



Redistricting Commission

March 7, 2022

About Redistricting

Redistricting is the process of redrawing the boundaries of election districts to ensure that the people of each district are equally represented.

All precinct boundaries must be established within 60 days of the adoption of the state redistricting plan, or by March 29, 2022, whichever comes first.

Article III of the City Charter sets forth that the Redistricting Commission for White Bear Lake is comprised of City Charter members.



City Charter Specifications

The Redistricting Commission shall file with the City Clerk a tentative plan for readjustment of the Council Districts to comply with the following specifications:

1. All districts shall be formed of compact, contiguous territory and boundary lines between districts shall follow the center of the street.
2. All districts shall contain, as nearly as possible, the same number of residents.
3. The tentative plan shall include a map and description of the districts being recommended.



Public Hearing

Once the City Clerk receives the tentative plan (rec'd 2/22), the Redistricting Commission shall hold at least one public hearing.

That public hearing was noticed in the February 23, edition of the White Bear Press - the City's official newspaper and is being held tonight.

The Mayor and City Councilmembers have all been invited to attend this public hearing.



Population Comparisons

	2010	2020	Growth	% Growth	Proposed
Ward 1	4,661	4,866	205	4.4%	4,983
Ward 2	4,890	5,103	213	4.4%	4,986
Ward 3	4,771	4,941	170	3.6%	4,941
Ward 4	4,624	4,890	266	5.8%	4,982
Ward 5	4,851	5,083	232	4.8%	4,991
City Total	23,797	24,883	1,086	4.6%	24,883
Average	4,759	4,977	217	4.6%	4,977

Chart data courtesy of Mike Amundsen



Differences to the Averages

	2010 Diff to Avg	2010 % Diff to Avg	2020 Diff to Avg	2020 % Diff to Avg	2022 Dff to Avg	2022 % Diff to Avg
Ward 1	(98)	-2.1 %	(111)	-2.2 %	6	0.1 %
Ward 2	131	2.7 %	126	2.5 %	9	0.2 %
Ward 3	12	0.2 %	(36)	-0.7 %	(36)	-0.7 %
Ward 4	(135)	-2.8 %	(87)	-1.7 %	5	0.1 %
Ward 5	92	1.9 %	106	2.1 %	14	0.3 %

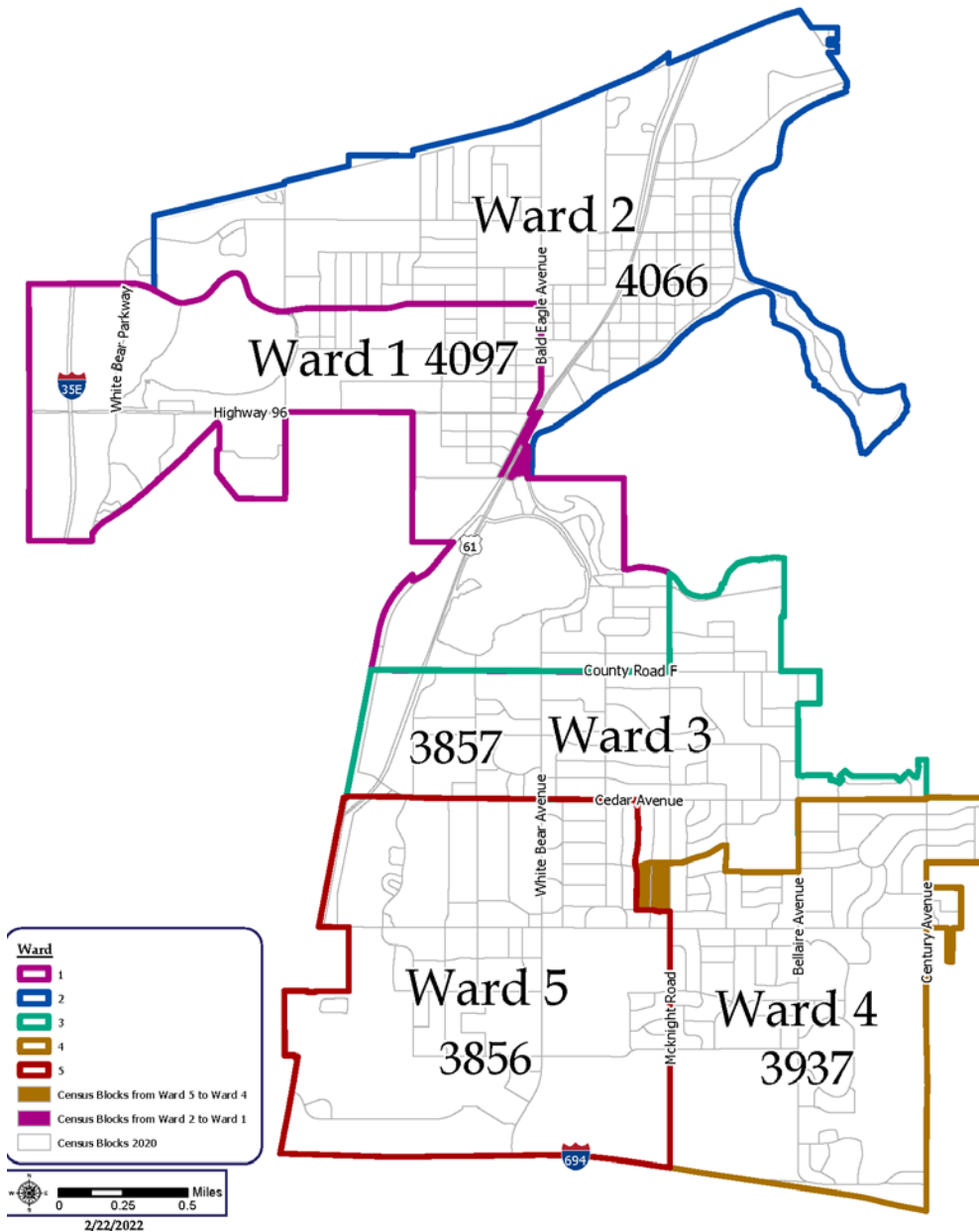
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Proposed 2022 Wards

By Voting Age

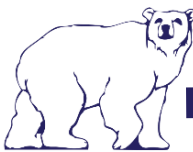
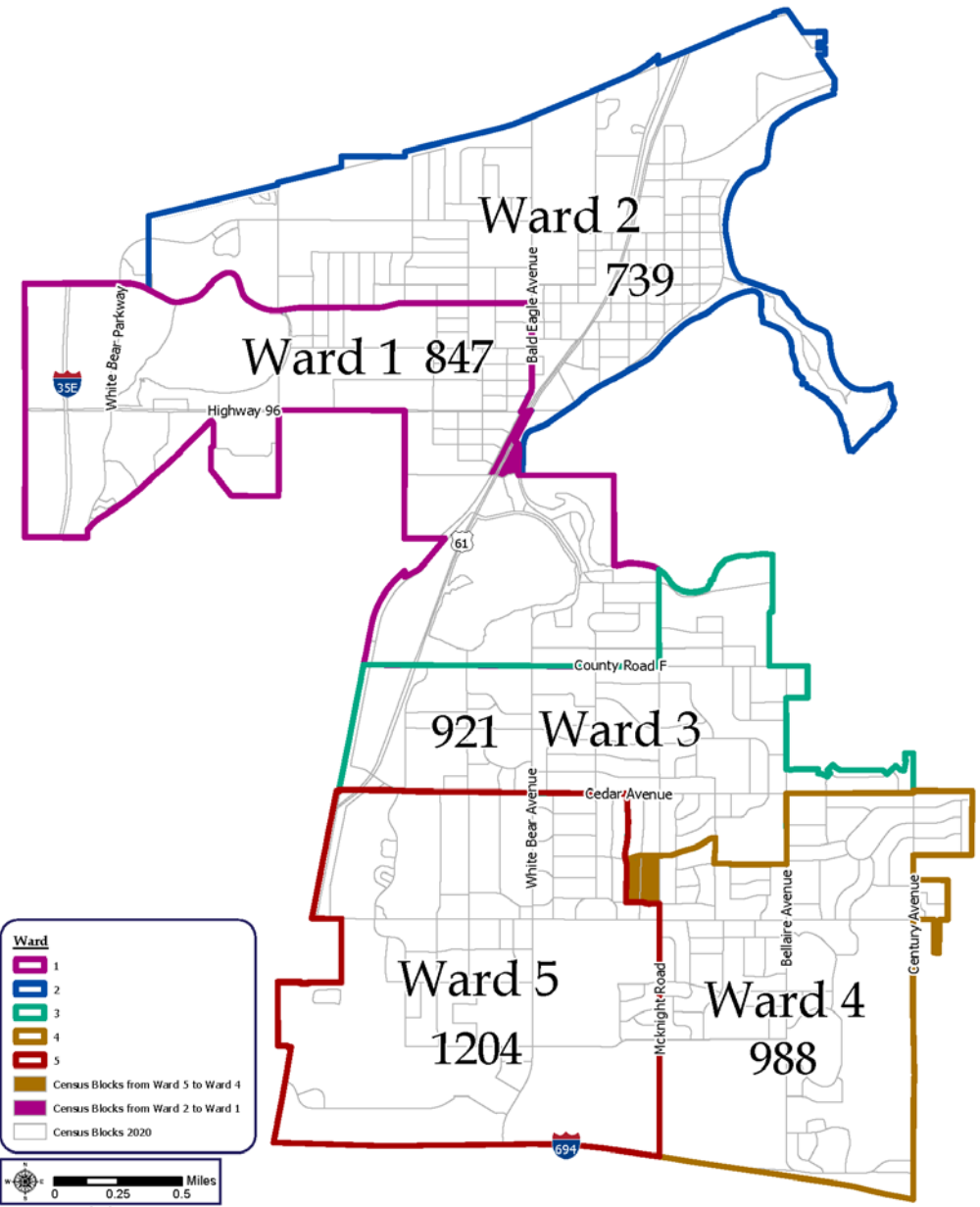
Ward 1:	4097
Ward 2:	4066
Ward 3:	3857
Ward 4:	3937
Ward 5:	3856



Proposed 2022 Wards

By BIPOC

Ward 1:	739
Ward 2:	847
Ward 3:	921
Ward 4:	988
Ward 5:	1204



Next Steps for the Redistricting Commission

Conduct the Public Hearing (tonight) and receive public comment about the plan.

In consideration of public comments, adopt the Redistricting Plan (tonight).

File the Redistricting Plan with the City Clerk (tomorrow morning) so the City Council may initiate the Ordinance process for enactment of the plan. The City Council holds first reading tomorrow night.

