

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: September 19, 2022

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Aaron King, Assistant City Manager

Council Action Requested:

Public Hearing to Consider a Resolution to Revise the Ward Boundaries of the City of Winston-Salem as a Result of the 2020 Census

Strategic Focus Area: No
Strategic Objective: No
Strategic Plan Action Item: No
Key Work Item: No

Summary of Information:

As a result of the 2020 Census, the City is required to revise its Ward boundaries. The 2020 Census indicated a population of 249,545 for the City of Winston-Salem. The City is required to ensure that all eight Wards have a population deviation of +/-5% or less in order to be legally compliant. At the June 14, 2022 CD/H/GG Committee meeting staff presented a draft version of the Ward realignment map that placed all eight Wards within +/-1% population deviation in addition to complying with all other metrics shared with the Committee. Since the June 14th Committee meeting, staff has worked to heavily publicize the draft Ward map in order to solicit public comment. Additionally, four public drop-in meetings were held during the month of August at locations spread across the City (Sedge Garden, Hanes Hosierey, Polo, and Miller Park Community Centers) in order to offer additional opportunity for public input. Attached to this agenda item are the following: (1) Staff recommended Ward realignment map- the same map shared with the CD/H/GG Committee in June; (2) Individual maps of each Ward’s revised boundaries; and (3) All public emails/comments received since the June Committee meeting.

Committee Action:

Committee	_____	Action	_____
For	_____	Against	_____
Remarks:	_____		