

## **PROCESS FOR PRESENTATION OF PLANS**

In order to ensure fairness and transparency in the review process, the Commission has adopted a uniform process for reviewing each city-wide redistricting plan submitted.

1. The staff demographer will go over the Submission Summary before the plan presenter speaks. The Submission Summary along with a full plan submission will be in the meeting packet sent to the Commission members on Friday afternoon for meetings on Tuesdays and on Monday afternoon for meetings on Thursdays.
2. Each plan presenter shall identify himself or herself, the district in which he/she resides and whether the plan is an individual plan or is made on behalf of a business or a group. Any party, including paid consultants, who materially assisted with the plan shall be identified so that there is complete transparency to the Commission and to the public.
3. Each presenter of a city-wide plan shall be allowed 10 minutes to present the plan to the Commission, followed by a time period of 30 minutes for questions from Commissioners that will not be counted against the presentation time.
4. At the end of the plan presentations at each meeting, motions will be entertained to maintain selected plans for further consideration and for directions to staff to make changes to any plan that is selected for further consideration. Any plan so selected by the Commission for further consideration will be posted on the Redistricting Website with the accompanying materials for review and comment by the public.

5. If a majority of the Commission has requested staff to make changes to a submitted plan, the Commission will review the result of the changes to the plan at a subsequent meeting with appropriate markings made on the plan to reflect each area of change. Staff will use a numbering system that links the edited version(s) of the plan with the original submission and will provide a Submission Summary showing the demographic changes in each category between the original submission and the plan with the requested changes.
6. Members of the public wishing to speak regarding a particular plan submission will be allowed to speak after the plan has been presented by the submitter, but before the Commission begins consideration of moving the plan forward. Speakers may speak for up to 3 minutes regarding only one plan per meeting, and must sign up on an agenda list in the meeting room by no later than 5:45 pm on the date of the meeting. Public speakers must follow the guidelines for public speaking established in the Dallas City Code Sec. 8-25.