# Commission Redistricting 

## Initial Workshop

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## Background

- Florida Constitution Article VIII Section 1(e) COMMISSIONERS
- Except when otherwise provided by county charter, the governing body of each county shall be a board of county commissioners composed of five or seven members serving staggered terms of four years. After each decennial census the board of county commissioners shall divide the county into districts of contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as practicable. One commissioner residing in each district shall be elected as provided by law.
- §124.01(3) Florida Statutes
- The board of county commissioners shall from time to time, fix the boundaries of the above districts so as to keep them as nearly equal in proportion to population as possible; provided, that changes made in the boundaries of county commissioner districts pursuant to this section shall be made only in oddnumbered years.


## Background

- §124.02 Florida Statutes
- New boundaries entered into minutes, and a certified copy published once a week for two weeks in a newspaper published in the County
- Proof of such publication or posting shall be entered on the minutes of the board. The publication or posting of such copy shall be for information only and shall not be jurisdictional.
- §124.03 Florida Statutes
- Furnish a copy to the Department of State


## Census Data Used

## - Levels of Data

- County Boundary
- Census Tracts
- Made up of Blocks
- Census Blocks
- Smallest statistical unit used by the Census
- Basis for drawing districts
- Can't be split by district boundaries






## Timeline

Census Data Released

- ~September 30

Staff Prepares<br>Draft Map<br>- October

Draft District
Workshop

- November 9

Advertise

- December 22 \& 29

Adopt New District

- December 14


## Staff Recommendation

- Provide direction to Staff about draft redistricting maps that will be brought back to the Commission in October
- Changes in District Shapes
- Requirements other than equal population

