

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS & PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD REDISTRICTING

Pursuant to requirements of Sections 15.2-1427, 24.2-129 and 24.2-306 of the *Code of Virginia*, as amended, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince Edward, Virginia, will open the public comment period and hold two public hearings -- the first on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. and the second on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Room, Prince Edward County Courthouse, 111 N. South Street, 3rd Floor, Farmville, Virginia, to receive public comment and input regarding a proposed *Ordinance to Provide for the Reapportionment of Members of County Board of Supervisors of Prince Edward County, to Establish Boundary Lines of the Election Districts, to Number Each Election District and to set Representation from Each Election District, and the associated maps, and to repeal and re-enact Chapter 42. Elections. of the <i>Prince Edward County Code*. Reapportionment of representation among election districts is required by law to take place following the 2020 decennial census.

All County citizens are invited to attend the public hearings on March 8, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. and March 29, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. and to present their views and/or submit written comments for the Board's consideration. The public comment period begins today, February 16, 2022 and will run through April 8, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. Comments may be submitted in writing by mail, facsimile or email through Karin Everhart, Deputy Clerk to the Board, as outlined below.

A copy of the full text of the draft ordinance and Code amendments, including boundary descriptions, along with the election districts' configuration map and related materials may be examined during regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday, at the Office of the County Administrator, 111 N. South Street, 3rd Floor, Farmville, VA 23901, or may also be viewed on the Prince Edward County website Redistricting Page at www.co.prince-edward.va.us.

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Citizens may submit data, views and arguments in person and/or in writing by mail, facsimile, or email for both the Public Hearings and during the period of Public Comment for the Proposed County Redistricting Ordinance/Maps. Input will be received by Karin Everhart, Deputy Clerk to the Board of Supervisors, using one of the following methods:

- In-Person Participation at Public Hearings: March 8, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. and March 29, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. While county meetings have re-opened to the public, there is still limited seating due to social distancing. As of the date of publication, to enter the Prince Edward County Courthouse, individuals are required at all times to wear a mask and to socially distance.
- 2. <u>Written Comments</u>: Comments received by 2:00 p.m. the day of a public hearing will be provided to the Board at that meeting. All comments received following the public hearings will be provided to the Board at its April 12, 2022 meeting. Comment period ends April 8 at 4:30 p.m.

a. **Mailed**: Board of Supervisors

P.O. Box 382, Farmville, VA 23901.

b. **E-Mailed**: board@co.prince-edward.va.us

c. Facsimile: 434-392-6683

- 3. Remote Participation: Citizens may participate remotely during the public hearings. To call in to the meeting at which the public hearing will be held, please dial: 1-844-890-7777. When prompted for an Access Number: 390313. Citizens are encouraged to pre-register with the County Administrator's Office at 434-392-8837 by 2:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. Callers must be on the line and ready to speak when called upon by the Chair. Please state your name and district of residence. Based upon the # of speakers, the Chair will determine the time allotted to each speaker.
- **4.** County YouTube Channel: Citizen may also view the monthly Board of Supervisors meeting live (no public input) at the County's YouTube Channel: (link is also on County website under Meetings & Public Notices.) <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyfpsa5HEjlWejBSc5XwplA/featured">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyfpsa5HEjlWejBSc5XwplA/featured</a>.

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