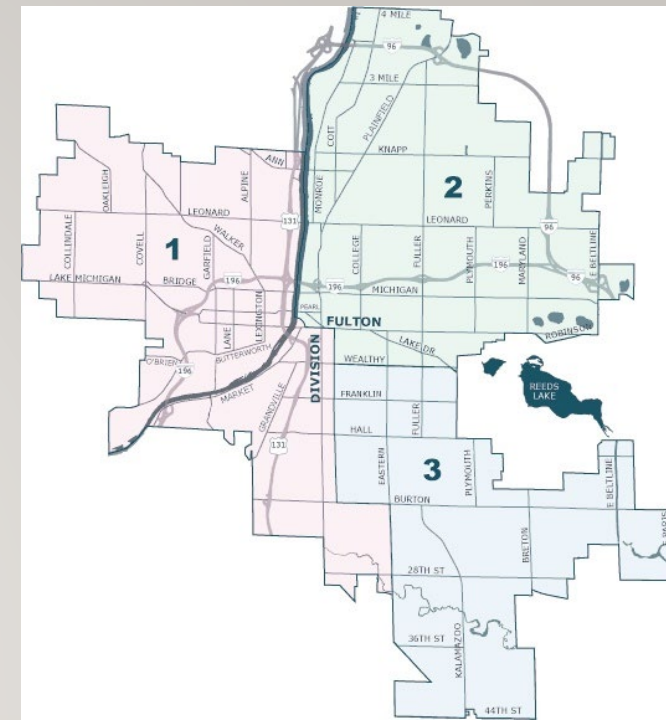


Reapportionment Redistricting Reprecincting

City Clerk Joel Hondorp



2 REAPPORTIONMENT

1. U.S. Constitution – Article 1, Section 2

*The actual Enumeration shall be made within three Years after the first Meeting of the Congress of the United States, and within **every subsequent Term of ten Years**, in such Manner as they shall by Law direct.*

2. Michigan Constitution – Article IV, Section 6

- Independent citizens redistricting commission for state legislative and congressional districts.
- Approved by voters by proposal 18-2 in November 2018.

3. Michigan Compiled Laws Sections 46.401 – 46.408

- County Commission Apportionment

3 REAPPORTIONMENT

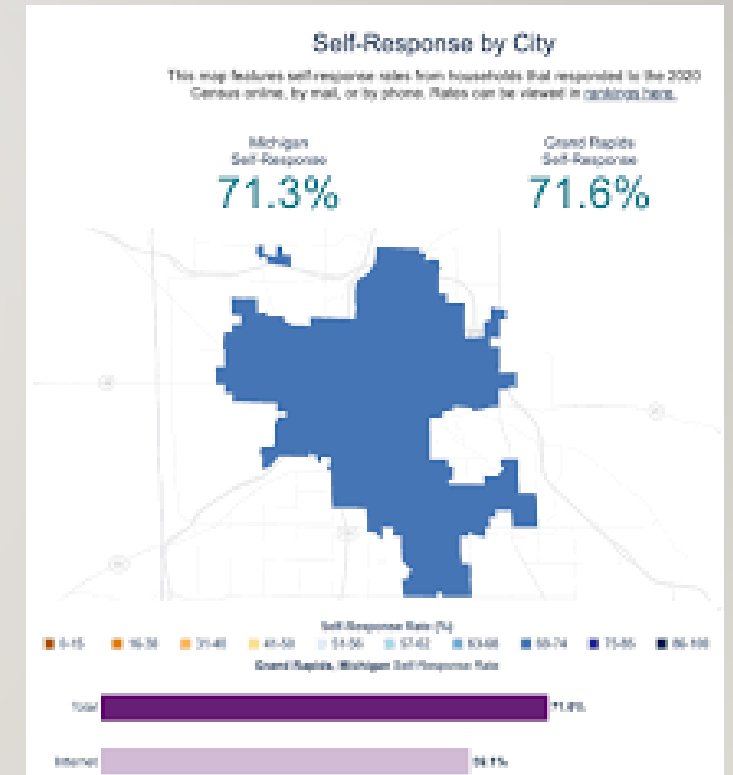
4. Grand Rapids City Charter – Title I, Section 3

Within one year after the adoption of this Charter Amendment, and thereafter within one year after the official total population count of each federal census of the City of Grand Rapids is available, the City Commission shall by ordinance district and apportion the three wards of the City of Grand Rapids so the population of such wards shall be as nearly equal as possible. Such wards shall be as compact and contiguous as possible, considering natural and established boundaries and streets.

4 CENSUS 2020



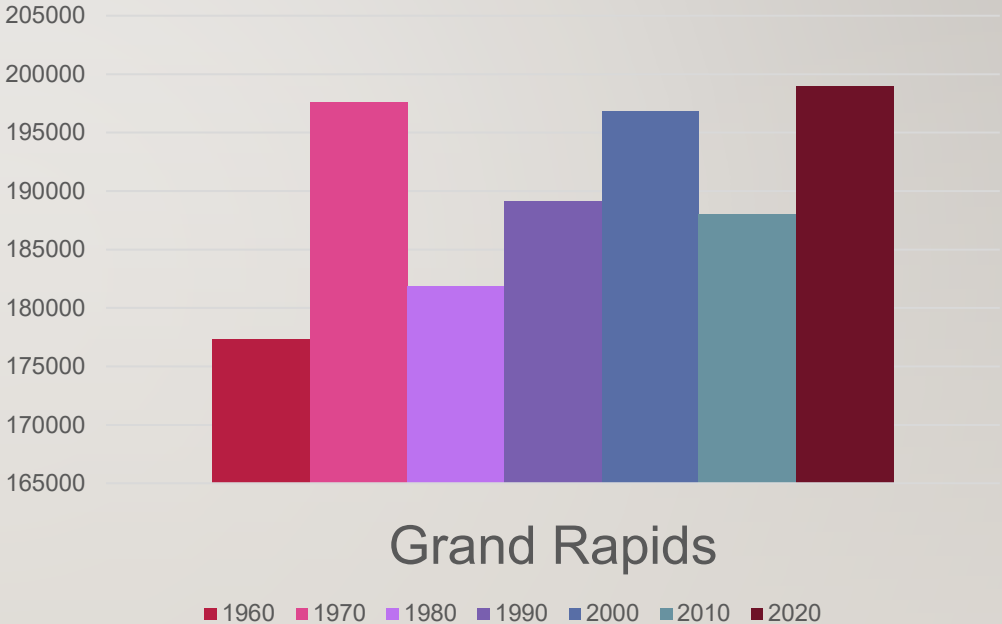
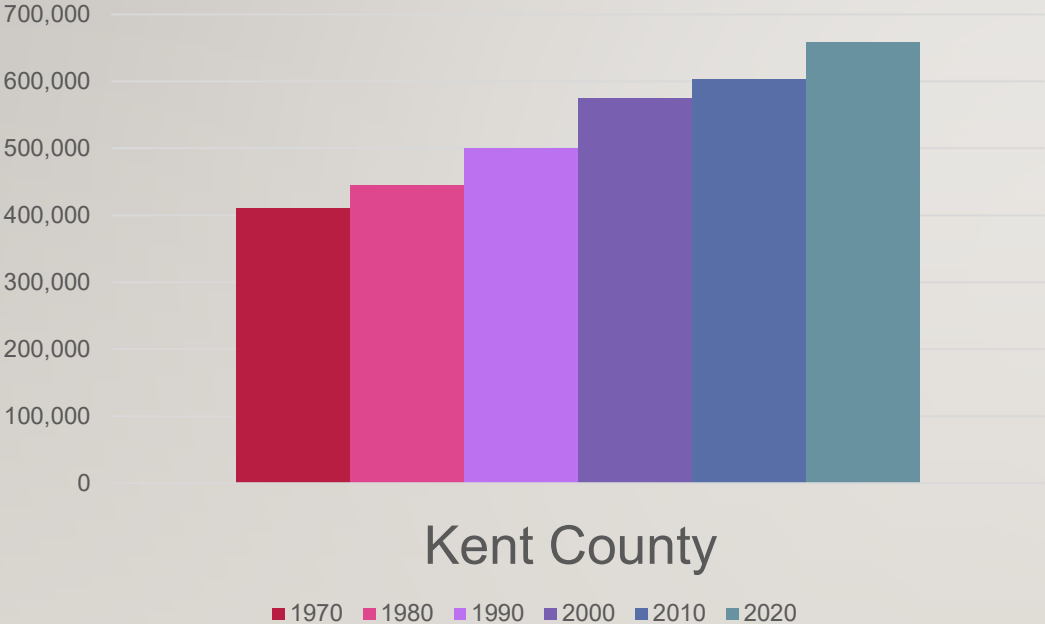
- Complete Count Committee established in 2018.
- Dedicated City initiative and funding for robust community engagement.
- The pandemic in early 2020 hampered Census Data collection deadline of April 1, 2020.
- The City of Grand Rapids had a 71.6% self response (slightly higher than the state self-response)
- The count ended on October 15, 2020
- Census Redistricting Data was released on August 12, 2021, with more user-friendly format was released September 16, 2021.



5 HISTORICAL CENSUS DATA

Year	United States	Michigan	US House	Kent County	Grand Rapids
1970	203,302,031	8,875,083	19	411,044	197,649
1980	226,542,199	9,259,000	18	444,506	181,843
1990	248,709,873	9,295,297	16	500,631	189,126
2000	281,421,906	9,938,444	15	574,336	196,831
2010	308,745,538	9,883,640	14	602,622	188,040
2020	331,449,281	10,077,331	13	657,974	198,917

6 HISTORICAL CENSUS DATA



7 REDISTRICTING

- The Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission
 - Held Public Hearings around the state to gather input especially on Communities of Interest.
 - Started with State Senate Districts then State House and U.S. House Districts.
 - Public Hearings will be held on the maps they have developed and then a 45-day public comment period.
 - Constitutional deadline is November 1, but the first date in their schedule to vote is December 30.
- The body responsible for drawing County Commission district boundaries is the Kent County Clerk, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Republican Chair and Democratic Chair.
 - They have 60 days from release of Census data which would be October 12.

8 CITY WARD REAPPORTIONMENT

- The City Commission is responsible for drawing ward boundaries.
- The City Ward boundaries were last redrawn by ordinance on February 19, 2002.
 - A portion of Ward 1 moved to Ward 2.
- On February 12, 2012, the City Commission adopted an ordinance to approve a new precinct map but left the ward boundaries in place.
- Task Force on Elected Representation – Met between August and December 2019
 - One area of focus was on a proposal to change from 3 two-member wards to 8 single-member wards.
 - The Final Report recommendation was to keep multi-member districts.

9 CITY WARD REAPPORTIONMENT

Census 2010

Ideal Population 188,040 divided by 3 Wards = 62,680 per ward

	2000 Population	2010 Population	Deviation from Ideal
Ward 1	66,123 (33.43%)	64,464 (34.28%)	0.95%
Ward 2	65,879 (33.31%)	62,253 (33.11%)	-0.22%
Ward 3	65,798 (33.26 %)	61,322 (32.61%)	-0.72%
Total	197,800	188,040	

10 CITY WARD REAPPORTIONMENT

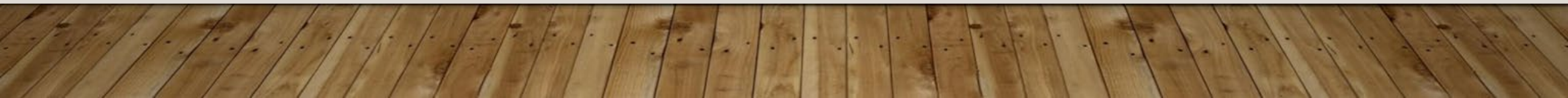
Census 2020

Ideal Population 198,917 divided by 3 Wards = 66,306 per ward

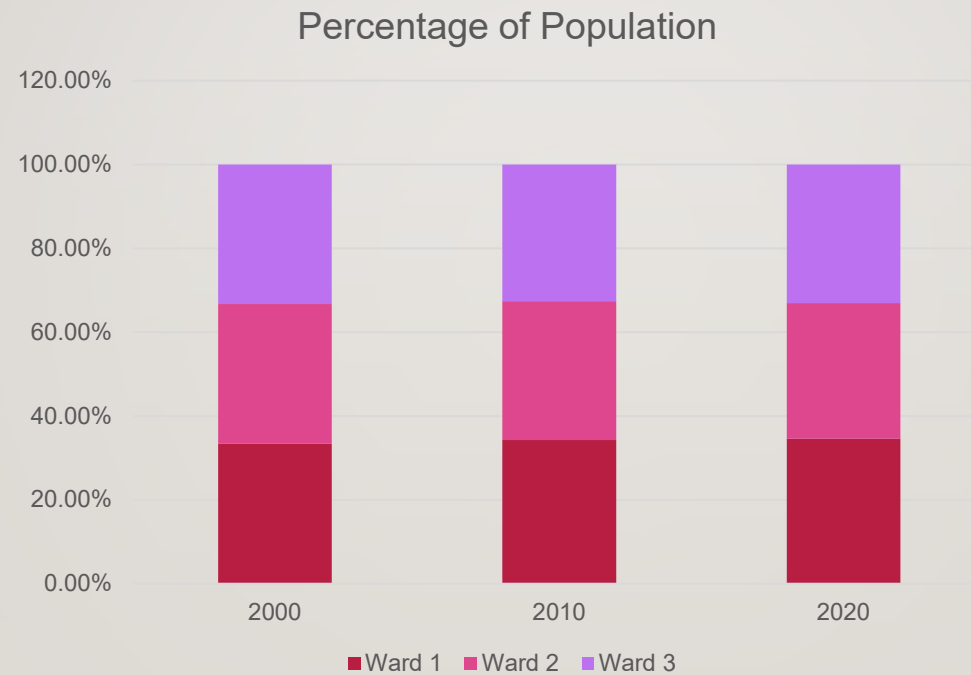
	2010 Population	2020 Population*	Deviation from Ideal
Ward 1	64,464 (34.28%)	68,698 (34.53%)	1.20%
Ward 2	62,253 (33.11%)	64,418 (32.38%)	-0.95%
Ward 3	61,322 (32.61%)	65,879 (33.12%)	-0.21%
Total	188,040	198,917	

*Population is based on precinct population counts. Census blocks cross precinct lines.

The 2020 ward populations above equals 198,995. This is 78 people above the official count.



11 CITY WARD REAPPORTIONMENT



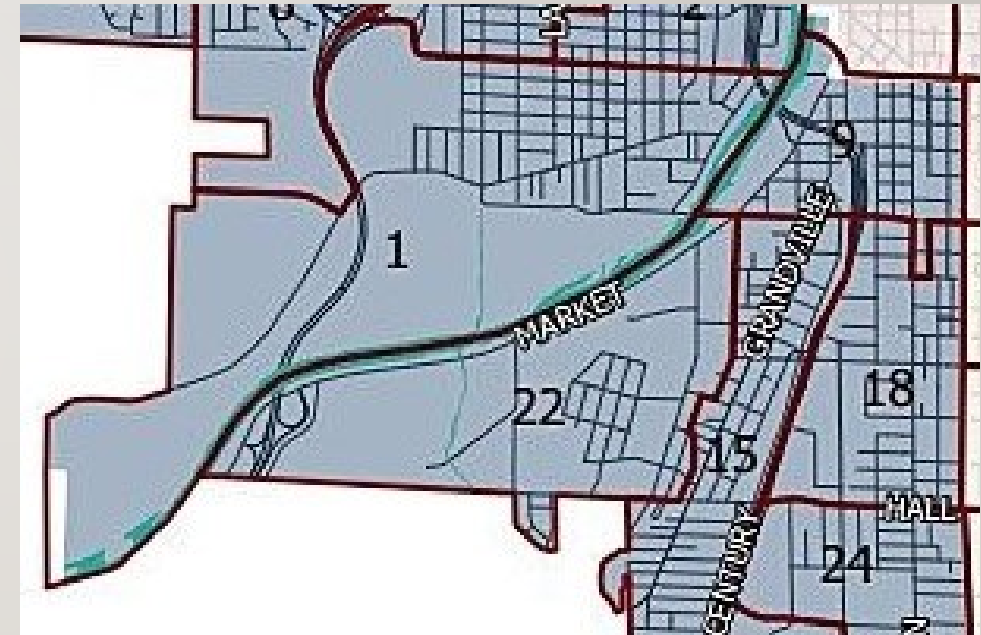
12 CITY WARD REAPPORTIONMENT

	WARD											
	1			2			3			Total		
	2020	2010	Change	2020	2010	Change	2020	2010	Change	2020	2010	Change
By Race												
White Only	55.75%	65.01%	-9.25%	74.32%	75.79%	-1.46%	50.55%	51.16%	-0.62%	60.04%	64.03%	-3.99%
Black or African American Only	12.93%	12.25%	0.69%	12.57%	14.44%	-1.87%	31.76%	36.98%	-5.22%	19.02%	21.06%	-2.04%
Asian Only	1.06%	0.88%	0.18%	2.01%	1.73%	0.28%	3.75%	3.07%	0.68%	2.25%	1.87%	0.38%
American Native or Alaskan Native Only	1.06%	0.88%	0.18%	2.01%	0.57%	1.44%	0.55%	0.35%	0.20%	0.86%	0.74%	0.11%
Hawaiian Native or Pacific Islander	0.06%	0.10%	-0.03%	0.06%	0.06%	-0.01%	0.03%	0.03%	0.00%	0.05%	0.06%	-0.01%
Other	17.97%	15.75%	2.22%	3.16%	3.38%	-0.21%	5.46%	4.28%	1.18%	9.06%	7.92%	1.14%
Multi Race	10.74%	4.75%	5.99%	7.38%	4.04%	3.35%	7.91%	4.13%	3.78%	8.72%	4.31%	4.41%
By Ethnicity												
Hispanic or Latinx	29.81%	29.83%	-0.03%	7.92%	7.38%	0.54%	11.17%	9.24%	1.92%	16.59%	15.70%	0.89%

13 REPRECINCTING

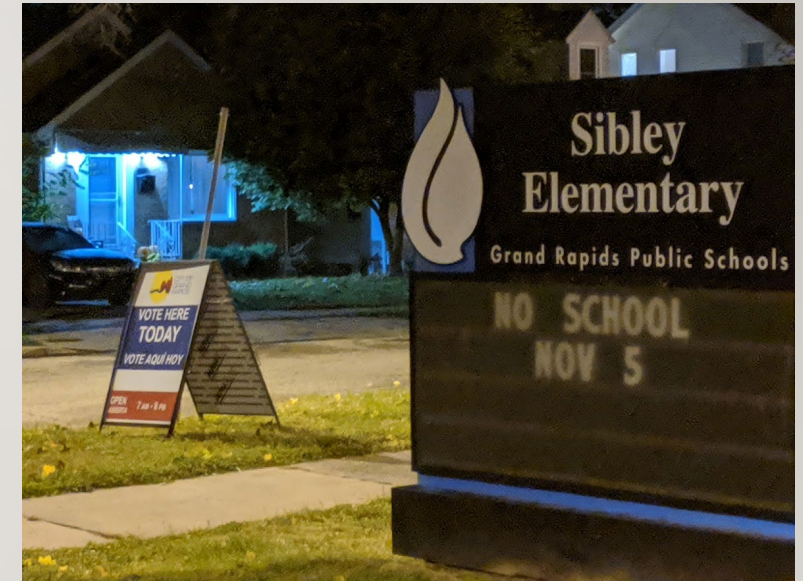
- Precinct Boundary Adjustments per Michigan law
 - Clearly observable boundary
 - No more than 2,999 active registered voters
 - City Election Commission – City Clerk, City Attorney, City Assessor
 - For 2022 must be done 120 days before prior to the August Primary
 - Other even years it is 210 days
 - Grand Rapids City Charter – Title I, Section 5

The City Commission shall by ordinance from time to time establish convenient election precincts in each ward. Until otherwise ordered, the precinct boundaries shall continue as now established.



14 REPRECINCTING

- Polling Places
 - Publicly owned or controlled building
 - City owned, School, etc.
 - Owned or controlled by a tax-exempt entity
 - Church, private school, etc.
 - For-profit or Non-profit residence facility with 150 persons or more aged 62 or older.
 - Must be accessible for elderly and disabled.
 - Established by the City Commission.
 - Cannot establish, move or abolish polling location within 60 days of election unless damaged, destroyed or rendered inaccessible.



15 REPRECINCTING

- In 2010, precinct consolidation took the number of precincts from 100 to 83.
- In 2012, precinct consolidation took the number of precincts from 83 to 77.
 - Also, precincts were numbered consecutively 1-77 across all the wards.
- In 2019, precincts 7&11 in the 1st Ward were combined into Precinct 11.
- Precincts are only allowed to have a max of 2,999 active voters. $145,971/2,999 = 49$ precincts.
- Legislation was introduced to increase active voters per precinct to 3,999 partly due to an increase in voters choosing to vote by Absentee Ballot.

16 RECOMMENDATIONS/NEXT STEPS Grand Rapids Election Commission

- Preserve current Ward boundaries.
- Review and draft precinct boundaries for fewest district splits within a precinct.
- A new precinct map recommended by the Election Commission to be approved by the City Commission in February 2022.
- New voter information cards will be mailed to all voters after all changes/alterations are made and following a potential May 2022 election.