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BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 3, 2021

Members Present:

John Binkley, Chair of the Board

Melanie Bahnke, Board Member

Bethany Marcum, Board Member

Budd Simpson, Board Member

Nicole Borromeo, Board Member

Peter Torkelson, Executive Director

T.J. Presley, Deputy Director

Juli Lucky, Staff Member

Matt Singer, Legal Counsel

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 2</p> <p>1 PROCEEDINGS</p> <p>2 -oOo-</p> <p>3 00:00:00</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Well, let's call the</p> <p>5 meeting back to order. We are still in a work</p> <p>6 session but on the record.</p> <p>7 And we were starting to take a quick look at</p> <p>8 Anchorage.</p> <p>9 Let's see, Nicole, were you still presenting</p> <p>10 or had we -- remind me. Did we --</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: We were done with my</p> <p>12 revisions, yes.</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Did you get a chance to put</p> <p>14 on your presentation?</p> <p>15 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes. Yes.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Then the next one</p> <p>17 we're going to look at is Bethany's. I think you two</p> <p>18 were the primary purveyors of the Anchorage area</p> <p>19 maps.</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: I'm going to ask</p> <p>21 (indiscernible), because my computer blew up three</p> <p>22 times this morning since I got here this morning.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, no.</p> <p>24 MEMBER MARCUM: So it's restarting now and</p> <p>25 it's reapplying updates.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 4</p> <p>1 right here. This is a Microsoft message. Great.</p> <p>2 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. That's a good idea.</p> <p>3 Why don't we put this one on Zoom (indiscernible).</p> <p>4 MEMBER SIMPSON: That's a great idea.</p> <p>5 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. It'll be a much higher</p> <p>6 quality.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Way better than that, yeah.</p> <p>8 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. So let me jump on there</p> <p>9 real quick.</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: 24 percent now.</p> <p>11 MR. PRESLEY: Now I've got (indiscernible).</p> <p>12 AUTOMATED VOICE: Recording in progress.</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Test, one, two. One, two,</p> <p>14 three, four. Works great. Impressive.</p> <p>15 MR. TORKELESON: It's amazing.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, but they can't see our</p> <p>17 nametags.</p> <p>18 MR. TORKELESON: They can see the table over</p> <p>19 here, but you're right, they probably can't.</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: We can put it on top here.</p> <p>21 MR. TORKELESON: We can chain it around your</p> <p>22 neck.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Put it on our mask. Imprint</p> <p>24 it on our mask.</p> <p>25 MR. TORKELESON: We actually may be able to</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 3</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: So it's at 23 percent, I</p> <p>3 think is what it says. But as soon as it gets back</p> <p>4 up, then I'll be good to go.</p> <p>5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: But if you can bear with</p> <p>7 that while it's -- while we deal with Microsoft.</p> <p>8 MR. TORKELESON: Well, I have the</p> <p>9 (indiscernible), if you want to look at it.</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>11 MR. TORKELESON: Oh, your notes. Okay. I'll</p> <p>12 just wait.</p> <p>13 MEMBER SIMPSON: Would it be possible for</p> <p>14 Nicole to just give a brief recap then to get us</p> <p>15 warmed up?</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Sure. I think that's a good</p> <p>17 idea.</p> <p>18 Would you be willing to do that, Nicole?</p> <p>19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes. What?</p> <p>20 MEMBER SIMPSON: Brief recap to get us</p> <p>21 warmed up?</p> <p>22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Sure. Yeah, yeah. Let me</p> <p>23 see what we have.</p> <p>24 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: That's exactly what it says</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 5</p> <p>1 put tape on the back (indiscernible).</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, that (indiscernible).</p> <p>3 MR. PRESLEY: All right. You are all set.</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay, Nicole. The floor is</p> <p>5 yours.</p> <p>6 MR. TORKELESON: I was wondering if you turn</p> <p>7 off (indiscernible) for other people, so --</p> <p>8 MR. PRESLEY: I can't do it for other</p> <p>9 people. I'll monitor actively, though.</p> <p>10 MR. TORKELESON: Okay.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: All right. Are you ready,</p> <p>12 Peter?</p> <p>13 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. I'm just trying to</p> <p>14 see if there's a better way to hide this thing here</p> <p>15 so it's not taking up our menu bar, for example, or</p> <p>16 blocking our --</p> <p>17 MEMBER BORROMEO: Our deviation tables?</p> <p>18 MR. TORKELESON: -- our deviation tables.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Actually, make the</p> <p>20 deviation tables a little bit higher (indiscernible).</p> <p>21 And I need to see 9 through 23.</p> <p>22 MR. TORKELESON: Nine through 23.</p> <p>23 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, oh.</p> <p>24 MR. PRESLEY: You okay?</p> <p>25 MEMBER BORROMEO: I don't have power</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 6</p> <p>1 anymore. Does everybody else have power?</p> <p>2 MR. TORKELSON: Do you have power, John?</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: It looks like I've got</p> <p>4 power.</p> <p>5 MEMBER BORROMEO: Hold on. Let me see. I</p> <p>6 need to reboot mine up. This might take just one</p> <p>7 second.</p> <p>8 (Indiscernible background conversation.)</p> <p>9 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. So I think</p> <p>10 (indiscernible), but it's not something we're going</p> <p>11 to be able to (indiscernible).</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay.</p> <p>13 MR. PRESLEY: It's (indiscernible) may be</p> <p>14 something (indiscernible).</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think Nicole's going to</p> <p>16 talk about (indiscernible).</p> <p>17 MEMBER BORROMEO: Ready? My computer's back</p> <p>18 up, so I can go ahead and give a recap when everybody</p> <p>19 is ready.</p> <p>20 MR. TORKELSON: Okay. I was just going to</p> <p>21 offer that this was a conversation -- we don't -- I</p> <p>22 just did this as a demo. But the ideal population</p> <p>23 size for Anchorage is 18,202, does that ring --</p> <p>24 MEMBER BORROMEO: 18,220, I thought.</p> <p>25 MR. TORKELSON: I've got 202.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 8</p> <p>1 this, not 18,335.</p> <p>2 So this is one way to look at it. We can</p> <p>3 put it back to the way it was.</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. I like -- I like that.</p> <p>5 MEMBER BORROMEO: What's -- what's my</p> <p>6 highest deviation here then? 10 -- 10? Is it</p> <p>7 1.75 -- 1.765?</p> <p>8 MR. TORKELSON: That's what I'm seeing right</p> <p>9 now, yeah.</p> <p>10 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>11 MR. TORKELSON: Looks like 18 is 1.16.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay.</p> <p>13 MR. TORKELSON: So that's not as high as the</p> <p>14 other, but it's close.</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: Do you have Girdwood in?</p> <p>16 MR. TORKELSON: Do I have Girdwood in?</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: The only reason I'm asking</p> <p>18 is (indiscernible).</p> <p>19 MR. TORKELSON: Oh, I did not have</p> <p>20 (indiscernible).</p> <p>21 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. So that's</p> <p>22 (indiscernible).</p> <p>23 MR. TORKELSON: Oh, it's likely. So people</p> <p>24 (indiscernible) --</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 7</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>2 MR. TORKELSON: 18,202?</p> <p>3 MEMBER BORROMEO: Bring it back up. One</p> <p>4 second.</p> <p>5 MR. TORKELSON: The -- if we're going to</p> <p>6 keep --</p> <p>7 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>8 MR. TORKELSON: If we're going to keep the</p> <p>9 Anchorage Municipality whole, not break the north</p> <p>10 with the south, then all districts need to be</p> <p>11 slightly low, because Anchorage has enough population</p> <p>12 for 15.88 districts. So we're sharing the 2,000-ish</p> <p>13 people that are additional over a district in</p> <p>14 Anchorage across all 16 seats, as evenly as possible.</p> <p>15 So if you take the 18,335 and --</p> <p>16 MEMBER SIMPSON: Possible or practical?</p> <p>17 MR. TORKELSON: Practical.</p> <p>18 MEMBER SIMPSON: Okay. Thank you.</p> <p>19 MR. TORKELSON: If you take the 18,335 and</p> <p>20 you change that target to be the Anchorage target,</p> <p>21 then you see the deviations off of the -- essentially</p> <p>22 what should be the goal for all Anchorage districts.</p> <p>23 Then it's a lot easier to see, I think, what</p> <p>24 we're actually trying to balance here. Because if</p> <p>25 we're not (indiscernible) district, then the goal is</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 9</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELSON: -- to 20. That's right.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: Before we get started right</p> <p>3 off the bat, can we just kind of lay out how we're</p> <p>4 going to proceed today? Are we going to be -- I</p> <p>5 don't even know whose version this is. Nicole had a</p> <p>6 chance yesterday to present her latest drawing of</p> <p>7 Anchorage, and then Bethany hadn't had a chance yet.</p> <p>8 So is this what we're looking at?</p> <p>9 Is this what you've been working on,</p> <p>10 Bethany? Oh, this is still Nicole's.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Bud asked for a recap,</p> <p>12 but --</p> <p>13 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay.</p> <p>14 MEMBER BORROMEO: And I'm happy to do it.</p> <p>15 But I do agree, before we move any farther than the</p> <p>16 recap, we really should center ourselves on the</p> <p>17 process going forward.</p> <p>18 I sent an e-mail yesterday. I don't know if</p> <p>19 everybody had a chance to read it, but I suggested</p> <p>20 one possible way to move forward, if the board</p> <p>21 members --</p> <p>22 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>23 MEMBER BORROMEO: We didn't?</p> <p>24 MEMBER BAHNKE: Huh-uh.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BORROMEO: I sent it to your</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 10</p> <p>1 redistricting.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm not showing any new --</p> <p>3 MEMBER MARCUM: I got it, and I'm perfectly</p> <p>4 fine with that, Nicole. I think that seems like a</p> <p>5 reasonable approach.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can you just read it</p> <p>7 quickly?</p> <p>8 MEMBER BORROMEO: Sure.</p> <p>9 MEMBER BAHNKE: And then that way the public</p> <p>10 is also aware of the process that we're going to --</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm happy to.</p> <p>12 So I suggested that what we do as a board is</p> <p>13 start to focus on all of the regions, take a look at</p> <p>14 any new maps or ideas and thoughts the board members</p> <p>15 have. Not really get into heavy, heavy policy</p> <p>16 discussions, but if there are -- I mean, higher-level</p> <p>17 policy discussions, not necessarily into the weeds.</p> <p>18 Talk about any glaring deviations, just ask</p> <p>19 questions like we did, and then perhaps we can get</p> <p>20 through all of the regions by lunch, have a break,</p> <p>21 and then come back and start making some decisions</p> <p>22 and maybe even closing out a few districts today.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's fine with me. Seems</p> <p>24 reasonable.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BAHNKE: I like that plan.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 12</p> <p>1 Alaska -- Anchorage residents, that they really would</p> <p>2 like to see a little bit more definition between</p> <p>3 their two districts.</p> <p>4 This one looks abnormally large in</p> <p>5 comparison to the other Anchorage districts, but</p> <p>6 that's because it abuts up against Chugach State</p> <p>7 Park, so that's all park land included in the</p> <p>8 municipal boundaries. We don't have hardly any</p> <p>9 population there, and it takes in Girdwood.</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Nicole, what is the -- is</p> <p>11 that Rabbit Creek between 15 and 9, that road?</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes. Yes. So this is</p> <p>13 Rabbit Creek, Bear Valley, Girdwood, down to Whittier</p> <p>14 with the park.</p> <p>15 Fifteen then is my South Anchorage/Hillside,</p> <p>16 if you will, district. Again, I'm using Abbott as a</p> <p>17 north boundary, up to the park, proceeding south</p> <p>18 along Huffman and north, and then north with the</p> <p>19 Seward Highway as a boundary. So I'm using major</p> <p>20 transportation corridors.</p> <p>21 If we are just basing this on target</p> <p>22 population, this would be one of my higher</p> <p>23 deviations, at negative 1.26. It's not my highest.</p> <p>24 Peter has another calculation which is probably more</p> <p>25 true based on just the population within Anchorage.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 11</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. I already said yeah</p> <p>2 (indiscernible).</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Bud, you're good with that?</p> <p>4 Okay.</p> <p>5 MEMBER BORROMEO: Perfect. So we'll go to</p> <p>6 Anchorage.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Sure. Nicole, please.</p> <p>8 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you. Good morning,</p> <p>9 everyone, and to Alaskans listening on the phone, as</p> <p>10 well.</p> <p>11 I've been asked -- this is Nicole</p> <p>12 Borromeo -- to give another quick recap of Anchorage.</p> <p>13 And what I'll do is I'll go back and provide maybe a</p> <p>14 little bit more detail than I did yesterday so board</p> <p>15 members have the benefit of previous discussions.</p> <p>16 So my Anchorage is premised on containing</p> <p>17 the municipal population within the boundaries of the</p> <p>18 Municipality of Anchorage.</p> <p>19 I started down to the south, brought in</p> <p>20 Whittier, though, for a district -- proposed</p> <p>21 District 9. This is my South Anchorage with</p> <p>22 Whittier. It keeps East and Anchorage separate, uses</p> <p>23 major ground transportation corridors as a divider.</p> <p>24 And I drafted this based on significant</p> <p>25 public testimony early on from both East and South</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 13</p> <p>1 But why this one is a little bit lower is</p> <p>2 because, again, this groups Alaskans that are</p> <p>3 socioeconomically integrated together and uses the</p> <p>4 major -- major road thoroughfares as boundary lines.</p> <p>5 These homes tend to be on larger lots. They're</p> <p>6 single-family homes. And it's -- it's all on the</p> <p>7 Hillside.</p> <p>8 My proposed District 10 is another South</p> <p>9 Anchorage district, and this is Oceanview. It keeps</p> <p>10 Campbell Lake whole as -- in 11 it keeps Campbell</p> <p>11 Lake whole. So 10 keeps it out.</p> <p>12 Again, using the Seward Highway as an east</p> <p>13 boundary. Then I went south all the way to the</p> <p>14 water. The bluff will be the southern boundary.</p> <p>15 West boundary is Victor Road, and then proceeding</p> <p>16 north along Dimond.</p> <p>17 Eleven, this is Campbell Lake district. It</p> <p>18 does keep the whole lake population whole, brings in</p> <p>19 Jewel Lake and Sand Lake, as well. Strawberry is a</p> <p>20 major divider on the north side. We're using Victor,</p> <p>21 again, which is a major road in this part of town,</p> <p>22 for the east boundary. Jodhpur is the west boundary</p> <p>23 line, and then to the south it is, again, the bluff,</p> <p>24 or the water.</p> <p>25 District 12 on my map is Turnagain and Lake</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 14</p> <p>1 Hood. The coastline is the west and north 2 boundaries. The east boundary is the railroad tracks 3 primarily to Fish Creek to Northwood. 4 We did have to do a little bit of massaging 5 of this area when Peter and I were fine-tuning it, 6 because we found that the census blocks had cut 7 through a few homes in this district. So that line 8 shifted a little bit to the west from the railroad 9 tracks, but only just a block or two over to prevent 10 cutting through someone's house. 11 MEMBER SIMPSON: But you'd still have to 12 follow a different census block, right? I mean, it's 13 still block by block. You just had to -- 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: I just had to move it over 15 one. 16 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- switch to a better 17 (indiscernible) -- 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: Had -- yep. Had -- and 19 incidentally, it ended up with a cleaner line, I 20 thought, in the end there. 21 My proposed District 13 is Spenard. The 22 west boundary is my proposed District 12. The south 23 boundary is International and Tudor, which, again, 24 follows major streets and has kept Midtown intact. 25 I could have done a little bit more block</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 16</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. What did I say? 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: Towns. 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, yeah. I'm sorry. 4 Yep. 5 And then there's -- then there's a lot of, 6 you know, parks, as well, right there, so that 7 accounts for that little -- I couldn't get closer to 8 that line without over-populating. 9 So 14 -- are we in 14? 10 MR. TORKELOSON: Sure. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: This is my Midtown 12 district. The north boundary, again, is the south 13 boundary of 13. For the east boundary I'm using the 14 New Seward Highway and Lake Otis. 15 I went over a street for population, and 16 again note that there -- that that little bump-out 17 there is just park land, so we don't have a lot -- we 18 don't have any Alaskans living there, at least not 19 censused there. So that accounts for that bump-out 20 on that side of the boundary. 21 And, again, it's -- for the south boundary, 22 it's Dimond. West boundary is Northwood and 23 Minnesota. And it looks a little bit jagged because 24 that census block on the east side is just a very 25 large block right there. This is starting to be high</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 15</p> <p>1 work here, but the tradeoff there was that the edge 2 would have been much more jagged, so I decided to 3 keep the district compact instead of those teeny, 4 tiny block works that I could have done. 5 The north boundary of this district is 6 Northern Lights, to Hillcrest, to Fireweed, to 7 Chester Creek. So again, I'm using major 8 transportation thoroughfares and bodies of water to 9 the Seward Highway. It ends at Lake Otis. This does 10 keep Spenard intact, and that was a major goal in 11 drawing this district. 12 My proposed 14 -- 13 MEMBER BAHNKE: Nicole, I have a question 14 for you, if you'd -- 15 MEMBER BORROMEO: Uh-huh. 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- go back up. For that 17 cutout on the left, what is that? The -- that area, 18 yeah. 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: That was following 20 railroad tracks in Fish Creek. And again, we had to 21 do some work in this part of town, because the census 22 blocks in my v4 version cut through a few towns, so 23 we had to move the boundary a little bit. 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: You mean homes, cut through 25 homes?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 17</p> <p>1 density populations of the city. 2 All right. Moving to District 15, this is 3 Lower Hillside. Again, using major arteries, Abbott, 4 New Seward Highway and the park to the east, as well 5 as Huffman. But it keeps that area of town very well 6 intact. 7 Sixteen is my proposed Campbell Airstrip and 8 Parks district. Again, this is large because of the 9 parks in the census blocks. The east boundary is the 10 park. The south boundary is Abbott. West boundary 11 is the New Seward Highway, and the north boundary is 12 Dowling to Tudor. 13 This is irregular in shape. I wanted to 14 make it more square, but as you can see here, with 15 the map that Peter has there, it's just a lot of park 16 land up there. 17 Seventeen, this is my U-Med district. I'm 18 using the university as a core. The south boundary 19 is Dowling and Tudor. West boundary is Lake Otis. 20 The north boundary is Northern Lights to park. It's 21 a little jigsaw because I followed the middle fork of 22 Chester Creek to DeBarr, so you'll see that there. 23 There is a waterway that runs through the district. 24 The east boundary is Boniface to Baxter. 25 And again, this district, of all of mine, is</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 18</p> <p>1 most influenced by existing parks, trail systems, and 2 creeks within town, so that's why the shape is the 3 way it is. 4 District 18, we're starting to move to the 5 east side. This is Nunaka Valley. So my east 6 boundary is 17. South boundary is Tudor, a major 7 road. East is park and north is DeBarr. 8 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's okay. We'll go 10 back again. 11 So the west boundary of 18 is the boundary 12 of 17. The southern boundary is Tudor Road. That's 13 a major thoroughfare running east to west there. The 14 east side is park, and then the north is DeBarr. 15 So there's also a couple of parks in here, 16 as well, and then some old established neighborhoods. 17 My District 19 is Mountain View and Penland 18 Park. These are some of Anchorage's oldest 19 neighborhoods, and I thought it was important to keep 20 them intact. 21 We did do a little bit of tweaking 22 boundaries here a little bit, because, as I mentioned 23 yesterday, I worked downtown to get it to be more 24 inclusive of all of downtown versus having that 25 boundary further to the south.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 20</p> <p>1 blocks, but then bring in all of the folks that are 2 used to being district together. 3 Twenty-one is very much a Base -- 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Can I just ask? 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: So Bootlegger Cove, could 7 you kind of zoom in on that? So -- and then go north 8 a bit to -- just so I can see the boundary there. 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: Downtown? 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. So that's 4th Avenue 11 that comes across? 12 MR. TORKELOSON: 4th is right here. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: Uh-huh. 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: And that's -- or is it 5th 16 that drops down over? 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's 5th that drops down 18 over. 19 MR. TORKELOSON: And right here, through the 20 turn of L Street. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Got it. 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: And that triangle ear, if 23 you will, at the top, that's the natural shape of the 24 census block. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Got it.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 19</p> <p>1 So what that required was a little bit of 2 work on 19 and 23, but those districts maintained 3 their identity from when I first presented before. 4 So this is a very strong Mountain View 5 district that comes down to Airport Heights and wraps 6 around Merrill Field. So that bite out of the west 7 side, if you will, isn't for any other purpose than 8 Merrill Field. So you can -- you can see it there. 9 There's no way to cut through that airport. 10 And then 20 is my Merrill Field and Chester 11 Creek district. This is bounded on the east side by 12 Airport Heights Drive, and it uses the trail system, 13 as well, up to Northern Lights. The south side is 14 Northern Lights to Chester Creek to Fireweed, so it's 15 a series of parks that form the boundary along 16 Chester Creek and the trails which accounts for its 17 shape. 18 The west side of the district boundary is 19 the railroad tracks, and on the north side it's 9th 20 Avenue to the New Seward Highway. And -- 21 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Sorry, 4th now. I 23 apologize. Yep, I was going to say that's not 9th. 24 So it's 4th now, because, again, I moved that 25 boundary in downtown. So I can go up five more</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 21</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yep. This starts to be a 2 very industrial area of town, and the census blocks 3 down here are -- 4 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- a little peculiar, 6 yeah. The shapes are very odd, and it's -- it's hard 7 to know which blocks are densely populated from 8 sparsely populated in some of the downtown areas. 9 Okay. So 21 is a Base district, but it also 10 encompasses the Port of Anchorage. The west boundary 11 is the water. The north boundary is the water and 12 the railroad tracks, as well. The south boundary was 13 moved a little bit in my final drawing -- right 14 there, Peter is hovering the cursor over -- to bring 15 in Bicentennial Park. 16 Right outside of the gate -- gate of the -- 17 of the Muldoon gate. So there's a lot of commerce in 18 this area, high density of veterans, as well. So 19 that's why I decided to shift this population into 20 the Base district, to account for making downtown 21 more whole. 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Now, when you say there's a 23 lot of veterans in that area, is that just in that 24 neighborhood right there? 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: Just, yeah, in that</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 22</p> <p>1 neighborhood, a lot of Alaska Native veterans in 2 particular from -- and that live in low income 3 housing. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Do we have statistics on 5 that or is that just -- 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: We can probably see -- 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- anecdotal? I mean, just 8 curious. 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- if -- if CITC might 10 have something like that. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: I got you. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Let me message Gloria and 13 Carol. They may have something on that. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 15 MEMBER BORROMEO: But we did hear from 16 residents of the area at our -- I don't know if it 17 was our second Anchorage hearing or first one. We've 18 done so many in Anchorage. But the one where we were 19 at the Dena'ina Center, we had some veterans show up. 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: And they lived in this area? 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: Uh-huh. Yep. 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: My proposed District 22 is 24 a north Eagle River, Chugiak, Peters Creek district. 25 There was a lot of public testimony early</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 24</p> <p>1 employment in military from Eagle River or retirees. 2 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. And that was the 3 comments from the Eagle Rivers people, that they 4 didn't want to be -- 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: Correct. 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- included in the district 7 to the south? 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes. 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 10 MR. TORKELESON: There's some -- some folks 11 out there who want to secede from the Municipality of 12 Anchorage. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 14 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. 15 MEMBER BORROMEO: That is a big concern 16 right now, too. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is it? 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: Well, there's -- 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: From the municipality? 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: I don't know that it's a 21 concern for the municipality, but Eagle River 22 residents would like to come out of the municipality. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: But it's a big concern to 24 who? 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: Concern's probably the</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 23</p> <p>1 on, and there continues to be, that Eagle River would 2 like to be separated from East Anchorage, and East 3 Anchorage has the seem feeling. So I worked hard to 4 keep Eagle River out of Anchorage and vice versa. 5 The southern -- 6 MEMBER SIMPSON: Did you hear any 7 competing -- 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yes, we did. 9 MEMBER SIMPSON: What was the -- what did 10 you get from public testimony on that point? 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: That they didn't feel as 12 though they were socioeconomically integrated. The 13 east side tend to have lower annual incomes, live in 14 multi-unit housing. 15 Eagle River's income was a lot higher. They 16 shared a lot of -- that they felt more connected to 17 the Base, but I did a Base district, so I didn't do 18 as much commingling as past maps have. 19 Also the homes in Eagle River are much more 20 on the single-family home level, big lots, and they 21 don't share the same industry either for employment 22 or schools or shop in the same places. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Would employment be 24 military? 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: There was a lot of</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 25</p> <p>1 wrong word. There's a -- what do you call that right 2 now -- campaign kind of going on a little bit in 3 Eagle River so that they would come out of the muni. 4 MR. PRESLEY: It's called Eagle Exit. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Right. I've heard of it. I 6 just was interested to see who was -- was it the 7 Municipality of Anchorage? Are they the ones that -- 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: To be honest, I haven't 9 paid any attention to that issue. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Okay. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: There's actually a couple of 12 the testifiers gave a lot of historical detail about 13 that, so there's some really good testimony out there 14 about the fact that this -- decades ago they started 15 and didn't get any traction, and then there's been 16 new attempts, as well. But there's -- 17 MR. PRESLEY: It's been ongoing for -- 18 MEMBER MARCUM: -- been ongoing things that 19 people have put out there basically saying it's never 20 really taken off. It's just (indiscernible). 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: It just seems like the 22 economics don't work. 23 MEMBER MARCUM: But there's not any 24 (indiscernible) to support (indiscernible). 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. Yeah.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 26</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: So 22 is -- the boundary 2 on the west side is the water. The north and east 3 boundary is also the Municipality of Anchorage's 4 boundaries. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: Why is there that little 6 bite? 7 MEMBER BORROMEO: That is a census block. 8 Again, when it came to downtown and the Eagle 9 River -- especially Eagle River Valley, the census 10 blocks here became very jagged, stair stepped. 11 It's probably something that the 12 Municipality of Anchorage should pay attention to in 13 the 2030 decennial census, and definitely residents 14 of Eagle River. So that's a whole census block, for 15 example, that Peter just lit up. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is there population in that 17 census block? 18 MR. TORKELESON: 114. 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: 114, yeah. 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: So these are folks that -- 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Gives you a much smoother 23 shape. 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- live deep, deep in the 25 Valley.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 28</p> <p>1 the census blocks that we were given to work with. 2 MR. TORKELESON: So like that block right 3 there, for example, has been -- 4 MEMBER MARCUM: That's a (indiscernible) 5 shape. It's a bird. 6 MR. TORKELESON: There's actually a mountain 7 road there that's making that shape. That's why 8 (indiscernible). 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, that switchback one? 10 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. It's going up a steep 11 mountain road. 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, yeah. 13 MR. TORKELESON: So it looks terrible in the 14 shape, but that is the census block. That is the 15 natural topography. It's reflecting the natural 16 topography. Same thing here. 17 So we worked hard in this area to find 18 blocks. See, like that's a very odd shape with a 19 bite. So there was a lot of effort put into finding 20 the cleanest possible line in here that still kept 21 the population properly balanced. 22 That's also a very odd block. So there 23 was -- Eagle River is challenging that way, as is the 24 Valley, to some degree, and other parts are 25 Anchorage.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 27</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELESON: Well, to assign it to the 2 other one? 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 4 MR. TORKELESON: We had looked at that 5 actually. 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's, like, a -- 7 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible.) 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- dinosaur. 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. 10 MEMBER BAHNKE: Alligator, (indiscernible). 11 MR. TORKELESON: There's a lot of crazy 12 blocks in this area. 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: Could you show the chart 14 with the deviation for all of Anchorage? 15 MR. TORKELESON: Sure. Let me pull that back 16 up. 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: And then my last district 18 was just 24, and that's a true Eagle River urban 19 core. 20 So, again, using a lot of the Glenn Highway 21 and the park for boundaries. Eagle River Loop, as 22 well. This goes deep into the Valley. 23 Peter can touch on a couple of the census 24 blocks to see -- so you can see why the shapes are 25 the way they are. This is just a natural feature of</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 29</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: Everywhere in the State. 2 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: And so this is printed out 4 and up on the wall, correct? 5 MR. TORKELESON: It's on the wall over here. 6 There's been a request to change the scale so that it 7 more closely matches the other maps. We can work on 8 that as the day progresses. 9 But there are printouts of this and of the 10 v3 alternates on the table, as well. 11 MEMBER SIMPSON: So can you go back again 12 and explain why you have that different target 13 number -- 14 MR. TORKELESON: Sure. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- for Anchorage? I mean, 16 I heard you. But to me it's more useful to stick 17 with the 18,335, because that tells us what our, you 18 know, legal deviation number is. 19 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yes. 20 MEMBER SIMPSON: Whereas this is -- 21 MEMBER BAHNKE: The constitutional -- 22 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- this is more like a tool 23 for keeping Anchorage districts relatively equal. It 24 doesn't help us (indiscernible). 25 MR. SINGER: Just so -- I mean, the 2001</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 30</p> <p>1 case law tells us that the deviation within a 2 municipality, the differences from -- between -- just 3 pick a number -- District 7 and District 8, that they 4 should not -- there should not be much difference 5 between those. 6 So one of your objectives is to do what this 7 showed -- 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible.) 9 MR. SINGER: -- is to get as little 10 deviation between the Anchorage -- so if Anchorage is 11 going to be a little bit underpopulated, if that's a 12 policy decision that the board makes, then you want 13 to spread that underpopulation evenly through the 16 14 districts in Anchorage. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: And I understand that. But 16 you can tell the exact same number using 18,335 based 17 on, you know, how close those deviation numbers are 18 to each other. So I just -- 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: So according to my notes, 20 my highest deviation is still within one 21 one-hundredth of each other, depending on whether or 22 not we do the ideal or we do the municipality. 23 If we do the ideal population, my lowest 24 district would -- my highest deviation would be in 25 District 21, at negative 1.7. So that's about</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 32</p> <p>1 4th Avenue -- 2 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- as the line of 4 demarcation? 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: I did, yes. And the 6 reason that I picked 4th Avenue is because this is 7 where a lot of the residences are going south, if 8 you're looking at the map from this way. 3rd is 9 getting more into a lot of industrial and businesses, 10 as well. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: But if you, for example, 12 took the line of 4th and extended it to the west, I 13 don't know where the census blocks are, but you 14 took -- 15 MR. TORKELOSON: To the west? 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Peter, click on that -- 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- that (indiscernible). 18 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. Wait until you see 19 this one. 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: Click on Bootlegger Cove. 21 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Watch -- watch this. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: I see. It takes in all of 24 that. 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: The whole thing.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 31</p> <p>1 300-ish -- yeah, there we go -- 312 low. 2 And I was comfortable with this deviation 3 because this, again, is my Base district. It's 4 unique in that aspect. It's a lot of military land 5 surrounded by industrial land with the Alaska 6 Railroad. So this was going to be, in my opinion, 7 just one of the more challenging districts to bring 8 population into because of those two characteristics. 9 MR. SINGER: Do you think it would be 10 impractical to get a lower deviation? 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: I -- I do. I spent a lot 12 of time working in Anchorage. And because the 13 population around the Base is so dense and the census 14 blocks are oddly shaped, I would sacrifice 15 compactness and continuity if I did that. And Peter 16 highlighted one of them. 17 MR. TORKELOSON: Check out this one. 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: I mean, this Sunday Peter 19 and I spent two hours at least on this very issue 20 trying to drive that deviation down, and this is the 21 best I can do. 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: What about Government Hill? 23 Government Hill is in that district? 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: It is. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: And then just -- you picked</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 33</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. You can't just take 2 that corner. 3 MR. TORKELOSON: Can't just take that. 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: No. We thought about it. 5 We tried, and it just destroys the compactness of 6 that district. 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: What is -- what's 8 District 27 on this map? That's showing -- 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: The Valley. 10 MEMBER BAHNKE: Oh. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's not Anchorage. 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay. 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: Anchorage is 9 through 24. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: And there are no other 15 census blocks along between 4th and 5th that have 16 any -- 17 MR. TORKELOSON: 4th and 5th? 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: 4th and 5th are together 19 in 20. 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: And 5th and 6th? 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: 6th is in there. 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: I thought 5th was in 20 and 23 4th is in 21. 24 MR. TORKELOSON: It splits on the street. 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: It splits on the street,</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 34</p> <p>1 yeah.</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. So are there any</p> <p>3 census blocks that you can reduce deviation? No, the</p> <p>4 other way, Peter.</p> <p>5 MR. TORKELSON: Oh, I see what you're</p> <p>6 saying.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: I'm trying to get 21 more</p> <p>8 population.</p> <p>9 MR. TORKELSON: Yeah, we worked in here a</p> <p>10 fair bit trying --</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: I mean, to the west. I</p> <p>12 mean, I don't know, all along there.</p> <p>13 MR. TORKELSON: Using the --</p> <p>14 CHAIR BINKLEY: There's one.</p> <p>15 MR. TORKELSON: Fifteen (indiscernible).</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, that's 15. That</p> <p>17 reduces your deviation.</p> <p>18 MEMBER MARCUM: But then it affects the</p> <p>19 other district.</p> <p>20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is 20 under, as well? 20 is</p> <p>21 under, but not as much.</p> <p>22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah, that -- that's</p> <p>23 definitely an area, Mr. Chairman, that we can --</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: I mean, if you're trying to</p> <p>25 reduce deviation.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 36</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELSON: We just spent --</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: So what's the biggest</p> <p>3 deviation left?</p> <p>4 MEMBER BORROMEO: Well, I don't know if --</p> <p>5 MR. TORKELSON: Six --</p> <p>6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE:</p> <p>7 MR. SINGER: Wait. Is it 9?</p> <p>8 MEMBER BAHNKE: We've got 9 through 22,</p> <p>9 right?</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: Twenty-four.</p> <p>11 MR. TORKELSON: Twenty-four.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Well, but I don't know if</p> <p>13 this is the new Valley that Bethany and I worked on.</p> <p>14 MR. TORKELSON: But we're -- I think she's</p> <p>15 just talking about within (indiscernible).</p> <p>16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, within Anchorage?</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: Nine through 24.</p> <p>18 MEMBER BORROMEO: Sorry. Yeah. I</p> <p>19 apologize. I didn't hear Anchorage.</p> <p>20 MR. TORKELSON: Nine through 24. So it</p> <p>21 looks like move one of those over and then you</p> <p>22 have --</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Looks like District 22.</p> <p>24 MR. TORKELSON: You have about a --</p> <p>25 CHAIR BINKLEY: 1.4 under?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 35</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: Reduce deviation with.</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: But seems fairly --</p> <p>3 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. To explore sharing</p> <p>4 that population a little more.</p> <p>5 Peter, why don't you just grab those blocks</p> <p>6 and turn them and let's see what it does.</p> <p>7 MR. TORKELSON: Oops, let's not assign them</p> <p>8 to the incorrect district. (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Just flipped the other way,</p> <p>10 didn't it?</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: No, it didn't help at all.</p> <p>12 MR. TORKELSON: Well, it has to.</p> <p>13 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Something happened.</p> <p>15 MR. TORKELSON: No, I (indiscernible) in 21.</p> <p>16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, did you put them back</p> <p>17 into 21?</p> <p>18 MR. TORKELSON: (Indiscernible) 21.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, there you go.</p> <p>20 Exactly. That evened it out completely between the</p> <p>21 two. Yeah, that helped a lot. Thank you, John.</p> <p>22 CHAIR BINKLEY: My pleasure.</p> <p>23 MR. TORKELSON: We focused so much over</p> <p>24 here, yeah.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BORROMEO: I know, we did.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 37</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: Isn't that the Base, though?</p> <p>2 MEMBER BORROMEO: No.</p> <p>3 MR. TORKELSON: 2.3 --</p> <p>4 MEMBER BORROMEO: No. District 2 is Eagle</p> <p>5 River and Chugiak. So this will be a little bit</p> <p>6 under. Unfortunately, this is that large park</p> <p>7 district, too. I mean, they just have so much</p> <p>8 Chugach (indiscernible) lands in there.</p> <p>9 MR. PRESLEY: That's about a 2.5 percent</p> <p>10 total deviation, a little less.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: So does anybody have any</p> <p>12 ideas about how we could further reduce any of these</p> <p>13 deviations on this map?</p> <p>14 MR. PRESLEY: Well --</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Not from me, I guess.</p> <p>16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Can you print off a</p> <p>17 population table for me?</p> <p>18 MR. TORKELSON: Sure.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Does anybody else want it?</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: We can probably get a copy</p> <p>21 of the file. I can sit and (indiscernible) kind of</p> <p>22 a -- flip the district, flip it back, flip the</p> <p>23 district, flip it back, is kind of what I</p> <p>24 (indiscernible).</p> <p>25 MR. TORKELSON: (Indiscernible) print?</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 38</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh.</p> <p>2 MR. TORKELESON: Will it print straight from</p> <p>3 the screen?</p> <p>4 MR. PRESLEY: You should be able to print</p> <p>5 (indiscernible).</p> <p>6 MR. TORKELESON: Let's do this.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Any other questions</p> <p>8 on Nicole's?</p> <p>9 Okay. Let's -- can we move on to -- is</p> <p>10 yours booted back up, Bethany?</p> <p>11 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Fingers crossed that it will</p> <p>13 stay.</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: I'll pick up the map here</p> <p>15 (indiscernible) I can see.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Good.</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: I'm going to run to the</p> <p>18 bathroom, but I'll be right back.</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. We'll just take a</p> <p>20 little break. We won't start without you.</p> <p>21 MR. TORKELESON: Just make sure this one</p> <p>22 works (indiscernible).</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.</p> <p>24 MR. TORKELESON: That gives us time to print.</p> <p>25 I appreciate that.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 40</p> <p>1 yeah. So it's through 23, right? Ten -- 9 to 24.</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: Nine through 24.</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Nine through 24, inclusive.</p> <p>4 MEMBER SIMPSON: Seems like those are pretty</p> <p>5 darned close and pretty (indiscernible).</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>7 MEMBER SIMPSON: These are pretty darned</p> <p>8 close. Yours are closer.</p> <p>9 MEMBER BORROMEO: Trying to exercise after</p> <p>10 this is going to be a rude awakening.</p> <p>11 MEMBER MARCUM: I know. Especially for the</p> <p>12 holidays. It's just cruel, isn't it? Cruel.</p> <p>13 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: I know. It's hard.</p> <p>15 MEMBER BORROMEO: In my next life, I want to</p> <p>16 have (indiscernible) metabolism.</p> <p>17 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible) of my</p> <p>18 calories.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you. Oh, sorry. Is</p> <p>20 it hard for you to print me (indiscernible) in the</p> <p>21 muni, too?</p> <p>22 MR. TORKELESON: Sure. No, it's not hard at</p> <p>23 all. And you're including Whittier, right?</p> <p>24 MEMBER BORROMEO: I don't know. Do we</p> <p>25 include Whittier in that?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 39</p> <p>1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Peter, can you find</p> <p>2 copies for the public?</p> <p>3 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. I'll print out a few</p> <p>4 more. One, two, three, four, five, six.</p> <p>5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>6 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. Well, let's see if</p> <p>7 that'll go. And I'm not -- I'm not sure that this</p> <p>8 map has deviations for -- this is not essentially a</p> <p>9 statewide plan. This is an Anchorage focus. So I</p> <p>10 would not make any judgments about the other</p> <p>11 districts.</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. Why don't you just</p> <p>13 print out those.</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: We can redact out --</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Just --</p> <p>16 MEMBER MARCUM: Maybe we can redact out the</p> <p>17 others.</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Print from 9 to 24.</p> <p>19 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah, yeah, let's do that.</p> <p>20 Because otherwise --</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Otherwise we're going to</p> <p>22 have copies floating around.</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: Cut and paste</p> <p>24 (indiscernible) quite nicely.</p> <p>25 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. I'm already in Excel,</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 41</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELESON: Well, you have it in your</p> <p>2 map, so that's why --</p> <p>3 MEMBER BORROMEO: I know. But for legal</p> <p>4 purposes, when we spread the deviation out among the</p> <p>5 districts in the muni, should I bring in Whittier for</p> <p>6 that?</p> <p>7 MR. SINGER: If the -- so I certainly think</p> <p>8 there's a strong argument that Whittier is</p> <p>9 socioeconomically integrated with Anchorage. And so</p> <p>10 if bringing that in helps with population deviation,</p> <p>11 it would be advisable to do so.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: No. I'm talking about the</p> <p>13 case law that says all of the districts within the</p> <p>14 same --</p> <p>15 MR. SINGER: Yeah. Then I would --</p> <p>16 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- municipality. Should I</p> <p>17 include Whittier in that running? Because that's</p> <p>18 like 20 people.</p> <p>19 MR. SINGER: Yeah. If you're -- if you're</p> <p>20 including --</p> <p>21 MEMBER MARCUM: Did you say 20?</p> <p>22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah.</p> <p>23 MR. SINGER: Yeah. If you're including it</p> <p>24 as part of --</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: Sorry, Whittier. We know</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 42</p> <p>1 you're about 200.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BORROMEO: No. I mean between all of</p> <p>3 them spread out.</p> <p>4 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, yeah.</p> <p>5 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's actually 18.</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: Okay.</p> <p>7 MEMBER BORROMEO: Because it's 18,220</p> <p>8 without Whittier, and then when you add 20, it's --</p> <p>9 Whittier, it's 18,202.</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: 202.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah.</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: So it's 18 people that</p> <p>13 (indiscernible).</p> <p>14 MEMBER BORROMEO: So that's what I'm asking.</p> <p>15 Should I have him print me an 18,202 or 18,220?</p> <p>16 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) how the map</p> <p>17 was drawn.</p> <p>18 MR. TORKELOSON: I guess I'm missing -- I'm</p> <p>19 sorry, I'm missing -- is your --</p> <p>20 MEMBER BORROMEO: Remember when Doug was</p> <p>21 saying I want to know what the deviation is on ideal,</p> <p>22 and then you said but there is case law that says all</p> <p>23 of the districts in the same borough should have the</p> <p>24 same closest practical population.</p> <p>25 MR. TORKELOSON: Deviations.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 44</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: I could probably do well</p> <p>2 with that (indiscernible).</p> <p>3 So in terms of deviation, if we just look at</p> <p>4 the spread of my new Anchorage over the target just</p> <p>5 within the borough, I've got two high districts that</p> <p>6 are Nunaka Valley and South Anchorage Hillside. I</p> <p>7 can probably smooth out those deviations, too.</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Are we ready to move</p> <p>9 on? Is there any other questions on this version?</p> <p>10 Okay. Let's go to Bethany's version.</p> <p>11 MEMBER MARCUM: All right. So while he is</p> <p>12 loading that, on this (indiscernible), the version 3</p> <p>13 map from before.</p> <p>14 But I did -- while public testimony was</p> <p>15 coming in, I was looking at some of the testimony and</p> <p>16 trying to incorporate some of what I was hearing from</p> <p>17 the public into the maps that -- the changes that I</p> <p>18 was making. And so it was a very iterative process.</p> <p>19 There would be a lot of testimony come in one</p> <p>20 direction and another direction, and I was trying to</p> <p>21 incorporate that as I went through the process.</p> <p>22 The first thing that I tried to do as part</p> <p>23 of this was -- if you remember on the previous</p> <p>24 version 3 map, downtown was cut up a fair bit, and so</p> <p>25 I wanted to try to give downtown a more cohesive</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 43</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: So in that theory, do I</p> <p>2 include Whittier in my as close as practical in the</p> <p>3 same borough, or no, because they're not in the</p> <p>4 borough? What is this?</p> <p>5 MR. TORKELOSON: So this is two versions of</p> <p>6 the same thing, but then this is the one you just</p> <p>7 requested, the 18,220.</p> <p>8 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. Okay. Never mind.</p> <p>9 MR. TORKELOSON: That's (indiscernible)</p> <p>10 deviations.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: I got it.</p> <p>12 MR. TORKELOSON: I think the 18,220 was the</p> <p>13 (indiscernible).</p> <p>14 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay.</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: Do you want to go ahead and</p> <p>16 print the ones for the other Anchorage before we</p> <p>17 start it, so that (indiscernible) that, as well?</p> <p>18 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. I might</p> <p>19 (indiscernible).</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: I'm thinking that your</p> <p>21 office is in the worst possible place for this.</p> <p>22 MEMBER BAHNKE: I know. (Indiscernible) to</p> <p>23 that office.</p> <p>24 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) I have</p> <p>25 mine set up for everything.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 45</p> <p>1 district. And so I -- I managed to get on this</p> <p>2 version all of downtown in this, with the exception</p> <p>3 of a few little blocks to the -- really kind of over</p> <p>4 in that (indiscernible) area there, a little bit to</p> <p>5 the west.</p> <p>6 So basically the downtown district, as it's</p> <p>7 drawn there, goes all the way to 15th. And you'll</p> <p>8 see the very jagged edge at the top, which is the</p> <p>9 worst-looking thing on the entire map in my opinion,</p> <p>10 but that jagged edge to the north part of this</p> <p>11 District 16 is the actual Elmendorf Base boundary. I</p> <p>12 went and got the geography and did the research to</p> <p>13 make sure I knew where the Base boundary was so that</p> <p>14 downtown would be able to keep as many of their</p> <p>15 people together as they wanted as possible. And so I</p> <p>16 followed the Base boundary for the northern edge of</p> <p>17 16. That allowed me to go all the way down to</p> <p>18 15th and truly capture most of downtown into</p> <p>19 District 16.</p> <p>20 And the only place I wasn't able to do that,</p> <p>21 as you will see, is over on the west, where instead I</p> <p>22 used District 9 as the very logical border for the</p> <p>23 split there. And so that ended up moving that</p> <p>24 population --</p> <p>25 MR. TORKELOSON: You mean 9th Avenue?</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 46</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: 9th and --</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: Did I say --</p> <p>3 MR. TORKELOSON: You said District 9.</p> <p>4 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, District 9. Sorry.</p> <p>5 Yeah. 9th Avenue. 9th Avenue as opposed to</p> <p>6 15th Avenue.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's where the Park Strip</p> <p>8 is.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: Exactly, that's the Park</p> <p>10 Strip there. Yes. So yes. That was a very logical</p> <p>11 place to do that.</p> <p>12 And I was able to then move those folks into</p> <p>13 the west -- Westchester Lagoon area, but really was</p> <p>14 able to capture a huge portion of downtown by using</p> <p>15 the Elmendorf boundary --</p> <p>16 MEMBER BORROMEO: So are --</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: -- as the northern part.</p> <p>18 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm sorry. I'm having a</p> <p>19 little bit of a hard time figuring out which area of</p> <p>20 town we're starting at. Are we going to start in</p> <p>21 downtown?</p> <p>22 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes.</p> <p>23 MEMBER BORROMEO: Can you -- can you make</p> <p>24 it -- there you go.</p> <p>25 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 48</p> <p>1 important for me to try to incorporate that, and I</p> <p>2 was able to do so in this version.</p> <p>3 And then I just followed down as far as the</p> <p>4 Airport Heights Drive as the border there to the</p> <p>5 east.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BAHNKE: So you're combining downtown</p> <p>7 with Mountain View? Is that --</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. The whole idea was to</p> <p>9 try to get Mountain View whole as opposed to</p> <p>10 separating it, the way that it was in version 3</p> <p>11 before. And I was able to do that.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: So this is downtown,</p> <p>13 Mountain View, Fairview, and it looks like a good</p> <p>14 chunk of Spenard all in one district?</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: It only goes as far as south</p> <p>16 as 15th. I'm not sure if you'd consider 15th as</p> <p>17 being Spenard, but 15th --</p> <p>18 MEMBER BORROMEO: No.</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: I don't think so.</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: I'm not sure where you got</p> <p>21 Spenard from.</p> <p>22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Fireweed south I think --</p> <p>23 MEMBER BORROMEO: I thought it was --</p> <p>24 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Again, it goes as far</p> <p>25 south as 15th.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 47</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: So the northern border there</p> <p>2 is the Elmendorf boundary, and then that allowed me</p> <p>3 to go all the way through to 15th in order to get the</p> <p>4 population.</p> <p>5 CHAIR BINKLEY: And then Bootlegger Cove is</p> <p>6 all together down there?</p> <p>7 MEMBER MARCUM: If you go to the west there.</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Right.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: You'll see 9th Street ends</p> <p>10 up being the -- the 9th Avenue --</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So everything north</p> <p>12 of that is together.</p> <p>13 MEMBER MARCUM: And that puts all of that --</p> <p>14 yes, keeps all of that in the north as part of one</p> <p>15 district, correct.</p> <p>16 MEMBER BAHNKE: And then is Mountain View on</p> <p>17 its own or did you put that --</p> <p>18 MEMBER MARCUM: So if you remember from the</p> <p>19 previous version 3, the map broke up Mountain View,</p> <p>20 that grid part of Mountain View, and so that was</p> <p>21 another thing I wanted to try to fix in this map.</p> <p>22 And so in doing so, I was able to keep all</p> <p>23 of those gridlock areas into one, you know, all</p> <p>24 together without having to separate them, as they</p> <p>25 were on the previous version 3 map. And that was</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 49</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. Thank you.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: Socioeconomically, I don't</p> <p>3 know if (indiscernible) downtown Anchorage compared</p> <p>4 to Mountain View. What kinds of homes? What kinds</p> <p>5 of incomes? I know Mountain View is a lower income</p> <p>6 part of Anchorage with lots of apartment buildings,</p> <p>7 right, and low income housing.</p> <p>8 So (indiscernible) across to go to downtown,</p> <p>9 what are we comparing it --</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: We are trying to allow</p> <p>11 downtown to be as whole as possible and to allow</p> <p>12 Mountain View to be as total as possible.</p> <p>13 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm asking about the</p> <p>14 socioeconomics of downtown residents.</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. And so counsel had</p> <p>16 advised that as much as possible you consider all of</p> <p>17 Anchorage to be socioeconomically -- he cited several</p> <p>18 different case explanations for that to be the case.</p> <p>19 And so, you know, using that, what I try to</p> <p>20 do is -- you'll see when we get to the -- to the end</p> <p>21 here -- is to get deviations as tight as possible. I</p> <p>22 was able to keep both using the target population</p> <p>23 deviation and the Anchorage only deviation to be less</p> <p>24 than 1 percent for all districts.</p> <p>25 And so that -- as you advised, compactness</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 51</p> <p>1 is one of the main targets to do, compactness and 2 deviation. And so being able to do that, I was able 3 to get down to less than 1 percent. 4 And so socioeconomically, like I said, there 5 were -- you know, the downtown together was one of 6 the strongest things I heard, and so in order to get 7 that population -- I tried going to the Penland Park 8 area at one point to get the extra population there. 9 And you can see by the -- based upon the shapes 10 here -- if you can scroll in a little bit, you can 11 see based upon the shapes there it became impossible 12 to break up that area. Yeah, see these different 13 shapes in here? It became impossible to break up 14 that area to get to the population. 15 Mountain View ended up making exactly the 16 number that was needed and was able to be kept whole. 17 It also allowed me to stay north of the Glenn 18 Highway, with the very natural boundary there of the 19 Glenn Highway. 20 And that boundary also then ended up making 21 a very good northern boundary for the next district, 22 District 19, as you continue to the east. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: And then what's the western 24 boundary of 19, Bethany? 25 MEMBER MARCUM: Of 19? Well, there's two.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 52</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: So this is East Anchorage 2 and U-Med. 3 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. Sorry. My map is 4 catching back up here. I think so. 5 Yeah. So 19th is definitely U-Med. And I 6 went into -- Lake Otis is the proper boundary to the 7 west. And being able to use the bar as kind of a -- 8 where it cuts across there, really, that is -- 9 deviations is what's driving that. And that allowed 10 me to keep the Nunaka Valley area together. There is 11 previous versions where -- trying to cut into the 12 Nunaka Valley area, but as you can probably see 13 there, the shapes within the -- the block shapes, 14 since it's block shapes, within Nunaka Valley are 15 also unusual, and so I looked for a solution that 16 allowed me to keep that entire neighborhood -- you 17 can see there -- 18 Thank you, Peter. 19 -- trying to keep -- yeah, trying to keep 20 that neighborhood whole without breaking it up. And 21 so going across the bar like that allowed me to do 22 that. That's really where I started -- like I said, 23 starting with (indiscernible). 24 And so that then left a part of the 25 neighborhood that you see here for District 21 --</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 51</p> <p>1 So you've got -- Airport Heights is the one that I 2 mentioned before. But when you go further down -- 3 (indiscernible). Lake Otis Parkway down -- and you 4 can't see it anymore. Lake Otis Parkway -- oh, we 5 lost the whole -- 6 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible) crashed. 7 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) So Lake 8 Otis Parkway is the boundary to the west. 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: I really tried to stick with 11 some of the most logical roads. I'm very happy -- 12 you can't really see it right now, but I was really 13 happy to be able to keep Tudor Road as the boundary 14 for the entire length of Tudor Road. All the way 15 from the east clear to the west, Tudor Road is an 16 obvious artery within Anchorage, and I was able to 17 keep Tudor Road as a boundary for the duration of -- 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm so sorry, Bethany, but 19 is it possible just to wait until the map 20 (indiscernible). 21 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, yeah. Yeah. 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you. Okay. So we 23 went through 16, which is now a greater downtown 24 Fairview, Mountain View. Now we're into 19? 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 53</p> <p>1 this is similar to previous map versions that we 2 worked with, where I was able to get some nice, clean 3 lines here between Pine Street to the west of 4 District 21. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: Sorry to interrupt. The 6 colors are so similar with that. It's -- 16 and 21, 7 I can't see where -- 8 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. There 9 (indiscernible). 10 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible.) 11 MEMBER MARCUM: On that (indiscernible). 12 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. Let me try to touch 13 this up for you. 14 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. 15 MR. TORKELOSON: 16, we ought to do a green 16 there. 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: Thank you. 18 MR. TORKELOSON: No problem. 19 MEMBER MARCUM: And so that took in the 20 Elmendorf side of the Base. You know, we had -- we 21 heard testimony as far as trying to keep parts of the 22 Base with some of the neighborhoods around there. So 23 this allowed that natural neighborhood that's near 24 the Base there to be brought in to the Elmendorf side 25 of things.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 54</p> <p>1 And so it follows completely the Elmendorf 2 boundary, toward Elmendorf and Fort Rich and down the 3 left side, the west side, as I mentioned, Pine is at 4 the end of the (indiscernible) boundary. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: And is that the Muldoon gate 6 then? 7 MR. TORKELOSON: Is this the Boniface gate? 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Boniface gate. Okay. And 9 Muldoon is to the west. 10 MR. TORKELOSON: Muldoon gate is right here. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Or to the east. Excuse me. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: This is the primary gate. 13 This is the gate I go in every time I go to -- go to 14 work for the Boniface gate, so -- 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 16 MEMBER MARCUM: And as most of you know, 17 that neighborhood right outside of the gate is very 18 heavily military oriented, so -- 19 MEMBER BAHNKE: And what's to the north? 20 MEMBER MARCUM: Elmendorf. 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: Which neighborhood are you 22 saying is heavily military? 23 MEMBER MARCUM: Right outside the Boniface 24 gate. 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: You think that side of</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 56</p> <p>1 really made the case for what I personally had 2 experienced, which is that Eagle River has very 3 strong ties to Northeast Anchorage and those ties are 4 shared -- many of the ties are shared military 5 associations. 6 So I know myself, personally, when I moved 7 to Anchorage, it was the same thing. I lived in 8 Eagle River and I lived in that part of East 9 Anchorage, and there were those military ties there 10 in both of those places. And so having lived in both 11 of those communities, I know that that's the case. 12 And the testimony that we received really 13 documented quite well the associations there, as well 14 as the history of the Eagle River attempts to depart 15 from the Municipality of Anchorage. It has been 16 something that has been tried for quite a while. 17 There is a small portion of people who are interested 18 in doing that. 19 Obviously it's never gone anywhere. The 20 reason they haven't been able to do it is because 21 it's not the will of the majority. And so certainly 22 this process is one where we need to make the 23 decisions that are going to most closely reflect the 24 reality, not what a few minor people want. 25 And so I looked very closely at that</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 55</p> <p>1 East Anchorage is heavily military? 2 MEMBER MARCUM: Absolutely. Absolutely. 3 There's, I mean, huge numbers of places that cater to 4 and are part of the military population. 5 We heard -- we heard multiple testimony 6 opportunities where people were talking about the 7 fact that those neighborhoods right outside of the 8 gates are linked to the bases, for sure, so -- all 9 right. So moving on. 10 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. We'll move on to the 12 east. 13 And so we also heard testimony -- we were 14 talking earlier in our discussion about Eagle River 15 and Eagle Exit and that sort of scenario that's been 16 going on for decades. 17 And I read carefully through a lot of the 18 testimony that came in. There was definitely -- in 19 terms of quantity, as far as the numbers, there were 20 a fair number of testifiers who said keep Eagle River 21 separate, and that's all they said. There was no 22 expansion about why. They didn't provide any 23 socioeconomic reasons. There was nothing. 24 But there was some very compelling 25 multi-page testimony that I read multiple times that</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 57</p> <p>1 testimony, and in so doing, decided the rest of this 2 population that was here along the northeast part of 3 Anchorage, that with the remainder -- and this was -- 4 this has also been -- you know, in past, 5 historically, we've had districts that did the same 6 thing here, so this is nothing new, that combined 7 with part of Eagle River. 8 The core of Eagle River was able to be kept 9 in District 23. I feel like I got a decent shape out 10 of that. You saw some of the -- when we looked at 11 Nicole's map earlier, you saw some of the odd-shaped 12 block, but I feel like I worked it to where I got a 13 decent shape. And it's relatively compact, 14 considering how odd some of the block shapes are in 15 that part of the map. 16 And then 22, again, it's got the big park 17 area that's out there, the park area. So you've 18 definitely got some -- yeah, you can see kind of the 19 jagged lines there and some of those -- again, that's 20 those census blocks. 21 But basically it takes those portions of 22 Eagle River that are to the south that are closest to 23 Anchorage and puts those with the -- the East 24 Anchorage neighborhood there. 25 That leaves Fort Richardson. And so it</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 58</p> <p>1 follows along the highway and goes all the way along 2 Fort Richardson up the highway, capturing Chugiak, 3 Peters Creek to the borough boundary. So this map 4 does follow the borough boundaries, keeps the 5 Anchorage boundaries whole, with the exception, the 6 same as map 4, where Whittier is to the south. But 7 as far as going to the north, it keeps the Mat-Su 8 Borough in the Mat-Su Borough and Anchorage 9 populations in Anchorage. 10 All right. So -- all right. I mentioned 11 Tudor, and we were waiting for the map to reload. So 12 as you can see here, Tudor is what I used primarily 13 as the main east-west artery. It goes clear from the 14 far east part of Tudor until Tudor ends on the west 15 side. That is -- that is the whole boundary. And I 16 was very pleased that being able to use that still 17 allowed me to achieve the population deviations of 18 less than 1 percent. 19 So this doesn't look -- when you start going 20 south up here, it doesn't look too much different 21 than the previous version of map 3 that you might be 22 familiar with. There are some minor changes that 23 I'll walk through. But in general, I was able to 24 start moving to using this Tudor boundary as the nice 25 straight line to create compactness.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 60</p> <p>1 District 15 -- 2 MEMBER BORROMEO: That goes from the water 3 all the way to the New Seward Highway? 4 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, absolutely. 5 District 14 ends up being a very nice compact shape 6 here. Had to dip a little bit to the south, below 7 Lore Road. But basically District 15 ends up being 8 nicely bordered by Tudor Road on the north, the 9 highway on the west, and over to Elmore on the east. 10 And then the south, you can see there, is Lore Road. 11 Like I said, you have to dip a little bit below Lore 12 Road down to eighty- -- is it 88th? Or 80th? -- 80th 13 to get a little bit more population. But it's pretty 14 nice, straight, compact lines, and so it ended up 15 being a nice, compact district. 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: Bethany, that 15 is so 17 strangely shaped. Can you explain that to me again? 18 MEMBER MARCUM: It's not that different than 19 the 15 that we have on version 3. I don't know if 20 you're able to see version 3. But actually I started 21 with what we had on version 3, but we had adopted 22 to 4, and the only adjustments I really made were to 23 get tighter deviations and to -- to try to maintain 24 that District 13 shape. 25 I shifted that. The District 13 shape had</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 59</p> <p>1 So we'll start on -- in the west with the 2 airport district, so -- 3 MR. TORKELOSON: Let me just change this real 4 quick so it shows up again for you. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Sure. Yeah. So the airport 6 district, if you remember, was one that had some -- 7 had some -- the shape of the airport was one of the 8 things we talked about the last time, when we 9 introduced version 3, and it's still the case, that 10 you've got these odd airport shapes around it. 11 The challenge with me for this area was that 12 District 13, which is the green one below it, is such 13 a lovely shape. It naturally has these very nice, 14 lovely straight lines. And so -- but also within 15 that -- those nice lovely straight lines are lots of 16 odd shapes. And so to try to break that up become 17 very non-compact. 18 And so the most logical conclusion led to 19 creating a very compact District 13, which meant that 20 District 15 ends up wrapping around it somewhat. So 21 what you do get is you get the airport and Lake Hood 22 areas, and then you go over to use the natural 23 boundary of the highway. So the highway ends up 24 being a nice, straight boundary for the eastern edge 25 of that, for District 15.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 61</p> <p>1 been a little bit further to the west, and I shifted 2 it a little bit further to the east, but it's almost 3 exactly the same as the previous version that we 4 adopted with map 3. 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: Sorry. I got -- I got to 6 see where that boundary is up here. 7 MEMBER MARCUM: Northern boundary? It's -- 8 it captures all the population around Spenard/Lake 9 Hood. So Lakeshore Drive is the actual -- is that 10 the one you're talking about? 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is there much population, 12 Bethany, in the airport itself? Or what do the 13 census blocks look like around there? 14 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. They're very oddly 15 shaped census blocks. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Are there any people in 17 there? 18 MR. TORKELOSON: Zero, 27, zero, zero, 480. 19 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. So you've got 480 in 20 some of these places. You definitely have -- 21 MR. TORKELOSON: Oh, that's a nice one right 22 there with zero. 23 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. See, look at the 24 shape of that block. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 62</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: So that's why you kind of 2 have to keep those together, because they have -- 3 they're very odd-shaped. 4 MR. TORKELESON: 276. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: What's that? 6 MR. TORKELESON: 27. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: And what's in there? 8 MR. TORKELESON: That's Kincaid Park. 9 MEMBER MARCUM: Not very many -- yeah, there 10 are not very many zero plots. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: And what's -- 12 MEMBER MARCUM: A few, but not -- 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 14 MR. TORKELESON: 450, 545, 971. 15 MEMBER BORROMEO: So where are the people? 16 MEMBER MARCUM: I do have -- 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's -- it's in Midtown? 18 MR. TORKELESON: Five thousand in that group. 19 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, they're mostly in the 20 Midtown area. 21 I do have another version of D15 and 13 that 22 I can show. I don't think it's -- it's -- it might 23 be better in terms of the separation, but it's not as 24 pretty in terms of the lines, as far as the 25 compactness. So I'm happy to show that.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 64</p> <p>1 lines. 2 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, same short lines. 3 MR. TORKELESON: Well, there's 10,000 people 4 on this side of the highway, to try to answer your 5 question, of where the people are. There's 10,000 -- 6 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, 10,000 on one side. 7 MR. TORKELESON: -- on the east side of the 8 highway. 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: What did your alternate 10 version look like, Bethany? 11 MEMBER MARCUM: It was pretty similar. 12 MR. TORKELESON: Do you want me to try and 13 close this down and open that up? I mean -- 14 MEMBER MARCUM: You know, if you go out -- 15 go out to -- 16 MR. TORKELESON: Oh, oh, yeah. It's just the 17 one that you're saying is -- 18 MEMBER MARCUM: Exactly. Of version 3, yes. 19 MR. TORKELESON: -- exactly (indiscernible). 20 Oh, okay. No problem. 21 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, exactly. 22 MR. TORKELESON: We'll just do it this way. 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm having a little bit of 24 a hard time keeping up. I apologize. 25 Are we in the same version of the map, or</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 63</p> <p>1 Peter, I did put that one on the thumb 2 drive, as well. 3 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. 4 MEMBER MARCUM: So I'm not married to one or 5 the other necessarily, but I do think this one has 6 straighter lines, overall. 7 You know, we have -- for example, we looked 8 at, like, in -- remember, we had the doughnut 9 district and those sorts of things, right? So going 10 around another district is not all that unusual. In 11 fact, on one of the maps we were just looking at, it 12 had something similar. So it's not that unusual to 13 go around another district. 14 And like I said, I did another version in 15 anticipation of the fact that you might not like the 16 way that looks, but it really does have pretty 17 straight lines overall, which is what the compactment 18 measurement is, right? 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Which -- which district 20 has the straight lines? 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Thirteen. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, and 15 does, too, in 23 the sense that you're really going -- you've kind of 24 got to -- 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Bounds, it's the same short</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 65</p> <p>1 now are we going to a different version? 2 MEMBER MARCUM: Melanie wanted to see the 3 previous version. 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: Well, she said in 5 anticipation that we might not care for that 15 6 shape, she created an alternate version that has a 7 different shape. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, is that what you wanted 9 to see? 10 MEMBER BAHNKE: That's what -- 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's what you said. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) remember I 13 started with version 3 of the map that we adopted. 14 And so you see how this wraps around in a similar 15 way? It's not that much different than the one that 16 we're looking at now. I shifted the population. See 17 how there was that jagged edge to the west? I tried 18 to smooth that out, and instead we have a less-jagged 19 edge to the east. And so that was the attempt to try 20 to create more compactness there. 21 MEMBER SIMPSON: So what is your alternative 22 version that Melanie is trying to get to? 23 MEMBER MARCUM: Sure. Do you want to open 24 that one? 25 MR. TORKELESON: You want to open that one?</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 66</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Sure.</p> <p>2 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay.</p> <p>3 MEMBER MARCUM: I personally don't think</p> <p>4 it's quite as pretty as this one, but it ends up</p> <p>5 having a -- because of the odd-shaped blocks there,</p> <p>6 it has a lot of the little jig-jags.</p> <p>7 MR. TORKELOSON: That's on the thumb drive?</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. It's the one that</p> <p>9 would be D11 and 12.</p> <p>10 MR. TORKELOSON: Oh, okay. Yeah, yeah, got</p> <p>11 it.</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: It's not (indiscernible).</p> <p>13 MR. TORKELOSON: As long as it's the right</p> <p>14 one.</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: I believe it is. How did</p> <p>16 you know? We tried to save yesterday and that didn't</p> <p>17 work, so we'll see (indiscernible).</p> <p>18 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. Is this what you</p> <p>19 intended? This is the right one?</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah.</p> <p>21 MR. TORKELOSON: Wow, okay. (Indiscernible)</p> <p>22 something out there?</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. So you see it's a</p> <p>24 very non-straight line. You do have more separation</p> <p>25 between the districts, but it's a very non-straight</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 68</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELOSON: So there's not --</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: I work on lots of different</p> <p>3 alternatives trying to find the (indiscernible).</p> <p>4 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible) this is a</p> <p>5 line that would overlay the other one?</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, sure.</p> <p>7 MR. TORKELOSON: Or overlay the other one on</p> <p>8 this one maybe? Would --</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Why don't you go</p> <p>10 ahead and save this one and overlay it on the other</p> <p>11 one.</p> <p>12 MR. TORKELOSON: Overlay this one on the</p> <p>13 other one?</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Because the other one</p> <p>15 has all -- the other map has (indiscernible).</p> <p>16 MR. TORKELOSON: Oh, all the (indiscernible).</p> <p>17 Okay. Okay. So let's do that. It'll take me just a</p> <p>18 moment.</p> <p>19 MEMBER MARCUM: And I may want to remind</p> <p>20 myself of the deviations on this one. I don't know</p> <p>21 that they were quite as good, and I am very married</p> <p>22 to my deviations, so I'm trying to work out my</p> <p>23 deviations.</p> <p>24 MR. TORKELOSON: This is (indiscernible)</p> <p>25 12 -- you want to pull up your deviations here before</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 67</p> <p>1 line. So I personally am a fan of the straighter</p> <p>2 lines, and so that's why I -- why I went with the one</p> <p>3 that I did. Yeah.</p> <p>4 MEMBER SIMPSON: But we all know how the</p> <p>5 census blocks work --</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: Uh-huh, yeah.</p> <p>7 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- against a straight-line</p> <p>8 concept.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: Sure, sure.</p> <p>10 MEMBER SIMPSON: So sometimes it is what it</p> <p>11 is.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: What version is this?</p> <p>13 MEMBER MARCUM: This is an alternative for</p> <p>14 the two districts that we were just looking at. On</p> <p>15 the previous version of the map they were called</p> <p>16 Districts 13 and 15. On this version of the map</p> <p>17 they're called 11 and 12. But they're -- they're</p> <p>18 exactly the same populations. There's just lines</p> <p>19 being drawn in a different place.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BAHNKE: They look -- to me this</p> <p>21 looks more compact than the previous one that you had</p> <p>22 up.</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. And like I said, I'm</p> <p>24 not married to either one. I just wanted to be able</p> <p>25 to show the alternative.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 69</p> <p>1 we leave this file (indiscernible)?</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Well, I can pull them</p> <p>3 up on here, too.</p> <p>4 MR. TORKELOSON: It's no problem.</p> <p>5 MEMBER MARCUM: I probably have six other</p> <p>6 versions of these two districts, but these are the</p> <p>7 two that I think are the best with deviations that</p> <p>8 were acceptable.</p> <p>9 MR. TORKELOSON: We're looking at 9 through</p> <p>10 twenty- --</p> <p>11 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Well, just for the</p> <p>12 two districts. All you have to look at are 11 and</p> <p>13 12.</p> <p>14 MR. TORKELOSON: Oh, 11 and 12?</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah.</p> <p>16 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. So negative 172,</p> <p>17 negative 146.</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>19 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. That was in</p> <p>20 (indiscernible) --</p> <p>21 MEMBER SIMPSON: .9 and .8, yeah.</p> <p>22 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. That's twenty- --</p> <p>23 MEMBER SIMPSON: Fourteen hundredths.</p> <p>24 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. My goal was to keep</p> <p>25 everything less than 1 percent.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 70</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>3 MEMBER MARCUM: And my less than 1 percent</p> <p>4 is less than 1 percent of the target population for</p> <p>5 the state and the target population for Anchorage.</p> <p>6 So I have it under 1 percent for both of those</p> <p>7 (indiscernible).</p> <p>8 MR. TORKELESON: So now I'm going to close</p> <p>9 this and put this shape --</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: Save it as -- yes,</p> <p>11 (indiscernible).</p> <p>12 MR. TORKELESON: -- over the other one so we</p> <p>13 can highlight the line difference.</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, perfect.</p> <p>15 MR. TORKELESON: Make sure we're on the same</p> <p>16 page here.</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: That's exactly what I did as</p> <p>18 I was drawing. (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>19 MEMBER SIMPSON: And you're overlaying now?</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: Uh-huh, yeah.</p> <p>21 MR. TORKELESON: That's what I'm going to do,</p> <p>22 overlay the one we just exported on this one, see the</p> <p>23 differences. So yeah. It looks like all these lines</p> <p>24 are the same. You just changed these two into these</p> <p>25 two.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 72</p> <p>1 And on the east side of the district, you're</p> <p>2 able to see Lake Otis to the south there. It does go</p> <p>3 over to Elmore, over on the north. And then as I</p> <p>4 mentioned, the railroad is the primary north-south</p> <p>5 boundary to the west. So again, just tried to use</p> <p>6 some of the main arteries in Anchorage.</p> <p>7 MEMBER BAHNKE: So is this the U-Med</p> <p>8 district?</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: No. U-Med is much further</p> <p>10 north.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: No?</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: That would be District 19.</p> <p>13 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay.</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: This is south of Dimond</p> <p>15 we're talking about here.</p> <p>16 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay.</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: And then continuing on to --</p> <p>18 over to District 10, pretty decent shape, you know,</p> <p>19 except for the appendage there that's the park. But</p> <p>20 what I was trying to do was really smooth out</p> <p>21 previous version 3, the boundary between 10 -- 9 and</p> <p>22 10 was not so compact shaped. There's a lot of odd</p> <p>23 shapes in there. So I worked really hard to try to</p> <p>24 create as much as possible a straight line across</p> <p>25 there while still getting those tight deviations.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 71</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Right, (indiscernible) two</p> <p>2 districts, yep.</p> <p>3 Melanie, does that help you to see</p> <p>4 (indiscernible)?</p> <p>5 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah, it does. Thank you.</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: All right. So then</p> <p>7 continuing on to the south, also using Dimond</p> <p>8 Boulevard as the southern boundary of District 13,</p> <p>9 you can see that then becomes also the northern</p> <p>10 boundary for District 12.</p> <p>11 In trying to get population deviations</p> <p>12 tight, I was not able to find a road that really</p> <p>13 worked very well as far as the north/south artery, so</p> <p>14 I ended up using the railroad, and that ended up</p> <p>15 working in a couple of different ways that was</p> <p>16 helpful.</p> <p>17 First of all, it gave me the type deviations</p> <p>18 I was looking for. But also, you know, we've heard</p> <p>19 complaints from folks about when you (indiscernible)</p> <p>20 my neighbor across the street is in a different</p> <p>21 district than I am, right? And so using the railroad</p> <p>22 allowed that situation to be avoided. And so I found</p> <p>23 that to be a good solution for getting the deviation</p> <p>24 and addressing that road issue. So that ends up</p> <p>25 being a primarily north-south district there.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 73</p> <p>1 And so that's -- I think it's an improvement</p> <p>2 there, for sure. And the deviations between those</p> <p>3 districts end up -- ends up being very, very good.</p> <p>4 So it's relatively compact.</p> <p>5 It follows along primarily DeArmoun, if</p> <p>6 you're familiar with DeArmoun there. So it does cut</p> <p>7 away for one little section. Again, deviation,</p> <p>8 deviation, right? But primarily uses DeArmoun as a</p> <p>9 boundary there.</p> <p>10 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>11 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. You can see this one</p> <p>12 little section there, Griffin Road. Yeah, that's</p> <p>13 (indiscernible). And the population is what was</p> <p>14 needed to be able to get to the deviation there.</p> <p>15 That ends up being only 22 people difference between</p> <p>16 those two districts when you draw the line that way.</p> <p>17 And again, I was striving for those type deviations.</p> <p>18 So speaking of those deviations -- oh, and</p> <p>19 I'm sorry. Before I actually get into my</p> <p>20 deviations -- well, actually, I'll go through them</p> <p>21 first.</p> <p>22 So the way it's set up right now is the</p> <p>23 entire map has less than 1 percent deviation,</p> <p>24 .97 percent deviation. The highest deviation is</p> <p>25 .55 percent, so certainly less than 1 percent,</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 74</p> <p>1 .55 percent. That's from the Anchorage target of 2 18,220. The lowest deviation is .39 percent from the 3 Anchorage target. And then you can also see there, 4 if you have them set up with the -- 5 MR. TORKELOSON: Shall I change the number? 6 MEMBER MARCUM: No, that's okay. I just 7 gave the ones for the 18,220. But if you're using 8 18,335, you see there are two districts that are just 9 a speck over, 1.01 I think, right? 10 MR. TORKELOSON: Yep, right there. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: 1.0 -- yeah, there's two 12 that are 1.01. Nothing at all in the -- you know, 13 anything above that. That's the highest. But again, 14 if you're looking at the Anchorage target, they are 15 all less than 1 percent of the 18,220. 16 And so I did identify four places on the map 17 where you could take a very nice, straight, beautiful 18 line and pull one little block in to make a jig-jag 19 to get somewhat tighter deviations. There's four 20 different places identified. We can look at those if 21 you want to. 22 But from my estimation, I determined that 23 trying to balance deviation with the compactness, 24 that the compactness in these instances overrode the 25 need to get tighter deviations.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 76</p> <p>1 board version 3 with regard to compactness? 2 MEMBER MARCUM: I think it is similarly 3 compact in some places and more compact in other 4 places, while getting tighter deviations for the 5 Anchorage target. 6 Previously I was primarily working on the 7 statewide target. I kept a whole separate 8 spreadsheet the entire time and tracked every 9 population change on this to ensure that I was 10 getting towards the Anchorage target, like you talked 11 about, Anchorage with Whittier of 18,220. 12 MR. SINGER: And then did you make -- was 13 it -- is it District 22 that combines East Anchorage 14 and Eagle River? 15 MEMBER MARCUM: I wouldn't suggest 16 (indiscernible). 17 MR. SINGER: Yeah. 18 MEMBER MARCUM: That was on previous 19 versions of map 1, if you recall. And I wanted to 20 see if it was possible to -- to do it differently, to 21 do the Eagle River doughnut, and so that's why 22 version 3 had the Eagle River doughnut. 23 But ultimately, like I said, based upon 24 trying to keep downtown more whole, that ended up 25 pushing me back to the previous version 1 map that</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 75</p> <p>1 I feel like that with less than 1 percent 2 deviation for all districts on the entire map, we are 3 still pretty safe. But if counsel advises he'd like 4 to see even tighter deviations, I've identified four 5 places. It -- it don't look pretty when you go out 6 and you take a nice straight line like Tudor and you 7 grab one it'sy little neighborhood. And I think it 8 makes more a suspect situation where people are 9 wondering, you know, does somebody live there? 10 What's in that district? So I try to keep to those 11 straight lines rather than doing that. 12 But if the board is interested in taking a 13 look at any of those four locations to get those 14 tighter deviations, I'm happy to. Like I said, it 15 still is less than 1 percent even without those 16 changes. 17 MEMBER SIMPSON: What I'm hearing you say is 18 you don't think it's practicable, in light of 19 compactness, to (indiscernible). 20 MEMBER MARCUM: I believe that compactness 21 outweighs the practicability of trying to achieve 22 tighter than a deviation that is already less than 23 1 percent. 24 MR. SINGER: And then do you think that this 25 version is -- how does this compare to the earlier</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 77</p> <p>1 combined part of northeast Anchorage with 2 (indiscernible). 3 MEMBER SIMPSON: So version, adopted 4 version 3, does not combine Eagle River -- 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Correct. Version -- 6 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- in -- 7 MEMBER MARCUM: Version 1 of our map did 8 combine those for us. 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: I have a question for 10 counsel with regard to version (indiscernible). 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Yep. 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: Matt, so I get that within 13 the municipality, it's already identified as being 14 socioeconomically integrated, right? It's all part 15 of the municipality. 16 But are there shades of socioeconomic 17 interconnectedness within a city? For example, 18 pairing Mountain View with downtown, would you say 19 that it's fair to say that those folks don't 20 necessarily live together, work together, recreate 21 together, go to the same school districts? 22 MR. SINGER: The Court has rejected the 23 notion that -- that just using neighborhood 24 boundaries is allowable if it creates population 25 deviation. So --</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 78</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: So there aren't shades of 2 socioeconomic -- 3 MR. SINGER: I think the court said -- the 4 Court said it's a noble purpose to honor neighborhood 5 boundaries, but it can't be an excuse to draw 6 districts that are non-compact or that have 7 significant population deviation. 8 So I read the law as saying, in Anchorage 9 and other urban areas, your goals are -- should be to 10 draw compact districts that have as close to even 11 population as possible. 12 Socioeconomics within the Municipality of 13 Anchorage kind of take it back further because that 14 issue is already solved for you. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: Okay. So along those same 16 lines, if -- if we have pretty good deviation 17 numbers -- what I'm looking at here are two -- two 18 versions, one which to my eye is a little bit more 19 compact but a little more deviation, and the other 20 being a little bit less compact, say to my eye kind 21 of overall, but with somewhat better deviation 22 numbers. 23 How do we balance those competing questions? 24 We're told that the Court, you know, wants us to make 25 them a minimal deviation within a municipality. So</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 80</p> <p>1 be intolerable. 2 So I think you're -- both of these plans are 3 within the board's discretion, and it's your comfort 4 level on that balance of compactness and population 5 deviation. 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: I actually -- 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Go ahead. 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you. I actually 9 read the case law a little differently. Because the 10 Court said in the 2001 cases, re-examining what it 11 had previously said in Hickel, and it lays out what 12 our job is. 13 First, it says we look at the federal 14 constitution. Then we look at the Voting Rights Act. 15 Then we look at the Alaska State Constitution. And 16 it says (indiscernible) of the criteria, this is the 17 order that you follow: Compactness and continuity, 18 then relative socioeconomic integration. So they've 19 actually laid out the order in which we are supposed 20 to -- 21 MR. TORKELSON: (Indiscernible.) 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- judge this by. So I 23 don't know that we have as much discretion as maybe 24 counsel reads the case law for. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: So what you're saying is</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 79</p> <p>1 we got -- that's easy to understand. 2 MR. SINGER: Right. 3 MEMBER SIMPSON: And -- 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: But do we do that at 5 (indiscernible)? 6 MEMBER SIMPSON: And -- and -- yeah, but 7 when you lose compactness by that, how do you -- how 8 do you weigh that? How do we make a decision that's 9 competing things? 10 MR. SINGER: That's -- that's -- there's a 11 place where you all need to exercise your discretion. 12 So the Court's instructions are to have as 13 close to zero population deviation as is practicable 14 in light of the obligation to draw compact, 15 contiguous socioeconomic integrated. 16 So in Anchorage, if you're sacrificing 17 compactness, if you're at the point of that doesn't 18 fit my eye, it is not as compact as it can be, then 19 that's -- that's a place where you say: I am 20 comfortable with this small population deviation. 21 These are -- these are all -- these 22 deviations, single-digit deviations, there -- there 23 has not been a court case in Alaska or to my 24 knowledge in America which suggests that a -- you 25 know, a 1 or 2 percent deviation in population would</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 81</p> <p>1 compactness is more important than socioeconomic 2 integration? 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's -- that's what the 4 Court said in Hickel and reconfirmed in the 2001 5 cases. 6 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, and Matt is telling 7 us that within the municipal boundaries -- 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: We do have -- 9 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- socioeconomic 10 integration is a given essentially. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Correct. 12 MEMBER SIMPSON: But that looking at 13 neighborhoods is fine, but not at the expense of any 14 of the other things. So -- 15 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can you remind us, too, 16 communities of interest doesn't apply to Alaska, 17 correct? 18 MR. SINGER: Communities of interest is not 19 a term the Alaska Supreme Court has discussed. 20 MEMBER BAHNKE: That's not in the 21 constitution here? 22 MR. SINGER: It's not in the constitution. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: So have they -- Matt, has 24 the Supreme Court opined on what compactness is? 25 MR. SINGER: Yes.</p>

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1 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can we get printouts of both
2 of these?
3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Could you give me that
4 definition?
5 MR. TORKELOSON: The one we were just looking
6 at here?
7 MEMBER BAHNKE: Uh-huh.
8 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.)
9 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible) side by
10 side?
11 MR. TORKELOSON: Sure, if you'd like to see
12 them side by side.
13 MR. SINGER: Compact, in the sense used
14 here, means having a small perimeter in relation to
15 area encompassed. Compact districting should not
16 yield bizarre designs. We will look to the relative
17 compactness of proposed and (indiscernible) districts
18 in determining whether a district is sufficiently
19 compact.
20 So there is a comparative element. If
21 somebody -- if you consider a better and more
22 compact --
23 MEMBER BAHNKE: So -- so perimeter is
24 something you can --
25 MR. SINGER: Let -- let me just finish. Let

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1 me just finish.
2 So again, it's small perimeter in relation
3 to the area encompassed. Look to the relative --
4 CHAIR BINKLEY: So just on small perimeter,
5 that is a mathematical exercise.
6 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yes, that's what --
7 MR. SINGER: I think that our
8 (indiscernible).
9 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Dave's here.
10 You want to address that? We talked about
11 this.
12 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. The software will
13 do -- will do a -- will do a perimeter check, but
14 because we have blocks extending out to the ocean and
15 the Chugach park and all that stuff, it just -- it
16 blows the numbers out.
17 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) compactness
18 (indiscernible).
19 CHAIR BINKLEY: But I mean, it's what the
20 Supreme Court said.
21 MR. TORKELOSON: I'm sorry. I didn't hear
22 what the counsel just advised.
23 MR. SINGER: Well, here's -- again, let me
24 just finish the definition, though, and then let's
25 talk (indiscernible).

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1 Compact, in the sense used here, means
2 having a small perimeter in relation to the area
3 encompassed. Compact districting should not yield
4 bizarre designs. We will look to the relative
5 compactness of proposed and possible districts in
6 determining whether a district is sufficiently
7 compact.
8 So that's a comparative. That's a, okay,
9 here's our two or six or eight options. Which
10 (indiscernible) --
11 CHAIR BINKLEY: So --
12 MR. SINGER: Yep, proposed possible --
13 CHAIR BINKLEY: So a plaintiff could come in
14 and say, okay, look at how they drew this district.
15 You could have drawn that more compact.
16 MR. SINGER: Yes. Well, at least if it's --
17 if it's in front of the board, it was a reasonable
18 choice for the board. If you -- if --
19 CHAIR BINKLEY: The two are side by --
20 MR. SINGER: If one of those six up there --
21 MEMBER BAHNKE: Where are they?
22 MR. SINGER: -- is drastically more
23 compact --
24 CHAIR BINKLEY: But in -- in total --
25 MR. SINGER: -- and the other --

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1 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- for all 16, or just each
2 district within that?
3 MR. SINGER: Well, I think somebody could
4 challenge -- could challenge one district as being
5 non-compact, and we'd have to have an explanation for
6 its shape.
7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Has that been the case
8 before in Anchorage? Have they gone in and
9 challenged the compactness of an individual district?
10 MR. SINGER: Yes, I believe so.
11 CHAIR BINKLEY: And what were the -- what
12 were the -- what was the outcome or what was the
13 challenge?
14 MR. SINGER: Let me get to that discussion
15 in the case.
16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.
17 MR. SINGER: Let me just finish -- this is
18 the next paragraph.
19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.
20 MR. SINGER: Compactness (indiscernible)
21 thus looks to the shape of a district. Odd-shaped
22 districts may well be the natural result of Alaska's
23 irregular geometry. However --
24 MEMBER BAHNKE: Geography?
25 MR. SINGER: Geometry is what it says.

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 86</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah. It's a line. Yeah.</p> <p>2 MR. SINGER: Yeah. But it's the -- it's the</p> <p>3 geometry in our geography.</p> <p>4 MEMBER MARCUM: In our geography. Yeah.</p> <p>5 That's great.</p> <p>6 MR. SINGER: However, corridors of land that</p> <p>7 extend to include a populated area but not the</p> <p>8 less-populated land around it may run afoul of the</p> <p>9 compactness requirement. Likewise, appendages</p> <p>10 attached to otherwise compact areas may violate the</p> <p>11 requirement of compact districting.</p> <p>12 So we don't -- and the Courts don't like</p> <p>13 bump-outs. They don't like appendages and they don't</p> <p>14 like strange shapes.</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: And corridors.</p> <p>16 MR. SINGER: Yeah. And, like, little</p> <p>17 corridors. And those are the things that tend to get</p> <p>18 boards in trouble.</p> <p>19 And people, when they see those odd shapes,</p> <p>20 start to assume there must be some other purpose, and</p> <p>21 they look into that in discovery and, you know, try</p> <p>22 to tell a tale as to why -- why a district is oddly</p> <p>23 shaped.</p> <p>24 Let me just see if I can go to a discussion</p> <p>25 of an urban district that was found to be --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 88</p> <p>1 (indiscernible) process. So, again, the decision, at</p> <p>2 least the appellate court did not invalidate a</p> <p>3 specific -- in -- in Hickel, they did say specific</p> <p>4 districts. There was a Mat-Su District 28 that</p> <p>5 included part of Mat-Su, part of an unincorporated</p> <p>6 borough, and part of Denali Borough, and the Court</p> <p>7 said this is not compact and was done solely for --</p> <p>8 for purposes of achieving the mathematical target.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: But it went across multiple</p> <p>10 boroughs.</p> <p>11 MR. SINGER: Yeah. And then the -- at the</p> <p>12 trial -- I believe at the trial court level in 2011,</p> <p>13 that so-called Kawasaki appendage was considered</p> <p>14 non-compact. That was the reason that was</p> <p>15 problematic in Fairbanks, was there was an appendage</p> <p>16 that appeared for an odd reason.</p> <p>17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. Do you know why, in</p> <p>18 between the 2011 interim map and the 2013</p> <p>19 proclamation -- and this is maybe a little off topic,</p> <p>20 but since you brought it up, we had testimony from</p> <p>21 Representative Guttenberg that his district went all</p> <p>22 the way west, and then it was changed between the</p> <p>23 2011 and the 2013 proclamation.</p> <p>24 Do you know if that was mandated by the</p> <p>25 Court or was that just once they got in and started</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 87</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: And in which case did they</p> <p>2 define that?</p> <p>3 MR. SINGER: That's the Hickel case.</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's the Hickel. Okay.</p> <p>5 MR. SINGER: Yes.</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: Could you pull up --</p> <p>7 (indiscernible) overlay the current districts on</p> <p>8 there?</p> <p>9 MR. TORKELOSON: Sure. (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>11 MR. TORKELOSON: I'm sorry. What was the</p> <p>12 next request? Someone asked. Oh, overlay the 2013</p> <p>13 sheet?</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. Yeah.</p> <p>15 MR. SINGER: You know, I'm not sure in</p> <p>16 the -- the three most recent rounds, I'm not sure</p> <p>17 that there's a specific Anchorage district that</p> <p>18 was -- so Anchorage in -- in 2001, with the -- the</p> <p>19 whole community plan was invalidated because of the</p> <p>20 population deviation.</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Right.</p> <p>22 MEMBER BAHNKE: It might have a load player.</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: Right.</p> <p>24 MR. SINGER: And then in 2011, the whole</p> <p>25 plan was invalidated for failing to follow the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 89</p> <p>1 changing things, they pulled it back in?</p> <p>2 MR. SINGER: Mr. Ruedrich is waving his hand</p> <p>3 that he was there.</p> <p>4 But I -- what I recall is that one of the</p> <p>5 challenges in 2011 was that -- an anti-dilution issue</p> <p>6 that -- the original plan did not create two City of</p> <p>7 Fairbanks districts.</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: I see, yeah.</p> <p>9 MR. SINGER: And the court remanded -- it</p> <p>10 didn't decide the issue.</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: They remanded --</p> <p>12 MR. SINGER: They remanded it.</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: The Supreme Court remanded</p> <p>14 it back to (indiscernible).</p> <p>15 MR. SINGER: And the board re-did Fairbanks.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: I see.</p> <p>17 MR. SINGER: So I don't know if the board</p> <p>18 just on its own decided, okay, we're going to give</p> <p>19 the city, too, and that's the reason that --</p> <p>20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Then we got to pull this</p> <p>21 back?</p> <p>22 MR. SINGER: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>23 (Indiscernible background conversation.)</p> <p>24 MEMBER BORROMEO: Right, Matt? This is what</p> <p>25 Senator Begich gave us the other day. So is that the</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 90</p> <p>1 priority that we have?</p> <p>2 MR. SINGER: No. This is --</p> <p>3 MEMBER BAHNKE: John, can we have a short</p> <p>4 break?</p> <p>5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, no problem. Let's</p> <p>6 take a break. I need to use the head anyway.</p> <p>7 MR. SINGER: This is not -- I mean, the 2011</p> <p>8 cases that's (indiscernible) --</p> <p>9 MEMBER BAHNKE: We're taking a short break,</p> <p>10 TJ.</p> <p>11 MR. PRESLEY: Okay. We're putting</p> <p>12 (indiscernible) for you, too.</p> <p>13 MR. SINGER: Is the best (indiscernible)</p> <p>14 statement of the process.</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Say that again, Matt.</p> <p>16 MR. SINGER: Oh, Nicole and I -- Nicole was</p> <p>17 asking -- she -- it looks like she's looking at</p> <p>18 somebody's memo about a 2002 case. But in 2011, the</p> <p>19 Supreme Court summarized your process. And your</p> <p>20 process is to first design a reapportion plan based</p> <p>21 on the requirements of the Alaska Constitution.</p> <p>22 The Alaska Constitution and the federal</p> <p>23 constitution both contain an equal protection clause.</p> <p>24 In fact, our equal protection clause is a little more</p> <p>25 stringent than the federal constitution. So</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 92</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) asked Peter</p> <p>3 to overlay --</p> <p>4 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah, just overlay. Yeah,</p> <p>5 that worked.</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: Overlay the current shapes</p> <p>7 of the district that are (indiscernible).</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Wow.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: You see some of these.</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Wow.</p> <p>11 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Wow.</p> <p>13 MEMBER MARCUM: Compactness and the</p> <p>14 deviations that they ended up approving in the end</p> <p>15 were extremely tight, and that's one of the reasons</p> <p>16 that I -- you know, I said there's a few of my</p> <p>17 districts that I could (indiscernible).</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: This passed -- this passed</p> <p>19 constitution muster? I mean, with the courts?</p> <p>20 MR. SINGER: Well, was it challenged? Was</p> <p>21 this Anchorage map challenged? No.</p> <p>22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So obviously it was.</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: That's why I -- you know, I</p> <p>24 tended toward the tighter deviations in the balance</p> <p>25 most of the time. Like I said, (indiscernible), I</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 91</p> <p>1 following the Alaska Constitution necessarily means</p> <p>2 you follow the federal constitution.</p> <p>3 MEMBER BORROMEO: Got it.</p> <p>4 MR. SINGER: But you follow -- then the plan</p> <p>5 must be tested against the Voting Rights Act. That's</p> <p>6 your second step.</p> <p>7 If the VRA dictates a change, then you can</p> <p>8 minimize the factors required by the last</p> <p>9 constitution in order to meet the VRA. That's the</p> <p>10 process.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Matt, can you</p> <p>12 (indiscernible) the 2011 case?</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: So what is that memo that</p> <p>14 you've got there?</p> <p>15 MR. SINGER: This is one of the --</p> <p>16 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's by Senator Begich,</p> <p>17 that Begich (indiscernible).</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: I see.</p> <p>19 MR. SINGER: Yeah.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm going to look up the</p> <p>21 (indiscernible).</p> <p>22 MR. SINGER: I don't -- so the reason</p> <p>23 somebody's thinking that the federal constitution</p> <p>24 creates a different analysis, I just don't -- I don't</p> <p>25 agree with that.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 93</p> <p>1 think it's pretty darned compact.</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: It wasn't challenged so --</p> <p>3 MR. SINGER: No. But that doesn't mean this</p> <p>4 would survive a challenge. I think -- I hear that</p> <p>5 you might be assuming that. The fact that it wasn't</p> <p>6 challenged doesn't mean that this would have survived</p> <p>7 a challenge. It just means by 2013, everyone's</p> <p>8 exhausted and they just took it.</p> <p>9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, this is different than</p> <p>10 the '11?</p> <p>11 MR. SINGER: Yeah.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes.</p> <p>13 MR. SINGER: Yes, it's different than the</p> <p>14 (indiscernible).</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Anchorage was?</p> <p>16 MR. SINGER: Yes.</p> <p>17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So they changed it</p> <p>18 from '11 to '13?</p> <p>19 MR. SINGER: And the -- the -- my</p> <p>20 recollection was --</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: And the Court was exhausted</p> <p>22 or --</p> <p>23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Well, no. Litigants.</p> <p>24 The litigants were mostly Fairbanks folks in 2011.</p> <p>25 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. Anchorage just hadn't</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 94</p> <p>1 been a subject of the litigation. So I would 2 hesitate for someone to say, this is a great 3 constitutional map, because I don't think we can say 4 that. 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: No, I'm not saying that. 6 But I'm just saying that -- 7 MR. TORKELOSON: Right. Can we say that? I 8 don't -- 9 MR. SINGER: So in my -- in my view, when 10 the -- when the Court has said, for example, you 11 know, pairing Saxman with the islands instead of 12 Ketchikan does balance the socioeconomic integration, 13 when we have that direction, it would be a mistake to 14 pair Saxman with the -- with those islands. So 15 the -- and that's been litigated. There's precedent. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. 17 MR. SINGER: On the other hand, if it's 18 just, hey, it's in the current plan and nobody 19 challenged it, that's not -- there's no legal 20 guidance there. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: I see. 22 MR. SINGER: It's just -- it may just -- 23 nobody -- 24 MEMBER SIMPSON: This is just for 25 comparison.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 96</p> <p>1 look at all of those and see -- and it's 2 (indiscernible), since it's me, particularly as the 3 court case moved toward where it was saying deviation 4 can become tighter, that deviation ended up being the 5 side that we saw stronger emphasis on rather than 6 compactness. 7 And I still feel like we have pretty darned 8 compact, even though I got the tight deviations, and 9 so, you know, you compare the compactness of previous 10 versions, it certainly seemed like they were looking 11 for the deviations. You can see here in the shapes 12 that they were looking for places to create that very 13 tight deviation. 14 And yet I was very pleased to be able to do 15 so, keeping relatively straight lines in those 16 places. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. While we're still on 18 break, I've got to use the head. 19 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. 20 MR. TORKELOSON: So this -- if someone want 21 (indiscernible) might be able to. 22 (Indiscernible back ground conversation.) 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: Can -- can you help me 24 print this, Peter? 25 MR. TORKELOSON: Sure. Let me just -- it's</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 95</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. I was going to say, 2 nobody felt like that these were too non-compact, 3 right? Because nobody challenged it, right? So -- 4 MR. SINGER: So I think the issue would be 5 what's your record. What do you have in front of 6 you? Do you have a more compact option? Do you 7 have -- 8 MEMBER MARCUM: And I have the deviations up 9 there. 10 MR. SINGER: Yep. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: That's that balance between 12 compactness and deviation. 13 MR. SINGER: Absolutely. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: And that's why -- like I 16 said, I ended up erring on the side of deviation, 17 because looking at -- and I looked at all -- I asked 18 Peter to send me proclamations from all the previous 19 Anchorage -- or all the previous statewide maps. So 20 I went back clear through to -- I think I started 21 with 2002, right, 2000, two thousand- -- 22 MR. TORKELOSON: 2002 is the first 23 proclamation effort. That was the first 24 (indiscernible). 25 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. I went clear back to</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 97</p> <p>1 really hard. I don't know if other people can see 2 this (indiscernible). I can't. I'm going to turn 3 this off. 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: Can you? Okay. 5 Because -- 6 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: (Indiscernible.) 7 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh. Oh, no. This is 8 Hickel. I have Hickel. 9 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, 2011 (indiscernible). 11 MR. TORKELOSON: 2011. 12 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: What do you need to 13 print? 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'll -- I'll keep this. 15 This is (indiscernible). 16 MR. TORKELOSON: Do you need a binder? 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: No. I've got one. I 18 found one in '11. Thank you. (Indiscernible.) Oh, 19 do you want us to print it? What size do you want us 20 to print it? Because Juli has all this, I believe, 21 or somebody has it up, her map. Or did you -- I just 22 want to see -- 23 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: (Indiscernible.) 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: Actually, you probably 25 don't need to. I just want to show them, I can go</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 98</p> <p>1 ahead and get my deviations under 1, but this is what 2 it means. You know, you take that there, you jot 3 this out here, and then you come up here and you take 4 a big chunk there. 5 I still think my (indiscernible) being 6 presented as (indiscernible). And you also have to 7 come down in 21 and grab these two. 8 So I decided that I wanted my 9 (indiscernible) more compactible not to do this. But 10 I want to show them that I can. 11 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Okay. I can print 12 (indiscernible). 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: I can. I just -- 14 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: (Indiscernible) I 15 don't have your map on my thing. 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. 17 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Let me -- let me see 18 if this is what you want. So you want the deviations 19 and then you want -- 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: The deviations and then 21 this map. 22 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: The whole map. 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. Because I mean, 24 I -- I corrected it here, and I'm just saying if it's 25 not compact, if you have (indiscernible) got a</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 100</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: Yep. So does anybody want to 2 put forward their -- 3 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible) v3 for 4 Kodiak is a starting point. 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: I think they're the same, 6 right, v3 and v4 (indiscernible)? 7 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.) 8 MEMBER MARCUM: The one thing that's related 9 to Kodiak that we should probably start with is Fritz 10 Creek. So we -- I think maybe the discussion should 11 be between District 5 Kodiak, and District 6 and what 12 kind of changes you want to talk about there. 13 I know I explain quite a few -- I explored 14 quite a few options there. You know, putting the 15 entire Fritz Creek 3,000 population back into 16 District 6, of course, drives up the overall 17 population for the borough for District 6, 7, and 8. 18 And so a couple of the solutions that we looked at 19 were taking out Seward and/or portions of Seward, 20 depending on what happens elsewhere with the map. So 21 we might want to look at some of those. 22 I don't know if any of the versions that I 23 worked on are on the thumb drive that Peter has there 24 or not. I think he worked on some of that. 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: I --</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 99</p> <p>1 different one, you know. And I think that that 2 (indiscernible). 3 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 4 (Pause.) 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you for showing me 6 the 2011 (indiscernible). 7 MR. SINGER: That's twice there the Court 8 told the board follow the Hickel process and the 9 board didn't do it the third time. 10 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: (Indiscernible.) 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. I don't need 12 anything major. I just want to be able to show that 13 you can do it but you sacrifice compactness. 14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Indiscernible.) 15 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Let's do the -- how about 17 the Kodiak district? 18 MR. PRESLEY: Kodiak district? See Kodiak, 19 which version of this plan would you like to do? Do 20 you want to stick with this one, Bethany, or do you 21 have a (indiscernible) of Kodiak you'd like to show? 22 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 23 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.) 24 MEMBER MARCUM: That one wasn't designed for 25 Kodiak, so that's an Anchorage-only map.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 101</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: Are -- sorry. Are we moving 2 off of Anchorage? Is that what's happening right 3 now? 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. We're getting on to 5 Kodiak and 5 and 6. 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: Mr. Chairman, before we 7 move off the Anchorage, can I just add one quick note 8 there? 9 So I -- I was, while other board members 10 were studying the maps, able to tweak deviations in 11 Anchorage to get all of my districts at 1 percent or 12 over -- I'm sorry, 1 percent or under. So we can go 13 ahead and talk about that, too. 14 What I will say is that it has led to a lot 15 more dips and bites and chunks and just very targeted 16 population grabs. It sacrifices compactness, in my 17 opinion. It's not practicable to do this. But if 18 the board wants to be very focused on deviations, you 19 can do it. 20 MEMBER BAHNKE: So before we move off of 21 that, in relation to that, so I'm looking at the 22 Hickel -- Hickel case. So I just want to read this 23 to us. 24 It says: After our 16-day bench trial, 25 Judge Weeks concluded that the governor's plan was</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 102</p> <p>1 invalid because it violated the Alaska Constitution. 2 Specifically Judge Weeks concluded that the plan was 3 not in compliance with Article VI, Section 6 of the 4 Alaska Constitution because two of the districts were 5 not compact and eight of the districts did not 6 comprise as nearly as practical a relatively 7 socioeconomically integrated area. He determined 8 that the board needlessly nullified Alaska 9 constitutional requirements in its attempt to reach 10 its various policy goals, including the creation of 11 districts with no more than 2 percent population 12 deviation from the ideal district size. He also 13 concluded that the board failed to give due 14 consideration to the possibility of excluding 15 nonresident military personnel from the population 16 base and that this failure was arbitrary and 17 unreasonable. 18 So to me, it's clear that we can't sacrifice 19 compactness in an effort to try to achieve a less 20 than 2 percent population deviation. 21 MEMBER MARCUM: And if I could respond to 22 that. I don't believe that the map that we were just 23 looking at sacrifices that. It's got a lot of many 24 extremely straight lines. 25 Particularly, like I said, when you compare</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 104</p> <p>1 sectional numbers as even lower than 2 percent. 2 That's what I just read in the court rules. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. I think we had some 4 opinion on that from that earlier. 2 percent, they 5 said, was arbitrary. 6 MR. SINGER: In the Hickel case, 2 percent 7 was arbitrary. In 2001, the Court said that your 8 target is to get as close to zero as is practicable, 9 in light of the other constitutional considerations. 10 And so setting any hard math target and 11 putting blinders on to compact and (indiscernible) 12 socioeconomic integration would be (indiscernible). 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's just like we discussed 14 yesterday about Fairbanks -- 15 MR. SINGER: Yeah. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- and the North Star 17 Borough. 18 MR. SINGER: And I think that -- 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: You've got to look at those 20 big three, as you've called them -- 21 MR. SINGER: Yep. 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- first, and then as far as 23 practical to get the number. 24 MR. SINGER: Yeah. And I think -- I think 25 this process and the constitution and the cases, all</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 103</p> <p>1 it to previous Anchorage versions, it's a very 2 compact map. And so I feel that the balance has been 3 achieved between compactness and deviation. 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: Well, what I was also 5 commenting, though, is Nicole was saying that she -- 6 she can make lower deviations, but it sacrifices 7 compactness, so I think we need to really focus on 8 compactness. 9 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, and I'm going to 10 respectfully disagree. As I mentioned, I got four 11 different changes that I could -- we could look at, 12 as well, that go even tighter with the deviations, 13 but that's where you have to find the balance. 14 So what we've each presented is the balance 15 that we think is appropriate between deviation and 16 compactness. And I can go -- right now I'm at a 17 .97 percent between all the Anchorage districts, but 18 it could go certainly lower with at least four. I'm 19 sure there are more, but there's four immediate that 20 I identified that I can go tighter, as well. 21 But I believe that the balance between 22 compactness and deviation is -- is reflected in the 23 map that's in here. 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: Well, what I just read was 25 compactness trumps deviation when we're bound to</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 105</p> <p>1 they're based in is some discretion for the five of 2 you. So to the point (indiscernible), you may have a 3 disagreement. You may have different levels of 4 comfort with regard to what's compact. 5 And I would encourage you each to -- you 6 were appointed because of your experience and your 7 (indiscernible). Use your eye. 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is this for me? 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, thank you. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: So what I just circulated 12 was a lower deviation in Anchorage. Across the 13 board, everything is 1 percent or lower, except for 14 the one that's highlighted. It's 1.02 percent. I 15 think that's close enough to 1 to not worry about it. 16 But it does lead to a lot of warts and 17 strange bites into districts that I don't personally 18 believe is constitutionally mandated, in light of 19 what our counsel just said, and that it does 20 sacrifice compactness, and it's more practicable to 21 follow the other constitutional requirements and go 22 with what I presented originally. 23 But if deviation is a major concern for some 24 of you, this is showing how you get it, and it's very 25 targeted. I don't know who live in any of these</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 106</p> <p>1 blocks. I just grabbed them in the interest of time. 2 It could very well lead to the type of situation we 3 had early on in Southeast. I don't know. But this 4 is the danger when you just grab one or two blocks 5 for population sake. 6 MEMBER MARCUM: And I know (indiscernible) 7 show the same (indiscernible) that I have identified, 8 but (indiscernible) deviations, so -- 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'd like to comment on 10 Nicole's first before we move on to yours. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Sure. Of course. Yeah. 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: In light of what I just 13 read, I'm concerned that by increasing perimeters 14 which reduces compactness for the sake of reducing 15 deviation is going to have us run afoul of our 16 constitutional mandate. 17 MR. PRESLEY: Do you (indiscernible) load 18 that external (indiscernible)? 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Go ahead. 20 Bethany, did you want to -- 21 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. So -- 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: And I don't know that we 23 need to do it right now. I think we've had a good 24 discussion, good presentation by the two different 25 maps.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 108</p> <p>1 is your Gulf Coast/Kenai Peninsula area. 2 MEMBER BORROMEO: Mr. Chairman, just a point 3 of clarification and a question. That dip in where 4 we grab Nanwalek and Port Graham, was that like that 5 in v3? 6 MR. PRESLEY: Let's see. 7 MR. TORKELOSON: We did that just -- 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: Me and you? 9 MR. TORKELOSON: We were just experimenting, 10 yeah. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. So -- 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: That is not the board doing 13 that then. 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: This, yeah. I just -- 15 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: I just wanted to make 17 clear. 18 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) v3, Peter? 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's the only thing. 20 MR. TORKELOSON: Let's see how we -- we were 21 just looking at -- 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's literally the only 23 thing. If you just turn Port Graham and Nanwalek to 24 District 5, that's the only difference. 25 MR. PRESLEY: Do you want to throw a v3 -- a</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 107</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: I don't even want 2 (indiscernible), because it sacrifices compactness to 3 try to get the deviation even further. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: And if I could continue. I 5 think maybe we should just -- personally I've seen 6 enough of Anchorage right now. I've got a good sense 7 of it, what the issues are. 8 I'd like to see us move on, as we talked 9 about, and not make a decision on Anchorage, but 10 start looking at some of the other pieces of the 11 state and let this one sit. We can come back to it. 12 Bethany wants to try and tighten up her 13 numbers or tighten up the compactness. And Nicole 14 wants to do the same. That's just fine with me. 15 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm done. 16 MR. PRESLEY: We'll move on. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Let's move on. Okay. So 5 18 and 6. 19 MR. PRESLEY: So we are currently looking at 20 board-proposed v3 in your Gulf Coast area districts, 21 which included Fritz Creek, were the same in your v4 22 and v3. The Gulf Coast area, we've got Cordova in 23 here. Valdez is not. And then obviously comes down 24 here to the Peninsula, grabs Fritz Creek, Tatitlek, 25 Chugiak, all that stuff, and grabs Kodiak. So that</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 109</p> <p>1 clean v3 on the thumb drive, just so we have it? 2 MR. TORKELOSON: Sure. 3 MR. PRESLEY: So with the exception of those 4 two, which we'll fix right there, what was the 5 discussion on Gulf Coast? 6 MEMBER MARCUM: Mr. Chairman? 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yes. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: I think that it's a good 9 place for us to start with, Fritz Creek, because 10 right now it's included in the Gulf Coast district, 11 District 5. 12 And as I mentioned, I tried several other 13 versions using parts of Seward or all of the City of 14 Seward and such, and I'm more comfortable with those 15 solutions than I am the Fritz Creek solution that we 16 used earlier. 17 And so I would propose that we add back all 18 of the Fritz Creek 3,000 population back into 19 District 6 and pursue a different solution. 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: Does that solution, did 21 you say, takes Seward out? 22 MEMBER MARCUM: Some of them will take 23 Seward and put them into -- takes Seward out of the 24 Kenai Peninsula Borough district and put them into 25 District 5.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 110</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's the course I'd like 2 to pursue, Mr. Chairman, as well. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Let's do it. 4 MR. PRESLEY: Well, let's do it. It works 5 for me. 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'd also just like to add, 7 I want to preserve Nanwalek and Port Graham as two 8 communities in play that could possibly go into 9 Aleutians for VRA deviations. 10 MR. PRESLEY: I'll put all of Fritz Creek 11 back to the Peninsula. We'll put it in 6. 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Are you missing some little 13 pieces in there? 14 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah, grab those little 15 (indiscernible). 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: We all have PTSD now. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.) 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, exactly. 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: Especially while they're 21 watching. 22 MR. PRESLEY: What the heck? Fritz Creek is 23 going back into 6. There we go. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible.) 25 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 112</p> <p>1 we heard a lot of public testimony on, that they felt 2 very bonded to the Prince William Sound side of the 3 borough and that they would appreciate appearing with 4 Kodiak and Cordova. 5 Also, when we went to Kenai and Soldotna and 6 Homer, they seemed open to that suggestion later, 7 when we shared it with those communities. 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: It did -- the one thing that 9 they did emphasize in Seward, at least that I got, 10 was to go from Y -- 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes, south of the Y. 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- into Moose Pass and Bear 13 Valley. But I'm not sure the populations worked. 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) and I -- I 16 was going to say, I did -- I did three different 17 variations of this. 18 I did one where I took just Seward proper, 19 so the Seward city limits. And you can do that here 20 and not have any other, like, cascading changes. 21 If you go up and take Bear Creek, as well, 22 you start having cascading changes you have to make 23 to surrounding districts. And if you go all the way 24 up to the Y, it's more or less impossible, from what 25 I've been able to ascertain, without making huge</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 111</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm sure -- I'm sure 2 they're watching. 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: We got the memo. 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: TJ, zoom in on that -- 5 yep, on that line, because I think we forgot 6 something. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Just, yeah, make sure. 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: There we go. Thank you. 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yes. 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you. 11 MR. PRESLEY: All right. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you, TJ. 13 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh. 14 Do we want to play with Seward? 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, we have to. 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yep. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Because we just changed the 18 population, so -- 19 MR. PRESLEY: So do you want to look at your 20 (indiscernible). 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Seward into 5. 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah, let's move Seward to 23 the Prince William Sound district. 24 And, Mr. Chairman, a lot of us went to 25 Seward, as you remember, and this is something that</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 113</p> <p>1 other changes elsewhere. But not to say we couldn't 2 make those other changes, but I just wanted to say 3 I've got three different versions of that that I've 4 tried. 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: Perfect. Bethany, on your 6 version where you went to the Y, do you remember the 7 deviations on it? 8 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, what you end up having 9 to do is make changes in the Interior. 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, so all the way up? 11 MEMBER MARCUM: No, no. That Interior part 12 of Alaska. At least on this version of the map, 13 where Valdez is placed with the Richardson Highway. 14 Version 3 has Valdez where they have requested, with 15 the Richardson Highway. And so when you have that 16 population in the Interior district, then the changes 17 you can make to District 5, the Gulf Coast district, 18 end up being limited. And so -- 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, let's take a look at 20 it and see if we can go to the Y and see what the 21 deviations are. 22 MEMBER SIMPSON: Before we get too far, I 23 mean, I think that Bear Creek part of the Seward is 24 similar to the Fritz Creek part of Homer. 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: I agree.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 114</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: You know, it's just part of 2 that town in the present. 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's exactly like 4 Ketchikan. 5 MEMBER SIMPSON: It doesn't make sense to 6 cut that off. 7 But then the question still is, how far up 8 that road do you go? I don't think you have to go 9 all the way to the Y to satisfy that. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, Moose Pass is 11 certainly part of Seward. You know, I would think 12 that they would consider Moose Pass a part of Seward. 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: How far up? 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I don't think there's 15 much population beyond Moose Pass to the Y. I don't 16 think. I'm not positive about that. 17 MR. PRESLEY: Do you want to try adding the 18 City of Seward in? 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Can you add Seward proper 20 to 5 and see where we're at on numbers? And then 21 we'll take in Bear Creek next, if the -- 22 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible) matrix. One 23 second. 24 MEMBER MARCUM: My last recollection, the 25 entire population ends up being pretty close to</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 116</p> <p>1 doesn't. 2 MEMBER MARCUM: Go all the way up to -- 3 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.) 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: Is there a way to put -- 5 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) the Y, it's 6 over 5,000. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: So say that again. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: So we went over by 845, 10 including Seward? 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: But you said how much if we 13 went all the way to the Y? 14 MEMBER MARCUM: It's about 5,200 people 15 over -- 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: That -- that can't be right. 17 MEMBER MARCUM: 5,200 people total, that's 18 the population if you take the -- all the way up to 19 Primrose, you know, Moose Pass, Bear Creek, Seward 20 proper, all of that is about 5,200. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: And what was Fritz Creek 22 that we -- 23 MEMBER MARCUM: 3,000. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: 3,000. So it's 2,200 is the 25 Delta?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 115</p> <p>1 5,000, which is clearly different from the 3,000 we 2 took out of Fritz Creek. 3 MR. PRESLEY: So for District 5 now, you're 4 at over -- by adding the City of Seward -- 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. So forty- -- 4,800. 6 When you take all the way up to -- 7 MR. PRESLEY: Oh, all the way up to the Y -- 8 MEMBER MARCUM: Yep. 9 MR. PRESLEY: -- 845 over with Seward in. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Just Seward? 11 MR. PRESLEY: Yep, just the City of Seward. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) do, too. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: And what kind of population 14 do we have up to the Y? 15 MR. PRESLEY: I think Bethany just checked 16 that. Go all the way up to the Y. 17 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Let me just verify 18 that -- 19 MR. PRESLEY: We can also do a little thing 20 in here and look how much we've got. 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: Does this include Port 22 Graham and Nanwalek? 23 MEMBER MARCUM: 4,800 is actually 24 (indiscernible). 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: Because if -- okay. It</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 117</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 2 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. That's big. 3 MEMBER MARCUM: That's why I tried the three 4 different versions. Like I said, I started -- 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 6 MEMBER MARCUM: -- taking the most, and then 7 I kept pairing it back to where (indiscernible) end 8 up cascading lots of other places. 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's big. Yeah. That's 10 tough. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: This is why we -- why we 12 pursued the Fritz Creek solution in the earlier 13 versions -- 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: -- because some of these 16 other -- we originally started, the very first 17 conversations we had when we first started mapping 18 were can we split Seward. What do we do with Seward? 19 And we determined it wasn't going to be in 20 our best interests to split Seward, and so that's why 21 we moved to the southern half of the Kenai Peninsula 22 and went towards Fritz Creek as the population 23 instead. 24 But either way, it -- it's definitely a 25 tradeoff. It's not positive for any of those</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 118</p> <p>1 communities. Unfortunately, deviations end up being 2 far above the allowable law, you know, given the 3 federal limits. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: What are the -- what are the 5 boundaries of the borough, the Kenai Peninsula 6 Borough? Could you put those on there, TJ? 7 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh. It is here. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: See those (indiscernible) 9 lines. 10 MR. PRESLEY: A (indiscernible) blue line, 11 and it does go all the way over to the west side. 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh, that's big. 13 Massive. 14 MEMBER MARCUM: There's no population over 15 there except for (indiscernible). 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yep. Nicole? 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: Can we explore putting 18 Halibut Cove, Seldovia city and Seldovia Village with 19 Homer and taking it out of the Prince William Sound 20 district in Kodiak? 21 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh, so Halibut Cove, 22 Seldovia, Seldovia Village? 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yep. 24 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh. 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: I think that will get us</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 120</p> <p>1 blocks. Sometimes the water ones look really odd. 2 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. (Indiscernible.) There 3 we go. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: There you go. 5 MR. PRESLEY: And all the way down to 6 Seldovia. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yep. 8 MR. PRESLEY: Is that what you were 9 thinking, Nicole, all the way down to there? 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes. But don't forget 11 Seldovia, or is it already grabbed? I can't tell. 12 No, it's not. Thank you. 13 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh. It bleeds into 6. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: And what -- oh, yeah. Then 15 let's see what we have. 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Did it go? 17 MR. PRESLEY: Nope. I (indiscernible) make 18 sure I grabbed all of them first. 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.) 1.7 20 deviation. 21 MR. PRESLEY: So your 5 is -- 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: 5 is happy? 23 MR. PRESLEY: -- much better. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: And that's just with Seward, 25 though?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 119</p> <p>1 pretty close to where we need to be deviation-wise. 2 And again, for purposes of discussion in the 3 record, Homer did offer a lot of public testimony 4 about the greater Kachemak Bay watershed being 5 included with them. 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. You missed a couple 7 up there. I don't know if anybody -- 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: Where is Kachemak City? 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Down -- down right -- 10 MEMBER MARCUM: Kachemak City is up to the 11 north. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, it's up there already. 13 Okay. 14 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: You see, TJ, where you 16 missed a few? No. Farther down. Nope. 17 MR. PRESLEY: I'm going all the way down. 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. But go back up. 19 Well, it's hard to -- right by the H in Halibut Cove 20 to the coast, and one more you just missed. Farther 21 down the coast. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: May not be -- 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: It may not be any 24 population, but we hate to -- 25 MEMBER MARCUM: It may not be in separate</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 121</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: And that still has Seward 2 in 5, yes, City of Seward. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Nothing -- 4 MEMBER SIMPSON: Nothing (indiscernible). 5 MR. PRESLEY: Not Lowell Point, either, or 6 Bear Creek. 7 MEMBER MARCUM: I was able to get Lowell 8 Point. 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: Let's try that now, start 10 moving those areas in. 11 MR. PRESLEY: Want to go north now? 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: I mean, I'm still 13 comfortable with this deviation. I don't know if 14 everybody else is. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: Where are we? 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: 2.13 over. 17 MEMBER SIMPSON: Okay. I think we still 18 have to take Bear Creek. 19 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can you say that louder, 20 Bud? 21 MEMBER SIMPSON: I think we have to take 22 Bear Creek. 23 MR. PRESLEY: You want to take Bear Creek, 24 see what it looks like? 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: Please.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 122</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: Okay. There's already 1,200 2 people (indiscernible), so it's going to put us right 3 over the edge. 4 MEMBER SIMPSON: It does. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is the prison in that 6 portion -- in that block? Is that what the big jump 7 is? 8 MR. PRESLEY: Well, (indiscernible) in 9 twenty- -- let's see what it looks like -- 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's in -- within the city? 11 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. It's on the other 12 side of Kachemak Bay. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: I know where it is 14 physically, but that's within the city limits? 15 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible.) 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 17 MEMBER MARCUM: It's in city boundaries? 18 MR. TORKELESON: Yes. 19 MEMBER SIMPSON: I don't think we've let 20 that in yet. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: I don't, either, because I 22 think it's down to the lower right there. 23 MR. PRESLEY: So there is your District 5 24 with Bear Creek included. We are 2,500 over. 25 MEMBER MARCUM: That's a lot.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 124</p> <p>1 chart that showed how different states treated the 2 prison population, and it shows that we have to treat 3 them -- 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: -- in the place that they're 6 housed. 7 MEMBER BORROMEO: I must have been out of 8 the room for that part of it. Thank you. 9 So Bear Creek is too far but we could get 10 Seward and Lowell Point? 11 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: What do you think, Bud? 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, like I said, I'm 14 afraid if we leave Bear Creek out, it just -- it's a 15 different version of the Fritz Creek problem. It's 16 really part of Seward, even though it's out of the 17 city limits. 18 MEMBER MARCUM: My -- I agree that it's 19 problematic for, you know, communities to be 20 separated like that. I will say that I think legally 21 that -- and maybe counsel can advise us, but to some 22 degree I think that keeping the city limits -- 23 population of the city limits together is the most 24 important thing. 25 You know, it's wonderful and it's great and</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 123</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. 2 MEMBER MARCUM: That's over the federal 3 10 percent deviation. 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: How many prisoners are 5 there there? And do we have to keep them in Seward? 6 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, we -- 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: It would be a pretty odd 8 shape. 9 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, very odd shape. 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: We have to keep them in 11 Seward? 12 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Alaska -- Alaska -- 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: I know that some states 14 realigned that, but I don't know what we do here. 15 MR. PRESLEY: It used to be -- 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's why I'm asking. 17 MR. PRESLEY: And even past Alaska 18 redistricting boards have tinkered with both the 19 military and the prison population many years past, 20 in like the '70s and '80s. I think the State law 21 that says, you know, use the census data as it's 22 delivered to you has closed off that -- 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: That question? 24 MR. PRESLEY: -- now, yeah. 25 MEMBER MARCUM: NCSL, if you remember, had a</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 125</p> <p>1 we always want to try to include those -- those outer 2 populations whenever deviations don't become illegal. 3 But if we're talking about moving into, you know, 4 deviation levels that are illegal, then I think the 5 most important thing is to keep the city limit 6 boundaries together. 7 Is there any case law to indicate, you know, 8 suburbs essentially from the cities in these 9 situations? 10 MR. SINGER: I think this is an example of a 11 hard -- we have a hard choice. The population -- the 12 population in this part of the state is challenging. 13 I mean -- 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: It is. 15 MR. SINGER: You had -- the Fritz Creek 16 solution did not make people happy. You're finding a 17 solution that -- sorry. I think it's -- it sounds 18 like the -- you've got public input in Seward that 19 included an indication of a desire to want to be in 20 a -- essentially in a coastal district with other 21 coastal communities, so that's what you're looking 22 at. But I don't think there's a case that tells us 23 what the answer is here. 24 The cases do encourage keeping local -- 25 respecting local government boundaries, if possible.</p>

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<p style="text-align: right;">Page 126</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: So this solution respects 2 local government boundaries. I'm assuming we take 3 Bear Creek back out because of the population 4 deviation situation, but a distinction I suppose that 5 could be drawn between Fritz Creek and Bear Creek is 6 that Fritz Creek is literally the end of the road 7 past Palmer, and those people, like, have nowhere 8 else to go, whereas Bear Creek is on the road between 9 Seward and the rest of the Kenai Borough and 10 Anchorage. So those people are a lot closer and more 11 connected with both Kenai/Soldotna and South 12 Anchorage, so they're less isolated if they're cut 13 off from Seward. 14 And remember that they're not really even 15 cut off. I mean, they're still going to shop at the 16 Seward Safeway. It doesn't change that their kids 17 are still going to go to school in Seward. But they 18 aren't disconnected physically as much as the Fritz 19 Creek people are. So just -- 20 MEMBER MARCUM: Excellent observation. 21 MEMBER SIMPSON: So in terms of the 22 connection, I think we can justify making that cut 23 because we have to. 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes, I agree. 25 MR. PRESLEY: So take out Bear Creek?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 128</p> <p>1 So this gets your District 5 35 over. 2 MEMBER BORROMEO: So 5 would be happy. 3 And then what's our Homer district? Is that 4 6? 5 MR. PRESLEY: It is. 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: So what does that do, 7 adding the Kachemak Bay watershed to Homer with Fritz 8 Creek? 9 MR. PRESLEY: Homer -- 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: So what's our 6, 7, and 8 11 now? 12 MR. PRESLEY: Your Homer is quite high. 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. So we need to move 14 that boundary, but -- 15 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) shift -- 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: But they -- 17 MEMBER MARCUM: I actually have several 18 versions of that, if you want to look at later, you 19 can, kind of -- because I did the Seward, trying to 20 balance that 6, 7, and 8, once you add Fritz Creek 21 back in. I've got several versions of that. 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Does everybody feel 23 comfortable just loading one of Bethany's versions? 24 Because we spent a lot of time on the Peninsula, and 25 this is something that they all said, just move the</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 127</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, please. 2 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you, Bud. 3 MEMBER MARCUM: That's an excellent 4 observation there about the end of the road versus -- 5 actually, they're kind of beginning of the road, I 6 guess you would say. 7 MEMBER SIMPSON: On the road, yeah. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: On the road to the end of 9 the road. 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: Also to the extent that we 11 can keep the villages south of the Y together without 12 Seward would be in our best interests and theirs. 13 MR. PRESLEY: That's (indiscernible). 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's a cleaner break at 15 the -- 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: There should be little 17 fireworks that go off every time we all agree on 18 something. 19 MEMBER MARCUM: There are -- I don't know if 20 you want to -- 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: Where is the cannon? 22 MR. PRESLEY: I was going to say, staff will 23 get it for you. 24 So we're just going to put this back into 8, 25 where it was before, and deal with that in a minute.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 129</p> <p>1 boundary line south. 2 MEMBER MARCUM: Yep. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: To adjust, yeah. 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: To adjust. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Go ahead, yeah. 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: Bethany, (indiscernible). 7 MR. PRESLEY: So (indiscernible). 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yep, that comes down. 9 MEMBER MARCUM: There are some weird shapes, 10 so it's not a straight line across. I wish it was. 11 It's kind of a jag. But it balances the population 12 very nicely. 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: And I will say that the 14 Kenai National Wildlife Refuge has some very 15 odd-shaped blocks. 16 MR. PRESLEY: We -- I -- 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: I spent a lot of time on 18 this area. 19 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: And especially on the Cook 21 Inlet side, too. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 23 MR. PRESLEY: Does anybody need anything? 24 Water, coffee, snacks? 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: What did we decide?</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 130</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: I actually (indiscernible) 2 the one that you have here that is the Anchorage one. 3 MR. PRESLEY: Juli, can you see if that 4 coffee is still hot (indiscernible)? 5 MEMBER MARCUM: I think it's on the 6 Anchorage one, if you pull the Anchorage one. 7 MR. PRESLEY: Oh, good it -- 8 MEMBER MARCUM: V3, Bethany. 9 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.) 10 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, it has -- it has at 11 least one of the versions. 12 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible) note to make 13 sure I'm keeping track of what we changed, too. 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.) 15 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, no, that's okay. 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.) 17 MEMBER MARCUM: I worked it several times. 18 Because like I say, I tried -- I tried it with just 19 Seward. I tried it with Seward and Bear Creek. 20 But then I had to adjust Kenai populations, 21 and I tried the Seward Bear Creek one. And 22 (indiscernible) blow up the rest of the Kenai 23 Borough. 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: I mean, based on what 25 we've heard from the borough, it seems like</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 132</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Cordova actually 2 (indiscernible). 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: Oh, that's nice 4 (indiscernible). 5 (Indiscernible conversation.) 6 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. So if you want to 7 scroll -- 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, I see. I see what you 9 did. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: So they took Seward in the Y 12 and everything up here and then included it with the 13 Kachemak Bay district. 14 MEMBER SIMPSON: What happened with the rest 15 of Prince William Sound? 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: It goes to Cordova. So they 17 had Cordova right here, Chenega, not Valdez. So 18 similar to ours, but they go around, just follow the 19 coast. Don't take in Seward and the Y or Kachemak 20 Bay. You pick up Kodiak. 21 Then they get the rest of their population 22 from around the Alaska Peninsula and that 23 (indiscernible). 24 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. So I remember my 25 issue with this is it's really just artificially</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 131</p> <p>1 everybody -- 2 MEMBER MARCUM: The consensus, for sure, 3 some community (indiscernible). And from all 4 different parts of the -- 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: Right. 6 MEMBER MARCUM: We were in the north part. 7 We were actually in Kenai meetings, and when we were 8 down in Homer -- 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: And Seward. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, and Seward, so it just 11 (indiscernible). 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: And Cordova, too. They 13 had mentioned creating more of a cohesive Prince 14 William Sound district. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 16 MR. PRESLEY: Yep. 17 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible.) 19 (Indiscernible conversation.) 20 MEMBER SIMPSON: There with Seward. 21 MEMBER MARCUM: And Kodiak. Yeah. Uh-huh. 22 And Valdez is with (indiscernible). 23 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 24 MEMBER MARCUM: Wow, really (indiscernible). 25 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 133</p> <p>1 contiguous, you know, like cruise along the coast 2 there. Kodiak's contiguous because it's a water 3 (indiscernible). 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. But I think you can 5 make a case for this. I mean -- 6 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, you have to make a 7 case. 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 9 MR. PRESLEY: So again, Bethany's map up. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: I have one of my -- 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's contiguous by 12 geography, not by population. 13 MEMBER MARCUM: I have -- 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yep, yep. 15 MEMBER BORROMEO: We're ready. 16 MEMBER MARCUM: So I have one -- actually, I 17 thought of one he was bringing up, but it's not this 18 one, which is no problem. But I can explain one 19 other change there. 20 So on this one, what I was also trying to do 21 was address the District 37 negative deviation that 22 we have. You know, that's our highest negative 23 deviation in the map. 24 And so I went over and grabbed Seldovia and 25 Port Graham and Nanwalek, put those communities into</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 134</p> <p>1 District 37 to try to affect and help that negative 2 deviation for District 37, so they're not part of the 3 borough. 4 I -- I see it's a little bit problematic, 5 because it does mean that we're breaking the borough 6 twice, right, by doing it here as well as in Seward. 7 So that's why this is not necessarily my favorite, 8 but at the same time it addresses that lingering 9 problem we had with the District 37 negative 10 population and reduces it to only -- what is it? 11 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh, .7. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: .7, yeah. Anyway, I think I 13 might have made some other changes on that. I don't 14 know. Anyway, I wouldn't focus on that part. 15 The point is, if you go up to the north, you 16 can see general -- most of the variations that I have 17 here. Because of the -- of the wildlife refuge, you 18 end up having this narrow corridor of population on 19 the west side there, and so that's generally where 20 you end up seeing this foot. 21 But you do have to take Homer up -- pretty 22 far up there to get into that population, and then 23 you see the split. Again, it still allows Kenai and 24 Soldotna to be kept together in one district, and 25 then, you know, basically District 8 captures the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 136</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: We could bring that 2 Kalifornsky and Kasilof down, I think, a little ways. 3 MR. PRESLEY: So do you want all of this 4 into 6? 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: Just Seldovia and Seldovia 6 Village for right now, and Halibut Cove. And then 7 let's adjust -- adjust the boundary and see where 8 we're at. 9 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. And I think that 10 might be one that I haven't tried, Nicole. I've 11 taken either all of (indiscernible). 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: All of them out. 13 MEMBER MARCUM: But yeah, that might be a 14 (indiscernible) to consider there. 15 MEMBER BORROMEO: And again, the 16 justification for Port Graham and Nanwalek is -- I 17 grabbed that based on the voting precinct. 18 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, that's right, what you 19 showed us yesterday. That was -- that was something 20 new I hadn't seen before, so that was an excellent 21 consideration. 22 MEMBER SIMPSON: What -- what does that look 23 like? Explain what you meant by that. 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: If you go over and select 25 not based on the block level but you go to the next</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 135</p> <p>1 rest, Sterling, Funny River, Nikiski, Cooper Landing, 2 you know, all the way over through to the Y. 3 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.) 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: So I've done a lot of 5 mapping down here, and I will attest that that's the 6 national shape of those census blocks. The 7 population is all condensed on that western corridor 8 of the Peninsula. And if -- if I had to redraw it 9 again based on what we're attempting to do with 10 Seward, my version would look a lot like this. 11 What I would like to explore, though, as a 12 board, is leaving the Kachemak Bay watershed with the 13 exception of Nanwalek and Port Graham with -- with 14 Homer. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. I do have one version 16 that I'm trying to see if this is -- 17 MEMBER SIMPSON: I think we should, too. 18 MEMBER MARCUM: I'm trying to see if this 19 (indiscernible) open. 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: I think then you can also 21 bring that line down a little bit. 22 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. I was just going to 23 say, if we put those places back in 6. 24 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, you could go ahead and 25 do that, actually.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 137</p> <p>1 biggest one, which is voting precinct, they're 2 presented together, Tyonek, Beluga, Nanwalek, and 3 Port Graham. 4 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, to the other side of 5 (indiscernible). 6 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Have we gotten any comment 8 from them? 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: I haven't seen anything. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: I haven't either. I read 11 them all. 12 MR. PRESLEY: Juli, if you're listening from 13 the sky, can we get Tyonek and Beluga comments? 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: No, Nanwalek. 15 MR. PRESLEY: Oh, Nanwalek? 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 17 MR. PRESLEY: Nanwalek and Port Graham. 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Correct. 19 MR. PRESLEY: Got it. So that puts Seldovia 20 and Seldovia Village in. 21 MEMBER MARCUM: And I will say that right 22 now Port Graham and Nanwalek are not districted with 23 Homer. So it wouldn't be unusual for them to not be 24 districted with Homer. 25 MEMBER SIMPSON: It's not a change.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 138</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. Well, it is a change 2 in the sense that right now they are districted with 3 District 5, Kodiak, I believe. 4 MR. PRESLEY: Right. 5 MEMBER SIMPSON: Okay. 6 MR. PRESLEY: This is the (indiscernible). 7 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. So (indiscernible), 8 but they would still not be with Homer but they would 9 just be districted to the west rather than to the 10 east. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: So where are our 12 deviations? 13 MR. PRESLEY: Now, for District 6, you 14 shaved it off quite a bit, and now you are negative 15 90 people. 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. And then 8 is -- 17 MR. PRESLEY: So 8, 216 over. 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: And we haven't moved that 19 line yet. 20 MR. PRESLEY: Right. 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: And where's 7? There it 22 is. 7's at 1.3. That's pretty good, but we're going 23 to take from a little bit of 7 and 8 and add it to 6 24 to bring that up. 25 MEMBER MARCUM: If you want to not -- you're</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 140</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh. So you said you want 2 to give some of 7 and 8 to 6? 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: Well, if you look at now 4 our proposed 6, 7, and 8, we need to try and equalize 5 those. 6 MEMBER MARCUM: And one of the ways I did 7 that was (indiscernible). 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: And, Peter, this is where 9 your expertise will come in handy. We're trying to 10 keep the population in 6, 7, and 8. 11 MR. TORKELOSON: Six, 7 (indiscernible). 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Six is down. That's our 13 Homer district. But we knew it was going to be down, 14 so we have to move the boundary. 7 is 15 Kenai/Soldotna, 8 is northern Kenai. 16 MR. TORKELOSON: We've worked this section a 17 couple of times. 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: I know. That's why I said 19 Peter. 20 MEMBER MARCUM: Since it's (indiscernible) 21 seriously. I don't recognize (indiscernible). 22 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. So if you zoom out 23 just a little bit, I'm wondering if it's -- how many 24 are (indiscernible)? There's this pocket 25 (indiscernible).</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 139</p> <p>1 welcome -- we can sit here and go through all these 2 details if you want to. Like I said, I do have a 3 version of this that's pretty tight. I just have to 4 find it. So if you want -- 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: I thought you didn't do it 6 with all five of those communities. 7 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, that's true. You're 8 right. 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: Honestly, this is -- I 10 think this is, like -- 11 MEMBER MARCUM: I did not -- that's true. 12 You're right. 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- five minutes of 14 (indiscernible). 15 MEMBER MARCUM: You're right. I didn't 16 do -- you split them. 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: Let's -- 18 MEMBER MARCUM: That's fine. Let's do that 19 then. 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm just going to come 21 over here by TJ and you, because we spent a lot of 22 time on this area, too, and I think we can get there. 23 MEMBER MARCUM: No, you're right. That's 24 not -- I didn't -- you split the two communities, and 25 so that's a good thought. So I think we're close.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 141</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay. 2 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 3 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.) 4 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 5 MEMBER MARCUM: My computer just blew up 6 again. 7 MR. SINGER: Really? 8 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. I get "Error, 9 resources exceeded" probably six times a day. 10 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Or maybe, Mr. Chairman, if 12 the board is amenable to this, can we just send this 13 version to Peter? Because I know that him and I and 14 Bethany have worked a ton on this area. 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: No problem, yeah. 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: And then we can bring it 17 back. 18 MEMBER MARCUM: I think we've explored the 19 possibilities and we can put it together. 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.) 21 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 22 MEMBER MARCUM: So we'll still work 23 (indiscernible). 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: The intention here is to 25 equalize the (indiscernible).</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 142</p> <p>1 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.)</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: We equalize 6, 7, and 8.</p> <p>3 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>4 MR. PRESLEY: I'm going to call up something</p> <p>5 else.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BORROMEO: And he's going to send it</p> <p>7 to you.</p> <p>8 MR. PRESLEY: I'll work on it.</p> <p>9 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay.</p> <p>10 MR. TORKELOSON: We're calling it working</p> <p>11 Kenai file.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: And I'm comfortable with</p> <p>13 that, because we've spent so much time in the office.</p> <p>14 So you should have it, like, muscle memory.</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) I cannot</p> <p>16 get (indiscernible).</p> <p>17 MEMBER BORROMEO: Peter probably has</p> <p>18 (indiscernible).</p> <p>19 MR. PRESLEY: Sometimes (indiscernible).</p> <p>20 Okay. Peter, you can grab that thumb drive</p> <p>21 and you're good to go. So --</p> <p>22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you, Peter.</p> <p>23 MR. PRESLEY: Are you thinking that then you</p> <p>24 equalize 6, 7, and 8?</p> <p>25 MEMBER BORROMEO: Which he's doing, based on</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 144</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: So Port Graham and</p> <p>2 Nanwalek have a combined population of 409 Alaskans.</p> <p>3 By putting them into District 37, we have brought our</p> <p>4 deviation up from negative 4.56, which was my lowest</p> <p>5 deviation, on the high side, and it would then bring</p> <p>6 that deviation to a negative 3 point- -- sorry, 2.33.</p> <p>7 So it's a difference of under-populating the</p> <p>8 Aleutians by almost a thousand, at negative 836, to</p> <p>9 negative 427. So it's pretty significant.</p> <p>10 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible) that's a</p> <p>11 good solution.</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: That's why I say, this was</p> <p>13 not only the Kenai version. This was not</p> <p>14 (indiscernible).</p> <p>15 MR. PRESLEY: So should we switch to another</p> <p>16 (indiscernible)?</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) we have that</p> <p>18 clean v3?</p> <p>19 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.)</p> <p>20 CHAIR BINKLEY: When we keep the borough</p> <p>21 together, that's a good move.</p> <p>22 MR. PRESLEY: Let's start from a clean v3 to</p> <p>23 (indiscernible) 37 and add in Port Graham and</p> <p>24 Nanwalek.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's the only suggested</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 143</p> <p>1 previous plans that Bethany and I worked with in</p> <p>2 discussions.</p> <p>3 MR. PRESLEY: Uh-huh. And your 5 is also</p> <p>4 1.51, so your 5 is close, if that's -- if you guys</p> <p>5 are okay with that deviation.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm good with it.</p> <p>7 MEMBER MARCUM: Yep. Can you go south?</p> <p>8 MR. PRESLEY: Yep. So it still doesn't</p> <p>9 leave --</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) 7 look now?</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Again, this was my only</p> <p>12 suggestion yesterday to our big block of VRA</p> <p>13 districts is that we consider including Nanwalek and</p> <p>14 Port Graham into the Aleutians district. It helps</p> <p>15 with deviations in 37. They're precincted together</p> <p>16 right now, Tyonek and Beluga. All of the others</p> <p>17 would remain the same, and we would go from a</p> <p>18 negative 4.56 deviation to a 2 point- --</p> <p>19 MEMBER MARCUM: That looked quite different</p> <p>20 on here.</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: I just want -- and Juli's</p> <p>22 checking to see if we've got anything from Port</p> <p>23 Graham or Nanwalek.</p> <p>24 MR. PRESLEY: Port Graham and Nanwalek,</p> <p>25 Juli.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 145</p> <p>1 change that I would have. And again, it's --</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, if it takes it down to</p> <p>3 2 percent, that's great.</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's minimal.</p> <p>5 MEMBER BORROMEO: VRA considerations and</p> <p>6 deviations. It also helps with the Kenai Peninsula</p> <p>7 deviation, because that one was high.</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: Right.</p> <p>9 MEMBER BORROMEO: Now, I would argue that we</p> <p>10 are breaking the borough on the Prince William side,</p> <p>11 so it still does break it at Seward and gets in to</p> <p>12 get Nanwalek and Port Graham.</p> <p>13 MEMBER MARCUM: We've broken it --</p> <p>14 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's a little different</p> <p>15 shaped than --</p> <p>16 MEMBER MARCUM: We've broken it at one of</p> <p>17 the places --</p> <p>18 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- the land-locked</p> <p>19 borough.</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: This is where they said they</p> <p>21 want it essentially, right?</p> <p>22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Right.</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: They said (indiscernible)</p> <p>24 preferred to be in the Prince William Sound district,</p> <p>25 so it's not like we are arbitrary, you know,</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 146</p> <p>1 deciding -- if we did the Fritz Creek, we're just 2 trying to find a place that worked geographically, 3 but this is a community that says they identify most 4 closely with (indiscernible) -- 5 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible) with the 6 maritime -- 7 MEMBER MARCUM: -- with the maritime coastal 8 district. And so that borough break -- I don't want 9 to say invalidates it, but you know what I'm saying. 10 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Everything's here. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: The food's here. Oh, I 12 smell it now. 13 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah, the food's here, so 14 start thinking about food. 15 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can we do that then before 16 we get into 37? 17 MEMBER MARCUM: Nicole, thank you for 18 working that 37. 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: You're welcome. 20 MEMBER MARCUM: I think that was one of my 21 heartbreaks, that I always wake up in the middle of 22 the night thinking how can we solve this? And that's 23 a different version, so I really like this version. 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: You're welcome. 25 MR. PRESLEY: If you guys would like to have</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 148</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: So are we talking about 40, 2 39, 38, and 37? 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. I'm talking about 4 all the VRA districts. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: We didn't change any of them 6 except for 37. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: You want to get into those 8 right now before lunch? 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: I think it's a quick 10 discussion. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: I don't know if anybody 13 else -- 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: I don't think it's going to 15 be quick, because I think there's a big decision in 16 terms of (indiscernible) and Chevak and whether that 17 goes in the AVCP region or not, and if it does then 18 that means we have to push 39 farther to the east. 19 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Well, so maybe 20 this -- 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible) did you 22 draw any maps like that? 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: I didn't personally, but 24 that's what I heard in Bethel. 25 MEMBER MARCUM: And I -- I tried a couple --</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 147</p> <p>1 lunch and look at 37, or do you want to knock out -- 2 see what -- 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's honestly, 4 Mr. Chairman, two minutes. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, really quick. 6 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 7 MEMBER MARCUM: It would be nice to get this 8 district done. 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: We can bring up a whole 10 (indiscernible). 11 MEMBER MARCUM: It'd be nice to get this 12 district done, so (indiscernible). 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: 37? 14 MEMBER MARCUM: 37, yeah. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: So that's going to be tied 16 in to -- 17 MEMBER MARCUM: No. But she 18 (indiscernible). 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: I didn't, Mr. Chairman. 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: I'm not sure what you're 21 talking about. 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. Right here. Like 23 this. So this was our District 40 last time. I'm 24 not proposing any changes. It's going to be a little 25 high because we keep the northwest borough --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 149</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: It depends then -- 2 MEMBER MARCUM: -- but I wasn't able to get 3 both the (indiscernible). But anyway, I do think, 4 though, that if Nicole could just show us her D37, 5 that's at least one thing for us to consider, but we 6 may have to consider other possibilities. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. Because the top 8 end of that's going to be affected. 9 MEMBER MARCUM: Sure -- 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: It should be on this. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- by what we do -- 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: TJ, can -- 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: Let's just see it. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. Take a look at it. 15 That's good. 16 But I like you getting the deviation 17 (indiscernible). That's great. 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. Are we good? 19 MEMBER MARCUM: Yep. 20 MR. PRESLEY: This is Port Graham and 21 Nanwalek going into 37 as a base from your v3. So it 22 should be easy and straightforward. Let's just look 23 what it did to deviations. 24 So 37, it brought it down. I think that is 25 (indiscernible) the 2.31. So they're bringing Port</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 150</p> <p>1 Graham and Nanwalek. You significantly reduce the 2 current deviation of what 37 looks like in v3. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's great. 4 MEMBER MARCUM: And I'm checking -- 5 MR. PRESLEY: Port Graham and Nanwalek? 6 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Most of these are -- 7 it brings it up by, like, 2.25 percent. 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: So can you zoom out and 9 show the whole map? Because I do want to have a 10 greater VRA just presentation so you can see this. 11 So again, when we started at the top, there 12 was a lot of consensus on the board about keeping the 13 North Slope Borough tied with the Northwest Arctic 14 Borough. Those two put our proposed District 40 15 high, 2.67. We were comfortable with that deviation 16 then. I don't know where people stand today. I 17 personally am still comfortable with it, based on all 18 of the testimony that we received, particularly the 19 large number of callers from the day we were in 20 Kotzebue, from Deering and Buckland, and the borough 21 mayor coming, and NANA Regional CEO testifying most 22 recently about this. 23 Then we come down -- 24 MEMBER MARCUM: And, Nicole, actually, if I 25 could just append that to say all the other maps</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 152</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: 39. 39. 2 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's impossible to 4 district the YK Delta all together. Their population 5 is well over 26,000, and our ideal population is 6 eighteen thousand point three. 7 So again, for purposes of the record as to 8 why we can't have one YK/AVCP district, that's why. 9 We moved down into 38, and this was our -- 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, we just -- I mean, 11 that's not all we heard. We also heard pretty 12 strongly from the regional corporation in that area 13 (indiscernible) Cooper, Scammon, and Chevak into 38, 14 which this does not. 15 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm -- I'm just going off 16 to the board version 3. So we can -- 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, but -- but we're 18 talking about how are we going to make changes. 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, okay. I'm not 20 proposing changes myself to 39 and 38. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think -- I think 22 that it's important to look at those changes, because 23 I think that was significant, the testimony that we 24 got, and I wouldn't want to ignore it just because -- 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, I'm not --</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 151</p> <p>1 right now currently reflect exactly the same thing. 2 I believe that the only one that was different was 3 the (indiscernible) map, and that has been modified 4 now to -- oh, that hasn't. Okay. So 5 (indiscernible). 6 MR. TORKELESON: You want my comment? 7 MEMBER MARCUM: I don't know, Mr. Chair. 8 It's up to you. I'm not trying to create a new 9 (indiscernible) here, but I thought there was a new 10 AFFR map including -- 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: It looks similar, except I 12 think Buckland and -- 13 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. Well, they -- and I 14 thought the new AFFR map put that one back in, but 15 maybe it doesn't. So I could be mistaken there. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 17 MEMBER MARCUM: But at the very least, I was 18 going to say five of the six maps have exactly the 19 same solution, so they came to the same conclusions 20 that the board has on that, so (indiscernible). 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: And then our 36 is a 22 combination of primarily Bering Strait region 23 villages, and it does take a little bit of the YK 24 Delta villages into it again. 25 MR. PRESLEY: 39.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 153</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- we had something before 2 we went out there. 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: I am not suggesting by any 4 stretch that we ignored it. In fact, Bethany -- 5 Bethany and I, way back in September, worked ad 6 nauseam on that exact problem. We have five 7 different options to show you how -- 8 MEMBER MARCUM: All right. Changing -- 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- try, to accomplish what 10 Calista has asked for, and one of the options that we 11 can discuss more in depth after lunch splits Kodiak 12 Island straight in half. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, there's a lot of 14 options. We have some right here that we took around 15 the state that do just that. The AFFR map, the AFFR 16 map, they accommodate that change. 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: They do. 18 MEMBER BAHNKE: To me, those two maps, 19 though -- 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: And so it's not impossible. 21 It is possible. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: And I -- 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: And it makes a big 24 difference between -- 25 MEMBER MARCUM: I've taken variations of</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 154</p> <p>1 those over the last couple of weeks and tried --</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: If we break up the Fairbanks</p> <p>3 North Star Borough and put that population into 36,</p> <p>4 that's going to necessitate, in my opinion --</p> <p>5 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, that cascade.</p> <p>6 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- that we start to swing</p> <p>7 that district back around to the northeast, which</p> <p>8 would allow you then to move Cooper, Chevak, and</p> <p>9 Scammon into 38 and push 39 into what the existing 36</p> <p>10 is.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: I don't --</p> <p>12 MEMBER BAHNKE: To me, that compromises</p> <p>13 socioeconomic integrity.</p> <p>14 CHAIR BINKLEY: How so?</p> <p>15 MEMBER BAHNKE: By moving out of -- by -- so</p> <p>16 39 is primarily coastal, and you're pushing it into</p> <p>17 rural Interior communities that don't have any</p> <p>18 socioeconomic ties with the coast.</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I would disagree. I</p> <p>20 mean, you've got -- you know, in this version that</p> <p>21 we're looking at right now, we go up the Yukon River</p> <p>22 into the Interior.</p> <p>23 MR. PRESLEY: I might jump in here. We did</p> <p>24 talk about just looking at Port Graham and Nanwalek,</p> <p>25 because you guys might have been hungry. So we're</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 156</p> <p>1 this is a Bristol Bay with a little bit of Upper YK</p> <p>2 districts again, but it doesn't cross over into the</p> <p>3 Interior. And we would bring in just a handful of</p> <p>4 the Kenai Peninsula Borough communities that border</p> <p>5 Cook Inlet or Prince William Sound, further</p> <p>6 strengthening the VRA protections of 37.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: So how do you define</p> <p>8 Interior?</p> <p>9 MEMBER BORROMEO: My Interior doesn't</p> <p>10 change.</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: I mean, Crooked Creek you</p> <p>12 wouldn't say is in the Interior?</p> <p>13 MEMBER BORROMEO: So my grandma is from</p> <p>14 Crooked Creek actually. I've got a lot of personal</p> <p>15 knowledge about that. That is a traditional</p> <p>16 Athabascan community.</p> <p>17 However, they have been since ANCSA tied</p> <p>18 into the YK Delta, and that's where a lot of the</p> <p>19 socioeconomic connection is nowadays. Especially</p> <p>20 with Donlin going in and all of the prep related to</p> <p>21 that mine, they are very much YK Delta bonded, not</p> <p>22 Interior so much.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: So you're drawing the</p> <p>24 distinction with the ANCSA boundaries.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BORROMEO: Not only ANCSA. They also</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 155</p> <p>1 kind of -- we looked at Port Graham and Nanwalek. Do</p> <p>2 you want to eat?</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, that is what I had</p> <p>4 suggested, but Nicole wanted to keep going with</p> <p>5 looking at --</p> <p>6 MEMBER BORROMEO: Well, because --</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: The VRA district, so</p> <p>8 (indiscernible).</p> <p>9 MR. SINGER: And I want -- I just -- Port</p> <p>10 Graham and Nanwalek, that change is -- you know, you</p> <p>11 first follow the Hickel process of looking at that to</p> <p>12 be exact in the (indiscernible) socioeconomic</p> <p>13 (indiscernible).</p> <p>14 I then step out to look at what does that do</p> <p>15 to the Alaska Native voting age population, and it</p> <p>16 actually improves the number, brings it up about 1</p> <p>17 percentage point, which is -- just further assures</p> <p>18 Alaska Native control or the ability to influence the</p> <p>19 election in District 37.</p> <p>20 So from a VRA perspective, that's probably a</p> <p>21 positive change. It's certainly not a negative</p> <p>22 change. So if we think the other version satisfies</p> <p>23 the VRA, this would, too. That's --</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BORROMEO: So then getting into 37,</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 157</p> <p>1 receive a lot of their healthcare and associate</p> <p>2 services from YK Delta tribal healthcare or YKHC and</p> <p>3 AVCP, and then again with the economic inroads into</p> <p>4 that region right now in the main project, or one of</p> <p>5 the bigger projects being Donlin, it's just a very</p> <p>6 western community.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: But you don't consider --</p> <p>8 when you say Interior, you say you stopped short of</p> <p>9 the Interior. You don't consider any of those, Lime</p> <p>10 Village or any of those communities Interior?</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: No, I don't personally.</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.</p> <p>13 MEMBER BAHNKE: Not when we were in Bethel.</p> <p>14 We already heard that Good News Bay and Platinum make</p> <p>15 more sense to go with District 37 because they</p> <p>16 receive their healthcare from Dillingham.</p> <p>17 And then I'm wondering if we can look at</p> <p>18 this in terms of iterations that accommodate</p> <p>19 Hooper -- Hooper Bay's request to be in 38, but that</p> <p>20 don't require 39 to grab Athabascan communities going</p> <p>21 to the Interior. So I'm wondering if we can</p> <p>22 accomplish both.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. Uh-huh.</p> <p>24 MEMBER BORROMEO: Good thought.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BAHNKE: So who's driving?</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 158</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: Would we want to do that 2 after lunch? 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yes. Yes. 4 MEMBER MARCUM: I want to eat. 5 MR. PRESLEY: I really think we should eat 6 lunch. 7 MEMBER BORROMEO: I think we should eat 8 lunch, too. 9 MR. PRESLEY: I strongly support taking a 10 break and eating lunch. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: I'm glad we (indiscernible). 12 Let's take a break for lunch. 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: Well, I never intended to 14 do what you started doing. I just wanted to -- 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: No, no. You started talking 16 about the VRA districts. That includes 40, 39, 38, 17 and 37. 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: Again, I said I'm not -- 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible.) 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: I said I -- 21 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: I wasn't proposing 23 changes. It can be a big discussion, but I'm not 24 proposing changes. 25 MR. PRESLEY: If you are watching the Zoom</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 160</p> <p>1 might look if that were the case. 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: And also we had heard about 3 Platinum and (indiscernible) in that. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Platinum and Good News Bay. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah. Being able to move 6 those into the Dillingham district. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. I think there was one 8 Mary Peltola testified that there -- 9 MEMBER MARCUM: It was actually several, 10 yeah, testifiers to that. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, okay. In Bethel? 12 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, I'm sorry. In 13 Dillingham. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, yeah. No, I'm talking 15 about in Bethel. 16 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, in Bethel? 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, in Bethel. But them 18 using the health services. It was Melanie Kincaid 19 from the Bristol Bay area, although they are in the 20 Lower Kuskokwim School District. 21 And I think transportation is typically out 22 of Bethel, and the mail runs that go down there. But 23 they do apparently use the health services over 24 there. But that's a question. There's Good News and 25 Platinum. Should they be in District 37 or not?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 159</p> <p>1 meeting, the redistricting board is taking a lunch 2 break and we will be right back. So logon to the 3 Zoom room, be back -- 4 What time do we want to come back from 5 lunch? Do you want to take an hour? That seems 6 reasonable. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Sure. That sounds good. 8 MR. PRESLEY: 1:00. People on Zoom, return 9 at 1 p.m. 10 I have too many computers running. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Is it still recording or 12 not? 13 MR. PRESLEY: We are -- 14 (Off record.) 15 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: It wouldn't be the 16 first time we've all been doing that. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. We're going to come 18 back into session and pick up where we left off. 19 It's 1:00 on Wednesday afternoon. 20 And we were discussing the VRA districts, as 21 we refer to them, 40, 39, 38, and 37. And we were 22 discussing in the Bethel AVCP region the testimony 23 that we received out in the YK Delta about putting 24 Hooper, Chevak, and Scammon into the Bethel district, 25 and talking about the various plans and how that</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 161</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: In 37 we are low. So moving 2 those two into 37 might actually improve our 3 deviation. 4 MEMBER MARCUM: What is -- what is the 5 deviation for 38? I can't see it from here. 6 MR. PRESLEY: 38 is 699 under, so it 7 would -- 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: But we're talking about -- 9 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, yeah. But then that 10 allows us more flexibility for the (indiscernible). 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: So can we -- so what that 13 does -- 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: So let's try that. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: And just so you know, I 16 don't think it's necessarily a good solution, but 17 just so you know, I did try one version of that where 18 I also -- I did (indiscernible) Good News Bay and 19 Platinum, and I did another where I went on up and 20 included Quinhagak. Is that how you say that? 21 MR. PRESLEY: Quinhagak. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: Quinhagak. I tried one 23 doing that, as well. I realize it's not as -- you 24 know, as socioeconomically similar, but I was just 25 trying to see what I could do with deviations there,</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 162</p> <p>1 so --</p> <p>2 MR. PRESLEY: We want to try Good News and</p> <p>3 Platinum in 37?</p> <p>4 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yes.</p> <p>5 MR. PRESLEY: Okay.</p> <p>6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think there was in</p> <p>7 the --</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: I think I had to do that to</p> <p>9 be able to get Chevak in, in terms of the numbers.</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. In the AFFR and the</p> <p>11 Calista AFFER, I think they took some of those, not</p> <p>12 only Quinhagak but Eek, Tuntutuliak, Kongiganak, and</p> <p>13 Kwigillingok, and also put them in 37, which then I</p> <p>14 think allowed more population to be -- come down from</p> <p>15 the northern side.</p> <p>16 MEMBER BAHNKE: But you still have to</p> <p>17 populate 39 somehow, so --</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BAHNKE: Let's start with just these</p> <p>20 two and then let's go up north.</p> <p>21 MR. PRESLEY: So now you're --</p> <p>22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, that's not even going</p> <p>23 to come close to --</p> <p>24 MR. PRESLEY: -- ER deviation 37. Putting</p> <p>25 Good News and Platinum in is now 109 under.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 164</p> <p>1 whole area, between those three?</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: I didn't love what I ended</p> <p>3 up with in the end, so I kind of stopped.</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: And (indiscernible).</p> <p>5 MR. PRESLEY: 22 (indiscernible).</p> <p>6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 3,000 between --</p> <p>7 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible) between</p> <p>8 Hooper Bay and Chevak moving south with Good News</p> <p>9 moving south. So --</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: Good News is much, much</p> <p>11 smaller.</p> <p>12 MEMBER SIMPSON: Much smaller, yeah.</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, those are two small</p> <p>14 villages, Good News and Platinum.</p> <p>15 MEMBER SIMPSON: Nevertheless, we've got</p> <p>16 consistent testimony from both Bethel and Hooper Bay</p> <p>17 that they belong with Bethel.</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: And from Calista, from the</p> <p>19 regional corporation.</p> <p>20 MEMBER SIMPSON: Right, right.</p> <p>21 MR. PRESLEY: So do you want to take Chevak,</p> <p>22 Hooper, or both?</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: I'd say Chevak, Cooper, and</p> <p>24 Scammon were the three that they talked about, all</p> <p>25 three of those.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 163</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: So that's pretty good.</p> <p>2 MR. PRESLEY: And your 38 is now is a</p> <p>3 thousand (indiscernible).</p> <p>4 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. My recollection is</p> <p>5 that Quinhagak has got 940 or so.</p> <p>6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Quinhagak is big. It's a</p> <p>7 big village.</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. That's -- that's my</p> <p>9 recollection.</p> <p>10 MEMBER SIMPSON: I always find --</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: So going north, what does</p> <p>12 that allow us? What first community does that allow</p> <p>13 us to take into 38?</p> <p>14 MR. PRESLEY: Looks like --</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: Chevak is about 9,000 -- or</p> <p>16 I'm sorry, 900 people. It's just shy of a thousand.</p> <p>17 And then adding Hooper Bay is another, like,</p> <p>18 12 or 1,300.</p> <p>19 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. There's 13- --</p> <p>20 CHAIR BINKLEY: So that's a lot.</p> <p>21 MEMBER MARCUM: It's a lot, yeah.</p> <p>22 MR. PRESLEY: And both would -- yeah.</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: So that's why I kept putting</p> <p>24 (indiscernible).</p> <p>25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is it so 3,000 or so in that</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 165</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: Okay.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: Did they talk about Scammon?</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>4 MEMBER SIMPSON: I don't remember Scammon so</p> <p>5 much.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BAHNKE: I don't remember that.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: We actually have --</p> <p>9 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think Myra Manning</p> <p>10 (phonetic) was the one that testified.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: To the three -- to the</p> <p>12 three?</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yes.</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: I know we have official</p> <p>15 document requests, like, from the villages</p> <p>16 themselves, from not just residents but from the</p> <p>17 villages themselves, from both Hooper and Chevak. I</p> <p>18 don't know if we have anything like that from</p> <p>19 Scammon, but there was official letterhead requests</p> <p>20 from both Hooper and Chevak.</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Maybe we get Juli to pull</p> <p>22 those up.</p> <p>23 MR. PRESLEY: Hey, Juli, from watching us</p> <p>24 from the sky, can we see if there's anything about</p> <p>25 Scammon Bay, as well? Thank you. Thank you. I</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 166</p> <p>1 heard you say --</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: And maybe look at Myra</p> <p>3 Manning's testimony from Bethel.</p> <p>4 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. Can we pull that Myra</p> <p>5 Manning letter, as well?</p> <p>6 So --</p> <p>7 MEMBER BAHNKE: I think that was verbal.</p> <p>8 MR. PRESLEY: And he also (indiscernible),</p> <p>9 yeah.</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: I remember he had written</p> <p>11 comments, as well.</p> <p>12 MR. PRESLEY: So just as we go up, this is</p> <p>13 adding Hooper and Chevak into 38. So we have not</p> <p>14 done Scammon Bay yet and we are already 1,300 over.</p> <p>15 MEMBER BAHNKE: Over?</p> <p>16 MEMBER MARCUM: Which is what?</p> <p>17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Scammon is the smallest of</p> <p>18 those three. They're all pretty close, tight,</p> <p>19 socioeconomic.</p> <p>20 MR. PRESLEY: You want to see Scammon?</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's 600, I believe.</p> <p>22 MR. PRESLEY: So (indiscernible) is in there</p> <p>23 and (indiscernible). There we go, 685.</p> <p>24 MEMBER MARCUM: This is the worst possible</p> <p>25 place for this.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 168</p> <p>1 that Bethel district.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: I mean, I can take off my</p> <p>3 redistricting board hat and speak as a regional</p> <p>4 tribal leader for the Kawerak Region --</p> <p>5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- and let you know that</p> <p>7 there is no socioeconomic integration between western</p> <p>8 coastal rural Alaska and Interior rural Fairbanks hub</p> <p>9 communities.</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. I think, you know, if</p> <p>11 you look at McGrath in that area, that's really --</p> <p>12 the hub for McGrath is Anchorage, not Fairbanks.</p> <p>13 So -- and I don't know that hub is the determiner.</p> <p>14 MEMBER BAHNKE: Well, you're having it be --</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think we have to --</p> <p>16 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- the determiner for the</p> <p>17 Calista region.</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think that's --</p> <p>19 MEMBER BAHNKE: You're trading one for the</p> <p>20 other.</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's what the region --</p> <p>22 MEMBER BAHNKE: And look at what it does to</p> <p>23 our numbers.</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's what the ANCSA</p> <p>25 regional corporation had requested was to bring those</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 167</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: All right. So putting</p> <p>2 Scammon, Hooper, and Chevak into 38, too -- okay.</p> <p>3 2,000 over. And then your District 39 is 3,300</p> <p>4 under.</p> <p>5 CHAIR BINKLEY: So then we would need to</p> <p>6 start to pull up in -- I think we'd really have to</p> <p>7 look AFFR and AFFER both attempt to do the same</p> <p>8 thing.</p> <p>9 MEMBER SIMPSON: And that's pretty much</p> <p>10 (indiscernible) --</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: I think you're trading one</p> <p>12 socioeconomic --</p> <p>13 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- and that's pretty much</p> <p>14 one (indiscernible) inland.</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly.</p> <p>16 MEMBER SIMPSON: Which (indiscernible) has</p> <p>17 not wanted to do --</p> <p>18 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah. You're trading one</p> <p>19 socioeconomic benefit for the other. And there</p> <p>20 really is no socioeconomic integration between</p> <p>21 coastal Western Alaska and rural Interior Fairbanks</p> <p>22 hubbed communities.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think we would be</p> <p>24 respecting the wishes of the ANCSA -- regional ANCSA</p> <p>25 corporation to bring Hooper, Scammon, and Chevak into</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 169</p> <p>1 communities --</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: And I'm requesting as the</p> <p>3 ANCSA non-profit tribal organization the opposite.</p> <p>4 So I'm willing to play around with this --</p> <p>5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, why -- yeah, well,</p> <p>6 why --</p> <p>7 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- to take a look at it.</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Why would you want to have</p> <p>9 Scammon Bay in with your tribal organization --</p> <p>10 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm not trying to force them</p> <p>11 in.</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- if you're not --</p> <p>13 MEMBER BAHNKE: But because of the numbers,</p> <p>14 it's just not practicable to push them out of 39 --</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: It seems very impractical.</p> <p>16 MEMBER BAHNKE: And that's going to impact</p> <p>17 way more communities from Interior, Athabascan</p> <p>18 territory --</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, the Interior --</p> <p>20 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- than the three -- than</p> <p>21 the three that do have a coastal connection, live a</p> <p>22 similar lifestyle, there is socioeconomic</p> <p>23 compatibility, my opinion, with coastal communities.</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, 39 right now also</p> <p>25 includes upper river villages, away from the coast.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 170</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: They're not Athabascan. I 2 mean, I know Bethany said the cultural implications 3 don't necessarily come into play, but I think they 4 do. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, not here. I was talking 6 about -- 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: I mean -- 8 MEMBER MARCUM: -- in the boroughs. 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. This is completely 11 different here. 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: I mean, let's -- let's play 13 with it. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: I mean -- 15 MEMBER BAHNKE: Let's see what -- 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: Let's see how many other 18 communities you have to impact into an area that I 19 don't think is socioeconomically integrated. 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: I mean, you have Cup'ik and 21 Inupiat in -- or Cup'ik and Yup'ik in the Inupiat 22 district, so those are, you know, culturally 23 different, as well. So I -- 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: They are a lot more 25 culturally connected, including language</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 172</p> <p>1 the Calista map. 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: 39 is way more 3 underpopulated right now than 37 is. 4 MR. TORKELOSON: John? 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 6 MR. TORKELOSON: Again, we don't have 7 (indiscernible). That's the original map. The five 8 villages that Calista asked us to move were Good News 9 and Platinum and Quinhagak or (indiscernible). 10 MEMBER BAHNKE: So they don't even want 11 Scammon Bay, Hooper, and Chevak. 12 MR. TORKELOSON: No. They want -- that's the 13 replacement. 14 MEMBER MARCUM: That puts you up to -- 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: And they're supposed to be 17 moving them to 37? 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: Right. 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yes. That's the testimony 20 we received I think from Calista. 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: I think I'd be interested 22 in hearing what those tribal councils had to say and 23 what AVCP would have to say about moving all of those 24 villages out of their region. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think -- is this</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 171</p> <p>1 similarities, than they are with -- than Inupiaq with 2 Athabascan. 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: And that is the borderline 4 of the two. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: And we do have Yup'ik 6 communities in 39, Stebbins, St. Michael, Unalakleet. 7 MEMBER BORROMEO: So also who leaves 8 District 38? Because that district is now 2,000 9 over. 10 MEMBER BAHNKE: Over. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: So who -- 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. Calista -- Calista 13 has suggested that Kongiganak, Kwigillingok, 14 Quinhagak, Eek, and I don't have the detail on it, 15 but I think those villages, maybe Tuntutuliak. 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: Are you going to put those 17 in 39 then? Because 38 is just about -- I mean, not 18 38, 37 -- 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Those would go into -- 20 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- was looking pretty good. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- 37. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: You can go up. You can go 23 up a ways still, right, and go over? 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. And you could come 25 down, too, with 37. I think that's what the AFF --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 173</p> <p>1 Myron's -- I know Myron used to be the head of AVCP. 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: He spoke on behalf of two 3 villages, three communities, I think. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: I guess, John, what I'm 6 saying -- 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's the one, yeah. 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- is I'm willing to -- 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: It looks like it was 10 (indiscernible). 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- look at this in terms of 12 what needs to be moved out of 38. Obviously the idea 13 would be to keep the whole AVCP Calista region 14 together, but the population doesn't allow us to do 15 that. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Correct. 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: So some of those communities 18 have to be pushed out. 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Correct. 20 MEMBER BAHNKE: And the issue becomes where 21 do they get pushed to. 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Correct. 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: And can we accomplish that 24 without mixing two non-socioeconomically integrated, 25 ANCSA-distinct regions up north.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 174</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well --</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: So what is your version that</p> <p>3 would accomplish both of those things?</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. I don't think that's</p> <p>5 the premise necessarily. I think that was quite a</p> <p>6 mouthful to put -- link all those things together as</p> <p>7 a criteria. I don't think that that's a mandate that</p> <p>8 we have to follow.</p> <p>9 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm not suggesting it's a</p> <p>10 mandate. I'm saying can we do this? Can we</p> <p>11 accomplish all of the things that you've heard</p> <p>12 testimony on, and which I just gave testimony on</p> <p>13 taking off my redistricting board hat?</p> <p>14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well --</p> <p>15 MEMBER BAHNKE: What iteration can you come</p> <p>16 up with that satisfies both the Kawerak preferences</p> <p>17 and the Calista preferences?</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: I'm not sure I know exactly</p> <p>19 what the Kawerak preferences are other than what</p> <p>20 you've just stated here for yourself.</p> <p>21 But I do know what Calista has requested,</p> <p>22 which we heard in testimony --</p> <p>23 MEMBER BAHNKE: And I just gave testimony on</p> <p>24 Kawerak.</p> <p>25 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- and which we presented --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 176</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think the deviations are</p> <p>2 probably tighter.</p> <p>3 MEMBER MARCUM: I was going to say, you had</p> <p>4 said you'd be willing to work it, so --</p> <p>5 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yes, I am.</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>7 MEMBER BAHNKE: That's what I'm trying to do</p> <p>8 (indiscernible).</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>10 MEMBER BAHNKE: Show me.</p> <p>11 MR. SINGER: So what -- it sounds like</p> <p>12 one -- one solution to accommodating the request to</p> <p>13 include Hooper, Scammon in 38 is then to move</p> <p>14 Quinhagak and (indiscernible) and some of those</p> <p>15 villages --</p> <p>16 MEMBER MARCUM: Into 37, that's correct.</p> <p>17 MR. SINGER: -- into 37, right?</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh.</p> <p>19 MR. SINGER: That doesn't affect --</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: Right.</p> <p>21 MR. SINGER: That doesn't require putting</p> <p>22 Interior villages into --</p> <p>23 MEMBER BAHNKE: But we're still</p> <p>24 underpopulated in 39, so that's what I'm --</p> <p>25 MEMBER BORROMEO: So where else are you</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 175</p> <p>1 well, I -- I don't -- with all due respect, I don't</p> <p>2 know that that's the same as the testimony on the</p> <p>3 record from Calista.</p> <p>4 MEMBER BAHNKE: Before you start questioning</p> <p>5 the validity of my ability to speak on behalf of the</p> <p>6 tribal communities in my region, I'm asking you to</p> <p>7 show me what kind of an iteration you might be able</p> <p>8 to present that satisfies both.</p> <p>9 CHAIR BINKLEY: So what you're saying is you</p> <p>10 don't want any of the Interior villages -- as the</p> <p>11 head of Kawerak --</p> <p>12 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yes.</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- you don't want any</p> <p>14 Interior villages in your district --</p> <p>15 MEMBER BAHNKE: Correct.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- what you're calling your</p> <p>17 district?</p> <p>18 MEMBER BAHNKE: Correct. Because they're</p> <p>19 not socioeconomically integrated. And the</p> <p>20 deviations --</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>22 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- go haywire.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I -- I don't think the</p> <p>24 deviations go haywire.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BAHNKE: Well, then show me.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 177</p> <p>1 going to get them at that point, if what Melanie is</p> <p>2 saying -- and you don't take any more Yup'ik</p> <p>3 villages, you can only go one direction to get them,</p> <p>4 unless you go further, but we've had agreement on</p> <p>5 that boundary. I'm hoping we don't have to revisit</p> <p>6 40. The only place you can get them from is from the</p> <p>7 Interior.</p> <p>8 MEMBER SIMPSON: Which she's saying doesn't</p> <p>9 integrate and which we had testimony in Nome for that</p> <p>10 effect.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah, we did hear that in</p> <p>12 Nome, as well. The preference in Nome was loud and</p> <p>13 clear. Board versions -- both board versions were</p> <p>14 identical. And the preference was because it didn't</p> <p>15 include Interior Athabascan communities.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: So you're saying that Nome</p> <p>17 doesn't want any Athabascan communities in their</p> <p>18 district?</p> <p>19 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BAHNKE: That's what we heard in</p> <p>21 Nome.</p> <p>22 MEMBER MARCUM: That's what we heard in</p> <p>23 Nome.</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, that's what you were</p> <p>25 just saying, as the head of Kawerak.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 178</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yep. And it's also what we 2 heard in Nome, as part of the formal -- 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- redistricting public 5 hearing process. 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: One of the comments from 7 Nome was that this happened to them last time around, 8 where the board drew their district all the way to 9 the Canadian border and linked them with rural 10 Athabaskan villages that they had no socioeconomic 11 ties to, and that part of the map was challenged and 12 thrown out almost immediately. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, the current district 14 has Interior Athabaskan communities -- 15 MEMBER BAHNKE: It does. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- in the Nome district. 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: I agree. But what's 18 different this time around is the census data 19 supports all of these districts as we drew them in v3 20 and v4 with that small change that I am proposing to 21 37, where we on a precinct level for VRA purposes 22 bring in Nanwalek and Port Graham. All of these 23 deviations are great. The socioeconomic connections 24 are there. You're not leaving unnecessary regions, 25 cultures, ANCSA boundaries, et cetera.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 180</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: The Doyon proposed map does 2 not push any of their rural Interior communities into 3 39. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. No, I'm talking 5 about -- 6 MEMBER BAHNKE: So that's the preference. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- Calista. 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: Calista's preference. But 9 there's also Doyon's preference and Kawerak's 10 preference, I guess. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: And that goes to what I was 12 (indiscernible) to say, which is that I think that we 13 can clearly see on the map that we're not going to be 14 able to make all the different ANCSA groups happy. 15 But what can we do to at least give each of 16 them something to improve what they have on the 17 current version of the map. So that may mean that 18 Calista gets a few more things, and they may be 19 divided into only two versus three districts, like 20 they are now, or three versus four. I don't remember 21 each of them. 22 But that means that some of the other ANCSA 23 groups are going to have to give up something in 24 order to accommodate that. I would like to see that 25 we at least give something to improve the situation</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 179</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: John, one thing I'd like to 2 point out is beyond Calista's testimony, outside of 3 my region, there is a coalition of Doyon, Sealaska -- 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: TCC. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- TCC, and maybe Ahtna -- 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: FNA and Ahtna. 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- that has clearly 8 indicated their preference for a rural Interior 9 district. That is comprised of Athabaskan Native 10 communities, or that they're not pushed off into 11 various other socioeconomically non-compatible 12 sections of the state. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think we heard 14 testimony -- go ahead, Bethany. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: No, I'm finished. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think we heard testimony 17 that right now the Doyon region is broken into four 18 different districts. And under one of the proposals, 19 it would be half of that, just into two different 20 districts, with being able to achieve what Calista is 21 requesting, which is having Scammon, Chevak, and 22 Hooper into the Bethel district -- 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: If you look up the Doyon 24 proposed map -- 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- into District 38.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 181</p> <p>1 for each of those groups, compared to what we have 2 with the current districts. 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: For the socioeconomic 4 integration. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Integration, yes. For those 6 places that are divided up into three or four 7 districts now, how can we make it so that each of 8 them maybe only has two? Like Doyon has all of 9 theirs in one. 10 Well, we may have to go that Doyon has 11 theirs in two, and by -- or two. You can then put 12 two into Calista and two into some of the others. 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: What I will say that's 14 different about that analogy is that Doyon just 15 doesn't have an exclusive district. It also brings 16 in Ahtna, as well. And -- 17 MEMBER MARCUM: But it's their preference. 18 It's what they said they prefer. 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: And this wouldn't affect 20 Ahtna. 21 MEMBER BAHNKE: It affects Doyon, though. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) Bering 23 Straits region by pushing two others. 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's Ahtna's map. 25 That's Ahtna Doyon's map.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 182</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: But it would still keep 2 Ahtna together. 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: But that's not what they 4 said they want. I'm very uncomfortable as an Alaska 5 Native leader saying that one ANC's voice is more 6 important than another at the regional level. I 7 respect Calista and I appreciate that they went on 8 record for this. 9 I also respect the fact that Doyon, 10 Sealaska, TCC, Ahtna, FNA have been at this table 11 since day one presenting testimony, drawing maps, 12 presenting new ideas of maps, as well. And this 13 weighted preference to Calista is very uncomfortable 14 for me. 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: I see it just the opposite, 16 that Calista has been in this process just as Doyon 17 has -- 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: They are. 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- and their coalition. And 20 they've been just as invested. And I think there is 21 an opportunity not to exclude them from being 22 recognized and listened to and accommodated, which is 23 really a pretty modest change, and still allow 24 Kawerak and Doyon to meet a lot of their goals. I 25 think that there's a way, as Bethany articulated, to</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 184</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: I want to disregard whose 2 voice is more important. I don't think that's fair. 3 And -- 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.) 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- that's not our 6 constitutional mandate. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: I agree completely. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) said that? 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: Our constitutional mandate 10 is -- nobody. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Okay. 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: But we seem to be going down 13 this rabbit hole of whose voice is more important. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think that you're 15 recognizing all voices. 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: Our responsibilities is not 17 preference because, you know, all the testimony is, 18 well, I prefer this. 19 Well, tell us why. We have to look at 20 compact, contiguous, socioeconomically integrated. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 22 MEMBER BAHNKE: And then the numbers. And 23 by making the changes that you're proposing, it does 24 not improve the socioeconomic integration of the map. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: So you're saying that</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 183</p> <p>1 accommodate all of them -- 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: To be -- by making the 3 change -- 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- and not to exclude them 5 from this process. 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm not saying they should 7 be excluded, real quick. I am just saying that they 8 should be weighted equally with the other regional 9 ANCs. And right now I'm hearing you say that they 10 should get preference. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: But also this -- this is 13 doing a lot of damage to the other two regions. 14 We're sacrificing compactness and we're sacrificing 15 socioeconomic integration, and I really don't see any 16 reason why -- sorry, Melanie. 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can we do an analysis and 18 take each of them and say how many districts are 19 their villages divided into and see what we're 20 looking at? 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: I can tell you 22 (indiscernible). 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm going to go back to 24 write it down. 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 185</p> <p>1 Scammon, Hooper, and Chevak are not socioeconomically 2 integrated with Bethel? 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm not suggesting that. 4 They are. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. 6 MEMBER BAHNKE: They are socioeconomically 7 integrated with Bethel. 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Probably more so than Nome. 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: Absolutely. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: But there is also 12 socioeconomic integration along our coastal 13 communities more so than there is with the Interior. 14 So are you improving -- 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well -- 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- the socioeconomic 17 integration factor if you pull in Interior 18 communities to the coastal Western Alaska district of 19 39? I don't think it's an improvement. 20 MEMBER MARCUM: Can I make a formal request 21 to the staff, I guess, to put together how many 22 divisions are each of these groups being put into? 23 You know, each of them, are they two districts, three 24 districts? You know, what is the division? 25 MEMBER BAHNKE: I --</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 186</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: You know, your testimony to 2 that effect multiple times from these groups, I'd 3 like to see on our versions of the maps how that's 4 improved or -- 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: I think Melanie and I can 6 tell you just by looking at it. 7 MEMBER MARCUM: I would like to see 8 something in writing, if I could. 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'll send you an e-mail 10 then. 11 MR. SINGER: I think -- I think we have it. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: AVCP and Calista is in 13 37 -- well, not in this version right now. 14 MEMBER MARCUM: Eric's got something. 15 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: You can bring the 16 regional corporation map exhibits (indiscernible). 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: And I'd also like to point 18 out 36 is currently underpopulated as it is. 19 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 20 MEMBER BAHNKE: Without even taking more 21 communities out of 36. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: Once we have it in there, 23 I'd like to -- 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: It's already 25 (indiscernible).</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 188</p> <p>1 allow the chairman to draw a new version of 37, 38 2 and 39 that gets to his goal, because I'm not 3 entirely sure what it is. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's -- it's really 5 recognized in Calista's version that they submitted 6 that we have that we've all received. 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: And there's a Doyon version 8 over there. But I'd like to also see it. 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: So we've got that. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: I'd like to see how AFFER's 11 and the AF -- other AFFR's fits into this, as well. 12 So that's why I said, I'd like to see, you know, on 13 AFFR's map, where do the -- 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: They do the same thing. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: -- how do the ANCSA 16 districts shape out on the AFFER map, how do the 17 ANCSA (indiscernible) shape out. That's what I'd 18 like to see. 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: So could you load those? 20 MEMBER MARCUM: Because AFFR had 21 (indiscernible). 22 MR. PRESLEY: Well, currently -- 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: If that plan meets what he's 24 trying to achieve, I'm willing to take a look at 25 that.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 187</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: -- have it side by side. 2 CHAIR BINKLEY: You want to take people out 3 of the Fairbanks North Star Borough and put in 36, 4 and that will overpopulate it then. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: What I would like to request 6 is -- 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: We're not -- we're not 8 focusing on Fairbanks North Star Borough just yet. 9 I'm looking at 36. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, if you agree that the 11 Fairbanks North Star Borough should be whole, then we 12 won't have that problem of trying to take population 13 out of the Fairbanks North Star Borough -- 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: I feel like you're trying to 15 negotiate with me to keep Fairbanks North Star 16 Borough whole -- 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. I'm saying that there's 18 an effect -- 19 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- by offering to -- 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- when you do that to 36 21 because you're going to overpopulate it. 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: But I disagree, because my 23 version 4 shows the exact opposite. 24 But what maybe would be helpful for me as a 25 board member is if we take a 20-minute recess and</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 189</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. I'd -- 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm really not clear on what 3 is being -- 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: You can see it generally 5 on -- 6 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- approved 7 socioeconomically. 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: AFFR and AFFER -- 9 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 10 MR. TORKELOSON: How many districts they're 11 spread over, is the question? 12 MR. PRESLEY: How it's split. So for 13 example, you know, in this one, this is Bristol Bay. 14 These are the borders, so this is part of it -- 15 MR. TORKELOSON: No. Bristol Bay is 16 (indiscernible). 17 MR. PRESLEY: And then it brings it in here. 18 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. 19 MR. PRESLEY: So this case, then the Calista 20 (indiscernible). Do you see what I'm saying? 21 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. So -- 22 MR. PRESLEY: He's talking about where the 23 breaks are. 24 MR. TORKELOSON: But Bristol Bay isn't 25 broken. Calista is broken into three --</p>

<p>Page 190</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: Yes.</p> <p>2 MR. TORKELESON: -- Doyon, and so forth.</p> <p>3 That's the question?</p> <p>4 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>5 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah.</p> <p>6 MR. PRESLEY: And then on --</p> <p>7 MEMBER MARCUM: Between the ANCSA groups.</p> <p>8 MR. PRESLEY: We'll look at it on a map.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: How many districts represent</p> <p>10 them?</p> <p>11 MR. PRESLEY: Go through each map.</p> <p>12 MR. TORKELESON: In the 2013 proc plan?</p> <p>13 MEMBER MARCUM: No. On -- on our --</p> <p>14 MR. PRESLEY: Each of the six.</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: On (indiscernible) v3, v4,</p> <p>16 AFFR, AFFER, these are the two main ones I think that</p> <p>17 have some of the differences that we're looking at.</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Correct.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BAHNKE: You know, one of the</p> <p>20 socioeconomic things that I think --</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, actually it's</p> <p>22 (indiscernible) is the same thing.</p> <p>23 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- unites the two --</p> <p>24 MEMBER MARCUM: Senate Minority 2 does that.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BAHNKE: 38 and 39 --</p>	<p>Page 192</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: For their -- for their</p> <p>2 communities. But what is the socioeconomic</p> <p>3 integration between communities currently mapped in</p> <p>4 36 and those in 39?</p> <p>5 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think there's -- and I --</p> <p>6 I just can't answer that, to be honest with you.</p> <p>7 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay. That, to me, shows up</p> <p>8 by what -- what we're trying to do here does not</p> <p>9 include the socioeconomic integration of the VRA</p> <p>10 districts. It takes us a step backwards.</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: I'm not certain about that.</p> <p>12 I think Calista has a different opinion than that.</p> <p>13 MEMBER BAHNKE: Well, it doesn't improve the</p> <p>14 socioeconomic --</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: Did I hear you say</p> <p>16 (indiscernible) --</p> <p>17 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- integrity.</p> <p>18 MEMBER MARCUM: -- (indiscernible) this</p> <p>19 version to what stays in three different districts?</p> <p>20 MR. PRESLEY: So this is the Calista region,</p> <p>21 right here. So it's 39, 38, 37, so 37 is --</p> <p>22 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>23 MEMBER BORROMEO: But again, you have to</p> <p>24 look at the population of that region.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BAHNKE: Oh, sure.</p>
<p>Page 191</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) 37.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: John.</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>4 MEMBER BAHNKE: One of the socioeconomic</p> <p>5 indicators I view as that they're more</p> <p>6 socioeconomically integrated than say 36 and 39 is</p> <p>7 the shared language, the shared Yup'ik language in</p> <p>8 the southern portion of that district. They speak</p> <p>9 the same language and dialects. Maybe not dialects</p> <p>10 exactly, but the Yup'ik speaking communities in the</p> <p>11 southern portion of our district.</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Your district?</p> <p>13 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yes. Stebbins, St. Michael,</p> <p>14 Unalakleet. Unalakleet is integrated Inupiaq and</p> <p>15 Yup'ik.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible.) And I</p> <p>17 guess the people in Scammon, Hooper, and Chevak would</p> <p>18 say that their language is more integrated with the</p> <p>19 District 38 than with the totality of District 39.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BAHNKE: But what connection can you</p> <p>21 point to me that 36 and 39 have? What socioeconomic</p> <p>22 condition do they share?</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: You know, not all -- I think</p> <p>24 there was explanation from Calista in terms of how</p> <p>25 those connections work.</p>	<p>Page 193</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: And that's why it --</p> <p>2 that's why it's like that. And also we're looking at</p> <p>3 the geography, as well, on some of the watersheds and</p> <p>4 rivers as to placement of these villages. And when</p> <p>5 you're coming down --</p> <p>6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Were you going to load the</p> <p>7 AFFER?</p> <p>8 MR. PRESLEY: Did you want to look at AFFER?</p> <p>9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, exactly.</p> <p>10 MEMBER BORROMEO: But, Bethany, when you're</p> <p>11 coming down a coast from Bering Straits region,</p> <p>12 you -- you just pick a population until you meet it,</p> <p>13 and that's why it ends at Scammon and --</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: I see.</p> <p>15 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- Hooper on our first</p> <p>16 one.</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: Starting from</p> <p>18 (indiscernible).</p> <p>19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BAHNKE: It only goes into one other</p> <p>21 ANCSA region.</p> <p>22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Versus having to go to</p> <p>23 two.</p> <p>24 (Indiscernible background conversation.)</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: Is this the most current</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 194</p> <p>1 version that we've been sent?</p> <p>2 MR. PRESLEY: Exactly. It's not even --</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's -- I think they sent us</p> <p>4 one this morning or last night or -- what was this</p> <p>5 one?</p> <p>6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: We sent (indiscernible)</p> <p>8 October 4th or (indiscernible).</p> <p>9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So maybe you do have</p> <p>10 the latest one.</p> <p>11 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: It shows both. I just</p> <p>12 (indiscernible).</p> <p>13 MEMBER MARCUM: That's the blue.</p> <p>14 MR. PRESLEY: Those are (indiscernible) the</p> <p>15 regional corporation boundaries. We can take those</p> <p>16 off.</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: Okay. So the right --</p> <p>18 (indiscernible) the right.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can you -- I want to see how</p> <p>20 far into Interior you're pushing 39. That's</p> <p>21 significant. Geographically, that's very</p> <p>22 significant. We're compromising compactness and</p> <p>23 socioeconomic integrity over the board v3 and v4.</p> <p>24 V4.</p> <p>25 CHAIR BINKLEY: I might disagree with you on</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 196</p> <p>1 is how many they each were and how many they are in</p> <p>2 the different versions. So I'd like to draw</p> <p>3 something that improves outcomes for each of the</p> <p>4 ANCSA regions (indiscernible).</p> <p>5 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can you zoom in? So we've</p> <p>6 still got Calista villages in 39 in this --</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, as you pointed out --</p> <p>8 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- version.</p> <p>9 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- Calista villages are far</p> <p>10 more than one district.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: But we're talking about</p> <p>12 making improvements --</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Correct.</p> <p>14 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- to the number of ANCSA</p> <p>15 boundaries that are being broken.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, or what they're</p> <p>17 requesting --</p> <p>18 MEMBER BAHNKE: So for this --</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- so that they have an</p> <p>20 opportunity to be heard.</p> <p>21 MEMBER BAHNKE: So for 39, which was</p> <p>22 breaking an ANCSA boundary once, it's now breaking it</p> <p>23 twice. You're adding the number of breaks to the</p> <p>24 Doyon region. So for --</p> <p>25 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think what Bethany was</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 195</p> <p>1 that.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: I have to look at the</p> <p>3 (indiscernible).</p> <p>4 MEMBER BORROMEO: I happen to see it in</p> <p>5 Melanie's point of view, and I want to reiterate my</p> <p>6 request that we take an at ease and let the chairman</p> <p>7 try and work this or move on to another region.</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. There it is, right</p> <p>9 there. I think that's a perfect example of what</p> <p>10 Calista has requested.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: But what about what Doyon</p> <p>12 has requested?</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: I'm not (indiscernible).</p> <p>14 They're in conflict.</p> <p>15 MEMBER BAHNKE: How are you improving the</p> <p>16 socioeconomic integrity?</p> <p>17 CHAIR BINKLEY: They're in -- they're in</p> <p>18 conflict. And what I think Bethany had said is don't</p> <p>19 just ignore Calista. Take what some of their</p> <p>20 suggestions are. And it still allows Doyon to reach</p> <p>21 many of their goals, or not a hundred percent of what</p> <p>22 they wanted but certainly an improvement over what</p> <p>23 they have existing, of being spread into four</p> <p>24 different districts?</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: That's what I wanted to see</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 197</p> <p>1 saying, that's --</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: For the Bering Straits</p> <p>3 region, for the Doyon region.</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- an improvement, though.</p> <p>5 MEMBER BAHNKE: It's not an improvement to</p> <p>6 the ANCSA (indiscernible).</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: For Doyon. For Doyon it is.</p> <p>8 MEMBER BAHNKE: How?</p> <p>9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Because now they're in four</p> <p>10 different districts, and this would just allow them</p> <p>11 to be in two different districts.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: This also is not what they</p> <p>13 requested.</p> <p>14 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah, this is not what they</p> <p>15 requested.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: This is what Calista had</p> <p>17 requested, and it gives Doyon much of what they</p> <p>18 requested.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BAHNKE: It's not --</p> <p>20 MEMBER BORROMEO: Where are we with our</p> <p>21 populations, too, and deviations and all of that</p> <p>22 stuff?</p> <p>23 MR. PRESLEY: This does not reflect the work</p> <p>24 that you guys did in terms of Platinum and Good News.</p> <p>25 So this is now a different plan. This is</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 198</p> <p>1 specifically the AFFER revised one.</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: What are the deviations?</p> <p>3 MR. PRESLEY: So look at the deviations for</p> <p>4 that.</p> <p>5 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think the biggest</p> <p>6 deviation is District 40, which is 1.4 percent.</p> <p>7 MEMBER BAHNKE: And then wouldn't -- can we</p> <p>8 compare them side by side in terms of compactness?</p> <p>9 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'd like to see that, too,</p> <p>10 please.</p> <p>11 MR. PRESLEY: We can print it out.</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Or compact -- if you want to</p> <p>13 talk about compact, look at the Doyon region in</p> <p>14 version 3 and 4. That wouldn't be compact by any</p> <p>15 stretch of the imagination.</p> <p>16 MEMBER BAHNKE: We haven't yet moved on to</p> <p>17 the Doyon region. We're going region by region.</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, this affects the Doyon</p> <p>19 region.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BAHNKE: It's all interrelated.</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. That's my point.</p> <p>22 MEMBER BAHNKE: It's all --</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: So this does improve</p> <p>24 compactment in my opinion, makes --</p> <p>25 MEMBER BAHNKE: For what part of the state?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 200</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: We might as well start with --</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: Sure.</p> <p>3 MR. PRESLEY: -- these two, because they're</p> <p>4 in the most updated and this one is in the same local</p> <p>5 time throughout the VRA districts.</p> <p>6 And then I'm going to give you -- send you a</p> <p>7 new one of this one (indiscernible).</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is this --</p> <p>9 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>10 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. Okay.</p> <p>11 (Indiscernible background conversation.)</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: So this is -- I asked Eric</p> <p>13 for the different regional corporations and the</p> <p>14 populations representative of those so we could kind</p> <p>15 of use a map here to do that.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.</p> <p>17 MEMBER BAHNKE: So we're taking a brief at</p> <p>18 ease, right?</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's what Nicole had</p> <p>20 wanted.</p> <p>21 MEMBER BAHNKE: Just to be clear?</p> <p>22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>23 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay. I just don't to miss</p> <p>24 out on any substantive discussion.</p> <p>25 (Pause.)</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 199</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, yes.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: The part that we're not</p> <p>3 looking at yet.</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. I think overall it</p> <p>5 improves compactness.</p> <p>6 MR. PRESLEY: Do you want to look at some</p> <p>7 printouts?</p> <p>8 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes, please.</p> <p>9 MR. PRESLEY: So print this one, and what is</p> <p>10 the other one we're printing out?</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: So we're doing 37, 38, 39.</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Let's look at AFFR --</p> <p>13 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>14 MEMBER BAHNKE: Focusing on the VRA</p> <p>15 districts.</p> <p>16 MEMBER MARCUM: I'd like to see AFFR's, too.</p> <p>17 MR. PRESLEY: And AFFR. Okay. So --</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: And also the Senate</p> <p>19 Minority.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BAHNKE: Senate Minority did some</p> <p>21 stuff, too.</p> <p>22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Same thing.</p> <p>23 MR. PRESLEY: Okay.</p> <p>24 MEMBER BAHNKE: We might as well print out</p> <p>25 the Doyon one, too, then.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 201</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: What -- this just doesn't</p> <p>2 seem quite right. I mean, I don't know what his</p> <p>3 numbers are.</p> <p>4 MEMBER MARCUM: Eric --</p> <p>5 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible) populations</p> <p>6 within the region. It's not the population --</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, on --</p> <p>8 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- of that.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Within the --</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So I don't know if</p> <p>11 this (indiscernible).</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: Of the communities within</p> <p>13 the region, right?</p> <p>14 MEMBER BAHNKE: I mean, this is</p> <p>15 (indiscernible) in Fairbanks.</p> <p>16 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. Communities or anyone</p> <p>17 in -- just anyone living within the boundaries of a</p> <p>18 population.</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: So I don't know if that</p> <p>20 (indiscernible).</p> <p>21 MR. TORKELOSON: Oh, okay. (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>22 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, you don't have to --</p> <p>23 I'm looking (indiscernible).</p> <p>24 MR. TORKELOSON: Bethany asked for it.</p> <p>25 CHAIR BINKLEY: I see. I see. Okay.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 202</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: Gotcha. Okay. Thanks.</p> <p>3 Yeah. It shows Doyon is three times the size of</p> <p>4 Calista.</p> <p>5 MEMBER MARCUM: So (indiscernible) have to</p> <p>6 be in four districts.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: They're spread out over</p> <p>9 (indiscernible).</p> <p>10 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>11 (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>12 MR. TORKELESON: No. Just Interior</p> <p>13 (indiscernible).</p> <p>14 (Indiscernible background conversation.)</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: Why is Doyon's population so</p> <p>16 high? Eric?</p> <p>17 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Yep.</p> <p>18 MEMBER MARCUM: Why is Doyon so high?</p> <p>19 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Because they have</p> <p>20 Fairbanks.</p> <p>21 MEMBER MARCUM: So if we take out Fairbanks,</p> <p>22 the borough is included in that number? Yeah.</p> <p>23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I mean, this is --</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's in the Doyon Regional</p> <p>25 area.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 204</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Okay. I agree with</p> <p>2 that.</p> <p>3 MEMBER BORROMEO: Calista -- Calista region</p> <p>4 is very highly populated non-Native Calista</p> <p>5 shareholders.</p> <p>6 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>7 MEMBER BORROMEO: There is -- there is not</p> <p>8 very high populations of non-Natives. It's mostly</p> <p>9 Calista shareholders.</p> <p>10 MR. TORKELESON: CIRI has 26 (indiscernible).</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: 26,000?</p> <p>12 MR. TORKELESON: 26 seats in their -- in Cook</p> <p>13 Inlet regional -- (indiscernible).</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>15 MR. TORKELESON: I know. It's a little</p> <p>16 crazy. When you have an urban area</p> <p>17 (indiscernible) -- when you have an urban area</p> <p>18 (indiscernible).</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>20 (Pause.)</p> <p>21 MR. PRESLEY: Okay. We've got some big maps</p> <p>22 on the table if you want to go take a look at those.</p> <p>23 They're over there. (Indiscernible) even more about</p> <p>24 giving you an idea of the compactness and the ability</p> <p>25 to (indiscernible).</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 203</p> <p>1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: This is all population</p> <p>2 within the boundaries of each region, so --</p> <p>3 MEMBER MARCUM: What's the Fairbanks</p> <p>4 population?</p> <p>5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Fairbanks population is</p> <p>6 97,000.</p> <p>7 MEMBER BAHNKE: He just provided what is</p> <p>8 (indiscernible).</p> <p>9 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: ANCSA charts.</p> <p>10 MEMBER BAHNKE: ANCSA charts</p> <p>11 (indiscernible).</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: What I'm asking you guys for</p> <p>13 is completely different than that, so --</p> <p>14 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. What should Eric</p> <p>15 provide us? Let me (indiscernible).</p> <p>16 MEMBER MARCUM: I was just asked for the</p> <p>17 populations within the geographic boundaries of each</p> <p>18 of the regional corps.</p> <p>19 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible) in the</p> <p>20 railbelt (indiscernible).</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>22 MEMBER BORROMEO: So, Bethany, one of the</p> <p>23 things that might be helpful as you look at this is</p> <p>24 Doyon's region includes Fairbanks North Star Borough,</p> <p>25 a lot of non-Natives.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 205</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>2 MR. PRESLEY: Okay.</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: You really have to</p> <p>4 (indiscernible).</p> <p>5 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. We're doing</p> <p>6 (indiscernible).</p> <p>7 MEMBER BAHNKE: The AFFR -- the AFFR version</p> <p>8 of the map, in terms of the number of representatives</p> <p>9 that Calista is spread into, it's not improved by</p> <p>10 pushing Interior communities into 39. They're still</p> <p>11 going to be in three House districts.</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: But it's still certainly</p> <p>13 something that they've wanted us to consider as</p> <p>14 moving just those three villages --</p> <p>15 MEMBER BAHNKE: But it's not an improvement</p> <p>16 socioeconomically. I guess that everyone's got their</p> <p>17 preferences, but we've got constitutional mandates.</p> <p>18 CHAIR BINKLEY: That might be their opinion</p> <p>19 on the constitutional mandate of it, but that does</p> <p>20 make it more socioeconomically integrated, certainly</p> <p>21 for Scammon, Hooper, and Chevak in with Bethel.</p> <p>22 MEMBER BAHNKE: It improves their</p> <p>23 socioeconomic integration. There are socioeconomic</p> <p>24 ties between communities in 39, Bering Straits region</p> <p>25 and Calista region, more so than there are between</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 206</p> <p>1 rural Interior Fairbanks and Bering Strait region 2 even. 3 I don't disagree with you, John, that they 4 are more socioeconomically integrated with the Bethel 5 region. But there are still existing socioeconomic 6 ties up north, whereas there are none between 36 and 7 39. 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: I also worry about the 9 effect that it's going to have on those five smaller 10 villages that are then taken out. But I've stated my 11 preference on how I think we should proceed. 12 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: Can I -- David, can I ask 14 you, do you know which -- which of these are in 37 15 and which of these are -- is this the only one that's 16 in 37? 17 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 18 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Yeah. So maybe we have 19 this (indiscernible) Good News (indiscernible). 20 MEMBER BORROMEO: Consider they have 21 (indiscernible) is the suggestion I heard in 22 Dillingham was let's horse trade them. Let's take 23 them and put them into 37 and (indiscernible). 24 The problem with that is not (indiscernible) 25 population (indiscernible) more damage</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 208</p> <p>1 shouldn't be, though, based on requests. It's our 2 constitutional responsibility to map, to the best of 3 our ability, compact, contiguous and as 4 socioeconomically integrated -- 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: And so Hooper Bay and 6 Chugach's request is for socioeconomic integration. 7 That's the basis of their request, right? 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: They are more 9 socioeconomically integrated with Bethel. 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: Right. 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: But there are still 12 socioeconomic ties with the Bering Strait region, 13 whereas there are none between the Doyon region and 14 the Bering Strait region. 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think we heard 16 testimony from all three of the (indiscernible) of 17 these maps that there were (indiscernible). 18 MEMBER BAHNKE: There are ties? 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Senator Begich was 20 (indiscernible). 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: You're talking about train 22 routes, like (indiscernible). 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible.) 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: Melanie has 25 (indiscernible).</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 207</p> <p>1 (indiscernible). 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: AFFR's -- AFFR's version 3 still keeps some of the Calista region communities in 4 39. 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: But both -- yeah. And 6 they actually testified to that. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: They said it's only an 9 improvement. It's not everything we want. It's only 10 an improvement. 11 Don't AFFR and AFFER both take Hooper Bay -- 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Right. 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- into the 14 (indiscernible) region (indiscernible). 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: And the Senate Minority. 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: And Senate Minority. 17 Three of the maps do what Hooper Bay has requested 18 and has been requesting for several redistricting 19 cycles, is my understanding, right? I think it's 20 (indiscernible) we're looking at. 21 MEMBER BAHNKE: And then three of the maps 22 do what the Doyon region and the Bering Strait region 23 are requesting. 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: So can we do something -- 25 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible.) It</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 209</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible.) 2 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: And also Alaska -- 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible) are back to 5 similarly (indiscernible) familiar relations between 6 the communities in both districts, whereas there are 7 none to the east of us. We don't share a ceremony. 8 We don't share a language. We don't -- 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: I think it's more 10 important to ensure that communities that want to 11 stay together and be kept together, than there might 12 be some other community that gets put into 13 communities that are already (indiscernible). 14 Because based on two communities, we are taking apart 15 all of the good work that they did for all of these 16 other communities here, based on what Scammon Bay, 17 Hooper Bay, and Chevak want. I haven't seen anything 18 from Chevak (indiscernible). 19 I also want to point out that the only 20 reason 37 (indiscernible) as far as it did last time 21 into the Interior is that these are VRA districts, 22 and we needed those populations. The census this 23 time, these districts are (indiscernible) the way 24 they are, and there's no reason to grab regions that 25 don't actually belong (indiscernible).</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 210</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, the existing district 2 does (indiscernible). 3 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think we should respect 5 the regional corporation (indiscernible) their 6 request to (indiscernible). 7 MEMBER BORROMEO: We're not going to be able 8 (indiscernible). 9 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 10 MEMBER MARCUM: That's a socioeconomic 11 request. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: But, Bethany, what they 13 want are two of their other (indiscernible) villages, 14 and that's going to go ahead and bring down 39 and 15 (indiscernible). 16 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: And you and I have done 18 this. One of the versions ended up splitting Kodiak 19 right in half to give them what they want. 20 MEMBER MARCUM: Not in half. 21 (Indiscernible) was going to be Kodiak city separate 22 from all the villages on (indiscernible). 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.) 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: Where is the board map 25 (indiscernible)?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 212</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELOSON: Sure. 2 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- communities into 39 and 3 see about Chevak, Hooper, and Scammon. 4 MR. TORKELOSON: That's -- 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: I think we agreed, so some 6 changes with 37, though, right, as part of today? 7 MR. TORKELOSON: For the Port Graham and 8 (indiscernible)? 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah. We've made some 10 changes off of our old board version, so I don't feel 11 like the board version 3 or 4 are the latest -- 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's only going to affect 13 37, though. It's not going to affect -- 14 MR. TORKELOSON: This is your personal 15 (indiscernible), right? 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 17 MR. TORKELOSON: So you aren't having 18 (indiscernible). 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. 20 MR. TORKELOSON: So if you'd like to, we can 21 do it on screen on the big screen right here, in 22 front of -- 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Sure. That's fine with me. 24 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 25 MR. TORKELOSON: That's a key point right</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 211</p> <p>1 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 2 MEMBER MARCUM: Did we get e-mailed the 3 latest AFFER version? They just sent it this morning 4 (indiscernible). 5 MR. PRESLEY: Oh, the (indiscernible) 6 itself? (Indiscernible.) 7 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 8 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: And it just says high 9 important, so we should be able to open it up 10 (indiscernible) so you guys could load it quickly. 11 MR. PRESLEY: Did you want the 12 (indiscernible) for your computer, Bethany? 13 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, please. 14 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Could you do me a favor? 16 Could you link into this so I can just try and do a 17 little bit? I'm going to see if I can accommodate 18 Nicole's request and do some drawing here. 19 MR. TORKELOSON: You'd like to do some 20 drawing? 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. Just take the 22 version 3 or 4. 23 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: And start to put some of 25 these --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 213</p> <p>1 there. We can write a program to balance 2 populations. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. 4 MR. TORKELOSON: And this is where it has to 5 be humans. 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Judgment. Yeah. Okay. So 7 let's take -- 8 MR. TORKELOSON: Let me -- hold on. This is 9 not -- we want to start with v3. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: V3 is fine. 11 MR. TORKELOSON: Let me close this 12 (indiscernible). 13 MR. SINGER: There is no perfect. 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: Right. 15 MR. SINGER: So -- 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: That's a given, though. So 17 (indiscernible). 18 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 19 MR. SINGER: That area east of Nome is so 20 sparsely populated. 21 MEMBER BAHNKE: So now you've got that one 22 (indiscernible). 23 MR. SINGER: When you start adding, it feels 24 like (indiscernible). 25 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible) copy this.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 214</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: The same number that you're 2 pushing down. 3 MR. SINGER: I suppose it's a couple 4 thousand. 5 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 6 MR. TORKELESON: What would you like to do? 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Why don't you put Scammon, 8 Chevak -- 9 MR. TORKELESON: Let me load the cities on 10 there, because you know them better than I do. 11 (Indiscernible.) 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: Since we're looking at 13 Calista's, I think we should also be looking at 14 theirs. And then the Nome, (indiscernible). 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Chevak and Hooper. 16 MR. TORKELESON: And they're going to go to 17 39? 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. 19 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. Why would you like 20 them to go? 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: They want to go to 38. What 22 is -- why are they -- 23 MR. TORKELESON: Well, you guys already made 24 some changes on here? 25 MEMBER SIMPSON: No. We were testing it.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 216</p> <p>1 Although Flat's not -- I doubt if there's much 2 population up there. Half dozen? 3 MR. TORKELESON: Looks like we picked up 4 nobody. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So go north, upriver. 6 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. North. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Kaltag, Nulato, and Koyukuk. 8 MR. TORKELESON: Oops, got (indiscernible) 9 there. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, you pushed up Galena 11 there, too, but let's see what that does. 12 MR. TORKELESON: You don't want to take -- 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, let's just see what it 14 does. 15 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. A thousand people. 16 What are we down? We're down -- (indiscernible) down 17 3,300. 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Thirty-nine is? 19 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. Let me just assign 20 these before we get too far ahead of ourselves. 21 MEMBER SIMPSON: So you're trying to shave 22 along that east side rather than take it 23 (indiscernible)? 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. And there's not much 25 population. It's just a lot of geography.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 215</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, we did this already. 2 Okay. Okay. So leave that. Leave that. Now start 3 to take Holy Cross. 4 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. So you want Holy 5 Cross to thirty- -- 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Nine. 7 MR. TORKELESON: Or 38. 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. To 39. 9 MR. TORKELESON: Thirty-nine? Okay. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Shageluk, Anvik, and 11 Grayling. 12 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: So you want the group 14 adding population -- 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: To 39. 16 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- for Scammon and Hooper. 17 MR. TORKELESON: Gotcha. 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Good. 19 MR. TORKELESON: That's 347. 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So -- 21 MR. TORKELESON: Clean up a little bit of 22 this here. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Keep going farther north. 24 MR. TORKELESON: You want to take it in -- 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Flat, might as well.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 217</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. 2 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. So you want to keep 3 pushing this direction? 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: What are we short now? 5 MR. TORKELESON: So 39 is still short 2,000 6 people. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So take Chevak and 8 put back in 39. 9 MR. TORKELESON: Chevak back to 39? 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Just a second. That's -- 11 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. (Indiscernible.) 12 MEMBER SIMPSON: You know, there's a big 13 (indiscernible) -- 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Or take Scammon. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- (indiscernible) between 16 Hooper and Scammon, so -- 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. Take Scammon back to 18 39. Chevak and Hooper are real close. 19 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. Scammon is 20 (indiscernible), too. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: 600 I think. 22 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. So that's -- you're 23 down to 1,364. Did you say you wanted to take 24 Chevak? 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. Leave that alone.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 218</p> <p>1 Leave that alone.</p> <p>2 MR. TORKELESON: Okay.</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: And why is Russian</p> <p>4 Mission -- put Russian Mission in the 39.</p> <p>5 MR. TORKELESON: Okay.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BAHNKE: Russian Mission is</p> <p>7 (indiscernible). That's why --</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's what I thought, too.</p> <p>9 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah.</p> <p>10 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible) 38.</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Didn't show here.</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: No. It was up in --</p> <p>13 MR. TORKELESON: That's because you guys</p> <p>14 have --</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: It was in 38 before.</p> <p>16 MR. TORKELESON: Well, yes, you're right</p> <p>17 because (indiscernible).</p> <p>18 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: You have that little pop</p> <p>19 up (indiscernible).</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>21 MEMBER SIMPSON: Now, where are you?</p> <p>22 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. You're down 938.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So all the Koyukuk</p> <p>24 River, Huslia, Hughes, and Allakaket, Ahtna,</p> <p>25 Evansville.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 220</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELESON: Make a semi decent shape</p> <p>2 here on the fly (indiscernible).</p> <p>3 CHAIR BINKLEY: And Ruby, take in Ruby if</p> <p>4 you're going to take Galena.</p> <p>5 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. You're negative 256</p> <p>6 then.</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: So within 1.4. Zoom out a</p> <p>8 little bit so we can see what it looks like.</p> <p>9 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. See the whole</p> <p>10 situation. Let me do a cleanup for you.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: So just something else to</p> <p>12 consider, Doyon's testimony says they are not</p> <p>13 socioeconomically integrated with 39. Calista says</p> <p>14 they're more socioeconomically integrated with</p> <p>15 Bethel. They don't get clear that they're not</p> <p>16 socioeconomically integrated.</p> <p>17 MEMBER SIMPSON: When you say "they," who do</p> <p>18 you mean?</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Can you zoom out, please?</p> <p>20 MR. TORKELESON: Oh, zoom out?</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>22 MEMBER SIMPSON: So you had to take all of</p> <p>23 that just to get Hooper Bay in?</p> <p>24 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah.</p> <p>25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Hooper and Scammon -- or</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 219</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELESON: Here?</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yep.</p> <p>3 MR. TORKELESON: Okay.</p> <p>4 MR. PRESLEY: We don't try and do precincts</p> <p>5 here, because it's going to avoid some potential</p> <p>6 problem.</p> <p>7 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) Below</p> <p>8 Hughes.</p> <p>9 MR. TORKELESON: I'm sure. Did it get all</p> <p>10 Huslia, though? It should. So what are we doing</p> <p>11 now? Negative 436. You're within 2.5 percent.</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. And Bettles and</p> <p>13 Evansville.</p> <p>14 MR. TORKELESON: You want to go on and</p> <p>15 take -- okay.</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, they're all on the</p> <p>17 Koyukuk River. Wiseman and Coldfoot are on the road,</p> <p>18 so -- and they don't allow you to split that?</p> <p>19 MR. TORKELESON: I'm sure they will.</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, yeah.</p> <p>21 MR. TORKELESON: I have to go to blocks</p> <p>22 instead of precincts.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.</p> <p>24 MEMBER MARCUM: Different tools for</p> <p>25 different (indiscernible).</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 221</p> <p>1 Chevak. Hooper and Chevak. You've got to take the</p> <p>2 Yukon farther up where 39 is in our existing</p> <p>3 version 3. All the way up to Ruby and all the</p> <p>4 Koyukuk River up to Bettles and Evansville.</p> <p>5 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible) testimony</p> <p>6 from the mayor of Nome here, too, stating that</p> <p>7 they're more socio and economically tied with coastal</p> <p>8 villages than we are to areas in the Interior.</p> <p>9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Zoom out just a little bit,</p> <p>10 Peter, so I can see the bottom of 38.</p> <p>11 MR. TORKELESON: Oh, bottom of 38?</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>13 MR. TORKELESON: Just go like</p> <p>14 (indiscernible).</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) take</p> <p>16 Kotzebue in, right? I mean, so I'm just saying to --</p> <p>17 have to -- everybody's having to be able to just keep</p> <p>18 themselves confined to just the neighborhoods that</p> <p>19 they want. We're going to have to see where there</p> <p>20 might be some (indiscernible), provided that we're</p> <p>21 only doing so to meet other socioeconomic integration</p> <p>22 situations.</p> <p>23 MEMBER BORROMEO: I'm so happy you phrased</p> <p>24 it like that, because that was my point before, which</p> <p>25 is we -- we've done the Hickel process, following</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 222</p> <p>1 right where we need to be. I appreciate all the 2 public testimony that we received. Sometimes, 3 though, it's emotional. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: The testimony, you're 5 saying? 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yes. It's not based on a 7 constitutional factor. It's -- 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: I agree. 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- based on an emotional 10 (indiscernible). 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible) at the Nome 12 testimony. 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 14 MEMBER MARCUM: I think we can say that for 15 Anchorage, too. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: I mean, it's everywhere. 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible) what they 18 want. 19 MEMBER BAHNKE: The heart wants what it 20 wants. 21 MEMBER MARCUM: The heart wants what it 22 wants. That will be our -- the motto of the 23 redistricting board. 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: Unfortunately, we have to 25 use our minds, too.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 224</p> <p>1 Fairbanks (indiscernible)? 2 MR. TORKELOSON: I think so, yeah. Except he 3 wouldn't give it to us unless the colors were 4 organized. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: We had to have it together. 6 And you did that, Peter? 7 MR. TORKELOSON: I was goofing around, and 8 then it was, like, oops. 9 MEMBER SIMPSON: It's a perfect analogy, 10 because you move one and the whole thing is messed 11 up. 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: And it's just not as square. 13 There's just not four sides to that one. 14 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. I've got four reds 15 together. 16 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: No, thanks. I'm not 18 (indiscernible). 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Well, Nicole, here's 20 one way to do it. 21 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can we -- we better see the 22 names of the communities? 23 MR. TORKELOSON: Oh, yeah. 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: Peter, can we better see the 25 communities' names?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 223</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: We can get that -- all get 2 that tattooed someplace. 3 MEMBER MARCUM: The heart wants what it 4 wants. 5 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible) get over 6 it. 7 MR. TORKELOSON: It's harder than it looks 8 (indiscernible). 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: It's harder than it looks. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: TJ, where are our 11 (indiscernible)? 12 MR. PRESLEY: Exactly. Harder than it 13 looks. 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm just going to share this 15 with those who weren't (indiscernible) haven't had a 16 chance to read testimony from Nome. 17 MR. SINGER: This is -- this is our mascot 18 right here. 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, that's right. 20 MEMBER MARCUM: Show that to the public, 21 would you? This is what redistricting 22 (indiscernible). You think a Rubik's Cube is hard? 23 This is what redistricting is. 24 MR. SINGER: (Indiscernible), yeah. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Isn't Gary Newman in</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 225</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. I grayed them so you 2 can see the shapes. You want to see the names 3 stronger now? 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: That's a very odd shape. 5 MR. TORKELOSON: Is that better? Is that 6 what you're looking for? 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: 39 has very oddly shaped 8 appendages. 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: We can clean up. If you 10 want me to take the time to -- 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: A big appendage going like 12 this. 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: It's just you didn't get 14 very much population by going -- 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. The river is the 16 whole problem. That's the whole problem. 17 MEMBER MARCUM: We follow the river that -- 18 we know that that's (indiscernible) -- 19 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. 20 MEMBER MARCUM: -- river (indiscernible). 21 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. 36 is down a couple 22 thousand, I guess. 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah. What's the solution 24 to that? 25 MR. TORKELOSON: Well, 38's high.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 226</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, we'll find out when we 2 get to Fairbanks. 3 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, that's true. That's 4 right. Where we're not going to know about anything, 5 as John says, until we get to Fairbanks. 6 MR. TORKELSON: 38 is high, because we gave 7 Scammon Bay back. So 38 actually has something to 8 give, since we gave -- you know, this scenario, 38 9 needs to get a little bit smaller. So I don't know 10 if there's something here you could give -- 11 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, you could give 12 (indiscernible). 13 MR. SINGER: Put Russian back in the -- 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: What's 38? Here's -- 15 MR. TORKELSON: I was saying 38 has extra 16 population, because we gave Scammon Bay -- because 17 they still took in Hooper and they gave Scammon Bay 18 back, so now they're (indiscernible). 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: 38 is -- 20 MR. TORKELSON: 38 has excess population. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. So we need to get rid 22 of population in 38. 23 MR. TORKELSON: That's what I'm seeing here. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: So what does Platinum -- 25 what does Platinum and Good News show? They're</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 228</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELSON: So now 38 is good. 2 CHAIR BINKLEY: There you go. 3 MR. TORKELSON: 37 is high. 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: Except for a few 5 communities, by improving -- 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, it is by the people 7 that are affected there. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: I mean, it is closer to -- 9 MR. TORKELSON: You could give these guys -- 10 MEMBER MARCUM: It is (indiscernible). 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's also -- it's also a 12 lot of weight being given to one ANC. We haven't 13 even heard from the other majority of the tribes, 14 village corporations in that region. 15 In my opinion at this point in the process, 16 we should be striving to improve existing maps, not 17 create worse situations. And when I look at the new 18 deviations here, and also that Pac-Mannish -- now 19 District 39, that just comes and looks like it's 20 going to take a bite out of the Northwest Arctic 21 Borough there. Those deviations are pretty wild, 22 too, between the VRA districts. 23 Whereas what we had talked about before, 24 going back to v3 and just adding Port Graham and 25 Nanwalek to 37, deviations are pretty much in 2, 3</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 227</p> <p>1 already in with Kodiak and Dillingham? So the 2 other -- and the break is between Tuluksak and Lower 3 and Upper Kalskag on the Kuskokwim? 4 Then the other would be to take Quinhagak -- 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: In this version, the Calista 6 is still broken into three ANCSA regions, three 7 different congressional -- or not congressional -- 8 House districts. 9 MEMBER MARCUM: How many of their villages 10 do they have together compared to (indiscernible)? 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: And now you're breaking 12 ANCSA boundaries between the Bering Straits and 13 Doyon. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: But this was the request of 15 Calista. So take Quinhagak and then see what that 16 does. 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: I know it was their request, 18 John, but I'm looking at socioeconomic -- 19 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) hundred 20 people. 21 MEMBER BAHNKE: Least damage -- least 22 damage, I guess, is what I'm looking at. 23 MS. MARCUM: 37 -- 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: This has a rippling effect. 25 It's not improving the socioeconomic integration.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 229</p> <p>1 range. 2 And this has just really gone in a direction 3 that is -- is not an improvement. And I understand 4 this is what Calista asked for. I'm not disputing 5 that. I'm just saying this is not better than what 6 we did as a board to the state. 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: And I -- 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: I would disagree with you. 9 But let's -- if it's the deviation, let's continue to 10 work on it then and see if we can pull that deviation 11 down, if that's the concern. 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: I don't know. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. Go ahead, Melanie. 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: When we were mapping as a 15 board and we chose v3 and v4, I recall you agreeing 16 with me, that there is some socioeconomic integration 17 between the Calista region and the Bering Straits 18 region. You've lived there. You know this. And I 19 lived in the Bering Strait region. And this is a 20 point of agreement that we had, that there is some 21 socioeconomic integration between the two; whereas, 22 there is none between 38 and 39 -- 36 or 39. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: I'm disagreeing. 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: 36 and 39, there is no 25 socioeconomic integration whatsoever between the two.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 231</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: What's the socioeconomic 2 integration between Shishmaref and Marshall? 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm talking about the two 4 regions as a whole. If you look at the two regions, 5 the ANCSA regions as a whole, there is some 6 socioeconomic integration. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: But none between 36 and 39. 9 MEMBER MARCUM: And maybe what would be 10 helpful for me -- 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: You know, reasonable people 12 can disagree, and I think we will disagree on that. 13 MEMBER BAHNKE: What we did agree on when we 14 were mapping was that there is some socioeconomic 15 integration between the Bering Strait region and the 16 Calista regions, correct? 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think that Calista 18 has -- since we've listened to people, that's what 19 our exercise that we've been through, to go out and 20 to listen to people and get comment and feedback, has 21 instructed us that people in this area would think 22 that they would have more socioeconomic and it would 23 be an improvement to -- 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: I have to say that they have 25 not.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 232</p> <p>1 what we have done with the other areas where we've 2 had some disagreement. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 4 MEMBER MARCUM: Sure. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: So I agree to disagree and 6 move on. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: And we haven't come to an 8 agreement in Anchorage and (indiscernible). 9 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. That's what I said. 10 That's the process that we have been following. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. Exactly. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Maybe before we move on, 13 and I'm sorry if I missed it, John, but what are the 14 socioeconomic integration criteria that you're 15 looking at for Doyon, Bering Straits, and these Upper 16 YK villages? 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think it's just a 18 reality of the populations, in terms of how you have 19 to get populations in districts. It's no different 20 than the Aleutian and the Aleut district being in 21 with the CIRI region and also with the Calista 22 region. 23 We have to have three different regional 24 ANCSA groups into one, even though there might not be 25 any socioeconomic tie between the people in the</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 231</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- move them into the 2 (indiscernible). 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: It's not to say that they 4 have none with the north. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: It is them that's affected. 6 They are the ones that are affected by it. 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: Right? And look at how many 8 other communities you are affecting to accommodate 9 the request of two communities, and there's no 10 socioeconomic basis for excluding them from the 11 Bering Strait region. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: I think there is a 13 socioeconomic basis to consider trying to include 14 them in the areas that they feel like they're most 15 socioeconomically connected to. 16 So I would like to suggest that maybe we -- 17 we set this aside, knowing that we have some 18 differences of opinion on, and then go look at 19 Fairbanks, because that is -- any changes we do or 20 don't make there will flow into the rest of this, and 21 we may have -- we may have to start from scratch 22 there, depending on what we decide about Fairbanks. 23 So I think it might be worthwhile looking at 24 Fairbanks, if the (indiscernible). 25 MEMBER BAHNKE: I respect that, and that's</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 233</p> <p>1 Aleutians and just over here, at Tyonek and Beluga. 2 We put them in the same district. 3 MEMBER BORROMEO: But this isn't an 4 improvement. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's the reality of the 6 geography sometimes. 7 MEMBER BORROMEO: But this isn't an 8 improvement based on socioeconomic integration. 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, it is certainly to the 10 people who live in Scammon and -- 11 MEMBER SIMPSON: Hooper Bay. 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- Hooper Bay. 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: But is it to everybody 14 else? I mean, now we're knocking on the North Slope 15 Borough's door up by Bettles and Anaktuvuk Pass. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, we're in Bettles. 17 We're in the Koyukuk River drainage, which flows into 18 the Yukon, and the Yukon River drainage that goes 19 into Emmonak, Alakanuk, Kotlik and -- 20 MEMBER BAHNKE: So practical -- as close as 21 practicable, right? So some socioeconomic 22 integration versus none. 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: None. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: You know, I think that we've 25 all got our opinions on this, and I don't think we're</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 234</p> <p>1 changing each other's minds, so why don't we move on 2 to another area and we can get a sense of that and 3 then come back to this, as we will to Anchorage, to 4 Southeast, to the Gulf Coast, to all of them. 5 And have we finished Kenai? Did we finish 6 Kenai? 7 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yep. We did that. 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: I know we did the southern 9 portion, but all of Kenai? 10 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. So I did do a detail. 11 It took a half hour, but I got -- 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: Got the deviations? 13 MR. TORKELOSON: -- the nicer shape, and I 14 got the deviation as tight as .85 percent -- 15 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. 16 MR. TORKELOSON: -- I think is the max 17 deviation, so it's under 1. 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Actually, the other area we 19 haven't done is Mat-Su, either. We did Anchorage, 20 but we did not do Mat-Su. 21 MR. TORKELOSON: I hope that Mat-Su -- 22 MR. SINGER: So why don't we shift to 23 Mat-Su. 24 MEMBER MARCUM: I'd like to do Fairbanks. 25 MR. SINGER: That's fine. Let's do</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 236</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: That's right. 2 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think Fairbanks, in 3 terms of the differences between v3 and v4, there are 4 differences inside the boundaries. 5 But the big difference really, and the big 6 policy question, is going to be do we keep the 7 borough together or do we break the borough apart and 8 send a portion of that into District 36? And that's 9 the big policy question. And it is a big one. 10 It's -- 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Because when you do that, 12 it's going to have ripples into the other areas, 13 potentially, right? 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: If you break it apart, it's 15 going to go into 36, and 36 is going to gain 16 population. We're about 4,000 people I believe over 17 the ideal district size, the .2. And if you move 18 4,000 people into that District 36, it's got to give 19 you something (indiscernible). 20 MEMBER SIMPSON: Simple. So moving 4,000, 21 though, seems like you want to zero out -- 22 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. You can take less. 23 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- that deviation. 24 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. 25 MEMBER SIMPSON: You could, like, target,</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 235</p> <p>1 Fairbanks then. 2 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. So do we -- what plan 3 do you want to start with? 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: There's v3 and v4, aren't 5 there? Why don't we start with v4, and Nicole can -- 6 MEMBER BAHNKE: I think it makes sense to do 7 Fairbanks, since we're -- 8 MEMBER MARCUM: I'll go ahead and defer to 9 the chairman. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. Go ahead. I'd rather 11 have you go first. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: I'd much rather have you go 13 first. Okay. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: I would rather have you go 15 first. 16 MEMBER MARCUM: I think it's a natural 17 progression to go to Fairbanks (indiscernible). 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: What did you just tell me 19 over there? I appreciate to ask what you want -- 20 MEMBER MARCUM: Okay. The world is better 21 because my computer is working again now, and my 22 (indiscernible). 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: Good. 24 MR. TORKELOSON: Once again, Eric, there's 25 (indiscernible).</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 237</p> <p>1 let's just say, 2,000, which would reduce that 2 deviation by half. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 4 MEMBER SIMPSON: But if you're going to -- 5 it will (indiscernible) putting them somewhere else. 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: If you read the resolution 7 from the Fairbanks North Star Borough, and I give a 8 lot of weight to that, they want the ideal size. 9 They want -- 10 MEMBER SIMPSON: They don't want to be under 11 (indiscernible). 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. 13 MEMBER MARCUM: They want the 4,000 out. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. So that really -- 15 you know, to hold true to that, if you're going to -- 16 you know -- 17 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. Well -- 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- be respective of their 19 wishes -- 20 MEMBER SIMPSON: Except the compromise is 21 representative of their wishes, to the extent 22 practicable maybe. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Maybe. 24 MEMBER SIMPSON: We haven't tried it yet. 25 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. We'll start with that</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 238</p> <p>1 and try it.</p> <p>2 MEMBER SIMPSON: I'm just saying I don't</p> <p>3 know if you can --</p> <p>4 MEMBER MARCUM: We can do the 4,000, we can.</p> <p>5 If we can't, then we consider less, right? Give it a</p> <p>6 try.</p> <p>7 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. Take your best shot.</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. So that's really the</p> <p>9 big question is: Are we going to break the borough</p> <p>10 boundaries and shed people to District 36, or are we</p> <p>11 going to keep the borough boundaries intact?</p> <p>12 MEMBER SIMPSON: And this is one format.</p> <p>13 But I believe you told us that there's precedent that</p> <p>14 if we send somebody out of the borough boundaries,</p> <p>15 that they should all go as a group to one place. We</p> <p>16 shouldn't pick away at five different places --</p> <p>17 MEMBER BAHNKE: Multiple places?</p> <p>18 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- around the end.</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible) the</p> <p>20 borough --</p> <p>21 MEMBER MARCUM: That's a court decision.</p> <p>22 You read that yesterday.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- the borough's request</p> <p>24 to --</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: And that was their request</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 240</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Put Valdez in with the</p> <p>2 Valley?</p> <p>3 MEMBER MARCUM: Okay. I'm going to speak up</p> <p>4 here now. Because first of all, Mat-Su was</p> <p>5 (indiscernible). They didn't want Valdez. Valdez</p> <p>6 was exceptionally clear, to a hundred and however</p> <p>7 many pages, that they don't want Mat-Su either. So I</p> <p>8 think that's important for us to keep in mind.</p> <p>9 MEMBER BORROMEO: But then again, that --</p> <p>10 this goes back to what the heart wants, the heart</p> <p>11 wants. We are bound by the constitution.</p> <p>12 So when I'm looking at Fairbanks North Star</p> <p>13 Borough and I see them with a population excess of</p> <p>14 20 percent and I see their neighboring regional rural</p> <p>15 villages with a decrease of 20 percent, it's a</p> <p>16 natural fit for me to make that jump, being from the</p> <p>17 region, growing up in McGrath, spending a lot of time</p> <p>18 in Fairbanks, that they would share population.</p> <p>19 And then we -- we come down and we do have</p> <p>20 to deal with the Valdez question. And at this point,</p> <p>21 if -- if we keep Southeast like we're thinking and</p> <p>22 Cordova like we're thinking, Valdez is either a</p> <p>23 district of 5,000 or 3,500 or 4,000 residents or</p> <p>24 they're going to have to go to the next neighboring</p> <p>25 borough that they'll fit in.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 239</p> <p>1 on Sunday.</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: But did you break it or do</p> <p>3 you send it to one district?</p> <p>4 MEMBER SIMPSON: So those are kind of other</p> <p>5 ground rules.</p> <p>6 CHAIR BINKLEY: And they're really -- in all</p> <p>7 of these maps that we've drawn, other than sending</p> <p>8 them towards the Mat-Su, it would be sending it to</p> <p>9 36. So I don't think there's much change. Where</p> <p>10 else are you going to send them?</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: They're an island right now.</p> <p>12 There's different --</p> <p>13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. But the island is</p> <p>14 surrounded by 36, other than --</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, no. There's 35.</p> <p>16 Mat-Su doesn't need them.</p> <p>17 MR. TORKELESON: The Mat-Su doesn't need</p> <p>18 them.</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: The Mat-Su doesn't need</p> <p>20 them.</p> <p>21 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah, that's true.</p> <p>22 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's the only other one you</p> <p>23 can go into.</p> <p>24 MEMBER BAHNKE: So you have to probably shed</p> <p>25 them into 36 and then drop Valdez.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 241</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: I think that taking 4,000 --</p> <p>2 in addition to, you know, what I just mentioned about</p> <p>3 what Valdez (indiscernible) or what the borough said</p> <p>4 they wanted. Again, and they've cited very clear</p> <p>5 socioeconomic reasons why. You all heard from Valdez</p> <p>6 when we were there, the socioeconomic ties that they</p> <p>7 cited. What was it, half of the boat slips in Valdez</p> <p>8 are reserved for Fairbanks residents. They were very</p> <p>9 clear about that. They are tied to that Richardson</p> <p>10 Highway corridor.</p> <p>11 But in addition to that, I think it's worth</p> <p>12 considering that the Mat-Su Borough has expressed on</p> <p>13 the record their ties to Denali Borough, and we know</p> <p>14 that when you put those populations together, you get</p> <p>15 nearly the ideal population that you need for the</p> <p>16 Mat-Su Borough, and that to take the region of the</p> <p>17 state that has grown the most, that has increased</p> <p>18 their population the most, and then to dump another</p> <p>19 4,000 voters from Valdez in there, when, in fact,</p> <p>20 they -- we've got them right now at the numbers they</p> <p>21 need to be, is really diluting their -- their growth</p> <p>22 that they have had. And we've heard testimony to</p> <p>23 that effect, as well. I was just reiterating what</p> <p>24 the public has said to some degree.</p> <p>25 MEMBER SIMPSON: So the question I see as a</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 242</p> <p>1 threshold is if you were going to take some 2 population out of Fairbanks, where is the most 3 logical place to take it, assuming that that was a 4 decision. What would -- how would you get that? 5 First where would you take it from? And 6 then we could look at, you know, where it goes to. 7 Obviously it's going to go into 36. 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's got to go into 36. 9 There's been several different proposals. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. 36 -- 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Version 4 has one proposal 12 that takes from the Southeast portion. As I recall, 13 AFFR takes from the Southeast portion. AFFR, in 14 their latest proposal, takes it from the north side. 15 The Senate Minority, I can't recall to be honest with 16 you. 17 MEMBER MARCUM: I think they took Eielson 18 out. 19 MEMBER BAHNKE: What percent Alaska Native 20 was -- 21 MEMBER MARCUM: No. They took 22 (indiscernible) -- 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- 36. 24 MEMBER MARCUM: -- the entire east part of 25 the borough.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 244</p> <p>1 Then this should take some more -- an area more 2 around -- say around the college area up here, where 3 I just happen to know there's a higher concentration 4 of Alaska Natives. So it would -- the answer to that 5 would just depend on what part of (indiscernible) you 6 chose to take. 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: So I think we should be 8 mindful of that, too. 9 MEMBER MARCUM: That's a good point, 10 Melanie. 11 So could I additionally then ask, 36 -- do 12 we have (indiscernible) analysis of 36? 13 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yes. 14 MR. SINGER: So the VRA is triggered if 15 there's -- the first -- the first piece is, are there 16 50 percent plus one of voting age population of the 17 minority group? So District 36 is well below that, 18 so it is -- it is not -- our VRA experts have said 19 that District 36 is not a VRA district. 20 MEMBER MARCUM: So -- 21 MR. SINGER: So -- so it does not -- we 22 don't -- you don't have the same Section 2 23 constraints that you do in Districts 37, 38, 39, 40. 24 That said, I think, you know, you do not 25 want to --</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 243</p> <p>1 MR. PRESLEY: I think it's 32.7, but -- 2 MEMBER MARCUM: It was AFFR -- 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: 32 percent, so what 4 effect -- 5 MR. PRESLEY: -- I can look that up. 6 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- does pushing 4,000 do to 7 that percentage? And is that something that we need 8 to consider, counselor? 9 MR. SINGER: I'm sorry. Do it one more 10 time. 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: So 36 is 30 percent Alaska 12 Native, and then you're going to push 4,000 out to 13 that population. 14 And also, the prior map that we just had, 15 which is even more Alaska Native villages, is out of 16 36. So what impact does that have to that percentage 17 of Alaska Native in 36? 18 MEMBER MARCUM: Peter, did you guys look at 19 that? 20 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. So there's a legal 21 question for counsel, and I can just speak to the 22 numbers. 23 It really depends what segment of the 24 borough you take. If you choose the military base 25 here, this number is obviously going to drop larger.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 245</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: Below -- 2 MR. SINGER: -- to intentionally dilute a 3 minority group's ability to vote. That could raise 4 an equal protection representation concern. 5 By the same token, if your -- you know, your 6 intent was to take military voters and drown them in 7 a sea of voters who have different perspective, that 8 could raise a fair representation concern, as well. 9 So I think -- I think being mindful of that 10 and -- as you -- as you proceed. But I don't think 11 there's any kind of clear -- there's not a Voting 12 Rights Act statutory requirement that influences how 13 you separate out -- 14 MEMBER MARCUM: So if those 4,000 voters -- 15 you know, let's say they were primarily Native 16 voters. I mean, of course that's not going to be the 17 case, but if they were, would that meet the VRA 18 threshold then for District 36? How -- what are the 19 numbers there, I guess is what I'm asking. 20 MR. SINGER: Let's see. So I don't think 21 we're even close. I don't think you can get close 22 here. 23 MR. TORKELOSON: I've explored this with 24 (indiscernible). 25 MEMBER MARCUM: Okay. Just wanted to make</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 246</p> <p>1 sure we all knew, you know, what the ramifications 2 might be or not be for VRA if we can make changes. 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: And that equal protection. 4 MEMBER MARCUM: Absolutely. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: Sure. 6 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. 7 MR. SINGER: If -- if the board is 8 considering breaking the borough -- you know, I would 9 encourage doing so in a way that continues to 10 evidence relative socioeconomic integration. So are 11 there portions of the borough that are more like the 12 district where those folks are being moved to? That 13 would be the -- that would be the question. 14 And people have -- in this room have a lot 15 more (indiscernible) with the -- with the conditions 16 on the ground. But that would be the questions. Are 17 you -- are you comfortable with -- if you're going to 18 break -- that's the direction from Hickel. If you're 19 breaking a borough boundary, are you continuing to 20 evidence a pattern of relative socioeconomic 21 integration? 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, if there's -- you 23 know, when you look at Fairbanks, there's four major 24 roads that come in and out of Fairbanks. The 25 Richardson Highway to the south and east, the Parks</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 248</p> <p>1 Ahntna district and right now into Valdez and all the 2 way up to Holy Cross. And so it's a pretty diverse 3 district, as well, 36, and hard -- 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: If you don't -- if you don't 5 break the borough boundaries, what are the deviations 6 looking like? 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think in the 4 percent. 8 MR. TORKELOSON: You said inside borough? 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: Within the 5. 10 MR. TORKELOSON: So they should be 4.4, 4.26, 11 4.4 and -- they're all under 4.5 after -- after 12 (indiscernible). 13 MR. SINGER: We've got about 800 extra 14 people in each -- each Fairbanks district. 15 MR. TORKELOSON: 4.43 I think is the 16 (indiscernible). 17 MR. SINGER: Right. 18 MR. TORKELOSON: Or 4 -- yeah, 4.43 is the 19 peak, 812. 20 MEMBER BAHNKE: And in terms of legal mumbo 21 jumbo, (indiscernible) says 10 percent -- is -- 22 beyond 10 percent is too much, right? 23 And then Hickel says try and achieve less 24 than zero at the expense of compromising 25 socioeconomic integrity is a no-no, right?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 247</p> <p>1 Highway to the west and south, the Steese Highway to 2 the north and east, and then the Elliott Highway to 3 the north and a little bit farther west than that. 4 So those are kind of the major areas that extend out 5 of the core area of the borough. 6 And probably if you were looking at 7 something that were in its -- you know, that's a 8 judgment, and there's -- as I said yesterday in my 9 own example of where I live, near the university, 10 there's, you know, dozens of dry cabins near me that 11 use an outhouse and don't have running water and 12 might be considered by some closer socioeconomically 13 to the multiple villages in that District 36. 14 But they can be in quite urban areas really. 15 I mean, I'm fairly close to the university where I 16 live, and there's -- and then probably generally, if 17 you look at the north side, that's probably where 18 you'd find most of those, out in Goldstream and Fox 19 and up the Steese Highway, the Elliott Highway, 20 across the Old Murphy Dome Road, a lot of people out 21 there that -- that may be -- but you can -- you know, 22 there's beautiful homes out there, too. 23 So it's -- you know, there's not just an 24 area that you can pick and say that's going to be 25 closer to all of 36, which really goes down into the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 249</p> <p>1 MR. SINGER: Specifically in -- 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: Specifically they said 3 that -- 4 MR. SINGER: Hickel, at most, 2 percent. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- that ran afoul. 6 MR. SINGER: And -- and when -- I mean, 7 remember, in Hickel, just to be clear, it was a 8 pretty strange plan, right? The -- there were some 9 very odd pairings in Southeast Alaska. Mat-Su was 10 divided into five different -- excess population for 11 Mat-Su was divided into five different districts 12 instead of putting them all in one. 13 And the Court said that chasing the 14 mathematical number and making those strange 15 socioeconomic pairings was a no-no. That's what we 16 learned from Hickel. 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'll just read it again. We 18 determine that the board needlessly nullified Alaska 19 constitutional requirements in its attempts to reach 20 its various policy goals, including the creation of 21 districts with no more than 2 percent population 22 deviation from the ideal district size. 23 He also concluded that the board felt to 24 give due consideration to the possibility of 25 excluding non-resident military personnel from the</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 250</p> <p>1 population base and that this failure was arbitrary 2 and unreasonable. 3 So the other reason it was thrown out was 4 two of the districts were not compact and eight of 5 the districts did not compromise as nearly as 6 practicable a relatively socioeconomically integrated 7 area. 8 So I guess what we should be aiming for is 9 as much socioeconomic integration as practicable. I 10 don't think going to zero deviation is the goal here, 11 because the court -- courts have said if you're 12 chasing a number, even something as high as 13 2 percent, which might seem high to us, that's a 14 problem. 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. 16 I think -- do you have, Peter, the 17 deviations within the borough? 18 MR. TORKELOSON: So there would be -- it 19 would be 32, 33, 34, 35. 20 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think we had them within 22 30, 40 people. 23 MR. TORKELOSON: This is starting with the 24 plan v3. This is not necessarily reflecting any -- 25 MEMBER MARCUM: The most current --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 252</p> <p>1 borough is going to fit into District 36, who are you 2 going to try and compare them to? 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: And so it's difficult. 5 As you go north out of Fairbanks, though, it 6 is a little more rural in nature as you head up the 7 Steese Highway, the Elliott Highway, out into 8 Goldstream, Fox, some of those areas up north of 9 Fairbanks. 10 MEMBER SIMPSON: Can you even find 4,000 11 people, though, by -- 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, you can. 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- going (indiscernible) 14 along the highway or something? 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's pretty easy, actually. 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: But remember that the goal 17 isn't 4,000 people. 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think, just my 19 opinion, that -- you know, and the way I look at it, 20 if I want to respect what the borough assembly did, 21 then I think it would be best, in my opinion, to 22 respect what they're saying and take the 4,000 people 23 out of the borough and put into District 36 -- 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: Well, we have -- 25 MEMBER MARCUM: We have --</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 251</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELOSON: -- little refinements that 2 we've done. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, could you put that one 4 up there? That's the one that I thought we had. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: So, John -- 6 MEMBER MARCUM: And -- 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- what I was trying to get 8 at is which of the areas are most socioeconomically 9 integrated with 36? If we're chasing a number -- 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, yeah. 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- you have to say these are 12 the areas that are most -- 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: I would generally say that 14 northern area that spreads kind of from east to west 15 across the top. 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: Maybe so. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: But as I said, there's -- 18 you know, when you look at 36, it's very -- even 19 without any of the Fairbanks North Star Borough, when 20 you look at Valdez and, you know, all those areas 21 along the Richardson Highway, compared to all the 22 rural villages out west along the Yukon River, 23 there's a huge difference in socioeconomic 24 integration between those areas. 25 So when you're trying to pick who from the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 253</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- rather than 2 (indiscernible) -- 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible.) 4 MEMBER MARCUM: We have a court case. We 5 also have to consider what it's doing in the other 6 boroughs. We're not -- you know, if we're going 7 to -- if the goal is to try to get as close to the 8 deviation for Anchorage as we are, right, we're 9 writing Whittier in to try to get that in there for 10 the Mat-Su Borough. We've added the Denali Borough 11 in to try to get to that number. To continue to have 12 the Fairbanks borough, all those 2 or 3 percent over, 13 it wouldn't be consistent with that, right? 14 So I mean, if we're going to break the 15 borough, we should do it in a way that's consistent 16 with the other boroughs that we're already treating 17 that way. 18 You see what I'm saying, Melanie? So -- 19 MEMBER BAHNKE: I do. The other ones aren't 20 down to zero, though. 21 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, yeah, absolutely they 22 are. I mean, no. 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: Anchorage doesn't -- there 24 is not a map that shows Anchorage with zero deviation 25 across the board. Because Fairbanks --</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 254</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, 1 percent. 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: What's that? 3 MEMBER MARCUM: 1 percent. 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: But that shouldn't -- the 5 number shouldn't be the goal that we're targeting. 6 MEMBER MARCUM: No. But what I'm saying is 7 I don't think -- if they were -- 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: Then we're going to break 9 the borough. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: -- going to make changes to 11 Fairbanks to break the borough, then we need to do 12 that in a way that's consistent with the way we 13 treated the other boroughs. 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: But the other ones, we try 15 to reduce that deviation as much as practicable, 16 right? 17 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. And -- 18 MEMBER BAHNKE: If it wasn't practicable -- 19 MEMBER MARCUM: -- (indiscernible). 20 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- to take them all down to 21 zero. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: Why is it less -- 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: Without sacrificing 24 compactness and contiguity. 25 MEMBER MARCUM: Why is it less practicable</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 256</p> <p>1 MR. SINGER: Don't -- don't have -- just say 2 we're going to get to the number. See how close you 3 can get to the number while still honoring -- 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: That makes sense to me. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: That's what I was trying to 6 suggest is it can't just be zero. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. But as close as we 8 can. 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: As close as practicable. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: As practicable. 11 MR. TORKELOSON: So to answer your question, 12 Mr. Chairman, the deviation of Fairbanks as it's 13 currently drawn in this iteration is .18 percent 14 among the borough (indiscernible). 15 CHAIR BINKLEY: .18? 16 MR. TORKELOSON: .18 percent. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: I don't think we've been -- 18 MR. TORKELOSON: Which is, like, 33 -- 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- this close -- 20 MR. TORKELOSON: -- people (indiscernible). 21 MEMBER SIMPSON: But we're going to have to 22 redo it as soon as we send some member -- 23 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: But yeah. 25 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.)</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 255</p> <p>1 to take more (indiscernible) out? 2 CHAIR BINKLEY: If we're going to break it, 3 we can get it to -- 4 MR. SINGER: Well, but here -- 5 MEMBER MARCUM: But we can. (Indiscernible) 6 pact of practicable -- there's no reason we can't. 7 MR. SINGER: What I would suggest is if -- 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: But zero isn't the goal. 9 MR. SINGER: -- if you're going to 10 explore -- like, if you believe you can still draw 11 socio- -- relatively socioeconomically integrated 12 districts by breaking a borough boundary, then you 13 should get as close to zero deviation as you can 14 without sacrificing compactness and socioeconomic 15 integration. 16 So if you get to a point -- you haven't 17 quite gotten to zero deviation. But you're just -- 18 you know, now you're in downtown Fairbanks -- 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. 20 MR. SINGER: -- putting that in 36 or -- 21 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, that's a whole new 22 plan. Right. 23 MR. SINGER: -- you're putting the 24 university in or -- I mean, I think you need -- 25 MEMBER MARCUM: So it's practicable --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 257</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: With the proclamation, Matt, 2 what is the highest deviation within a district? 3 MR. SINGER: Within a borough? 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: No. Within a district. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, that's different 6 than -- remember, the rules are different within 7 boroughs than it is within districts. 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: What's the highest 9 deviation -- 10 MR. SINGER: I would have -- 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- out of the 40 of those 12 districts? 13 MR. SINGER: I would have to look it up. I 14 don't have it off the top of my head. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: I should be able to 16 (indiscernible). 17 MR. SINGER: Eric, can you pull that for us, 18 the deviation of the 2013 plan? 19 MEMBER MARCUM: The highest and the lowest 20 deviations. 21 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Indiscernible.) 22 MR. SINGER: Yeah. I have it in the 23 proclamation documentation. It'll take me a few 24 minutes to get that up. 25 MR. PRESLEY: I can also (indiscernible).</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 258</p> <p>1 MR. SINGER: Thank you.</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: We've got all kinds of</p> <p>3 numbers.</p> <p>4 MR. SINGER: I think I know. I just -- I'm</p> <p>5 not going to say it. (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>6 MEMBER BAHNKE: Even better if you can tell</p> <p>7 me that answer within a borough.</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. So both the total</p> <p>9 of --</p> <p>10 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah.</p> <p>11 MEMBER MARCUM: -- the total</p> <p>12 (indiscernible).</p> <p>13 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm just wondering what the</p> <p>14 highest was in the prior --</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: It got really tight, is my</p> <p>16 recollection. Well, within the boroughs, I know they</p> <p>17 did.</p> <p>18 MR. TORKELSON: They were very tight in the</p> <p>19 boroughs.</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah.</p> <p>21 MR. TORKELSON: And that's one of the</p> <p>22 reasons Anchorage looks so --</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. Looks so -- exactly,</p> <p>24 does not look pretty because they were extremely</p> <p>25 tight.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 260</p> <p>1 deviations?</p> <p>2 MR. TORKELSON: I'll have to look. The</p> <p>3 difference of 33 people (indiscernible).</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: 33?</p> <p>5 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>6 So, Melanie, to answer your question, on the</p> <p>7 version 4, the lowest deviation was minus .74 and the</p> <p>8 highest deviation was 1. 1.0. That includes Valdez</p> <p>9 being --</p> <p>10 MEMBER SIMPSON: Under 2 percent --</p> <p>11 MEMBER MARCUM: -- with the Mat-Su, though.</p> <p>12 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- total?</p> <p>13 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, under 2 percent.</p> <p>14 MEMBER SIMPSON: Is that under plan --</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: It's 1.74. 1.74 would be</p> <p>16 the total deviation. That includes -- that takes --</p> <p>17 that presumes Valdez is with the Mat-Su, though.</p> <p>18 Since we're talking about the breakout of the</p> <p>19 borough, that has to be kept in line.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BAHNKE: So for this district -- or</p> <p>21 these five districts, it is practicable to reduce</p> <p>22 that deviation much lower; however, it -- to the</p> <p>23 detriment of the Mat-Su Borough's desire not to have</p> <p>24 Valdez.</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.)</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 259</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is -- is that -- so when you</p> <p>2 say the .18, is that in this version or is that --</p> <p>3 MR. TORKELSON: Yes. I -- I switched out --</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, you did.</p> <p>5 MR. TORKELSON: -- and loaded the version</p> <p>6 that -- that --</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: We tried to keep City of</p> <p>8 North Pole --</p> <p>9 MR. TORKELSON: We (indiscernible) City of</p> <p>10 North Pole.</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- all together, keep</p> <p>12 Fairbanks all together.</p> <p>13 MR. TORKELSON: We fixed -- we fixed the</p> <p>14 North Pole. It had been brought to our attention</p> <p>15 that our v3 just inadvertently cracked -- broke</p> <p>16 through the North Pole city boundary. There was,</p> <p>17 like, 14 people involved. So John called that to my</p> <p>18 attention, and I was able to fix that in this</p> <p>19 iteration.</p> <p>20 So there's -- it's 812,770 (indiscernible).</p> <p>21 MEMBER BAHNKE: So we're looking at v3 right</p> <p>22 now, right?</p> <p>23 MR. TORKELSON: This is --</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yes.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BAHNKE: In v4, what were the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 261</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: And Valdez not wanting to be</p> <p>2 with Mat-Su Borough, correct?</p> <p>3 MEMBER SIMPSON: In version 4?</p> <p>4 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah.</p> <p>5 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BAHNKE: I just wanted to know if it</p> <p>7 was -- if it's something that can be achieved to have</p> <p>8 minimum deviation for these five districts.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. I think there's --</p> <p>10 all the other -- all the other plans have</p> <p>11 demonstrated they've gotten to those very low</p> <p>12 deviations by taking out different parts and</p> <p>13 different (indiscernible). So we know --</p> <p>14 MEMBER BAHNKE: And this is five districts</p> <p>15 we're talking about, whereas Valdez is --</p> <p>16 MR. TORKELSON: 4,000.</p> <p>17 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- going to impact one</p> <p>18 district if it gets pushed in with the Mat-Su</p> <p>19 Borough, correct?</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: If Valdez goes with the</p> <p>21 Mat-Su Borough, then that impacts that greater</p> <p>22 Interior district, which is where we would be putting</p> <p>23 the excess Fairbanks population.</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's about (indiscernible).</p> <p>25 MEMBER BAHNKE: Board version 4 -- board</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 262</p> <p>1 version 4 doesn't push any of the excess out. 2 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, it does. 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: Does it? 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: That's what I was asking. 6 MEMBER SIMPSON: Oh, yes, yes. 7 MEMBER MARCUM: No. Nicole's plan took out 8 Eielson. 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: I didn't ask that. I asked 10 what the deviations were. I asked the wrong 11 question. 12 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. There's deviation 13 tables for all six plans. We can look at board plan 14 v4 is -- 15 MEMBER MARCUM: It takes out Eielson. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: This is v3 modified? 17 MR. TORKELOSON: This is as we adopted. 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Not the v3. That's 19 the .18, where we made the tweaks. 20 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. We just -- yeah. But 21 the question was about v4, which we -- 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 23 MR. TORKELOSON: So if you look at v4, the 24 districts, you can see the types of deviations that 25 were achieved once the Fairbanks North Star</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 264</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: Okay. Hold on. 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: And do we have those printed 3 somewhere up on the wall? 4 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. Fairbanks is -- 5 MEMBER MARCUM: TJ, where's Fairbanks? 6 MR. PRESLEY: Fairbanks (indiscernible). 7 MEMBER MARCUM: It's over on the 8 (indiscernible). 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: It might be more useful for 10 you to compare them side by side. 11 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. You can't. It's -- 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: It's really hard for me to 13 grasp. 14 MEMBER SIMPSON: That's true. You can't. 15 Because it's just going to be missing, so you don't 16 really know what it is. 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah. 18 MEMBER MARCUM: It's (indiscernible). 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's from the west side. 20 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible) the west 22 side. 23 MEMBER SIMPSON: Whose is this? 24 MR. TORKELOSON: AFFER. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: ER. But AFFER's since made</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 263</p> <p>1 Borough -- 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: And what number are we using 3 the v4 for, for Fairbanks? 4 MEMBER MARCUM: 31 through 35. 5 MR. TORKELOSON: It's 31 through 35, I 6 believe. 7 MEMBER SIMPSON: Would it be useful to take 8 a look or kind of overlay the other four alternative 9 maps onto this and just take a look at where they -- 10 because they all took population out of Fairbanks, 11 right? 12 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah. I can -- the fastest 13 way to achieve that is to use -- is here, and you can 14 quickly see -- 15 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. 16 MR. TORKELOSON: -- all the ways people 17 chopped Fairbanks apart. 18 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. That's a great tool. 19 MR. TORKELOSON: And it won't be quite as 20 beautiful as what you're used to seeing, but it will 21 I think (indiscernible). 22 MEMBER MARCUM: Chop Fairbanks apart. 23 MR. TORKELOSON: Well, to illustrate -- so 24 that's v3, which we've been looking at. Here's 4. 25 So (indiscernible) I guess and toggle the rest.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 265</p> <p>1 a change, and that's AFFR, which is the Southeast 2 Eielson basically. 3 MEMBER SIMPSON: So I'd check that idea. 4 MR. TORKELOSON: I know. Senate Minority. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's the Senate Minority, 6 which is -- completely blows up -- 7 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. 8 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- (indiscernible). 9 MR. TORKELOSON: This is the 2013 10 proclamation with the current layout. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: And we did get Pleasant 12 Valley there. We had testimony from Pleasant Valley 13 and from Two Rivers, from people who said: Put us 14 back in the borough. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: But interesting, I know one 17 of the testimonies was that we like the AFFR plan but 18 make sure we're back in the borough. We don't 19 (indiscernible). 20 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 21 MEMBER SIMPSON: We like it, except the 22 parts we don't. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Pick somebody else to go. 24 MEMBER MARCUM: Put the other guy 25 (indiscernible).</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 266</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: Oh, that's been your 2 problem all along. Who do you -- 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Who do you kick off the 4 island? 5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Here's the 2010 -- or 6 2013. 7 MEMBER MARCUM: Proclamation districts? 8 Okay. 9 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: The 2010 population and 10 the deviation. The number they used was 17,000 11 (indiscernible). 12 MEMBER MARCUM: Okay. 13 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: They used 55. 14 MR. TORKELESON: 55? Okay. And you're in 15 Fairbanks? 16 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) 17 MR. TORKELESON: The Fairbanks would be 1, 2, 18 3, 4, right? 19 MEMBER SIMPSON: And 5. 20 MR. TORKELESON: 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. 21 MEMBER SIMPSON: And then 6 was part of 22 Fairbanks. 23 MR. TORKELESON: It has that section. 24 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. (Indiscernible.) 25 MEMBER MARCUM: The 2013 --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 268</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: No. It was actually less. 2 Because -- 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah. It was a spread. 4 MEMBER MARCUM: It was negative 2.4. So 5 2.4 -- 6 MR. TORKELESON: It was 1.8. Actually, it's 7 more than that. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. 9 MR. TORKELESON: It's going to be 10 (indiscernible) 34 point -- 4 point -- you know, 11 normally I do the math in the head pretty fast, 12 but -- 13 MEMBER MARCUM: It should be 4.2. 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: And keeping the borough 15 intact -- 16 MR. TORKELESON: It's 4.2 total. 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- what's the highest 18 deviation? 19 MR. TORKELESON: In the 2013 plan, it was 20 negative half a percent. 21 MEMBER BAHNKE: No. I mean in -- in 22 whatever -- in board version 3, what's the highest 23 deviation? 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: 4 point -- 25 MR. TORKELESON: 4.45.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 267</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, so you're kind of 2 tending toward -- 3 MEMBER MARCUM: -- the lowest deviation was 4 (indiscernible). 5 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Just kind of the north, 7 yeah. 8 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 9 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 10 MEMBER MARCUM: District 40 is of course the 11 lowest. 12 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible) mean you 13 had to do it. 14 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Did you want the 15 highest to lowest, Melanie? 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: I just wanted the highest. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. You might as well get 18 it right. There's no practical reason you can't. 19 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. It's not impossible. 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Once you make a decision to 21 break it, yeah. 22 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible) is the 24 spread. But keeping the borough intact 25 (indiscernible). So 3.6 was --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 269</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: 4.4. 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: 4.45? 3 MR. TORKELESON: 4.45. That's right -- 4 4.4 -- oh, I'm sorry. 4.43. 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: 4.43. 6 MR. SINGER: And it had -- did it have a 7 plan deviation (indiscernible) this version? 8 MEMBER MARCUM: A planned deviation? 9 MR. TORKELESON: I would not -- 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Will it change? Because we 11 really actually improved it by taking -- 12 MR. TORKELESON: Nanwalek and Port Graham. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah, Port Graham. And that 14 really brought that up. So I think we're, like, 15 about 7 now, right? We're -- was that 2.7? 16 MR. TORKELESON: From 37? 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: 37 -- 18 MEMBER MARCUM: Also -- 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- as amended? 20 MR. TORKELESON: Let me take a look. 21 MEMBER MARCUM: Also Bud -- well, no 22 (indiscernible). 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Now it's 1.76. 24 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. So 37 currently is 25 1.76.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 270</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: And what was the other one?</p> <p>2 4.3?</p> <p>3 MR. TORKELESON: 4.43.</p> <p>4 MEMBER MARCUM: 4.45.</p> <p>5 MEMBER BAHNKE: So you have to add those two</p> <p>6 numbers together, right?</p> <p>7 CHAIR BINKLEY: So that's 6.19.</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. That's --</p> <p>9 MR. TORKELESON: Yeah. But 38 is our</p> <p>10 low-lier.</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, it is. Okay.</p> <p>12 MR. TORKELESON: So I believe -- we improved</p> <p>13 37, which had been our previous low, and that made a</p> <p>14 new low.</p> <p>15 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.</p> <p>16 MR. TORKELESON: It's not as bad, but --</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: It's not as low as the</p> <p>18 previous low.</p> <p>19 CHAIR BINKLEY: 2.87.</p> <p>20 MR. TORKELESON: Thank you. Not as low as</p> <p>21 the previous low.</p> <p>22 MEMBER MARCUM: We're having to have a new</p> <p>23 lesson on --</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: So that 7.3 would be the</p> <p>25 total deviation.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 272</p> <p>1 were still able to make changes to -- I was still</p> <p>2 able to make changes to the North Star Borough. But</p> <p>3 then that necessitated changes to some of the VRA</p> <p>4 districts. It didn't append them, you know, so it</p> <p>5 didn't change the overall VRA number. But there's</p> <p>6 lots of different variations, I guess.</p> <p>7 MR. SINGER: Yeah.</p> <p>8 CHAIR BINKLEY: I don't know what that is.</p> <p>9 MR. TORKELESON: It's (indiscernible). I</p> <p>10 could never get it off without doing damage, so it's</p> <p>11 still there.</p> <p>12 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's fine.</p> <p>13 MR. TORKELESON: Okay.</p> <p>14 MEMBER BAHNKE: I'm going to use the</p> <p>15 restroom while you guys are --</p> <p>16 MEMBER MARCUM: I was just thinking that.</p> <p>17 CHAIR BINKLEY: I'm going to do the same.</p> <p>18 Let's take a break.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BAHNKE: I don't like to drink so</p> <p>20 much water because I'm afraid of having to take more</p> <p>21 bathroom breaks, but I was starting to get</p> <p>22 dehydrated.</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Let's take a break.</p> <p>24 (Indiscernible background conversation.)</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: I think that is this</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 271</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah.</p> <p>2 MR. TORKELESON: But the spread is 38 to 31</p> <p>3 of the districts that are setting this number right</p> <p>4 now.</p> <p>5 MEMBER BAHNKE: That's (indiscernible).</p> <p>6 MR. TORKELESON: But .53 is the lowest.</p> <p>7 MEMBER SIMPSON: Did you get that solved</p> <p>8 while I was out?</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah.</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, we've still got to do</p> <p>11 the math, too.</p> <p>12 MR. SINGER: Have you all made -- or talked</p> <p>13 about Valdez yet, or not really?</p> <p>14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, depends</p> <p>15 (indiscernible).</p> <p>16 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) how it's</p> <p>17 connected. Right.</p> <p>18 MR. SINGER: Yeah.</p> <p>19 MEMBER MARCUM: It's one of the key</p> <p>20 decisions, though, for sure. But I think -- I think</p> <p>21 it's important to try different variations --</p> <p>22 MR. SINGER: Yeah. No, I --</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: -- to see where --</p> <p>24 because -- yeah, because I did a version where Valdez</p> <p>25 would have been able to stay with the Interior and we</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 273</p> <p>1 version. There are some people there, too.</p> <p>2 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>3 MEMBER SIMPSON: Been sitting here all day</p> <p>4 and just noticed (indiscernible).</p> <p>5 MR. TORKELESON: Because you're focused on</p> <p>6 more important matters.</p> <p>7 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, I am, I guess, or</p> <p>8 else I'm just generally unobservant.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: So (indiscernible) ask that</p> <p>10 question.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>13 MEMBER BAHNKE: Doyon, does that include</p> <p>14 Valdez in there?</p> <p>15 MEMBER MARCUM: No. Doyon puts Valdez with</p> <p>16 the Mat-Su.</p> <p>17 MEMBER BAHNKE: Oh.</p> <p>18 MEMBER MARCUM: That's how they try to get</p> <p>19 that, is (indiscernible) the Mat-Su. Valdez and</p> <p>20 Cordova are (indiscernible).</p> <p>21 MEMBER BAHNKE: I think we all agree on</p> <p>22 that.</p> <p>23 MEMBER MARCUM: Exactly.</p> <p>24 MR. TORKELESON: I might use the restroom.</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, okay. Perfect.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 274</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELSON: Well, (indiscernible). 2 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 3 MEMBER MARCUM: And was it -- was it a whole 4 new shape file or was it -- 5 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 6 MEMBER MARCUM: And so, Randy, was that on 7 the most current plan that you have? Okay. All 8 right. 9 (Indiscernible background conversation.) 10 (Pause.) 11 5:18:27 12 (Recording contains no audio.) 13 5:27:44 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- from the horseshoe, which 15 results in less socioeconomic integration, a ripple 16 effect. 17 MR. SINGER: Uh-huh. Uh-huh. 18 MEMBER BAHNKE: Is that a valid concern, 19 that we should balance against the goal of zero 20 percent deviation? 21 MR. SINGER: Yeah. I think some -- two 22 things that I need to say. 23 If (indiscernible) wants to talk about 24 specific, you know, "Here's our idea for this 25 district, Counsel, what do you think," I think it</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 276</p> <p>1 doesn't get that deviation within the borough down 2 close to zero as much, compromise could minimize 3 other adverse impacts on the horseshoe district or -- 4 or somewhere else. 5 MR. SINGER: Right. 6 MEMBER SIMPSON: But it's pushed out. It's 7 easier to find a home for 2,000 extra citizens 8 than -- 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: 4,000. 10 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- 4,000. 11 MR. SINGER: Again, I think it would be a 12 mistake to start with, if we're going to break the 13 borough boundaries then we must move 4,000-X number 14 of people. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: The better thing would be 16 to look for a socioeconomic cluster somehow that's a 17 better fit into 36. 18 MR. SINGER: Yeah. I think if you're going 19 to break the local boundary, do so in a manner that 20 still allows socioeconomically integrated districts. 21 At some point you can't do that, the point -- okay. 22 Now we've got 4,000 people in 36. You know, 23 we've got to move Valdez. And where are we going to 24 put Valdez, if it's starting to force pairings that 25 are (indiscernible)?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 275</p> <p>1 would be appropriate to have an executive session to 2 talk about a specific -- to give you specific advice 3 about a plan. 4 But I thought general advice about what the 5 law says is (indiscernible). 6 So I -- I would just -- as you look at 7 alternatives, I would ask the question, is this -- 8 are we doing -- are we continuing on our 9 constitutional obligation to draw compact districts 10 that are socioeconomically integrated? When you 11 start making weird combinations, that's when you need 12 to stop, right? That's when it doesn't -- you're -- 13 you're potentially running afoul of the Supreme 14 Court's objectives. 15 MEMBER BAHNKE: Thank you. 16 MR. SINGER: I hope that answered your 17 question. 18 MR. TORKELSON: I'll get a clean v4 here. 19 I've got (indiscernible). 20 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, while we're waiting 21 for that, that kind of ties into kind of what I had 22 said before, though, that there may be a scenario 23 where (indiscernible) pushing, let's just say, 2,000 24 people out of the Fairbanks borough has less other 25 negative impacts, even though it doesn't -- you know,</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 277</p> <p>1 MEMBER SIMPSON: All those other -- all 2 those other impacts are inevitable. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. It's going to 4 happen. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Socioeconomically integrated 6 is the borough as a whole, right? So that's 7 northward. 8 MEMBER SIMPSON: So we're breaking down -- 9 MEMBER MARCUM: So we're including that 10 every time (indiscernible). 11 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. Half the borough's 12 on (indiscernible) -- 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: They want to get to zero. 14 MEMBER MARCUM: We've got -- exactly. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 16 MEMBER MARCUM: Correct. Exactly. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: And the other thing that 18 they have indicated is -- because they want 4,000 19 people out is because they want the influence in the 20 Senate district then, because it's got to be paired 21 with that district. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. So then if you 23 couldn't take the right number out. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Then they get a bigger 25 percentage of that senate seat by not diluting the --</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 278</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. That makes sense. 2 CHAIR BINKLEY: The (indiscernible) seat. 3 MR. TORKELOSON: But senators aren't elected 4 by district. Aren't they elected by population? 5 So -- 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 7 MR. TORKELOSON: Usually would concentrate 8 all on one -- 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: That's what he's saying, 11 yeah, yeah. 12 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 13 MR. TORKELOSON: Uh-huh. 14 Okay. So this is v4. 15 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah. We're opening up on 16 here (indiscernible). 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: And to me, the -- the less 18 deviation is the fourth criteria, after that 19 contiguous, socioeconomically integrated. 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, then that says keep 21 the borough together. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: John -- that was John's 23 argument for keeping the borough together, right? 24 That's why he was insisting on that, so long as this 25 (indiscernible) less important than socioeconomics</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 280</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Exactly. Yeah. Yeah. And 2 particularly if you, you know, respect Valdez in 3 saying that they don't want to be a part of Mat-Su 4 and Mat-Su saying they don't want Valdez a part. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Right, right. 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: That's pretty clear. 7 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, then they're going to 8 get some (indiscernible). 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: It may be that you have to 10 take Valdez and put into Prince William Sound, as the 11 people in Cordova said they wanted. I mean, Cordova 12 said, "We'd like to have Valdez in our district," and 13 then try to figure out the ripple effect of that down 14 towards Kodiak. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: There's something out here. 16 Thought you might want to cover your ears. 17 Another -- another thing about that is -- if Cordova 18 goes with Southeast, then that clears up space in 19 District 5 for Valdez to stay there. Just -- I mean, 20 for Valdez to stay in the Interior. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, to stay in Prince 22 William Sound? They would have to be in Prince 23 William Sound. 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: And we did hear from Cordova 25 that they don't mind being part of Southeast.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 279</p> <p>1 than keeping the borough whole. 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: I guess what I'm trying to 3 get at is do we have to push all 4,000 out? 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, what's the magic 5 number. You know, my way of thinking, if we're going 6 to -- if we're going to respect what the borough 7 assembly has done. And it really is practicable, 8 very practicable, to move 4,000 people. If you're 9 going to move 1,000, 2,000, 3,000, 4,000, 5,000, it's 10 very practical to do that. And I don't think it 11 changes -- that whole district 36 is so not 12 socioeconomically integrated that I think it would be 13 difficult to make a case that it's -- it's going to 14 disrupt that somehow. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: Yeah. It doesn't damage it 16 to add those people. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Right. 18 MEMBER SIMPSON: You have to (indiscernible) 19 them off of the edges somewhere into other districts 20 that need population. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Right. Exactly. No matter 22 what, you've got to do that. 23 MEMBER SIMPSON: So anyplace that touches 24 that that's underpopulated, that's about to get a 25 boost.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 281</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. 2 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 3 MEMBER SIMPSON: So you populate Fairbanks 4 to overpopulate Southeast (indiscernible). 5 MEMBER MARCUM: No. I mean, they're all 6 tradeoffs. You're right. No, I know. That's why 7 (indiscernible) these are all those tradeoffs, right? 8 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Or split Cordova in half. 10 MEMBER SIMPSON: There you go. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Actually, one person said 12 that wouldn't be so bad. She's, like, I would 13 almost -- 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: Well, she did say that gives 15 us -- 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Two representatives and 17 two -- possibly two senators -- 18 MEMBER MARCUM: I don't think she -- 19 MEMBER BAHNKE: -- representatives and 20 possibly two senators, depending on -- 21 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) lawyer, but 22 she did say that. 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: She said that wouldn't be a 24 bad thing for her town, right. 25 MEMBER MARCUM: Right. Because you have two</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 282</p> <p>1 representatives. (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>2 MEMBER SIMPSON: Well, that is -- is Nicole</p> <p>3 going to (indiscernible) this or what's --</p> <p>4 MEMBER MARCUM: I think they're waiting for</p> <p>5 her.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BORROMEO: No. I'm just waiting for</p> <p>7 you guys to finish.</p> <p>8 MEMBER SIMPSON: We'll just (indiscernible)</p> <p>9 chat.</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: The floor is yours.</p> <p>11 MEMBER BORROMEO: So again, I approached a</p> <p>12 rural -- Interior rural seat and Fairbanks North Star</p> <p>13 being together as one region, the Interior region.</p> <p>14 When we got the census data, the first thing</p> <p>15 I noticed was that the rural Interior villages, when</p> <p>16 you put them all together, were down 20 percent for</p> <p>17 one full seat. As the data would have it, Fairbanks</p> <p>18 North Star Borough was over 20 percent. So I thought</p> <p>19 then, I continue to think now, that it's appropriate</p> <p>20 and natural for Fairbanks to shed its excess</p> <p>21 population to a rural Interior seat versus pushing it</p> <p>22 down through the Denali -- through the Denali</p> <p>23 Borough, to the Mat-Su, to Anchorage, to the already</p> <p>24 overpopulated Kenai where we've run out of land and</p> <p>25 there's nowhere else to push anyone.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 284</p> <p>1 district.</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: You said --</p> <p>3 MR. SINGER: Essentially District 36 had .8</p> <p>4 of a fully populated district, and Fairbanks had 5.2</p> <p>5 districts.</p> <p>6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Right. Which is about</p> <p>7 4 percent overpopulation.</p> <p>8 MR. SINGER: Right. But if you're -- yeah.</p> <p>9 It's not a percentage. It's -- Fairbanks has 5</p> <p>10 point- --</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: 5.2.</p> <p>12 MR. SINGER: About enough population for 5.2</p> <p>13 districts.</p> <p>14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Correct.</p> <p>15 MR. SINGER: And then what Nicole observed</p> <p>16 as District 36 had --</p> <p>17 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: 36 without Valdez,</p> <p>18 correct?</p> <p>19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Uh-huh.</p> <p>20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Without Valdez.</p> <p>21 MR. SINGER: 36 without Valdez at .8.</p> <p>22 CHAIR BINKLEY: Right.</p> <p>23 MR. SINGER: So together it makes six</p> <p>24 districts.</p> <p>25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. Yeah, yeah.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 283</p> <p>1 So I have chosen to shed the excess</p> <p>2 population in the Fairbanks North Star Borough to</p> <p>3 District 36. I didn't do this lightly. I understand</p> <p>4 that the borough formed a long time ago and that in a</p> <p>5 perfect world they would all be kept together with</p> <p>6 all of their residents in five borough districts, if</p> <p>7 you will.</p> <p>8 But the deviation was such and the</p> <p>9 overpopulation was such that it was too high to do</p> <p>10 that. Because when you take all the excess</p> <p>11 population, it numbers close to 4,000, which forms</p> <p>12 the basis of another district essentially.</p> <p>13 So -- but what I did --</p> <p>14 CHAIR BINKLEY: Can I just ask, how do you</p> <p>15 get 20 percent? I don't quite --</p> <p>16 MEMBER BORROMEO: There --</p> <p>17 CHAIR BINKLEY: Four thousand out of 95,000</p> <p>18 isn't 20 percent.</p> <p>19 MR. TORKELOSON: Twenty percent of one</p> <p>20 district (indiscernible).</p> <p>21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. Not 20 percent of the</p> <p>22 total population.</p> <p>23 MR. SINGER: It's .2 of a district.</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's .2 of a district.</p> <p>25 MR. SINGER: Right. So you're saying</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 285</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: Because Valdez is not an</p> <p>2 Interior town. So I chose to break the borough</p> <p>3 around Eielson Air Force Base.</p> <p>4 I'll note, too, that the majority of the</p> <p>5 plans also favored the break here and couple it with</p> <p>6 the rural Interior. Because first of all, Eielson</p> <p>7 Air Force Base is currently with rural Interior.</p> <p>8 This wouldn't be any type of change for them. It</p> <p>9 allowed the distinct communities such as North Pole</p> <p>10 to be preserved. And even though this isn't</p> <p>11 controlling precedence, I do note that in Egan versus</p> <p>12 Groh, 1973, the Supreme Court did discuss the</p> <p>13 military population and observed certain criteria,</p> <p>14 such as that military service members tend to be</p> <p>15 transient, they tend to be in Alaska involuntarily,</p> <p>16 meaning that they're likely to exercise residency in</p> <p>17 other states. So they might not even be here in ten</p> <p>18 years to cast a vote, whereas I felt like the other</p> <p>19 parts of the borough were distinctly more Alaskan and</p> <p>20 more tied to the state.</p> <p>21 Again, I left Valdez out. I don't consider</p> <p>22 this to be part of the Interior. And I use the Glenn</p> <p>23 Highway as a southern boundary for my rural</p> <p>24 District 36. But I kept Glennallen whole by using</p> <p>25 Moose Creek as a boundary and the Trans Alaska</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 286</p> <p>1 Pipeline as a western boundary, and then, of course, 2 the North Slope Borough, the Northwest Arctic Borough 3 as a northern boundary, and then the Canadian 4 boundary is to the east. 5 When I moved into the borough itself, I 6 mapped these districts a couple of different ways. I 7 almost always started mapping them west to east, but 8 in this version I did it from east to west. 9 And so I started with the eastern and 10 downtown and Fort Wainwright -- this -- other -- the 11 other thing about Fairbanks that's a bit unique is 12 that within the borough, you have an incorporated 13 city, and that city has sufficient numbers for one 14 seat plus 75 percent of another seat. 15 So based on public testimony, again, I 16 started on the east side -- sorry about that -- and 17 the Base border, and then I worked west. I used the 18 City boundary for my east, north and west borders and 19 the Chena River for the southern line of 32. 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Looks like the Tanana River. 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. Tanana River. 22 Sorry. 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: Nicole, I just got a 24 question for counsel, since you mentioned that your 25 version pushes the military population out to that</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 288</p> <p>1 it for controlling precedents. I'm saying that's 2 also the similar reasons I chose to break there, 3 versus taking other parts of the borough that I felt 4 were distinctly more tied to the Interior with 5 intergenerational families that have lived in the 6 borough a long time. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: But I mean, what did Egan 8 versus Groh have to do with that? 9 MEMBER BORROMEO: Oh, it was talking about 10 the apportionment plan and how that board at the time 11 treated the military population. And they didn't 12 consider it, right? 13 MR. SINGER: Again, it was -- at the time 14 there was discussion about excluding transient 15 military personnel from the population base. 16 In an earlier case, the Court held it was 17 unconstitutional to treat military personnel 18 differently from civilian personnel. 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: So that would be -- I would 20 think just the opposite then -- 21 MR. SINGER: (Indiscernible.) 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- that would say you can't 23 just say let's take the military and send them out to 24 a rural district because they're transient. 25 MR. SINGER: Yeah. I just -- I would --</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 287</p> <p>1 rural district. 2 MEMBER BORROMEO: Uh-huh. 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: In the Hickel case, the 4 Hickel case referenced the military population, but I 5 don't understand what is meant by that reference. So 6 can you read the reference, and then do you have an 7 explanation for what that means? 8 MR. SINGER: There was a discussion about 9 the possibility of excluding non-resident military 10 personnel from the population base. You are -- at 11 this point you are statutorily prohibited from that 12 kind of discussion. 13 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay. Because of the 14 census -- 15 MR. SINGER: The census. The only -- we 16 don't -- we don't get to rewrite the census. 17 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay. 18 MR. SINGER: Those are the numbers. 19 MEMBER BAHNKE: Thank you. That was my 20 question. I was, like, how could they have 21 excluded -- 22 CHAIR BINKLEY: And how about the Egan 23 versus Groh case, have you -- do you know anything 24 about that? 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: So, again, I'm not using</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 289</p> <p>1 don't make your decision based on where people -- you 2 know, if people work for the military or that 3 military are less Alaskan than others. I would be 4 very uncomfortable with that as a basis. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: I would, too. 6 MR. SINGER: And I -- and I think that those 7 cases from 50 years ago, I haven't -- the law has 8 evolved so much since and the constitution's evolved 9 that we have amended the redistricting portion of the 10 constitution. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. 12 MR. SINGER: So I need to look at those 13 cases. But -- but I -- but, again, draw compact 14 socioeconomically in every district and -- 15 MEMBER MARCUM: I think that one of the 16 things, we talk about the socioeconomic integration. 17 We heard testimony in Fairbanks that the military 18 base is one of the strongest economic drivers of the 19 borough. It is what has kind of kept the borough 20 alive in a lot of the -- in fitting the university in 21 these things that happened over the recent years. 22 So to take one of the most (indiscernible) 23 socioeconomic drivers of the borough out of the 24 borough I think is a little disingenuous. 25 MR. SINGER: Yeah. Also it --</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 290</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: Hold on a second. It's 2 not disingenuous, and I don't appreciate that. And 3 it's already like that. So I'm happy to have 4 intelligent conversations, but I'm not going to get 5 into name-calling. That's how it already is. 6 MEMBER MARCUM: I'm not certainly pointing 7 to you. I'm just saying because there are multiple 8 maps that did it. But I do think that that is 9 socioeconomically tied to the borough, so to suddenly 10 decide that it's not going to -- that it's not 11 relevant because it's been that way in the past I 12 think is one of the main reasons that the borough has 13 continued to thrive is because the military base is 14 there. So I think that is a factor we have to 15 consider is the socioeconomic contributions of the 16 Base to the borough. 17 MR. TORKELOSON: There's two Bases. There's 18 Eielson -- 19 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, no, that's true for 20 sure. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: There's a post -- yeah. 22 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, for sure. 23 MR. SINGER: The ultimate -- 24 MEMBER MARCUM: Of the military. 25 MR. SINGER: There was a very different</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 292</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 2 MEMBER BORROMEO: Can I answer you? 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Please, yeah. 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: Thank you. This is why. 5 I figured this would be the least disruptive. This 6 is where the borough boundaries are currently broken. 7 There has been established patterns of connection now 8 between representation here and the greater borough, 9 and the greater Interior region, and that's -- that's 10 another reason why I decided to break it right there. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Could I, Matt, ask you, 12 should we be looking at what the last redistricting 13 was in terms of utilizing that in informing us how we 14 might make some of these decisions? 15 MR. SINGER: Well, the one -- the one place 16 where the Court has suggested that is when you 17 evaluate -- if you're breaking a borough boundary, 18 you should do so to evidence relative -- a pattern of 19 relative socioeconomic integration. 20 And then the definition of relatively in the 21 Hickel case, the Court talked about relative means as 22 compared to the current plan, the plan you're 23 considering and the other options before you. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. 25 MR. SINGER: So that's the one. I think if</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 291</p> <p>1 dynamic 50 years ago. So in a case that's discussed 2 at the time, there was a large transient military 3 population and folks who did not participate in 4 elections and chose not to be Alaska residents. They 5 were stationed here for a period. 6 I suspect if you got a social scientist or 7 cultural anthropologist in to talk about this 8 Permanent Fund Dividend changed behavior, people who 9 have the opportunity to be Alaskans and participate 10 in our -- you know, in the benefit to being Alaskan, 11 I just -- I think -- I think we see different trends 12 today. So I don't think we see significant 13 non-participating persons. I just don't know that we 14 can establish -- I would just say that Groh -- those 15 cases 50 years ago just aren't going to inform you 16 very much. I would encourage instead thinking about 17 what makes for socioeconomic integration. 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: So if we took those factors 19 away, Nicole, what would some other rationale be for 20 taking Eielson out of the North Star Borough? 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: This is currently the part 22 of the borough that's broken. This -- 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: But we're not supposed to 24 look at the current map. We're supposed to -- 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: You asked me for reasons.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 293</p> <p>1 you're -- if you're looking at how to solve for 2 socioeconomic integration, you can look at what do we 3 do -- 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: What is the last -- 5 MR. SINGER: -- what did we do last time. 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: The last plan? 7 MR. SINGER: Yeah. 8 MEMBER BAHNKE: It sounds like that's what 9 she was considering, right? 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: That was one of the items 11 she mentioned, yeah. 12 MEMBER BAHNKE: Just so that we're 13 consistent, I heard that statement made to me when I 14 talked about District 39 and my concerns about 15 including rural Interior communities in there, I've 16 heard the response that there were -- there are 17 currently rural Interior communities in District 39. 18 So we need to be consistent if we're going to say 19 let's not consider -- 20 CHAIR BINKLEY: But it sounds like we can 21 use that. 22 MR. SINGER: I think it's one -- it's one 23 piece of this. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 25 MR. SINGER: It's one piece.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 294</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: And then we did hear from 2 some of the people that are in that district that 3 indicated they didn't want to be in the borough 4 district, that are there now. At least three that I 5 can recall offhand that said currently that area is 6 represented by representative -- Tok -- in Tok, and 7 they said we don't want to be represented by somebody 8 that far away. We want to be represented by somebody 9 within the borough. 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: But the other -- 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Another factor. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: The other piece, too, is I 13 have not read -- and please point me to it if 14 somebody has it -- a single piece of public testimony 15 from anyone from the Base during the whole process. 16 We've heard a lot from different Fairbanks residents 17 and different borough residents, but I don't know 18 that I've heard or said -- read anything from this 19 part of the state. 20 So, again, I also see there is a strong tie 21 in my mind between Eielson and Fort Greely, as well. 22 I thought that they should be treated the same as 23 much as possible, and for the -- Greely in my map was 24 going to be in a rural district. So that's why I 25 took Eielson. I thought that the military boundary</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 296</p> <p>1 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. 2 MEMBER BORROMEO: Can we move onto 31? 3 So 31 is my UAF and western downtown 4 district. I drew it based heavily on public 5 testimony. 6 I started at UAF, because this is a place of 7 heavy socioeconomic integration with a lot of ties to 8 the college. But I need a little bit of extra 9 population, so I went east into downtown and captured 10 the excess 75 percent in the city limits. 11 33 is a North Pole and Badger districts. 12 And I started with North Pole because it's an 13 incorporated city, and I preserved the city 14 boundaries. I brought in Badger Road. I used 15 Eielson Air Force Base boundary as an eastern border, 16 the Tanana River to the south, the City of Fairbanks 17 as a western border, and major transportation borders 18 as a northern boundary, specifically Holmes Road to 19 Nordale, up to Freeman. 20 And then 35 on my map would be -- 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Can I just ask a question on 22 33? You mentioned Badger Road, but I see you just 23 took a portion of Badger Road on the east side and a 24 portion of Badger Road on the west side, but not 25 really most of Badger Road, which is on the north</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 295</p> <p>1 provided a really clean break and that it preserved, 2 like I said, the rest of the borough with the least 3 amount of disruption, and that's where it's currently 4 broken. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think maybe Melanie -- or 6 excuse me, Bethany can speak to this. But I think 7 the military itself, I think they are pretty 8 hesitant -- 9 MEMBER MARCUM: Discouraged. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- to get involved in these 11 kind of discussions. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: Discouraged from, actually. 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Discouraged from? 14 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. District 15 (indiscernible), yes, exactly. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: So I think that -- you know, 17 whether it be JBER or Greely or Wainwright or 18 Eielson, I think it's -- it just wouldn't see the 19 military itself weighing in -- 20 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) from -- from 21 doing so and identifying themselves with the 22 military. I mean, certainly can't come into the 23 hearing in uniform or that sort of thing. Now, they 24 can testify, but we wouldn't necessarily even know 25 they were with the military.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 297</p> <p>1 side in that loop. What was the rationale there? 2 MEMBER BORROMEO: Deviations in population 3 and compactness. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: But socioeconomically, 5 Badger Road is a pretty distinct community all 6 together. 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: It's within a borough, 8 though. The whole borough is socioeconomically 9 integrated. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, that would be my 11 opinion, as well. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: I think I heard that 13 somewhere before. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: But that is what Nicole just 15 mentioned as a reason for putting Badger Road into 16 33, because it was socioeconomically integrated, but 17 it really doesn't include the heart of Badger Road, 18 which is that northern loop. 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Because all of my 20 Fairbanks Districts have a deviation of 1 percent or 21 lower. My highest deviation is actually 33. So I 22 can't take any more and keep at that 1 percent. 23 CHAIR BINKLEY: Gotcha. Okay. 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's what I have. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: And how about 35?</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 298</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: Let me look at that one. 2 Okay. 35 is what I consider to be a more rural 3 Fairbanks District. I coupled Ester, Goldstream and 4 Chena Ridge, airport and Van Horn neighborhood. 5 I used the Fairbanks North Star boundary as 6 a southwestern/northern border and then major 7 transportation corridors as the east border. Baleen 8 Road to Fox -- Red Fox Drive, to Wolverine, to 9 Auburn, to Farmer's Loop Road. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: And how about that little 11 hook that comes around to the south and up into 12 Southeast Fairbanks? Yeah, that little hook that 13 comes up there. 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: I believe that's a census 15 block. 16 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 17 MEMBER BORROMEO: Or the city -- yeah, city 18 boundary that -- (indiscernible). 19 MR. TORKELOSON: Yeah, that's 20 (indiscernible). 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible.) 22 MR. TORKELOSON: Well, I can (indiscernible). 23 MEMBER MARCUM: Looks like it's missing part 24 of the city. Part of the city is -- 25 MEMBER BORROMEO: Because most of the city</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 300</p> <p>1 drop any kind of deviation. So why don't you just go 2 ahead and add it? I think it messes with 3 compactness, but there's an argument to keep the city 4 boundaries in. 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: And then looks like there's 6 two other protrusions there. Might want to do the 7 same thing while you're there. 8 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. 10 MR. TORKELOSON: Looks like 14 people. 11 MEMBER BORROMEO: Uh-huh. 12 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. 13 MEMBER BORROMEO: And then the last one is 14 the northeast Fairbanks. So this is Steel Creek, Two 15 Rivers, Chena Hot Springs. And this is what I 16 thought was more rural parts of the borough, and so I 17 encroach on the City of Fairbanks from this way and 18 used my previous boundaries as the boundaries for 34. 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, I think, as Nicole had 20 said and we talked about it, we do have to break the 21 borough boundaries, that she indicated 35 and 34 22 really are the rural areas of Alaska. 23 MEMBER BORROMEO: Uh-huh. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: And those might be the two 25 areas particularly to the north -- north of the city</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 299</p> <p>1 is in 32. Remember, that's my full district. And 2 then the excess population -- 3 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, right. Gotcha. 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- is in 31. And so I -- 5 CHAIR BINKLEY: So you're taking -- go 6 ahead. 7 MEMBER MARCUM: So it's in three districts, 8 Fairbanks is, then, isn't it? 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: 32, 31 and 35. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: And I did that for 13 compactness. 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: So you put that portion of 15 the city in 35 for compactness? 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. So I could have 17 that straight line coming down Van Horn. 18 CHAIR BINKLEY: No. But just to the east of 19 Van Horn, where it dips down, instead of bringing the 20 Fairbanks 31 and keeping that within the Fairbanks 21 city limits, it looks like you've taken 35 and pushed 22 it up into 30 -- into the Fairbanks city limits. In 23 the lower right, just above -- yeah, right there. 24 MEMBER BORROMEO: We can go ahead and add 25 it. There's seven people there. It's not going to</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 301</p> <p>1 that you would look at to move into District 36. 2 MEMBER SIMPSON: Would it be possible to 3 just align the map, kind of start at the top and draw 4 census block lines until you got the number that 5 you're after? 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: The 4,000? Yeah. Yeah, 7 that would be -- I'd played around with that, and 8 that's -- basically if I were going to break up -- 9 you know, if that's what the board desired, to break 10 up the borough, that's the way I would look at it, is 11 really (indiscernible). 12 MEMBER SIMPSON: So rather than off to the 13 east and into -- 14 CHAIR BINKLEY: That kind of hooks around -- 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- Eielson, you just go 16 from the north down. 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- yeah. Yeah, come down 18 the Steese Highway, the Elliott Highway and pick up 19 those populations as you come down, is the -- 20 MEMBER SIMPSON: Seems like you would have 21 better socioeconomic integration with 36 by taking it 22 from those rural districts as opposed to just taking 23 the military base because it's already part of that. 24 So that's just how it seems to me. 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: And Eielson is pretty</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 302</p> <p>1 integrated with North Pole. That's where a lot of 2 the people from Eielson live, in North Pole and shop 3 in that area and associate with -- 4 MEMBER MARCUM: We heard that. Who was the 5 former representative that testified to that? 6 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, no, it was Doug 7 Isaacson. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: Isaacson, yeah, yeah. 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Former representative from 10 North Pole, former mayor of North Pole. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, I remember his 12 testimony. He -- learned a lot about North Pole and 13 military association from his testimony. 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: So -- oh, we already did it. 15 Is there another version we should be looking at? I 16 forgot we already looked at that. 17 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, we've got -- I think 18 that most of the third-party versions are similar to 19 some of the ones we've already looked at 20 (indiscernible). 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Uh-huh. You want to go to 22 Mat-Su and talk about Mat-Su? 23 MEMBER MARCUM: Sure can. 24 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 304</p> <p>1 since that would be their request essentially and 2 we've given some deference to -- 3 MEMBER BAHNKE: Is yours very different from 4 the AFFER plan? 5 MEMBER MARCUM: I would say it's quite a bit 6 more compactment. The deviations are probably just 7 as tight, but I would say mine is considerably more 8 compact. 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: And then did the Mat-Su 10 Borough endorse the AFFER plan that we took on the 11 public tour or the revised one? 12 MEMBER MARCUM: There's no -- there's no 13 revision for the Mat-Su. 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: Oh. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: They didn't make any changes 16 to the Mat-Su. 17 MEMBER SIMPSON: Same. 18 MEMBER BAHNKE: Nothing's been revised? 19 Okay. 20 MR. TORKELOSON: So this is the AFFER Mat-Su. 21 And I can just leave this open and we can move back 22 and forth to compare sheets. 23 MEMBER SIMPSON: So can you -- 24 MEMBER MARCUM: You can set them on separate 25 screens once you have it up.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 303</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELOSON: I don't know that this is 2 the most current Mat-Su. Did (indiscernible) have 3 more current Mat-Sus they wanted to put forward? 4 MEMBER MARCUM: I gave you mine. 5 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. 6 MEMBER MARCUM: But we were on the close map 7 here, so it would make more sense to -- 8 MR. TORKELOSON: Did you have a Mat-Su 9 version that you wanted -- 10 MR. SINGER: This is just -- as far as I 11 know, this is just v4, the way it currently is. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. I had two different 13 versions of Mat-Su that I've done since we approved 14 v4. But if it's pulled up, I'll take a break and 15 Bethany can do her Mat-Su. 16 MEMBER SIMPSON: And while you're loading 17 that up and stuff, what I recall is that Mat-Su 18 Assembly endorsed the AFFER version of Mat-Su, so I 19 feel like we ought to look at that somewhere in 20 this -- 21 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. 22 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- process and see how that 23 compares -- 24 MEMBER MARCUM: It's on the wall. 25 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- with any of the others</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 305</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: And, Bethany, did you tweak 2 yours after we went to -- 3 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. It's not huge 4 differences, but I was trying -- 5 MEMBER BAHNKE: After we went to Palmer and 6 Wasilla? 7 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, yeah. It's not huge 8 differences, but we heard some testimony in that 9 Palmer utility district, and so I was trying to 10 create more compactness and better deviations. I 11 tried to take that into (indiscernible). 12 And then we also heard something about the 13 hospital location, so I took that into account. 14 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible) into the 15 (indiscernible). 16 MEMBER BAHNKE: So does the AFFER version 17 also accomplish those things that we heard from their 18 public testimony; do you know? 19 MEMBER MARCUM: I don't know. 20 MEMBER SIMPSON: Okay. I just wanted to see 21 it. 22 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. So let me get out of 23 this one. 24 MR. SINGER: If I'm remembering, did Mat-Su 25 make their endorsement early on in this process,</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 306</p> <p>1 right around when we received third-party plans? 2 MR. TORKELOSON: Well, my understanding is 3 Mat-Su testified at -- so the AFFER presented their 4 plan on the 17th -- 5 MR. SINGER: Right. 6 MR. TORKELOSON: -- Friday, and then Mat-Su 7 dialed in. I believe it was their city manager came 8 on the record and formally endorsed the AFFER plan as 9 the formal Mat-Su plan. 10 MR. SINGER: Right. 11 MR. TORKELOSON: And that's how we've been 12 representing it when we went to (indiscernible), when 13 it was on the wall. You know, that message was 14 conveyed to residents so they knew which one the 15 borough government had supported. 16 MR. SINGER: Had some -- so at the time, the 17 borough hadn't had the opportunity to see v3 or v4. 18 MEMBER MARCUM: But they did -- 19 MR. SINGER: Have they commented on this? 20 MEMBER MARCUM: -- when we went there -- 21 when we went to Wasilla and Palmer obviously, they 22 had an opportunity. 23 MR. SINGER: Did the borough government -- 24 MEMBER MARCUM: They didn't testify in 25 either of those instances, is my recollection.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 308</p> <p>1 verbally, so let me see if I have notes from that 2 verbal testimony. 3 MEMBER MARCUM: So this, as I mentioned, was 4 based upon version 3 that we did. So this map 5 includes Valdez, as version 3 did not include Valdez. 6 This is the Mat-Su Borough whole. It does not extend 7 to Glennallen or any of the communities to the east 8 of the Mat-Su Borough. It just goes as far as the 9 borough boundaries. Same is true on the north for 10 the Mat-Su Borough. 11 For the Denali Borough, which the Mat-Su 12 Borough has testified to the fact that they are 13 comfortable with and would like to be combined with 14 the Denali Borough, insofar as it allows them to meet 15 their population -- population targets, and then the 16 one addition to get to the -- those very tight 17 deviations that we hear are important in the urban 18 core areas, Nenana was added again. This was part of 19 version 3. 20 This was not a change that was made now. 21 This was the map that we toured with Nenana. About 22 500 people. And so, again, that allows the total 23 deviation between those six districts to get to less 24 than 1 percent. 25 So if you look at the -- you can see the</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 307</p> <p>1 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: As far as the 2 submittals goes, what happened was the borough 3 assembly had taken an action to (indiscernible) their 4 own plan. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. 6 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: At the time that we 7 received the submittal from them and we looked at the 8 shape files on whichever date they were due, turned 9 out that the Mat-Su and the AFFER -- AFFER plans were 10 identical. So when I saw that, I sent an e-mail back 11 to the Mat-Su Borough and asked if they would still 12 like to present their plan or if they would just like 13 to endorse the plan as presented since they were 14 identical maps. 15 Since they did not want to present the 16 (indiscernible) district plan, they decided to go on 17 record endorsing the Mat-Su portion of AFFER's plan. 18 I'm not sure if in their testimony they endorsed the 19 rest of the plan, but their submittals were exactly 20 the same for the borough. 21 And I don't think that the borough put in 22 any other testimony. I can double-check. I don't 23 think that they came out as an official after they 24 had done that official plan other than to endorse 25 that. But I do know that their manager testified</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 309</p> <p>1 previous version 3. But on the previous version 3, 2 Wasilla -- 3 MR. TORKELOSON: (Indiscernible.) 4 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. Why don't you bring 5 it up on (indiscernible) so we can show the 6 improvements I made to -- it's mostly shape -- 7 MEMBER BAHNKE: Does Nenana have any 8 socioeconomic ties to the Mat-Su Borough? 9 MEMBER MARCUM: Nenana is -- 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: To the Denali Borough, they 11 certainly do. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: To Denali. I was going to 13 say (indiscernible) to the Denali Borough. 14 MR. TORKELOSON: So this is the previous -- 15 MEMBER MARCUM: That was the previous shape 16 of Wasilla -- the (indiscernible) Wasilla district. 17 Wasilla city itself has very unusual appendages and 18 shapes, and so I did my best to create blocks around 19 that, to create a very compact shape. 20 So, Peter, if you can switch back to the 21 current version, you can see I was virtually able 22 to -- if you can scroll in there, virtually able to 23 create pretty nice rectangled shapes there, keeping 24 all of parts of the city boundaries intact but 25 blocking that in such a way as to create as exact</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 310</p> <p>1 Wasilla district. 2 Palmer -- 3 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible) so they can 4 see your colors better. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. The previous version 6 of Palmer, in version 3, you can see on the 7 right-hand side has these -- I'm sorry. Actually, 8 yeah. I'm sorry. 9 MR. TORKELESON: Here. 10 MEMBER MARCUM: One has a cutout where it 11 goes down to District 26, so you see the -- 12 MR. TORKELESON: Which one? 13 MEMBER MARCUM: On the east -- the west 14 side, the cutout down -- keep going down. Keep going 15 down. Yeah. So the Palmer district is District 25, 16 which is the kind of salmon-colored district there 17 (indiscernible). And so it has that cutout. And so 18 I tried to smooth that cutout. That was the hospital 19 district. We heard testimony about that when we were 20 in Palmer. 21 And so I tried to smooth that -- first of 22 all, that line, for compactness sake, but also moved 23 the hospital district -- it doesn't have a lot of 24 population, but for whatever reason it does have a 25 few people so it affected deviation, so I had to make</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 312</p> <p>1 the -- kind of the oddest looking. And really, the 2 situation with District 30 is that it has very little 3 population. It's Sutton, Chickaloon, and the rest of 4 the borough out there. But in order to get that 5 18,335 that the Valley gets for its district, you 6 have to reach into the core part of the metropolitan 7 Mat-Su. 8 And so as opposed to breaking up those 9 communities around Palmer or the communities around 10 Wasilla, the logic was to find those homes, those 11 people that lived in between those more core areas. 12 So reaching into kind of the greater suburban part of 13 the Valley but not breaking up those communities that 14 directly associate with Palmer and Wasilla in 25 and 15 27. 16 MEMBER SIMPSON: And the road goes right 17 through that green part, right? 18 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. Yeah, it does. 19 MEMBER SIMPSON: Connecting Palmer and 20 Wasilla. 21 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, for sure. 22 MR. SINGER: Can I read just the -- the core 23 of the borough's ask was the -- let me just -- 24 MEMBER MARCUM: Sure. 25 MR. SINGER: They asked for an eastern MSB</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 311</p> <p>1 other adjustments. And where I made those was to the 2 north of Palmer. If you look at the previous 3 version, you can see that it was kind of this 4 stair-stepped shape. 5 And so we heard testimony about the Palmer 6 utility district extending further to the north of 7 the City of Palmer, and so I went further north of 8 the City of Palmer, and it created a pretty nice, 9 compact shape there. The line on the left is a 10 little ragged. That's the census block shapes. But 11 in general, I was pleased with the overall 12 compactness of the shape of District 25. 13 If you can scroll all of it, Peter, you can 14 see it's pretty darn close to a circle, which as you 15 know is the most compact shape possible. 16 And then for District 26, its neighbor, that 17 allowed me to create more of a block for what was 18 before the appendage that was a little bit more -- 19 you can see those couple of different jagged edges 20 along those, and so I was able to clean those up and 21 create more of a nice, compact shape in that area. 22 Again, deviations, had to move a few things 23 around, but still able to keep them less than 24 1 percent deviation. 25 So that District 30 is the one that is</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 313</p> <p>1 district, a Goose Bay/Big Lake district, a Houston 2 northwest district paired with Denali Borough, a 3 Wasilla district, Palmer district and a southern 4 district in the core area between Palmer and Wasilla. 5 That's what the borough asked. 6 How do you think your plan -- as you walk 7 through your six districts, how does that match up 8 with that -- that basic formulation? 9 MEMBER MARCUM: The one place I would say 10 mine differs and I think is defensible is that my 11 Houston district goes to the south rather than to the 12 north. But -- and part of the reason for that is 13 compactness. 14 So if you look at that -- again, that 15 Wasilla line, I tried to create a very straight line 16 across the top of Wasilla there. And that allowed 17 that population to go north, and then that allowed me 18 to take Houston and go south to get the population I 19 needed for District 28. 20 So I would say I definitely have a core 21 Wasilla, definitely have a core Palmer, and I've got 22 the in between. But they requested Houston north 23 and I took Houston south, so that was the one place 24 is that I differed primarily from -- 25 MR. SINGER: Pretty close.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 314</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, pretty darned close. 2 And again, that was -- because I was trying to -- I 3 was looking at compactness. Trying to get that 4 compactness meant that I ended up going south with 5 the Houston population instead. 6 MR. SINGER: And then does your Mat-Su go 7 into Anchorage at all? 8 MEMBER MARCUM: It does not. No. This is a 9 full -- like I mentioned, the borough boundaries with 10 the exception of -- it does take Nenana at the top, 11 but the borough doesn't give up any of their 12 population and they don't have any huge portions 13 coming in to delete the population. So -- 14 MR. SINGER: And then does -- 15 MEMBER MARCUM: So the deviations -- 16 MEMBER BORROMEO: Does your Mat-Su share any 17 population with Valdez? 18 MEMBER MARCUM: It does not, no. 19 Deviations, it is a difference of 81 people between 20 all the districts. The lowest district is 21 .09 percent -- I'm sorry, .24 percent, and the 22 highest district is .2 percent over. So it's a very 23 tight difference. 24 The target Mat-Su population, just so you 25 know, is 18,200. But in this plan without Valdez,</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 316</p> <p>1 map includes Denali Borough with the Mat-Su Borough. 2 It's just that it also adds Valdez. 3 MR. TORKELOSON: This just shows you Doyon's 4 break here, comes in and it's -- 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, that's right. That's 6 right. 7 MEMBER SIMPSON: It grabs Cantwell. 8 MEMBER MARCUM: Cantwell, that's right. It 9 (indiscernible) Cantwell. 10 MR. TORKELOSON: So it breaks the borough -- 11 MEMBER BAHNKE: It breaks the borough there. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: The Denali Borough is like a 13 thousand-some-odd people. It's very low populations. 14 Other questions? I did make sure for the 15 Palmer district there, in the split between 16 District 30, I did try to make sure that nearly all 17 of the population that lives along the road there is 18 in District 30, so those people aren't split between, 19 you know, one side of the road and one person's one 20 side of the road. I tried to stand up on the other 21 side of the road to get most of that population, and 22 I think anybody that goes too much further off the 23 road is choosing to be off the road but tried to get 24 most of that there, again, using the census blocks 25 (indiscernible). So the entire highway is in</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 315</p> <p>1 18,200. So that's very close to our 18,335, which as 2 I say, when you put Valdez in, you know, that greatly 3 affects their numbers, right? Because without Valdez 4 in, they're at 18,200 for the target. 5 MEMBER SIMPSON: That's including Denali 6 Borough? 7 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes, exactly. And I think 8 that all of the plans that use -- that include Valdez 9 also include -- I don't know if anybody -- I don't 10 remember any of the plans that do not put the Denali 11 Borough into the Mat-Su. I think pretty much 12 everyone did. Some of them broke it up. 13 (Indiscernible) breaks it up, but they do put part of 14 it in with there, but I think -- 15 MR. SINGER: Doyon I believe is the only one 16 that splits the Denali Borough (indiscernible). 17 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, (indiscernible) does, 18 too, I think, doesn't it? 19 MR. SINGER: No. I do know -- I believe -- 20 I haven't had a chance to look at them, but I believe 21 in some of those alternative maps that the Senate 22 Minority sent in last week, there is at least one 23 option that has Denali Borough in (indiscernible). 24 MEMBER MARCUM: Most of the maps do include 25 the Denali Borough. Even I think Nicole's version 4</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 317</p> <p>1 District 30. 2 MEMBER BAHNKE: And (indiscernible). 3 MEMBER MARCUM: No, no, that's fine. 4 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible.) 5 MEMBER MARCUM: There's no other questions 6 right now, I don't think. 7 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. Thank you, Bethany. 8 What do you think, Nicole? Are you ready to 9 make a presentation in Mat-Su? 10 MEMBER BORROMEO: Sure. 11 MR. TORKELOSON: Which one would you like to 12 use (indiscernible)? Did you have a (indiscernible) 13 version? 14 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. And I think you 15 have it. 16 MR. TORKELOSON: I might. Well, this is a 17 different computer, so do you remember what it's 18 called? 19 MEMBER BORROMEO: It's called Mat-Su from v4 20 Palmer (indiscernible). 21 MR. TORKELOSON: With (indiscernible)? 22 MEMBER BORROMEO: Right. 23 MR. TORKELOSON: Okay. I'll (indiscernible). 24 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible.) Is there a 25 way to turn on borough boundaries on the Google Maps</p>

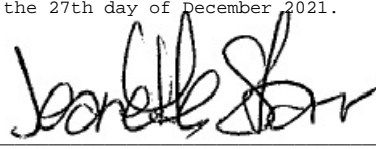
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 318</p> <p>1 iterations that we have on the Web site?</p> <p>2 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>3 MEMBER MARCUM: You know, that's now better.</p> <p>4 That's right. You know what I could probably do</p> <p>5 is -- don't worry about it. I think that --</p> <p>6 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible) such a thing</p> <p>7 as (indiscernible).</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: You know what I was just</p> <p>9 thinking? I think that that link that AFFER gave us</p> <p>10 (indiscernible). Let me just put in AFFER</p> <p>11 (indiscernible).</p> <p>12 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>13 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, okay. Oh, that's right.</p> <p>14 That's right. You are so smart.</p> <p>15 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>16 MR. TORKELESON: Okay. So (indiscernible).</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) the other</p> <p>18 plans then (indiscernible).</p> <p>19 (Indiscernible conversation.)</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: Oh, there it is. Under</p> <p>21 content. Okay. So all the plans. Yeah.</p> <p>22 MR. TORKELESON: (Indiscernible) Palmer with</p> <p>23 Butte. Where do you want to start?</p> <p>24 MEMBER BORROMEO: Let's start with 30,</p> <p>25 please.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 320</p> <p>1 district. It does respect the borough's request in</p> <p>2 terms of extending that borough -- that district</p> <p>3 north of Houston upwards to connect there. It is --</p> <p>4 this -- I will say also that this part of the state</p> <p>5 was a little bit unique in the sense that you have</p> <p>6 three incorporated cities within the borough that</p> <p>7 you're trying to draw around and respect their</p> <p>8 individual boundaries. So I did want to have all</p> <p>9 those incorporated cities serve as strong anchors and</p> <p>10 then bring in natural populations around them.</p> <p>11 The Mat-Su Borough, though, did grow quite</p> <p>12 heavily in a couple of areas, in particular 27 on</p> <p>13 here being one of them, out Knik-Goose Bay.</p> <p>14 So again, I came down the Parks Highway, I</p> <p>15 brought in Houston, Big Lake, Point MacKenzie. These</p> <p>16 are census designated places. And my east and west</p> <p>17 boundary are the unorganized borough. The north</p> <p>18 boundary is Fairbanks North Star, and the south</p> <p>19 boundary is the Lake & Pen Borough, as well as the</p> <p>20 Municipality of Anchorage and the Mat-Su Borough.</p> <p>21 So my 29 would be still Wasilla and Meadow</p> <p>22 Lakes. This is one of the cities within the borough.</p> <p>23 At 9,000, Wasilla forms half of the population that's</p> <p>24 needed for 29. So then I just went east and I took</p> <p>25 in more population to fill that gap by adding Meadow</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 319</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELESON: 30.</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: What's the date on that?</p> <p>3 September, yeah.</p> <p>4 MEMBER BORROMEO: It was (indiscernible).</p> <p>5 (Indiscernible conversation.)</p> <p>6 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay. So I didn't do too</p> <p>7 much major policy shifts from v4 in my approved</p> <p>8 version. What I did focus very intently on was</p> <p>9 driving down the deviations within the Mat-Su</p> <p>10 Borough.</p> <p>11 So my proposed Mat-Su Borough still does</p> <p>12 take in Valdez. I think it's a necessary fit, albeit</p> <p>13 a little bit uncomfortable. But because of the other</p> <p>14 policy decisions that I would make in the Fairbanks</p> <p>15 North Star Borough, the rural Interior and the VRAs,</p> <p>16 as well as Southeast in keeping that northern</p> <p>17 boundary at Yakutat versus bringing Cordova in, this</p> <p>18 is the only place that's really left for Valdez to</p> <p>19 go.</p> <p>20 So my District 30 would come down out of the</p> <p>21 Mat-Su Borough. It would -- sorry, out of the</p> <p>22 Fairbanks North Star Borough. It would bring in the</p> <p>23 Denali Borough all the way down to the City of</p> <p>24 Houston.</p> <p>25 So this is what I call, you know, my Houston</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 321</p> <p>1 Lakes.</p> <p>2 28 is my Palmer, Lazy Mountain and Butte</p> <p>3 district. There has been some conversation about</p> <p>4 whether or not Butte belongs with Palmer or it</p> <p>5 belongs in a more rural Mat-Su district. It's my</p> <p>6 opinion that Butte is more naturally placed with</p> <p>7 Palmer based on location. This is where they're</p> <p>8 coming in to shop and work, and there's a lot of</p> <p>9 other recreational and entertainment ties between</p> <p>10 Butte and Palmer, as well.</p> <p>11 27, this is my gateway --</p> <p>12 MEMBER BAHNKE: Can I ask -- oh, never mind.</p> <p>13 Go ahead. I don't think you've gone over 29 yet,</p> <p>14 right?</p> <p>15 MEMBER BORROMEO: 29, that's Wasilla. And</p> <p>16 then I brought in Meadow Lakes to round it out. I</p> <p>17 didn't do 26 yet.</p> <p>18 MEMBER BAHNKE: So I have a question on 29.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BORROMEO: Okay.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BAHNKE: Is this -- is this a city</p> <p>21 limit line?</p> <p>22 MEMBER MARCUM: No. The city limits --</p> <p>23 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's --</p> <p>24 MEMBER BAHNKE: What is this red?</p> <p>25 MEMBER MARCUM: That's a census borough</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 322</p> <p>1 something or other.</p> <p>2 MR. PRESLEY: Census designated --</p> <p>3 MEMBER MARCUM: Census (indiscernible)</p> <p>4 place. The borough line, if you go further to the</p> <p>5 right, Melanie -- put your finger back up there,</p> <p>6 Melanie, and I'll show you where the city -- to the</p> <p>7 right, keep going. That is the -- yeah. That's the</p> <p>8 city right there.</p> <p>9 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's the city.</p> <p>10 MEMBER MARCUM: That weird shape, that is</p> <p>11 the city.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BAHNKE: So it doesn't keep going</p> <p>13 this way?</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: No, it does not.</p> <p>15 MEMBER BAHNKE: Are these supposed to be two</p> <p>16 different colors? They look so similar.</p> <p>17 MR. PRESLEY: No. This is all</p> <p>18 (indiscernible).</p> <p>19 MEMBER MARCUM: That's her district.</p> <p>20 MEMBER BORROMEO: That's -- yeah.</p> <p>21 MEMBER BAHNKE: But I mean this red, you</p> <p>22 said this red represents --</p> <p>23 MR. PRESLEY: So --</p> <p>24 MEMBER BAHNKE: So it ends right here.</p> <p>25 MR. PRESLEY: This is the City of Wasilla,</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 324</p> <p>1 MR. TORKELSON: (Indiscernible) 27?</p> <p>2 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. So 27, this is</p> <p>3 Knik-Goose Bay and (indiscernible) Creek, Cottonwood.</p> <p>4 I used, again, roads and the railroad, existing</p> <p>5 precincts as boundaries as much as possible. I</p> <p>6 worked very long with Bethany actually on this</p> <p>7 version exchanging some census blocks here and there</p> <p>8 to get the deviations down for my overall Mat-Su.</p> <p>9 And also, when you get that close to Palmer</p> <p>10 and you're coming down the Palmer-Wasilla Highway,</p> <p>11 those census blocks are just so packed with residents</p> <p>12 that it makes drawing really hard. So I did try to</p> <p>13 keep this as compact as possible, but it's also a</p> <p>14 tricky part to draw.</p> <p>15 So then 28 then is a Palmer district that is</p> <p>16 coupled with the Butte and Lazy Mountain, as well as</p> <p>17 the Knik River watershed.</p> <p>18 And then my 25 is the rural parts of the --</p> <p>19 of the borough, so going out toward Chickaloon,</p> <p>20 Glacier View, and then down to Valdez, to bring</p> <p>21 Valdez in.</p> <p>22 So I was able to drive down deviations</p> <p>23 significantly. It was tedious work. But no district</p> <p>24 out here anymore is higher than 3. All of them are</p> <p>25 in the 2s, overpopulated.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 323</p> <p>1 inside here.</p> <p>2 MEMBER BAHNKE: Yeah.</p> <p>3 MEMBER BORROMEO: The City of Wasilla is</p> <p>4 also a census designated place.</p> <p>5 MR. PRESLEY: Yeah.</p> <p>6 MEMBER BORROMEO: So that's why it's also</p> <p>7 lit up.</p> <p>8 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay.</p> <p>9 MEMBER BORROMEO: And the boundaries of the</p> <p>10 City of Wasilla, and Palmer, too, are very irregular.</p> <p>11 They do not have a square shape by any stretch.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BAHNKE: Okay. I was confused,</p> <p>13 because I thought this was part of city limits and I</p> <p>14 was wondering, why is this --</p> <p>15 MEMBER BORROMEO: No. I tried to --</p> <p>16 MEMBER BAHNKE: (Indiscernible) -- yeah.</p> <p>17 MEMBER BORROMEO: I tried to bring in the</p> <p>18 whole census designated population there for Meadow</p> <p>19 Lakes, but I had to do a little bit of change there</p> <p>20 where you can see on the southwestern border there,</p> <p>21 where I had to bring up the population for</p> <p>22 compactness and contiguous in my 27, Knik Gateway</p> <p>23 district there, and exchange some population.</p> <p>24 MEMBER BAHNKE: Thank you.</p> <p>25 MEMBER BORROMEO: Uh-huh.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 325</p> <p>1 MEMBER BAHNKE: So after Bethany presented,</p> <p>2 she was asked if the request from the Mat-Su Borough</p> <p>3 for the six districts, an eastern district at Goose</p> <p>4 Bay, Big Lake district, the Houston northwest</p> <p>5 district paired with the Denali Borough, a Wasilla</p> <p>6 district, a Palmer district, and a southern district</p> <p>7 in the core area between Palmer and Wasilla. Do you</p> <p>8 feel like -- is there anything that you mapped that</p> <p>9 doesn't align with those (indiscernible)?</p> <p>10 MEMBER BORROMEO: No. I hit all those</p> <p>11 targets and I gave them a little extra.</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: I would say if you could</p> <p>13 scroll in between Palmer and Wasilla there, I think</p> <p>14 it -- my only comment to that would be that it's --</p> <p>15 it's split up to a fair number of districts that go</p> <p>16 between the two cities there, right? So you've got</p> <p>17 parts of it are in 28, parts of it are in 27, and</p> <p>18 parts of it are in 26.</p> <p>19 MEMBER BORROMEO: What is (indiscernible)?</p> <p>20 MEMBER MARCUM: So I -- what I tried to do</p> <p>21 is tried to keep it to less than 2. So when you look</p> <p>22 at Wasilla and Palmer and you look at the areas</p> <p>23 between this, you've got three different districts</p> <p>24 that encompass some of this population, is my only</p> <p>25 note, that it's broken up into several different --</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 326</p> <p>1 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. That was, again --</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: I know, it's tough, right?</p> <p>3 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- a challenging place,</p> <p>4 because of all of those districts being very --</p> <p>5 excuse me, all of those census blocks being extremely</p> <p>6 irregular, and they're not all weighted evenly with</p> <p>7 populations. So some of these census blocks have 900</p> <p>8 people in them, others have two.</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: Fourteen, yeah.</p> <p>10 MEMBER BORROMEO: But when you come along</p> <p>11 that --</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: It's true.</p> <p>13 MEMBER BORROMEO: -- Palmer-Wasilla corridor</p> <p>14 there -- thoroughfare, rather, it's really</p> <p>15 challenging.</p> <p>16 Again, my map looks differently than</p> <p>17 Bethany's here because I have blocked Valdez in, but</p> <p>18 I don't think that I have a lot of the other</p> <p>19 challenges that I perceived going forward that she</p> <p>20 may have right now dealing with Fairbanks and putting</p> <p>21 Valdez into the rural Interior. So actually -- it'll</p> <p>22 be a policy call for the board to make in terms of</p> <p>23 where we -- where we put Valdez.</p> <p>24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Back to Melanie's question</p> <p>25 about the borough's request, it -- I think it says</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 328</p> <p>1 here.</p> <p>2 MEMBER MARCUM: One of the plans -- one of</p> <p>3 the third-party plans still does that.</p> <p>4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, it does. Okay.</p> <p>5 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah, yeah. I think it's</p> <p>6 the Doyon plan, is it, or does anybody know? Yeah.</p> <p>7 Okay. Yeah, the Doyon plan still takes the part</p> <p>8 of -- the south part of the Mat-Su Borough and</p> <p>9 (indiscernible).</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Into Anchorage. Okay. Got</p> <p>11 it. Got it. Okay. Well, I think we've been around</p> <p>12 the horn.</p> <p>13 MEMBER MARCUM: And that's part of the</p> <p>14 (indiscernible).</p> <p>15 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.)</p> <p>16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Say again.</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: That's part of the tradeoff.</p> <p>18 They took Valdez into the Mat-Su, so they had to take</p> <p>19 part of Mat-Su out and put it into Anchorage.</p> <p>20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, I see. I see.</p> <p>21 MEMBER BORROMEO: So one other point that</p> <p>22 I'll make here is I don't believe that this proposal</p> <p>23 diluted the borough's voting power in any way because</p> <p>24 I've spread that population very well among all of</p> <p>25 the districts. And Mat-Su would still be in the</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 327</p> <p>1 specifically don't put -- they don't want to partner</p> <p>2 with Valdez. They don't --</p> <p>3 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. Like I said, I gave</p> <p>4 them everything they wanted plus a little more. I</p> <p>5 aim to please.</p> <p>6 CHAIR BINKLEY: And then the other one was</p> <p>7 they didn't want to be a part of Anchorage. Is</p> <p>8 that --</p> <p>9 MEMBER MARCUM: I know. You heard --</p> <p>10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Does that -- that's where</p> <p>11 the Municipality of Anchorage warrants -- okay.</p> <p>12 MEMBER BORROMEO: (Indiscernible) border on</p> <p>13 that, yeah. Both of our plans, yeah.</p> <p>14 MEMBER MARCUM: And none of the plans we</p> <p>15 toured with had that either, that we took, neither</p> <p>16 board's 3 nor --</p> <p>17 MEMBER SIMPSON: V1 or v2 maybe did.</p> <p>18 MEMBER MARCUM: Yes. (indiscernible) yeah.</p> <p>19 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.)</p> <p>20 CHAIR BINKLEY: Good.</p> <p>21 MEMBER MARCUM: That's a relic. Although</p> <p>22 actually one of --</p> <p>23 CHAIR BINKLEY: It's mentioned in there --</p> <p>24 MEMBER MARCUM: One of the plans --</p> <p>25 CHAIR BINKLEY: Or no, it's mentioned in</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 329</p> <p>1 position to control.</p> <p>2 CHAIR BINKLEY: So that 4,000, is that the</p> <p>3 difference --</p> <p>4 MEMBER BORROMEO: It is.</p> <p>5 CHAIR BINKLEY: -- of Valdez B? So it</p> <p>6 goes -- oh, because they were under anyhow, 5.8. So</p> <p>7 the 4,000 brings them up to 6 point- --</p> <p>8 MEMBER MARCUM: And it's a little more than</p> <p>9 Valdez, because I think you'd go out past the borough</p> <p>10 boundaries to get some of the --</p> <p>11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, yeah.</p> <p>12 MEMBER MARCUM: -- the villages along the</p> <p>13 highway, right?</p> <p>14 CHAIR BINKLEY: I see. Yeah.</p> <p>15 MEMBER SIMPSON: You don't have to go</p> <p>16 (indiscernible).</p> <p>17 MEMBER MARCUM: You don't go as far as</p> <p>18 Glennallen, I don't think, but you do go to</p> <p>19 (indiscernible).</p> <p>20 MR. PRESLEY: (Indiscernible.)</p> <p>21 MEMBER BORROMEO: And I thought about taking</p> <p>22 them and putting them into 36, but at that point I</p> <p>23 couldn't justify compactness. And I felt like I was</p> <p>24 moving in a direction for socio- -- moving in a</p> <p>25 direction for deviation, not for socioeconomic</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 330</p> <p>1 integrations. So again, I didn't want to sacrifice 2 the constitutional criteria just to grab a couple 3 (indiscernible) there. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: And when you say for 5 compactness, are you saying compactness of 36? 6 MEMBER BORROMEO: Yeah. Because I follow 7 the -- the stream there. 8 CHAIR BINKLEY: So if you zoom out -- could 9 you zoom out? So you're saying -- keep zooming out a 10 little more so we can see all of 36. 11 So to keep 36 more exact. 12 MEMBER BORROMEO: As it relates to what 13 we're talking about right now in the Mat-Su Borough, 14 yes. 15 MEMBER SIMPSON: I mean, it seems like 16 the -- a binary choice here is based on what we do 17 with Valdez. We decided to go this way. We found a 18 map we can use. If we keep it on the Richardson, we 19 have a different version, so (indiscernible) really 20 helpful (indiscernible). 21 MEMBER BORROMEO: Well, and I -- 22 MEMBER SIMPSON: To have kind of a choice 23 (indiscernible). 24 MEMBER MARCUM: And I would say, I do have a 25 version of Mat-Su with Valdez, as well. But I think</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 332</p> <p>1 of Bethany's is the Houston goes south. 2 MEMBER MARCUM: Going south. 3 MEMBER SIMPSON: And in the case of 4 Nicole's, it's -- 5 MEMBER MARCUM: Bringing Valdez -- 6 MEMBER SIMPSON: -- Valdez coming west. So 7 there's -- either of them is a perfect match for the 8 request. Both of them I think are viable maps. 9 MEMBER BAHNKE: The number -- the number of 10 communities, too, just in terms of the number of 11 communities impacted by having Valdez in 36, which 12 pushes a whole bunch -- several communities out, 13 compared to one community being put into the Mat-Su 14 area. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: Depends on what changes you 16 make elsewhere, though, as far as how many 17 communities. Because I've got several different 18 versions of that we can -- 19 CHAIR BINKLEY: Would you want to put one 20 up, Bethany, that has Valdez in with the Mat-Su as 21 you would envision what the Mat-Su looked like? 22 MEMBER BAHNKE: And do you happen to have 23 one that keeps 34 going on from intermingling with 24 (indiscernible)? 25 MEMBER MARCUM: My version of Mat-Su with</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 331</p> <p>1 it's pretty compact (indiscernible). Nicole and I 2 both worked on several of them together. 3 CHAIR BINKLEY: Oh, that's good. 4 MEMBER BORROMEO: And I have another 5 deviation of this -- deviation is not the right word, 6 iteration. That doesn't sound right. 7 MR. SINGER: No more deviation. 8 MEMBER BORROMEO: No more deviation -- where 9 I don't put Butte with Palmer, and I put it actually 10 into that more rural piece, as well. All of the 11 deviations are extremely close in that one, too. 12 MEMBER MARCUM: Yeah. We -- we spent hours 13 on those, working on those. 14 MEMBER BAHNKE: What I like about this in 15 terms of the Mat-Su and what you've done in terms of 16 36 is it keeps 36 intact, meaning you're not pushing 17 rural Interior villages out into Inupiat Yup'ik 18 coastal communities. And it looks like we've met 19 most of what the borough -- Mat-Su Borough had asked 20 for. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Plus more. 22 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 23 MEMBER SIMPSON: In fact, each of them 24 generally follows what the borough asked for and has 25 one deviation, if you will, from that. In the case</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 333</p> <p>1 Valdez, I'm going to have to look backwards. It's 2 been a long time since I wrote it. I mean, when was 3 that, Nicole? That was two and a half weeks ago? 4 It's going to take me a while. 5 MR. TORKELESON: Approximately 103. 6 MEMBER MARCUM: I can find it tonight I 7 think, but iteration 100-something, yeah. I can find 8 it tonight, for sure. But it's going to take me a 9 while to find it. 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, maybe that would be a 11 place to start tomorrow morning. You can find that 12 and we can look at it, and then we can start talking 13 about the whole thing. Because I would like to see 14 how you did the Mat-Su like Nicole did, by having 15 Valdez in that mix. 16 MEMBER MARCUM: I will say that I worked on 17 those maps with Nicole before all of the testimony 18 from Valdez, after our first meeting coming back from 19 Valdez and hearing unanimous testimony from Valdez 20 how they want anything, absolutely anything, but to 21 be with Mat-Su. 22 Then we got testimony from the Mat-Su 23 saying, "We do not want Valdez." Then we got a 24 resolution from the City of Valdez saying, "We do not 25 want to be with Mat-Su." Then we got the legal</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 334</p> <p>1 document from the City of Valdez saying, "We do not 2 want to be with" -- so this is why I have not gone 3 back and revisited -- 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: I see. I see. 5 MEMBER MARCUM: -- these versions of the 6 maps. 7 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 8 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 9 MR. SINGER: So if you -- if you honor that 10 request by Valdez and Mat-Su and you honor the 11 Fairbanks North Star Borough's resolution, that's 12 getting you to get as close to one person/one vote as 13 possible, has anybody explored what you do with 14 Valdez? What's the other solution to Valdez? Is 15 that -- I don't know if we've looked back yet. 16 CHAIR BINKLEY: Well, maybe it would be 17 instructive to try that just to see what happened. 18 MEMBER BORROMEO: So I think it's a 19 combination of big policy clusters coming together. 20 And the way I see it working is you take Cordova, 21 shove it into Southeast. You take Valdez, put it 22 back into Prince William Sound. 23 Seward then would have to go back to Kenai 24 Peninsula Borough and not be in a Prince William 25 Sound district. And then we'd have to get to all of</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 336</p> <p>1 MEMBER MARCUM: The one that puts Valdez 2 with the Mat-Su is the Doyon plan I think. Is that 3 the only one that did that? If I think so, yeah. 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: But what I think Matt's 5 saying is do they put Valdez in with Prince William 6 Sound, any of those versions? 7 MR. SINGER: Before we started drawing 8 (indiscernible). 9 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 10 CHAIR BINKLEY: With Kodiak. Okay. 11 MEMBER MARCUM: With Kodiak. 12 UNIDENTIFIED MALE: (Indiscernible.) 13 CHAIR BINKLEY: Okay. 14 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) takes 15 Cordova either in the Interior or Southeast. It 16 could go southeast, as well. 17 MR. TORKELESON: But then (indiscernible) 18 overpopulated by 4,000 people and you end up sharing 19 Nikiski with Anchorage. That's the ripple effect -- 20 MEMBER MARCUM: That's -- 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: I think it's kind of 22 worthwhile to kind of go through that exercise and 23 then see what the damage it'll do in other areas. 24 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible.) 25 MR. PRESLEY: So do we want to</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 335</p> <p>1 those hard decisions around East End Road again with 2 Homer and remapping Kenai Peninsula Borough. 3 MEMBER MARCUM: Well, I think that's -- 4 there's other possibilities. That's -- that's -- 5 MEMBER BORROMEO: I just said that's the way 6 I see it. So I'm not saying that there's not others. 7 MEMBER MARCUM: I think that is worth trying 8 to do this. 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. I think it would be 10 instructive for us to go through that exercise, just 11 to see what all the disruptions would be in all the 12 other areas, so at least we've given it a good shot 13 to try and accommodate what Valdez's desires are 14 without disrupting District 36, as Melanie's 15 indicated. 16 And maybe it causes all kinds of ripple 17 effects down into Southeast, ripple effects down the 18 Gulf Coast. But I think it would be helpful to try 19 that. 20 MR. SINGER: Yeah. And I -- it's been a 21 little while since I looked at each of the six 22 adopted plans. I don't know if any of the -- if 23 those offer good solutions with regard to -- 24 MEMBER BAHNKE: The other thing I guess -- 25 MR. SINGER: -- Valdez.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 337</p> <p>1 (indiscernible)? 2 MEMBER SIMPSON: Why don't we go to break 3 and then try? 4 CHAIR BINKLEY: Yeah. Let's take a break, 5 and then we'll come back and decide how we want to 6 finish out the day. How's that sound? 7 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 8 MR. SINGER: I think (indiscernible) was 9 kind of discussing (indiscernible). 10 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 11 MEMBER MARCUM: Do we want to do that before 12 our drawing exercise or not? 13 MR. SINGER: If folks have those kinds of 14 questions, that's one way we could finish the day. 15 MEMBER MARCUM: I think it would be 16 (indiscernible). 17 CHAIR BINKLEY: (Indiscernible.) 18 MEMBER SIMPSON: (Indiscernible) with the 19 amount of time we have left. 20 MR. PRESLEY: So it's basically 21 (indiscernible). 22 MEMBER MARCUM: (Indiscernible) it may 23 affect -- 24 (Indiscernible - multiple speakers.) 25 CHAIR BINKLEY: So let's take a little</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 338</p> <p>1 break, five-minute break, and then we'll come back 2 in. And if it's desired, the board will go into 3 executive session with some legal issues to address. 4 MR. PRESLEY: For those on the Zoom, we are 5 taking a five-minute break. Five minutes. 6 6:38:21 7 (Recording contains no audio.) 8 6:47:55 9 CHAIR BINKLEY: We're going to come back to 10 order. And the chair is looking for a motion to go 11 into executive session. 12 Bud? 13 MEMBER SIMPSON: Mr. Chair, I would move 14 that the redistricting board go into executive -- 15 executive session, pardon me, under AS 44.62.310(c), 16 subsections (3) and (4) respectively, involving 17 matters which, by law, municipal charter, or 18 ordinance, are required to be confidential, and 19 matters involving consideration of government report 20 that, by law, are not subject to public disclosure. 21 CHAIR BINKLEY: Is there a second to the 22 motion? 23 MEMBER BAHNKE: I second. 24 CHAIR BINKLEY: Seconded by Melanie. Is 25 there discussion on the motion?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 340</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TRANSCRIBER'S CERTIFICATE</p> <p>1 I, Jeanette Starr, hereby certify that the 2 foregoing pages numbered 1 through 339 are a true, 3 accurate, and complete transcript of the Alaska 4 Redistricting Board meeting held November 3, 2021, 5 transcribed by me from a copy of the electronic sound 6 recording, to the best of my knowledge and ability. 7 8 Dated this the 27th day of December 2021. 9 10  11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jeanette Starr, Transcriber</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 339</p> <p>1 Hearing none, we are in executive session. 2 And just for members of the public, we 3 anticipate -- we're not certain how long we're going 4 to be in executive session, but we do not anticipate 5 taking any action or even further discussing any of 6 the mapping this afternoon. When we anticipated that 7 we come out of executive session, we will adjourn for 8 the evening and reconvene at 9:00 tomorrow morning. 9 So with that, we're in executive session. 10 MR. SINGER: Same place. 11 CHAIR BINKLEY: Same place, same channel, 12 same time. Simple. 13 (End of video recording.) 14 6:49:34 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25</p>	

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