

## **PAMLICO COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

### **PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ELECTION DISTRICT CRITERIA**

NOTICE is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Pamlico County Board of County Commissioners on Monday, October 4, 2021 in the County Commissioner Meeting Room located on the second floor of the Courthouse Annex, 202 Main Street, Bayboro, NC 28515., beginning at 7:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the item is reached on the agenda, on the proposed criteria for revisions to the Pamlico County Electoral District Boundaries. Local governments are subject to the one/person one vote mandate and are therefore required to review district populations after every census to determine if the district populations remain relatively equal. Local governments cannot redistrict until the Census Bureau reports on its block data. Typically, the data is received in March following the year of the census. Due to COVID-19, the data was not released until August 2021.

The proposed criteria are as follows:

1. Equal population, as required by state and federal law;
2. Contiguity, as required by state law;
3. Keeping municipalities whole, to the extent possible;
4. Keeping precincts whole;
5. Avoiding pairing incumbents;
6. No political considerations;
7. Preserving the core of existing districts.

Citizens shall have an opportunity to offer comments on the proposed criteria at the public hearing. You can receive more information by contacting the Pamlico County Clerk to the Board at (252) 745-3133 or on the County Web Site, [www.Pamlicocounty.org](http://www.Pamlicocounty.org).