrive at Agenda Item No. IX,
8 adjournment. I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

9 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Vice Chair Watchman motions
10 to adjourn.

11 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Do I have a second?

12 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Commissioner Mehl seconds.

13 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: With no further discussion --

14 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Aye.

15 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: -- Vice Chair Watchman.

16 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Aye.

17 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Commissioner Mehl.

18 COMMISSIONER MEHL: Aye.

19 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: We need -- for the
20 transcriptionist we need to say it all.

21 Commissioner Lerner.

22 COMMISSIONER LERNER: Aye.

23 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Commissioner York.

24 COMMISSIONER YORK: Aye.

25 CHAIRPERSON NEUBERG: Commissioner Neuberg is an

1 aye.

2 With that, we are adjourned.

3 Thank you, partners, for a great first day and I
4 look forward to reconvening on Thursday.

5 (Whereupon the meeting concludes at 4:50 p.m.).

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