I. Call to Order [11:00 AM]

The regular meeting of the Reapportionment Commission was called to order by Chair Mark Mugiishi.

II. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum [11:00 AM]

All members of the Reapportionment Commission were present at the start of the meeting with the exception of Commissioner Chipchase and Commissioner Nishimura.

III. Public Testimony [11:02 AM]

[11:03 AM]

Commissioner Chipchase joined the meeting.

Commissioner Nishimura was acknowledged as present by Secretary Nago.

Public testimony was provided by Brett Kulbis of the Honolulu County Republican Party, Bart Dame, Kainoa Kaumeheiwa-Rego of Common Cause
Hawaii, Shannon Matson, Senator Laura Acasio, Maki Morinoue, and Becky Gardner of Policy Matters LLC.

[11:10 AM]

Commissioner Chun exited the meeting.

IV. Approval of Minutes for the Meeting of July 20, 2021 [11:27 AM]

Commissioner Kennedy made a motion to approve the minutes for the meeting of July 20, 2021, which was seconded by Commissioner Nonaka, and approved by all Commissioners present noting the excused absence of Commissioner Chun.

V. Election of Vice Chair(s) for the Reapportionment Commission [11:29 AM]

Commissioner Ono nominated Commissioner Nonaka, which was accepted. Commissioner Nonaka nominated Commissioner Ono, which was accepted.

Commissioner Nekota made a motion to elect Commissioner Nonaka as a vice chair, which was seconded by Commissioner Ono, and approved by all Commissioners present noting the excused absence of Commissioner Chun.

Commissioner Nekota made a motion to elect Commissioner Ono as a vice chair, which was seconded by Commissioner Rathbun, and approved by all Commissioners present noting the excused absence of Commissioner Chun.

VI. Presentation by the Reapportionment Staff on the following topics [11:37 AM]

a. August 12, 2021 release of census data
b. Method of population extraction
c. Apportionment “method of equal proportions” of basic island units
d. Single- or multi-member districts
e. Standards and criteria governing redistricting, such as the use of “canoe districts”
f. Propose Public Information Committee
g. Redistricting website demonstration
h. Proposed schedule

[12:02 PM]

Commissioner Chun rejoined the meeting.
[12:32 PM]  

Commissioner Rathbun exited the meeting.

VII. Discussion on the Role of the Reapportionment Advisory Councils [1:07 PM]

[1:20 PM]  

Commissioner Ono made a motion to enter executive session for the purposes of Agenda Item VI and Agenda Item VII, as well as the approval of executive session minutes, which was seconded by Commissioner Nekota, and approved by all Commissioners present noting the excused absence of Commissioner Rathbun.

VIII. Adjournment [1:48 PM]

Commissioner Nonaka made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, and approved by all Commissioners present noting the excused absence of Commissioner Rathbun.