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The 2021 Independent Redistricting Committee (IRC) is an advisory committee created by the Lane County Board of Commissioners with the authority granted in Lane Manual section 3.505. The purpose of the IRC is to create options for the Board of Commissioners to comply with the obligation imposed by the Lane County Home Rule Charter Chapter III, section 3 subsections (d) and (e) to not less than every 10 years to modify the district boundaries for Lane County Commissioners. The redistricting options must comply with the relevant law relating to redistricting, voting rights and the applicable local, state and federal legal requirements.

~~1~~A. Composition:

~~(a)~~1. The IRC shall be composed of fifteen (15) Regular members and three (3) Alternate Members;

~~(b)~~2. The membership of the IRC should reflect the diversity of Lane County and shall include members with the following characteristics: areas of expertise, advocacy experience, community involvement, profession, education, race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, national origin, age, religion, speaking English as a second language and geographic identification, political affiliation and non-affiliated voters, registered voters and non-registered voters; and,

~~(c)~~3. All potential members will be required to complete the application described in section 2.

~~2~~B. Qualifications/Application:

~~(a)~~1. Applicants will be solicited in the following manner:

~~(i)~~a. Notice will be sent by e-mail to all of those that expressed interest in the redistricting process during the Board's September 15, 2020 and December 2, 2020 listening sessions and the January 27, 2021 work session and anyone that has e-mailed the Board of Commissioners regarding redistricting; and,

~~(ii)~~b. The advertisement for applications will be run for not less than thirty (30) days. The advertisement will be posted in the same manner as vacancies on other Lane County Committees.

~~(b)~~2. All members of the IRC must meet the following qualifications:

~~(i)~~a. Be a resident of Lane County at the time of appointment to the IRC; and

~~(ii)~~b. Complete the application described in section 2(b).

~~(c)~~3. All members of the IRC must complete the application form and the Oregon Government Ethics Commission disclosure form.

C. Selection of IRC:

~~(a)~~1. Each commissioner will select one applicant to serve as a member of the IRC.

~~(i)~~a. Committee staff will remove all personally identifying information creating a "blind" application.

~~(ii)~~b. Each commissioner using the blind application will select one person from their district to serve on the IRC applying the criteria in section 1(b).

~~(b)~~2. The five (5) Regular members selected by the five (5) Commissioners will select the remaining ten (10) Regular members and three (3) Alternate members of the IRC.

