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## **SPECIAL MEETING – CITY COUNCIL**

**-APRIL 17, 2012-**

A Special meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 P.M. by the City Clerk in the absence of the Council President.

Roll call showed the following members present: Councilwoman Luciano, Councilmen Donahue, Stycos, Archetto, Santamaria, Favicchio (appeared at 5:50 P.M.), and Council President Lupino (appeared at 7:02 P.M.) -7.

Absent: Council Vice-President Navarro -1.

\*Councilwoman Bucci. Not in attendance due to Temporary Restraining Order issued April 3, 2012 Saccoccio v. City Council C.A. P12-1561

Also Present: Gerald Cordy, Director of Administration; Christopher Orton, Assistant City Solicitor; Patrick Quinlan, City Council Legal Counsel; Steve Woerner, City Council Internal Auditor.

**-APRIL 17, 2012-**

**CALL OF SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

In Accordance with Section 3.07 of the Home Rule Charter and, Section 2.04.060 of the City Code, we hereby call a special meeting of the City Council to be held on

**Tuesday, April 17, 2012 @ 5:30 p.m.**  
Council Chambers, City Hall  
869 Park Ave.,  
Cranston, RI. 02910

Re: **Resolution** Adopting a Redistricting Plan for the City's Six Wards, Scenario Y (Map Q as amended in Ordinance Committee March 29, 2012)  
[\[click here to view\]](#)

And we hereby request the City Clerk to notify all Council members of the Call of the special meeting.

Executed at Cranston, Rhode Island, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2012.

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*/s/ Councilman James E. Donahue*

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*/s/ Councilwoman Leslie A. Luciano*

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*/s/ Councilman Steven A. Stycos*

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*/s/ Councilman Michael W. Favicchio*

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing-impaired must notify the Office of the City Clerk at 461-1000 Ext. 3197 seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the hearing date."

**-APRIL 17, 2012-**

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that a true copy of the attached Call of a special meeting of the City Council to be held on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, R.I. was delivered via electronic mail on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012 to the addresses listed below.

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Councilwoman Leslie A. Luciano  
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[laluciano@cox.net](mailto:laluciano@cox.net)

Councilwoman Maria A. Bucci  
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Cranston, RI 02921  
[MarBC4@aol.com](mailto:MarBC4@aol.com)

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/s/ Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

**-APRIL 17, 2012-**

**City Clerk** indicated that a motion and second is needed to nominate a member of the City Council to preside over the meeting in the absence of the Council President.

Councilman Donahue nominated Councilman Santamaria to preside over the meeting. Councilman Archetto seconded the nomination. Motion passed on a vote of 5-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilwoman Luciano, Councilmen Donahue, Stycos, Archetto and Santamaria -5.

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE CITY'S SIX WARDS, SCENARIO Y (Map Q as amended in Ordinance Committee March 29, 2012).** [[click here to view](#)]

**Councilman Santamaria** stated that what is before the City Council at this time is Map "Y", which was approved by the Ordinance Committee at the March 29<sup>th</sup> meeting. Scenario "Y" is Map "Q", as amended in Committee.

No one from the public appeared to speak.

On motion by Councilman Stycos, seconded by Councilman Donahue, it was voted to approve Resolution adopting the Redistricting Plan Scenario "Y".

Under Discussion:

**Jackie Caruolo**, Registrar, appeared to speak and stated that the General Assembly recently passed a Bill where no precincts, other than General Assembly Districts, can hold fewer than 500 voters.

**Ms. Caruolo** stated the following amendments made to the Plan since the Committee meeting:

- 538 voters in Ward 2, down from 388
- Reduced Ward 3 from 696 to 546. This all takes place in General Assembly District 1428.

On motion by Councilman Archetto, seconded by Councilman Stycos, it was voted to approve Scenario "Y" with amendments that the Registrar has put together.

Under Discussion:

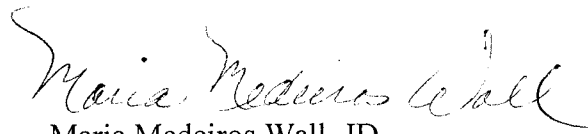
**Maria Giarrusso**, GIS Manager, stated that there are two blocks that are being modified by this amendment: #44070141004010 and #440070141004009. They are being transferred from Ward 3 into Ward 2.


No one from the public appeared to speak.

Roll call was taken on above motion to approve Scenario "Y" with amendments stated by Registrar and motion passed on a vote of 6-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilwoman Luciano, Councilmen Donahue, Stycos, Archetto, Santamaria and Favicchio -6.

Roll call was taken to approve Resolution as amended and motion passed on a vote of 6-0. The following being recorded as voting "aye": Councilwoman Luciano, Councilmen Donahue, Stycos, Archetto, Santamaria and Favicchio -6. Council President Lupino was present, but did not vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 P.M.

  
 Maria Medeiros Wall, JD  
 City Clerk

  
 Rosalba Zanni  
 Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

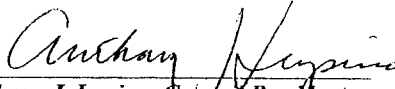
THE CITY OF CRANSTON

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
ADOPTING A REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE CITY'S SIX WARDS

*No. 2012-20*

*\*Scenario "Y" As Amended City Council April 17, 2012*

*Passed: April 17, 2012*

  
*Anthony J. Lupino, Council President*

**WHEREAS**, United States Supreme Court decisions handed down during the 1960s clarified the Constitution's intention to provide equality of representation for all Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, section 141 of title 13, United States Code provides for transmittal to each of the several States of the tabulation of population of that State, obtained in each decennial census; and

**WHEREAS**, State and Federal law requires that if the differences in populations between the various districts are too large, then a redrawing of the district boundaries must take place; and

**WHEREAS**, State redistricting of legislative lines directly impacts on the City of Cranston's Six Wards; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 Census also shows changes to the City's population figures;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Cranston City Council, to ensure all Cranston residents have a fair and equal share in the way they are governed, hereby adopts the Redistricting Plan attached hereto\*(Scenario Y) and made a part hereof.

Sponsored by Council President Lupino

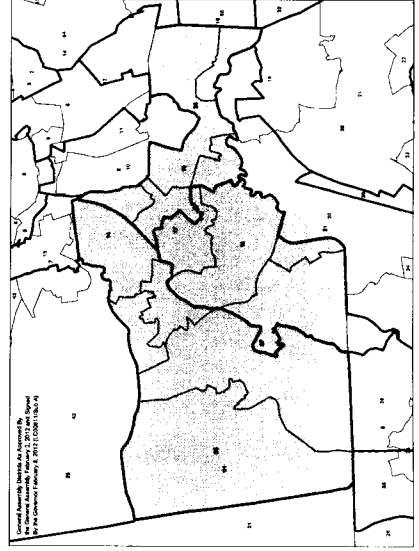
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**City of Cranston Voting Wards**  
**Scenario Y amended**  
**April 16, 2012**



- Legend**
- Incumbents Type
    - Council
    - Mayor
    - School Committee
    - Geocoding Result: PollingPlaces2010
    - House Districts (2/8/2012)
    - Senate Districts (2/8/2012)
  - Wards Scenario Y amended
    - 1
    - 2
    - 3
    - 4
    - 5
    - 6



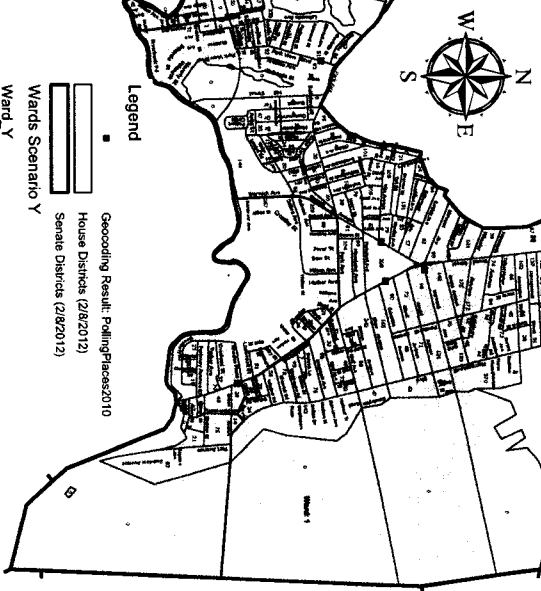
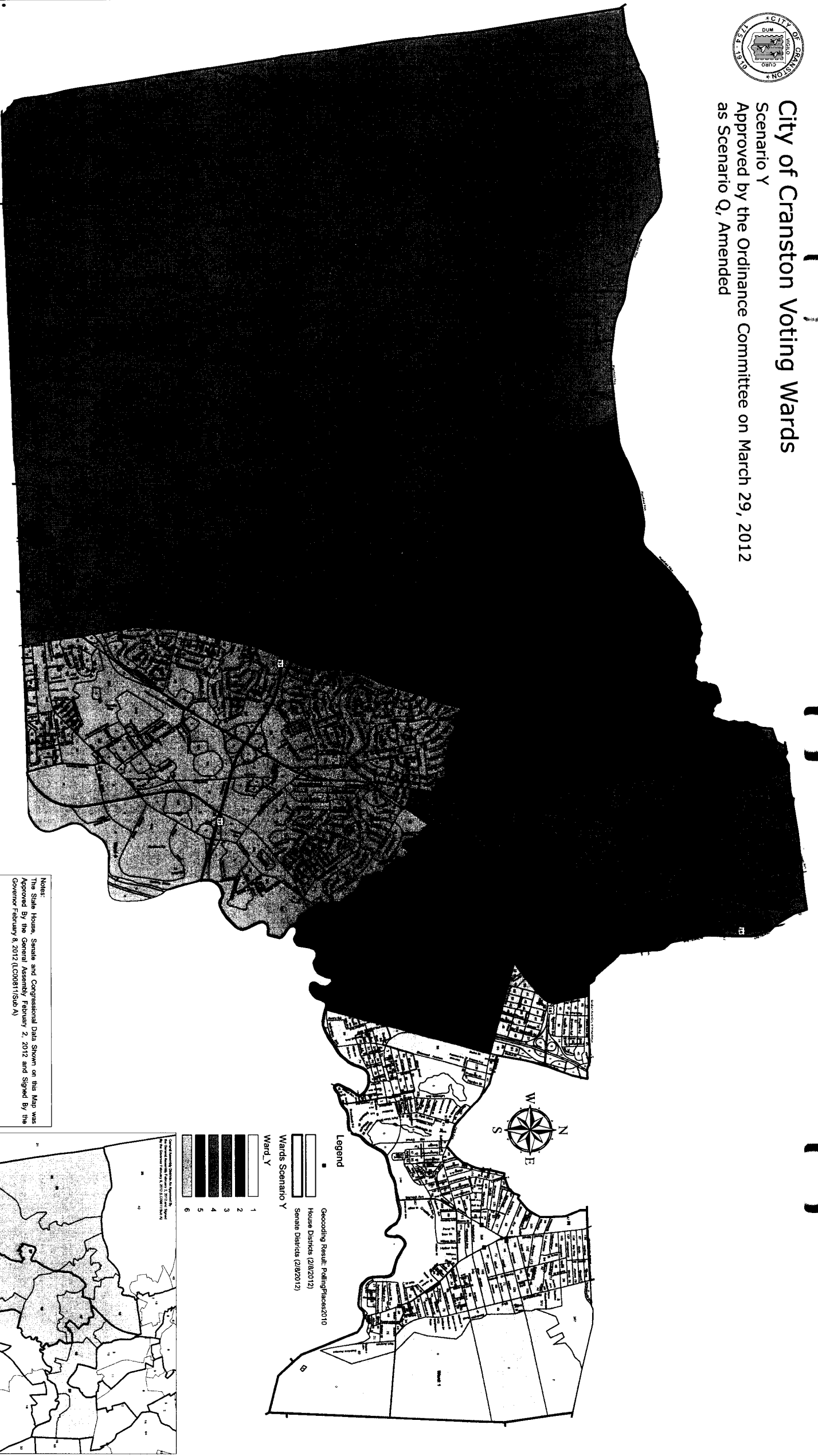
**Notes:**  
 The State House, Senate and Congressional Data Shown on this Map was Approved By the General Assembly February 2, 2012 and Signed By the Governor February 8, 2012 (LC00811/Sub-A)  
 Cranston is entirely contained in Congressional District 2.  
 Maroon text in each block indicates Census 2010 block total population.  
 Data Sources: Census 2010, RIRedistricting.com, Election Data Services, Inc.

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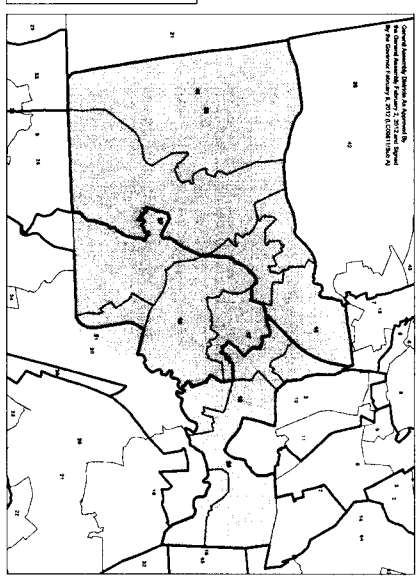
# City of Cranston Voting Wards Scenario Y

Approved by the Ordinance Committee on March 29, 2012  
as Scenario Q, Amended



- Legend**
- Geocoding Points: PollingPlaces2010
  - ▭ House Districts (2/8/2012)
  - ▭ Senate Districts (2/8/2012)
  - ▭ Wards Scenario Y
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# Redistricting Project - Population Distribution (2010 Census Data)

Scenario Yamended:

Total Population: 80,387 Target Population per Ward: 13,397 Target Deviation per Ward: 669 5.00%

Ward	Total Population	Deviation from Target Population <sup>a</sup>	Over 18	Voters*	Race											
					One Race Total	White	Black / African American	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races	Hispanic or Latino (of any race)			
<b>Ward: 1</b>	13,469	72 0.5%	10,639	9,368	12,964 96.3%	10,464 77.7%	943 7.0%	71 0.5%	731 5.4%	3 0.0%	752 5.6%	505 3.7%	1,762 13.1%			
<b>Ward: 2</b>	13,272	-125 -0.9%	10,350	9,116	12,810 96.5%	10,564 79.6%	680 5.1%	52 0.4%	947 7.1%	1 0.0%	566 4.3%	462 3.5%	1,472 11.1%			
<b>Ward: 3</b>	13,171	-226 -1.7%	9,946	7,428	12,543 95.2%	8,995 68.3%	953 7.2%	60 0.5%	1,163 8.8%	33 0.3%	1,339 10.2%	628 4.8%	3,234 24.6%			
<b>Ward: 4</b>	13,016	-381 -2.8%	9,787	9,923	12,851 98.7%	12,202 93.7%	135 1.0%	7 0.1%	421 3.2%	0 0.0%	86 0.7%	165 1.3%	304 2.3%			
<b>Ward: 5</b>	13,817	420 3.1%	11,418	9,999	13,607 98.5%	12,473 90.3%	268 1.9%	26 0.2%	519 3.8%	7 0.1%	314 2.3%	210 1.5%	765 5.5%			
<b>Ward: 6</b>	13,642	245 1.8%	11,833	8,073	13,470 98.7%	11,160 81.8%	1,247 9.1%	40 0.3%	375 2.7%	7 0.1%	641 4.7%	172 1.3%	1,172 8.6%			
<b>Total</b>	80,387		63,973	53,907	78,245 97.3%	65,858 84.2%	4,226 5.4%	256 0.3%	4,156 5.3%	51 0.1%	3,698 4.7%	2,142 2.7%	8,709 10.8%			

Voters\*: This number is constantly changing as new voters register/change addresses.  
<sup>a</sup> Red text indicates that the Ward Population does not fall within the desired target deviation.

**Redistricting Project - Ballots and Precincts**

Scenario Yamended:

*Redistricting Project - Ballots and Precincts - Based on Boundaries Approved Feb. 2, 2012 and Signed by the Governor Feb 8, 20*

Total Population: 80,387    \*\*Max Voters per Precinct: 3,000

Ward-Distr - House - Senate - Congr.	Total Population	Over 18	Voters*	Min # Precincts**	Race												
					One Race	White	American African	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races	Hispanic or Latino (of any race)				
<b>Ballot 1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>2</b>	917	708	541	1	886	632	76	4	131	0	43	31	122	
								96.6%	68.9%	8.3%	0.4%	14.3%	0.0%	4.7%	3.4%	13.3%	
<b>Ballot 1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>2</b>	11,182	8,821	7,729	3	10,759	8,642	838	59	560	1	659	423	1,523	
								96.2%	77.3%	7.5%	0.5%	5.0%	0.0%	5.9%	3.8%	13.6%	
<b>Ballot 1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>2</b>	1,370	1,110	1,098	1	1,319	1,190	29	8	40	2	50	51	117	
								96.3%	86.9%	2.1%	0.6%	2.9%	0.1%	3.6%	3.7%	8.5%	
.....					13,469	10,639	9,368		12,964	10,464	943	71	731	3	752	505	1,762

Ward-Distr - House - Senate - Congr.	Total Population	Over 18	Voters*	Min # Precincts**	Race											
					One Race Total	White	Black / African American	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races	Hispanic or Latino (of any race)			
<b>Ballot: 2</b>	<b>14 28</b>	<b>2</b>	828	645	538	1	794	628	59	6	47	0	54	34	122	
			95.9%	75.8%	7.1%	0.7%	5.7%	0.0%	6.5%	4.1%	14.7%					
<b>Ballot: 2</b>	<b>16 27</b>	<b>2</b>	2,785	2,204	2,131	1	2,693	2,383	92	1	133	0	84	92	255	
			96.7%	85.6%	3.3%	0.0%	4.8%	0.0%	3.0%	3.3%	9.2%					
<b>Ballot: 2</b>	<b>16 28</b>	<b>2</b>	2,028	1,600	1,454	1	1,965	1,731	100	11	86	0	37	63	137	
			96.9%	85.4%	4.9%	0.5%	4.2%	0.0%	1.8%	3.1%	6.8%					
<b>Ballot: 2</b>	<b>17 27</b>	<b>2</b>	1,320	1,053	882	1	1,271	1,075	65	5	65	0	61	49	168	
			96.3%	81.4%	4.9%	0.4%	4.9%	0.0%	4.6%	3.7%	12.7%					
<b>Ballot: 2</b>	<b>17 28</b>	<b>2</b>	3,271	2,524	2,240	1	3,164	2,488	180	16	362	1	117	107	345	
			96.7%	76.1%	5.5%	0.5%	11.1%	0.0%	3.6%	3.3%	10.5%					
<b>Ballot: 2</b>	<b>18 28</b>	<b>2</b>	3,040	2,324	1,871	1	2,923	2,259	184	13	254	0	213	117	445	
			96.2%	74.3%	6.1%	0.4%	8.4%	0.0%	7.0%	3.8%	14.6%					
.....					13,272	10,350	9,116	12,810	10,564	680	52	947	1	566	462	1,472
<b>Ballot: 3</b>	<b>14 26</b>	<b>2</b>	8,831	6,533	4,463	2	8,325	5,493	771	48	808	28	1,177	506	2,721	
			94.3%	62.2%	8.7%	0.5%	9.1%	0.3%	13.3%	5.7%	30.8%					
<b>Ballot: 3</b>	<b>14 28</b>	<b>2</b>	844	656	546	1	810	618	50	1	96	0	45	34	117	
			96.0%	73.2%	5.9%	0.1%	11.4%	0.0%	5.3%	4.0%	13.9%					
<b>Ballot: 3</b>	<b>17 27</b>	<b>2</b>	1,310	1,070	1,054	1	1,294	1,154	42	5	64	0	29	16	78	
			98.8%	88.1%	3.2%	0.4%	4.9%	0.0%	2.2%	1.2%	6.0%					
<b>Ballot: 3</b>	<b>17 28</b>	<b>2</b>	2,186	1,687	1,365	1	2,114	1,730	90	6	195	5	88	72	318	
			96.7%	79.1%	4.1%	0.3%	8.9%	0.2%	4.0%	3.3%	14.5%					
.....					13,171	9,946	7,428	12,543	8,995	953	60	1,163	33	1,339	628	3,234

Ballot	Total	Over 18	Voters*	Min # Precincts**	Race											
					One Race	White	Black / African American	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races	Hispanic or Latino (of any race)			
Ballot 4	15 26	2	5,762	4,272	4,449	2	5,703	5,419	64	3	175	0	42	59	166	
							99.0%	94.0%	1.1%	0.1%	3.0%	0.0%	0.7%	1.0%	2.9%	
Ballot 4	15 27	2	3,235	2,584	2,520	1	3,180	3,001	42	0	116	0	21	55	86	
							98.3%	92.8%	1.3%	0.0%	3.6%	0.0%	0.6%	1.7%	2.7%	
Ballot 4	41 26	2	4,019	2,931	2,954	1	3,968	3,782	29	4	130	0	23	51	52	
							98.7%	94.1%	0.7%	0.1%	3.2%	0.0%	0.6%	1.3%	1.3%	
.....					13,016	9,787	9,923	12,851	12,202	135	7	421	0	86	165	304
Ballot 5	14 26	2	2,111	1,713	1,463	1	2,072	1,915	32	1	30	2	92	39	210	
							98.2%	90.7%	1.5%	0.0%	1.4%	0.1%	4.4%	1.8%	9.9%	
Ballot 5	16 27	2	2,789	2,301	2,072	1	2,740	2,628	31	4	43	0	34	49	96	
							98.2%	94.2%	1.1%	0.1%	1.5%	0.0%	1.2%	1.8%	3.4%	
Ballot 5	17 26	2	3,065	2,596	2,098	1	3,025	2,752	59	7	121	4	82	40	168	
							98.7%	89.8%	1.9%	0.2%	3.9%	0.1%	2.7%	1.3%	5.5%	
Ballot 5	17 27	2	2,386	2,014	1,881	1	2,361	2,120	51	0	159	0	31	25	74	
							99.0%	88.9%	2.1%	0.0%	6.7%	0.0%	1.3%	1.0%	3.1%	
Ballot 5	42 26	2	3,466	2,794	2,485	1	3,409	3,058	95	14	166	1	75	57	217	
							98.4%	88.2%	2.7%	0.4%	4.8%	0.0%	2.2%	1.6%	6.3%	
.....					13,817	11,418	9,999	13,607	12,473	268	26	519	7	314	210	765

Ward-Distr - House - Senate - Congr	Total Population	Over 18	Voters*	Min # Precincts**	Race												
					One Race	White	Black / African American	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races	Hispanic or Latino (of any race)				
Ballot: 6	15	27	2	5,276	4,517	3,044	2	5,225	4,364	424	22	164	7	244	51	342	
								99.0%	82.7%	8.0%	0.4%	3.1%	0.1%	4.6%	1.0%	6.5%	
Ballot: 6	16	27	2	5,312	4,502	4,389	2	5,220	4,850	78	5	180	0	107	92	246	
								98.3%	91.3%	1.5%	0.1%	3.4%	0.0%	2.0%	1.7%	4.6%	
Ballot: 6	17	27	2	652	521	564	1	640	622	8	0	8	0	2	12	9	
								98.2%	95.4%	1.2%	0.0%	1.2%	0.0%	0.3%	1.8%	1.4%	
Ballot: 6	20	27	2	1,654	1,545	76	1	1,638	934	455	12	19	0	218	16	450	
								99.0%	56.5%	27.5%	0.7%	1.1%	0.0%	13.2%	1.0%	27.2%	
Ballot: 6	20	31	2	748	748	0	1	747	390	282	1	4	0	70	1	125	
								99.9%	52.1%	37.7%	0.1%	0.5%	0.0%	9.4%	0.1%	16.7%	
.....					13,842	11,833	8,073		13,470	11,160	1,247	40	375	7	641	172	1,172
.....																	
<b>Report Totals</b>					80,387	63,973	53,907	32	78,245	65,858	4,226	256	4,156	51	3,698	2,142	8,709
Voters - This number is constantly changing as new voters register/change addresses									97.3%	84.2%	5.4%	0.3%	5.3%	0.1%	4.7%	2.7%	10.8%

