



CITY OF EVERETT

Districting Commission

ABOUT THE DISTRICTING COMMISSION

In 2018, Everett voters approved Proposition 1 to fundamentally change how city councilmembers will be elected and establish districts throughout the city. Also, via Proposition 2, the voters decided that of the seven city council seats, two will be at-large (meaning they can live anywhere within the city) and five must live in the district they want to represent. Within this ballot measure, it was determined that the City would need to establish a districting commission, composed of Everett residents and appointed by the current city council and the mayor.

In May 2019, the Everett City Council appointed eight commissioners. During the commission's first meeting in August 2019, the commission appointed the ninth commissioner.

Members:

Simone Tarver (Chair)
James Langus
Kari Quaas

Chris Geray (Vice-Chair)
Ethel McNeal
Benjamin Young

Mary Fosse
John Monroe
Julius Wilson

MILESTONES

- Appointed ninth commissioner
- Hired a districting master (Tony Fairfax)
- Determined a schedule for completing the process by November 2020
- Established the core areas of the city
- Utilized their collective knowledge of their community to provide feedback on draft districting maps prepared by the districting master

WHAT'S NEXT

- Continue work on refining and discussing draft districting maps
- Finalize the draft districting map
- Establish the schedule for the public meetings to gather input from the community
- Review and discuss any feedback received
- Make any necessary updates to districting map
- Present the final version of the districting map to the Everett City Council to adopt without modification by November 2020

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGAGEMENT

All districting meetings are available online, live on Everett Channel and by phone. After the meetings, the recorded videos are available at everettwa.gov/districting, as well as the minutes and any meeting materials.

The Districting Commission welcomes any feedback or comments from the public via email. Reach out via email to nwebber@everettwa.gov, and your feedback will be shared with the commission.

Timeline

Where we've been, where we are, where we're going

