

Nancy, I know I missed yesterday's deadline, but just in case this can be provided to the committee, here is my feedback:

- 1. Begin with your county and city: Jon Fure, 1752 Nebraska Ave E, Saint Paul, Ramsey County.
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- 2. What are your shared interests where you live? My wife and I chose to live in our neighborhood partly due to the access to transit. In that regard, I feel like we have shared interests with other cities like Maplewood and North Saint Paul in Ramsey County, and with Oakdale and Woodbury in Washington County, among others. I would also say that in economic development activities and / or infrastructure improvements, we share interests with East Metro cities and counties.
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- 3. What brings you together with other members of your community (think about housing developments or transit lines)? Transit, drinking water resources (quantity and quality), affordable housing and related support for people who have health-related needs or who are living at or below the poverty line for any reason.
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- 4. What is important to your community? Environmental quality, affordable housing, affordable health care, police accountability, and worker rights (including safe work environments, living wages, and paid leave for various reasons).
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- 5. Mention the street names and significant locations in your neighborhood to help us identify the parameters of your community and where your community is growing. I consider my neighborhood to mainly be east of Lake Phalen, north of Maryland Avenue, south of Larpenteur, and west of McKnight.
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- 6. Has your community come together to advocate for important services, better schools, roads, or health centers in your neighborhood? Please tell us about those endeavors. I remember an East Metro Strong initiative that focused mainly on transit and transportation improvements, and there have been block nurse programs and other initiatives by local organizations to advocate for affordable housing and health care.
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- 7. Are there nearby areas you want to be in a district with? I would want the legislative district boundaries to align with Saint Paul's neighborhood boundaries if possible. For Congress, I think we should continue to be included with other parts of Ramsey and Washington Counties.
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- 8. Are there nearby areas you don't want to be in a district with? Why or why not? I would NOT want to be included with Minneapolis or Hennepin County, because even though there are similar issues that face Minneapolis and Saint Paul, such as affordable housing and transit, I feel like we have more shared interests with the needs of people who live in Ramsey County and in areas to the north, south and east of Saint Paul, than we do with people who live in Minneapolis and the cities surrounding Minneapolis to the north, west and south.

I would also like to ask the committee to consider adopting redistricting standards, such as those that have been approved by the Saint Paul City Council (RES PH 20-223, adopted 10/14/2020).

Thank you for seeking this feedback,
Jon Fure
Saint Paul / Ramsey County