



REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

1. Call to Order

The Harford County Councilmanic Redistricting Commission meeting was held in Council Chambers, 212 S. Bond Street, Bel Air, MD on September 9, 2021. It was called to order at 6:03 PM by Mustafa Sidik, Chair. All members were in attendance. County Council President Pat Vincenti was also in attendance.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes

Erik Robey made a motion to approve the minutes from August 18, 2021. Wayne Goddard seconded. The minutes were approved with an unanimous vote.

3. Commission Business Meeting

Mr. Joel Gallihue, Chief of Long Range Planning with Harford County Department of Planning and Zoning, made a presentation. The presentation will be attached to these minutes and will also be posted on the Redistricting website. He reviewed the Census Population by Jurisdiction. Harford County has the 3rd largest change in the Baltimore Region. He also displayed a map of Harford County with the adjusted population by precinct. Mr. Gallihue said that the map shows the population within the required 10% deviation.

It was opened for questions. Mr. Sidik and Mr. Robey had questions and Mr. Gallihue answered. Mr. Goddard noted that the current population status is within the requirements provided. Mr. Goddard had a question and Mr. Gallihue responded. Mr. Goddard asked for him to determine the “dead zones” and to bring that information to the next meeting. Jim Thornton and Mr. Goddard had comments. Mr. Goddard had a question and Mr. Gallihue responded. Mr. Goddard expressed concerns about gerrymandering. Mr. Thornton, Mr. Robey, Mr. Sidik, and Mr. Goddard made comments. Ms. Bracknell had a question and Mr. Robey responded. Mr. Sidik had a question and Charles Kearney, Council Attorney, and Mr. Gallihue responded. Mr. Thornton made comments. Mr. Kearney asked a question and Mr. Thornton responded. Mr. Kearney asked the Commissioners to submit any maps they may receive from the community to him and the administrative staff so it could be posted on the website. Mr. Goddard and Mr. Thornton had comments.

Mr. Sidik stated action items to be completed for the next meeting, scheduled for Monday, September 13, 2021: 1) Ms. Bracknell will create a press release to go to each municipality and other communities requesting formal map submissions and/or comments; 2) Mr. Gullihue will provide the specific percentage changes and the correction to the number variance found in his presentation date; 3) They should get a map noting core districts with common interests. Mr. Gallihue made comments. Mr.

Sidik had a legal question and Mr. Kearney responded. Mr. Goddard and Mr. Robey had comments.

4. Public Comment

1. **Scott DeLong, 2243 Hunters Chase, Bel Air, MD** – Expressed concern over a conflict of interest with one of the Commissioners

5. Adjournment

Mr. Goddard made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Robey seconded. All were in favor; the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 PM.

Approved _____



Chairperson

Date

HARFORD COUNTY COUNCILMANIC REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

September 9, 2021

Joel Gallihue, Chief of Long Range Planning
Harford County Department of Planning and Zoning

HARFORD COUNTY GROWTH

2020 and 2010 Census Population by Jurisdiction

State/Region/Jurisdiction	2020	2010	Change	Percent Change
Maryland	6,177,224	5,773,552	403,672	7.0%
Baltimore Region	2,794,636	2,662,691	131,945	5.0%
Anne Arundel	588,261	537,656	50,605	9.4%
Baltimore County	854,535	805,029	49,506	6.1%
Carroll	172,891	167,134	5,757	3.4%
Harford	260,924	244,826	16,098	6.6%
Howard	332,317	287,085	45,232	15.8%
Baltimore City	585,708	620,961	-35,253	-5.7%

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Suburban Washington Region	2,300,979	2,068,582	232,397	11.2%
Frederick	271,717	233,385	38,332	16.4%
Montgomery	1,062,061	971,777	90,284	9.3%
Prince George's	967,201	863,420	103,781	12.0%
Southern Maryland Region	373,177	340,439	32,738	9.6%
Calvert	92,783	88,737	4,046	4.6%
Charles	166,617	146,551	20,066	13.7%
St. Mary's	113,777	105,151	8,626	8.2%
Western Maryland Region	251,617	252,614	-997	-0.4%
Allegany	68,106	75,087	-6,981	-9.3%
Garrett	28,806	30,097	-1,291	-4.3%
Washington	154,705	147,430	7,275	4.9%
Upper Eastern Shore Region	243,616	239,951	3,665	1.5%
Caroline	33,293	33,066	227	0.7%
Cecil	103,725	101,108	2,617	2.6%
Kent	19,198	20,197	-999	-4.9%
Queen Anne's	49,874	47,798	2,076	4.3%
Talbot	37,526	37,782	-256	-0.7%
Lower Eastern Shore Region	213,199	209,275	3,924	1.9%
Dorchester	32,531	32,618	-87	-0.3%
Somerset	24,620	26,470	-1,850	-7.0%
Wicomico	103,588	98,733	4,855	4.9%
Worcester	52,460	51,454	1,006	2.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau's 2020 and 2010 Census Data

Prepared by the Maryland Department of Planning from U.S. Census Bureau's P.L. 94-171 data.

PERCENTAGE CHANGE 2020 AND 2010 POPULATION MARYLAND COUNTIES

20%

15%

10%

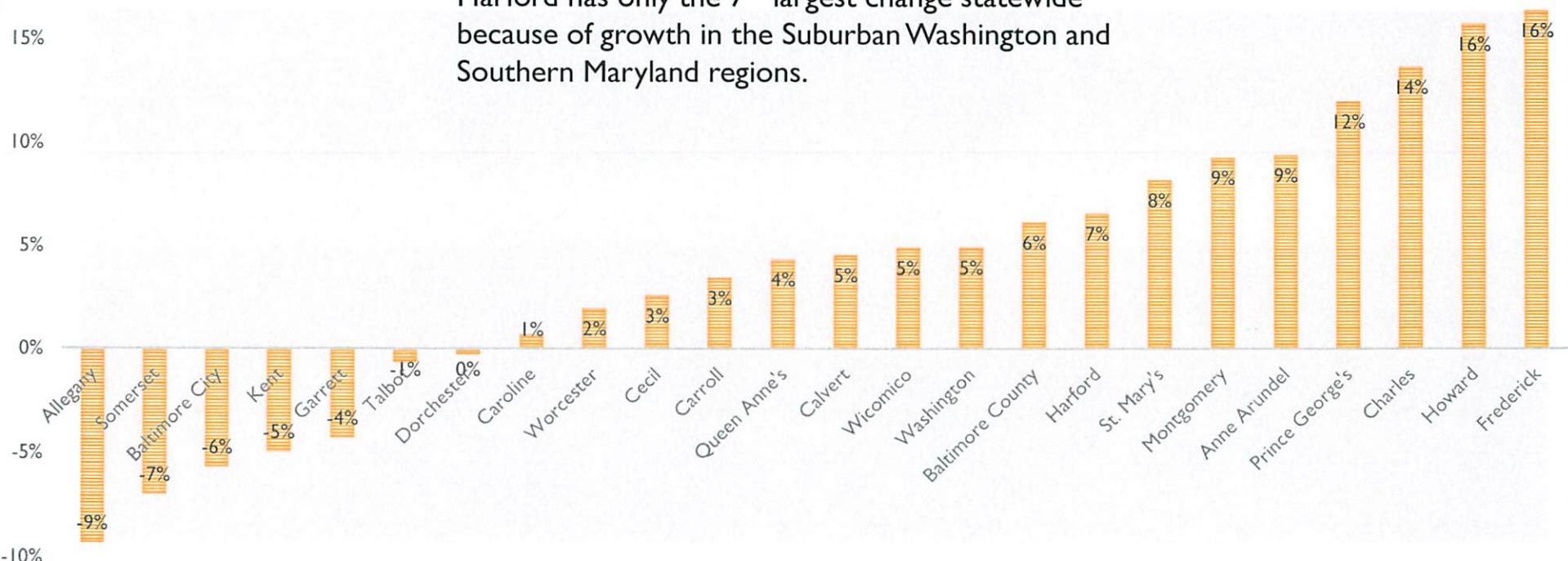
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-10%

Harford has only the 7th largest change statewide
because of growth in the Suburban Washington and
Southern Maryland regions.



Source: US Census Bureau's 2010 and 2020 Census Data

-15%

9/9/2021

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CURRENT ADJUSTED POPULATION BY DISTRICT

District Adjusted 2020 Population

A 44052

B 44941

C 41738

D 42342

E 42844

F 45548

Total 261465

Equal districts size:
 $261,465 / 6 = 43,577$

Deviation range
Less than: 47,935
Greater than: 39,219

REDISTRICTING COMMISSION RESOURCES

Map showing adjusted population by precinct

Districts A-F are shown by color

Districts are labeled on the map

Districts have adjusted population noted

Map showing Districts and Road Names

Helpful cross reference for discussion of options

Planning and Zoning Staff can process options for next meeting

Online options researched, presently available for state races but we will keep checking