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Message:

As a civic minded person I would prefer advancing political competitiveness in the creation of districts so that no single party has an advantage. I favor the use of objective criteria to draw new maps, even if that means some lawmakers might lose their seats or face greater competition. That is the point after all is it not? The best ideas should win. While I support the sensible use of virtual meetings during the pandemic, my preference is that all redistricting meetings be held in publicly available forums. I believe voters are highly supportive of using public hearings to allow the public to provide comments on maps created by a combination of experts and community members, with high support regardless of whether the medium is to have these conducted in person or online. The public is also hungry for education on how this process works and how people can get involved. I believe it is important for Texas to consider implementing new laws in the future, one example being the creation of an independent redistricting commission. It is especially important given the delays in census data we know will be the reality of the 2021 planning process. My area of the state is the fastest growing in the state, with a 73% increase in population, our representation should reflect this change in a fair and balanced manner.

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