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## First Round of Draft Reapportionment Maps Are Ready for Public Review

### **December 29, 2021**

The first round of draft maps for the Municipality of Anchorage's reapportionment have been released and can be found at <a href="https://www.ReapportionANC.org">www.ReapportionANC.org</a>. The website also features an online public comment portal, a reapportionment fact sheet, and resources from Reapportionment Committee meetings.

The Committee welcomes feedback on the draft maps and invites the public to submit their own maps. Next week the Committee will release a timeline with the deadline to submit map proposals and the schedule for two Reapportionment Town Halls that will take place in late January. Maps and information will be displayed at all Anchorage Public Library locations and City Hall. Visit www.ReapportionANC.org for details.

# **Background**

Every ten years after the U.S. Census is complete, governments across the country update their election districts to match the new population data. In Anchorage, the process is called Reapportionment and is led by a Reapportionment Committee, which is charged with reviewing the State final redistricting plan, taking public input, and developing proposed maps for the Anchorage Assembly to consider for adoption to realign the boundaries of the six Assembly Election Districts to ensure fair and equal representation. This Reapportionment will include a new 12th Assembly seat that was approved by Municipality of Anchorage voters in 2020. Due to the late completion of the U.S. Census, and therefore the State redistricting plan, the municipal reapportionment will not be completed in time for the upcoming election, so the final adopted plan will go into effect for elections occurring after April 2022.

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