

CITY OF SPOKANE ETHICS COMMISSION

ETHICS COMPLAINT FORM

Please review the City of Spokane's Code of Ethics – Chapter 1.04A SMC – before completing this complaint form. When you have completed this form, submit it to:

City of Spokane Ethics Commission
Attention: **Mike Piccolo**
Office of the City Attorney
5th Floor Municipal Building
W. 808 Spokane Falls Blvd.
Spokane, WA 99201

or at: cityattorneyinfo@spokanecity.org

****Please be advised that the completed complaint form is a public record pursuant to the Washington State Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 RCW and will be filed with the City Clerk's Office, posted on the Ethics Commission's website and provided to the person who is the subject of the complaint as well as any other individual making request for a copy of the complaint. The Ethics Commission's review of the complaint will occur in a meeting open to the public. ****

Pursuant to the City of Spokane's Code of Ethics, I am filing a complaint regarding conduct which I believe constitutes a violation of the City's Code of Ethics.

Name, position, and department of person(s) I believe to have violated the Code of Ethics:

Name: **Zack Zappone** _____

Position/Title: **Spokane City Council Member** _____

Nature of Code of Ethics violation:

What specific provision of SMC 1.04A.030 do you believe has been violated?

Section 01.04A.010 Purpose, Section 01.04A.030 Prohibited Conduct

Additional subsections as detailed in the attached.

Describe in as much detail as possible the alleged Code of Ethics violation conduct. Attach additional sheets of paper, if necessary. Please include all documentation you believe demonstrates a violation. Your description should include the date, location and frequency of the alleged violation.

Please refer to documentation as detailed in the attached.

**Names and positions of the persons who may have witnessed the event:
Breean Beggs, City Council President; Betsy Wilkerson, Council Member
Jeff Gunn, Legislative Assistant; Others as detailed in the attached.**

Evidence or documentation

Please list any evidence or documentation that would support your allegation of a Code of Ethics violation. Indicate whether you can personally provide that information.

Please refer to documentation as detailed in the attached.

Complainant Declaration

I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Washington that to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after reasonable reflection, the information in the complaint is true and correct.



Complainant's Signature

May 15, 2023

Date

Date and Place (e.g. City, State)

Redistricting process 2022, Spokane, WA

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May 15, 2023

Members of the Spokane, WA Ethics Commission,

I am a citizen of the City of Spokane and have resided here for 25 years. I live on the lower South Hill with my wife and children.

Last Summer and Fall, I became interested in the Spokane City Council redistricting process. What caught my attention was news reporting that Spokane City Council Member Zack Zappone was involving himself directly in the Spokane City Council district map drawing process. At that time, I was concerned, but would not become fully disturbed by Zappone's involvement until his activities were made public by Court-ordered subpoena.

As reported in The Spokesman-Review on April 6, 2023:

“In subpoenaed texts and messages made public through the court proceedings, Zappone appeared to have been aware of the partisan implications of his map, working with his legislative assistant and political allies to craft the messaging and drum up support for his redrawing of council districts.”

While Spokane Superior Court Judge Tony Hazel ruled that what has become commonly known as “Zack’s Map” can proceed for technical reasons, he expressed serious concerns with the process. The Spokesman-Review reported on April 7, 2023, “Though Hazel emphasized that the wording of the city charter was unclear, he said Zappone had certainly violated the spirit of the local law.”

Many Spokane citizens believe that Council Member Zappone’s now publicly-known actions during the redistricting process constitute the definition of unethical behavior. And, in fairness to Zappone, he deserves the opportunity to address these concerns.

I turn to you to help me, our fellow citizens and especially Council Member Zack Zappone find closure on this important matter that goes to the heart of our society, the democratic fair election process, and the high ethical standards that we expect and deserve from our elected officials.

Thank you for volunteering your time and talents to this and all of the other matters that you address.

Gratefully,



Neil Muller

Jurisdiction: City Official Status of the Respondent

Zack Zappone is a current member of the Spokane City Council, serving a term from 2022 to 2025. According to the City of Spokane's website, his official email is: zzappone@spokanecity.org Zappone, served as an Advisory Member of the City of Spokane Redistricting Board during 2022.

Spokane Code of Ethics – SMC Section 01.04A.010 Purpose

A. It is the policy of the City of Spokane to uphold, promote and demand the highest standards of ethics from all of its employees and City officers, whether elected, appointed or hired. City officers and employees shall maintain the utmost standards of responsibility, trustworthiness, integrity, truthfulness, honesty and fairness in carrying out their public duties, avoid any improprieties in their roles as public servants including the appearance of impropriety, and never use their City position, authority or resources for personal gain.

B. It is the intent of the City Council that this chapter be reasonably construed to accomplish its purpose of protecting the public against decisions that are affected by undue influence, conflicts of interest or any other violation of this Code of Ethics. This Code of Ethics is supplemental to state law, including, but not limited to, chapter 42.20 RCW – Misconduct of Public Officers, chapter 42.23 RCW – Code of Ethics for Municipal Officers – Contract Interests, and chapter 42.36 RCW – Appearance of Fairness Doctrine.

Spokane Code of Ethics – SMC Section 01.04A.030 Prohibited Conduct

The following shall constitute a violation of this Code of Ethics:

A. General Prohibition Against Conflicts of Interest.

In order to avoid becoming involved or implicated in a conflict of interest or impropriety, or an appearance of conflict of interest or impropriety, no current City officer or employee shall have an interest, financial or otherwise, direct or indirect, or engage in a business or transaction or professional activity, or incur an obligation of any nature, that might be seen as conflicting with the City officer or employee's proper discharge of his or her official duties, the conduct of official City business or as adverse to the interests of the City. Performance of a legally required duty by a City officer or employee shall not be considered a violation of the Code of Ethics.

1. Any employee who becomes aware that he or she might have a potential conflict of interest that arises in the course of his or her official duties shall notify in writing his or her supervisor or appointing authority of the potential conflict.

2. Upon receipt of such a notification, the supervisor or appointing authority shall take action to resolve the potential conflict of interest within a reasonable time, which may include, but is not limited to, designating an alternative employee to perform the duty that is involved in the potential conflict. The supervisor or appointing authority shall document the disposition of the potential conflict in writing in files maintained by the appointing authority. The supervisor or appointing authority may request an advisory opinion from the Ethics Commission before addressing and resolving of the potential conflict.

Overview of Complaint

Council Member Zack Zappone is believed to have engaged in several activities during the City of Spokane 2022 redistricting process that violate the Spokane Code of Ethics purpose, policies and intents as cited above and those additional sections to be detailed in this complaint.

Specifically, and to quote the Spokane Ethics code, Zappone appears to have acted in a manner that is irresponsible, untrustworthy, without integrity, untruthful, dishonest, unfair, improper, and through his City position, used his authority and City resources for personal gain.

“The following exchange is the most disturbing in this entire regrettable and unethical chapter of Spokane City Council.”

Furthermore, Zappone appears to have failed to protect the public as he used undue influence, created, perpetuated and failed to properly report and seek advisory guidance on conflicts of interest.

Zappone not only engages directly in using his positions on City Council and as Advisory Member of the Redistricting Board to forward his political/ electoral agenda and those of his political donors, **he revels in his nefarious political “success” in the most disrespectful and shameful manner.**

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Likely Ethical Violations by Zappone Revealed in Court Proceedings

While members of the 2022 Spokane Redistricting Board and the general public expressed concerns regarding Zappone’s activities during the 2022 Spokane Redistricting process, clear evidence of Zappone’s unethical behavior would not come to light until 2023 legal proceedings (Spokane Redistricting and Michael Brown, et al) in Spokane County Superior Court (“the Court”).

Attorney Mark Lamb submitted a declaration (hereafter referred to as “Lamb Decl.”) to the Court on April 3, 2023 (see attachment) that reveals communications by Zack Zappone, his staff, fellow Spokane City Council Members, political donors and consultants, and others specific to the 2022 City of Spokane Redistricting process.

The Lamb declaration document contains the bulk of evidence presented for consideration by the Spokane Ethics Commission. The following pages highlight areas of special concern, **but cannot replace a review of the document in its entirety (see attachment).**

<p>SMC 01.04A.010 A responsibility, integrity, trustworthiness, fairness, undue influence, conflicts of interest and appearance thereof</p>	<p>1. Lamb Decl. Pages 2-3. Zappone’s hand-written notes (presumed to be talking points in preparation for the Nov. 7, 2022 City Council meeting) including,</p> <p>“Commission had a town hall where they- heard feedback mostly from one organized group, which was a political party ...”</p> <p><i>- Commission had a town hall where they heard feedback mostly from one organized group, which was a political party forwarded on approved advisory rep</i></p> <p>- continues -</p>
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<p>SMC 01.04A.010 A responsibility, integrity, trustworthiness, fairness, undue influence, conflicts of interest and appearance thereof</p>	<p>During the November 7, 2022 meeting of the City Council (see Council meeting archived video, beginning hour 3, minute 4) Zappone does say,</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“When there was a town hall the commission [he meant Redistricting Board] received a lot of feedback that was organized by a political party to turn out votes, ... er ... uh ... organize people to testify in support of a map.”</p> <p>Zappone falsely describes citizens that shared their perspectives on the redistricting process as a “political party.” Throughout the process no citizen presented to the Redistricting Board on behalf of political organizations nor did any citizens identify themselves as members of a political party.</p> <p>It is clear, by his own hand and words, that Zappone’s frame of mind involved his own politicizing of the redistricting process. In doing so, he adopts a closed-minded “us vs. them” partisan position preventing him from fairly considering and respecting the various views of citizens on the merits of their perspectives.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- end section -</p>
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<p>SMC 01.04A.010 A responsibility, integrity, trustworthiness, fairness, undue influence, conflicts of interest, impropriety and appearance thereof</p> <p>SMC 01.04A.030 A. Prohibited Conduct General Prohibition Against Conflicts of Interest. G. Personal Interest in Legislation Prohibited. K. Fair and Equitable Treatment.</p> <p>RCW 42.23.070 Prohibited Acts (1) No municipal officer may use his or her position to secure special privileges or exemptions for himself, herself, or others.</p>	<p>2. Lamb Decl. Pages 5-6. October 23, 2022 Emails from Mary Winkes and Brian Parker entitled, “Neighborhood Councils and reapportionment” Cc’d are Jim Dawson, Breean Beggs, Zack Zappone, and Betsy Wilkerson.</p> <p>Although City business was discussed, PRIVATE EMAILS were used for Council Members Beggs, Zappone, and Wilkerson.</p> <p>----- Original message ----- From: Brian Parker <bparker.work@gmail.com> Date: 10/23/22 9:30 PM (GMT-08:00) To: Brian Parker <bparker.work@gmail.com> Cc: Jim Dawson <jim@fusewashington.org>, Breean Beggs <breeanbeggs@gmail.com>, Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>, Betsy Wilkerson <blwilkers@aol.com>, Mary Winkes <mmcspo@yahoo.com> Subject: Neighborhood Councils and reapportionment</p> <p>----- Forwarded message ----- From: mmcspo <mmcspo@yahoo.com> Date: Sun, Oct 23, 2022, 9:58 PM Subject: RE: Neighborhood Councils and reapportionment To: Brian Parker <bparker.work@gmail.com> Cc: Jim Dawson <jim@fusewashington.org>, Breean Beggs <breeanbeggs@gmail.com>, Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>, Betsy Wilkerson <blwilkers@aol.com></p> <p>Mary Winkes (who spoke at Council in favor of “Zack’s Map”) is the Interim Chair and Community Assembly Representative for the Manito/Cannon Hill Neighborhood Council and has served on the Spokane Planning Commission. Winkes donated \$350 to Zack Zappone’s campaign in 2021.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- continues -</p>
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4. Lamb Decl. Page 43. Date unknown, presumably before the end of redistricting process due to context. Direct messaging between Zack Zappone and his Legislative Assistant Jeff Gunn.

In response to Gunn’s questions about adding more districts in Spokane, Zappone replies,

“But still a question of how would that impact our composition on council. Would it give more voice to conservatives.”

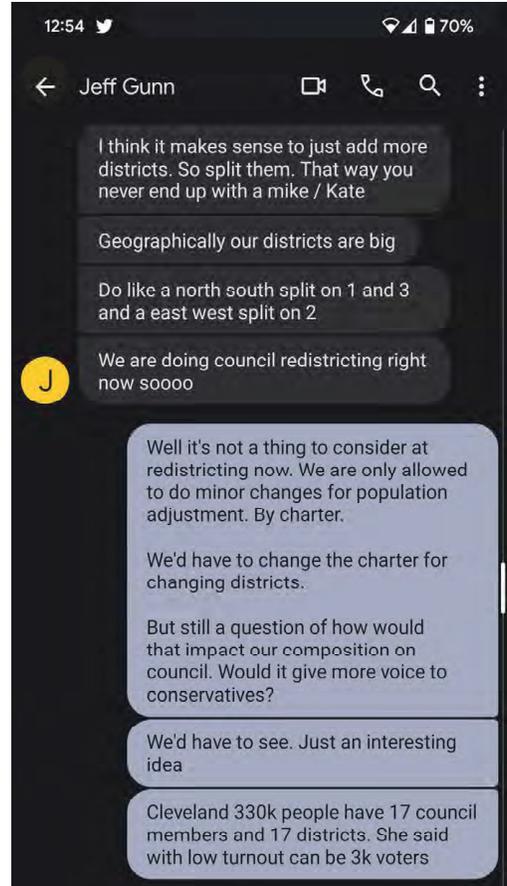
While a Council Member should communicate with their legislative assistant on a great many topics ...

It is clear here that Zappone is opposed to any redistricting or other policies that would provide voices to constituents that hold conservative views.

The Ethics Commission may choose to consider:

- Is Zappone’s approach to citizen involvement respectful and fair?
- Is Zappone utilizing his position to create a culture that is biased against certain citizens (“conservatives” in this case) in his office with regard to his legislative assistant?
- In a 10/14/22 article on shrm.org the Society for Human Resource Management President and CEO Johnny Taylor advises with regard to political conversation in the workplace, “Walk the talk and encourage respectful discussion. Set the tone for professionalism in the workplace.” Does Zappone’s conveyed bias against conservatives to a City employee violate the Code of Ethics by creating a non-inclusive, anti-diversity of thought and unsafe space for views that may differ from the “boss?”

The Ethics Commission may benefit from knowing that City Council Members have absolute hiring/firing authority regarding their legislative assistants. This creates an especially precarious situation for the worker. **City Council Members should not have special privilege or exemption in the area of workplace political bullying even if they believe that their employee may agree.**



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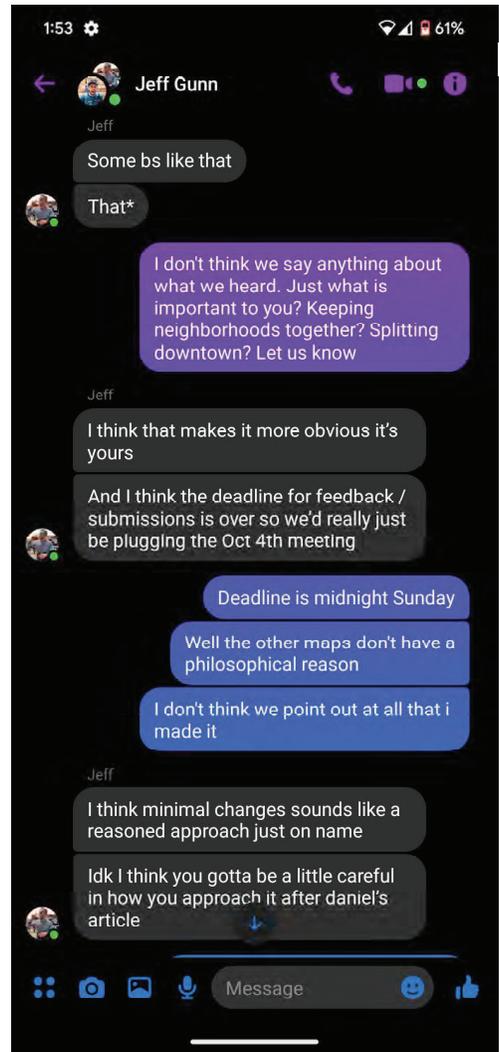
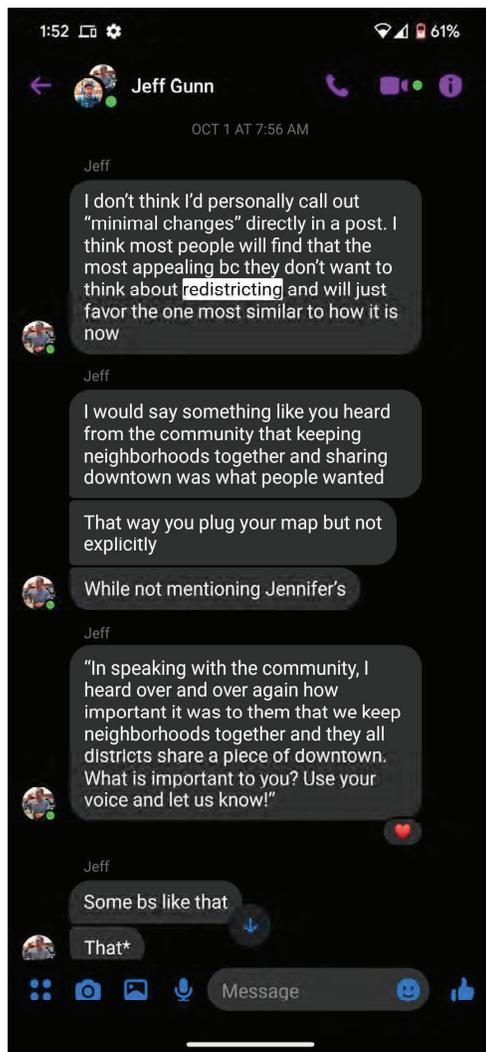
5. Lamb Decl. Pages 53-54. October 1, 2022 Facebook Direct Messenger exchange between Zack Zappone and his Legislative Assistant Jeff Gunn.

This disturbing dialogue occurs around 8 a.m. In response to Gunn’s aggressive political strategy on how to manipulate messaging to the public, Zappone responds including,

“I don’t think we say anything about what we heard. Just what is important to you? Keeping neighborhoods together? Splitting downtown? Let us know.”

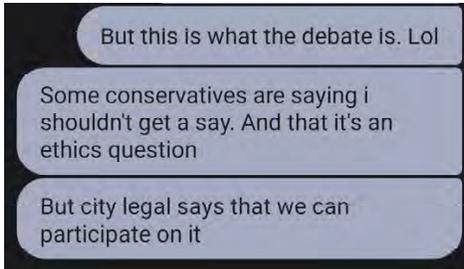
After continued political strategy, Zappone shares,

“I don’t think we point out at all that I made it.”



Zappone enables an extremely unhealthy work environment with his employee that teaches (Zappone is a high school teacher) manipulation of the public.

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	<p>Zappone continues to make his case to a Spokane reporter’s (likely INLANDER reporter Daniel Walters) brother, presumably in the hopes that his lobbying will influence news coverage through the brotherly connection. Zappone writes,</p> <p>“I think the Republicans told your brother ...” Describing his map, he continues, “It gives Browne’s addition and peaceful valley to me.”</p> <div data-bbox="586 457 979 669" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>I think the Republicans told your brother that i drew a map that would benefit me. And that one is my map #1. Which was one of four that moved on to the final.</p> <p>It gives Browne's addition and peaceful valley to me</p> </div> <p>Despite stating several times publicly that his intentions and motivations were simply to create the best map under the parameters of state law, here, Zappone further provides insight to his psyche, using “gives” and “to me.” It would be difficult to produce a more illustrative example of using his position for personal (political) benefit and privilege (his special position as an Advisory Member on the Redistricting Board).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- end section -</p>
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8. Lamb Decl. Pages 69-70. November 7, 2022. Text messaging between Zack Zappone and Daniel Walters (INLANDER reporter). With the City Council Legislative Meeting officially begun, at 6:10 p.m. Zack Zappone sent a text message to Daniel Walters containing a web link Zappone’s text continues,

“FYI if you didn’t see the latest round of mayor campaign email about redistricting.”

It is disturbing that Council Member Zappone would text with a reporter while official City business was being conducted. Further, the information that Zappone apparently felt was more important than paying attention to items soon to be voted on was purely political.

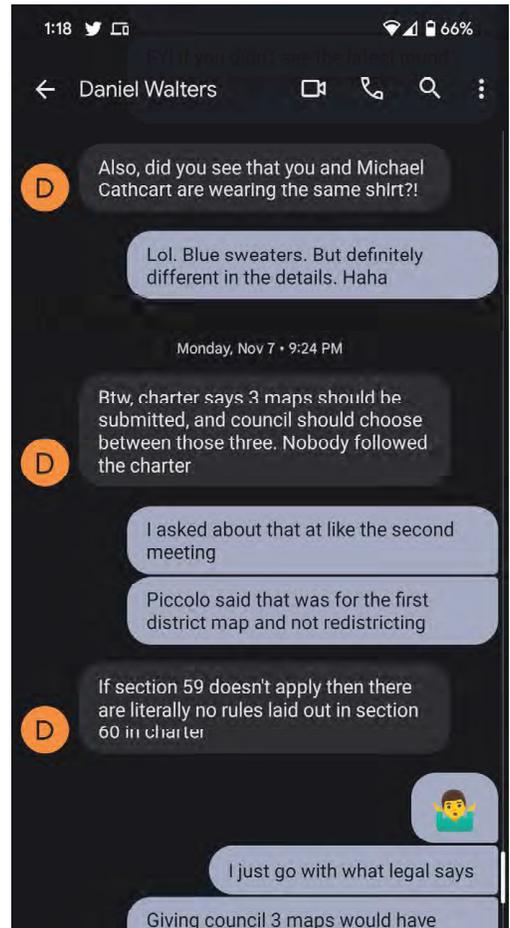
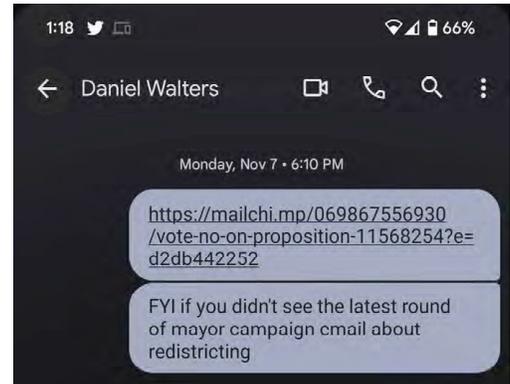
Zappone is yet again more interested in the press and politicizing the redistricting process than serving the interests of the citizens.

This Council meeting involved the final discussion and votes on redistricting. Around 9:30 p.m. Walters sent a text to Zappone with his concerns about the Spokane charter and the redistricting process. Zappone responds with,

“I just go with what legal says.”

In this communication, Zappone references “Piccolo” who is presumed to be Mike Piccolo, Spokane Asst. City Attorney.

Since Zappone appears to be familiar with the City Attorney’s office, he should be able to provide copies of his required communications with “legal” on ethical matters.



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Zappone replies,

“Yeah. Each will do that. Not making it safe like the south hill. But it’s something”

Dawson writes,

“Great! Should put D3 out of reach with a good candidate and gives us a good shot in D1”

Zappone,

“Exactly! And different types of candidates with all of downtown in D1 and Brownes in D3”

“Jennifer Thomas is busy complaining this morning”

Dawson,

“Good!”

Zappone writes,

“Great! Should put D3 out of reach with a good candidate and gives us a good shot in D1”

Paul Dillon shares a news post that includes a quote from Jennifer Thomas “I feel like I live in Gotham right now” Dillon adds “Hahaha”, to which

Zappone replies,

“Lol. Love that! She also sent a complaint to all of us and mayor today about the process”

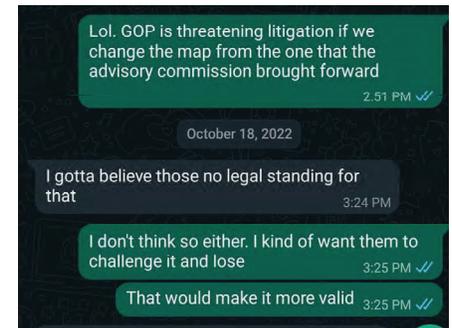
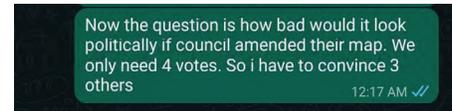
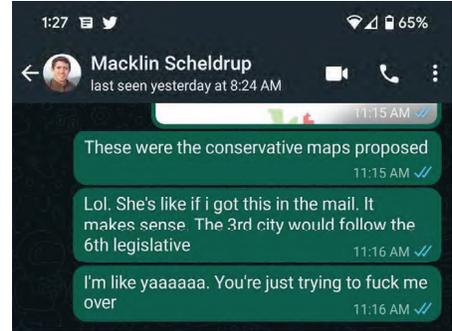
To save space and realizing this complaint is becoming cumbersome, I ask that you refer to the attachment, Lamb encl. pages 75-75 to review the full context of the above.

Little can be added that would darken the unethical cloud that these supposed civic-minded souls have conjured over themselves.

Given the above, it would be difficult to find a word in the purpose section of our Ethics Code that Zack Zappone didn’t violate.

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WA Open Public Meetings Act OPMA
RCW 42.30.060
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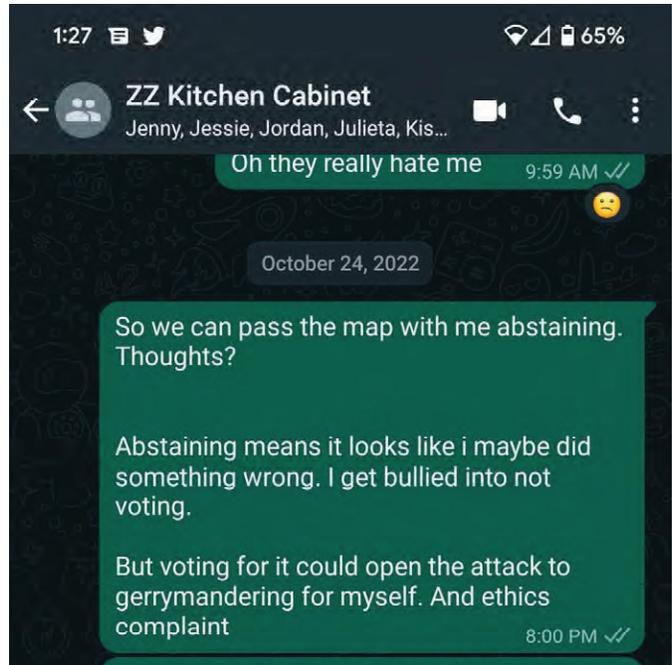
11. Lamb Decl. Pages 91-92. Sept. 28 – Oct 24, 2022. Zappone texting with “ZZ Kitchen Cabinet.”

On October 24, 2022 Zappone writes to his political advisory group,

“So we can pass the map with me abstaining. Thoughts?” He continues, “Abstaining means I look like I maybe did something wrong. I get bullied into not voting.”

Zappone adds,

“But voting for it could open the attacks to gerrymandering for myself. And ethics complaint.”



Zappone texted his advisors during a City Council meeting at which the redistricting maps were being discussed and decided upon. This makes the communication all the more improper.

When Zappone states, “ ... we can pass the map with me abstaining” **he admits that an illegal vote had occurred** in violation of Washington’s Open Public Meeting Act.

In *Eugster v. City of Spokane* (2002) the Court of Appeals described that when the facts show members are “polled” outside of a meeting and have knowledge they are acting in concert with others, that activity may lead to a conclusion that the members knowingly violated the OPMA.

In Summary & Conclusion

Again, I thank you for your volunteer service to our City. This is the last way that I wanted to spend my time or yours. However, Zack Zappone's conduct during the 2022 Spokane Redistricting Board process requires a full review for the benefit of our community, including Council Member Zack Zappone.

I believe that the preceding pages provide sufficient cause to conduct an ethical review including, but not limited to the following areas of our Ethics Code:

- Section 01.04A.010 Purpose
- Section 01.04A.030 Prohibited Conduct
 - General Prohibition Against Conflicts of Interest
 - Fair and Equitable Treatment
 - Aiding others prohibited
 - Commission of Acts of Moral Turpitude or Dishonesty Prohibited

As written in our Ethics Code, "This Code of Ethics is supplemental to state law, including, but not limited to, chapter 42.20 RCW – Misconduct of Public Officers, chapter 42.23 RCW – Code of Ethics for Municipal Officers" As such, I have made reference to RCW 42.23 as well as the WA Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) RCW 42.30.060.

I am available to assist this process as you may request.

HONORABLE TONY HAZEL
Hearing Date: April 7, 2023
Hearing Time: 1:30 p.m.

SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN THE COUNTY OF SPOKANE

IN RE: SPOKANE REDISTRICTING and
MICHAEL BROWN, REBECCA COOK,
COLIN COOK and MARK HOWARD, all
registered voters in the City of Spokane,
Petitioners,

NO. 22-2-04123-32

DECLARATION OF MARK C. LAMB
IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONERS'
MOTION TO GRANT PETITION FOR
SPOKANE REDISTRICTING

I, Mark C. Lamb, declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of Washington, that the following is true and correct.

1. I am over the age of 18, make this declaration based upon my personal knowledge, and am competent to testify on the matter stated herein.

2. I am one of the attorneys for Petitioners Michael Brown, Rebecca Cook, Colin Cook and Mark Howard herein.

3. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 1* is a true and correct copy of Z. Zappone's handwritten notes.

4. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 2* is a true and correct copy of email communications from October 2022.

5. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 3* is a true and correct copy of email communications from September 2022.

DECLARATION OF MARK LAMB IN SUPPORT OF
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1 6. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 4* is a true and correct copy of meeting minutes and
2 agenda.

3 7. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 5* is a true and correct copy of text communication
4 with Jeff Gunn.

5 8. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 6* is a true and correct copy of text communication
6 with Josh Walters.

7 9. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 7* is a true and correct copy of text communication
8 with Breean Beggs.

9 10. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 8* is a true and correct copy of text communication
10 with Betsy Wilkerson.

11 11. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 9* is a true and correct copy of text communication
12 with Brian Parker.

13 12. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 10* is a true and correct copy of text communication
14 with Daniel Walters.

15 13. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 11* is a true and correct copy of text communication
16 with Paul Jim.

17 14. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 12* is a true and correct copy of text communication
18 with Macklin Scheldrup.

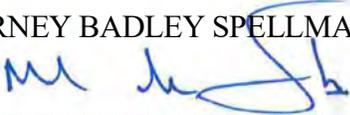
19 15. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 13* is a true and correct copy of text communication
20 with Ryan Oelrich.

21 16. Attached hereto as *Exhibit 14* is a true and correct copy of miscellaneous text
22 communications.
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DATED this 3rd day of April, 2023.

CARNEY BADLEY SPELLMAN, P.S.

By


Mark C. Lamb, WSBA No. 30134
Kenneth W. Hart, WSBA #15511
Attorneys for Petitioners

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that I am an employee at Carney Badley Spellman, P.S., over the age of 18 years, not a party to nor interested in the above-entitled action, and competent to be a witness herein. On the date stated below, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document on the below-listed attorney(s) of record by the method(s) noted:

Email and first-class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

Attorneys for Non-parties Zack Zappone and Breean Beggs

Christopher J. Kerley, WSBA #16489

Evans, Craven & Lackie, P.S.

818 W. Riverside Ave., Ste. 250

Spokane, WA 99201

ckerley@ecl-law.com

509-455-3632

DATED this 3rd day of April, 2023.



Andrea H. Anthony, Legal Assistant

EXHIBIT 1

11/3 Study Session Budget

- \$2.6 unallocated
- \$7m homelessness
- \$1 added - fire/public works, solid waste
- \$E = \$250 budget

11/7 Public Safety Committee

11/7 Legislative - Redistricting

- I want to ~~set~~ set the record straight
 - There has been a lot of misinformation intentional spread and people should ask why?

- I was appointed by Council to serve on the advisory Commission in ~~an advisory~~ a non-voting role

- Initial outreach had two goals - keep NC together and divide up downtown

At the invitation of the chair

- I made maps as a member of the Commission

- I was transparent and showed multiple concepts and why they didn't meet goals or laws

- my map was the same as other people

~~A member suggested I do~~

- When a member raised concern, I said I didn't need to show but at the request of the chair, the Commission looked at my map

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same as 2 other members

- The whole Commission voted to move it forward to a second round of outreach - I did not vote on that
- This is the Commission's ~~the~~ map
- ~~During this process At this point, I do~~
- ~~At Council~~
- Commission had a town hall where they heard feedback mostly from one organized group, which was a political party ~~forwarded~~ or approved advisory map
- Council heard more feedback
- I abstained from vote to substitute and will abstain again tonight to take myself ~~because~~ ~~in~~ ~~there~~ ~~has~~ ~~been~~ ~~to~~ out of the process

Maps don't determine ~~elections~~ who wins election
 - some map elected Arthur Waldorf.

Mike Fagan, Jonathan Blythe

• Voters determine who wins election

~~They care about the campaign~~

~~The candidates, the campaign, issues~~

~~It's who the candidate~~

It's about who you are the campaign your map that and how you serve your community



EXHIBIT 2

Zappone, Zack

From: Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 2:28 PM
To: Zappone, Zack
Subject: Fwd: Neighborhood Councils and reapportionment

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From: mmcsपो <mmcsपो@yahoo.com>
Date: Sun, Oct 23, 2022, 9:58 PM
Subject: RE: Neighborhood Councils and reapportionment
To: Brian Parker <bparker.work@gmail.com>
Cc: Jim Dawson <jim@fusewashington.org>, Breean Beggs <breeanlbeggs@gmail.com>, Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>, Betsy Wilkerson <blwilkers@aol.com>

They got a lot of this info from me. I have been working on this all week long. Will call you in the a.m.

Mary

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Brian Parker <bparker.work@gmail.com>
Date: 10/23/22 9:30 PM (GMT-08:00)
To: Brian Parker <bparker.work@gmail.com>
Cc: Jim Dawson <jim@fusewashington.org>, Breean Beggs <breeanlbeggs@gmail.com>, Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>, Betsy Wilkerson <blwilkers@aol.com>, Mary Winkes <mmcsपो@yahoo.com>
Subject: Neighborhood Councils and reapportionment

Heads up, this based on calls this evening:

1>>>>Annie lishi who did the West Hills on line reapportionment petition will not be at the meeting or attend virtually. She has Long Covid and is dealing with it by bowing out of community participation for a while. She's for Alternative 2. So she had me call William Hagee, West Hills Community Council Chair 206-818-3636 who will attend but doesn't have a vote of the Community Council on which Alternative to support. He's personally for Alt 4. He and Annie lishi think the fix is in from the Chair of the East Central Council BTW see below.

2>>>>Was told by West Hills Community Council folks that the chair of the East Central Neighborhood Council, Randy McClenn II has recently moved out of the Council area. He met with other Community Council folks recently and didn't tell them he had moved away. The VR database shows he reregistered on 10/4/22 in the 3rd and is getting ready to run for Council. His new address is 6208 N Assembly St, Spokane, WA 99205. He is in cahoots to have Larry Stone replace him as Council Chair. Stone owns property in the Community Council area and they have amended their by-laws to let property owners be Officers so he would qualify that way. Does not live in the Council area. Might want to clarify with Randy where he lives if he testifies. Seems pretty weird.

BTW looked Randy up on LinkedIn and he was the Chair of the State Libertarian Party from Feb 2016 - Jul 2020 · 4 yrs 6 mos. Oh and he has a degree from ITT Tech and just recently enrolled in community college. Please no...

Chairman Libertarian Party of Washington State

Brian Parker
510-847-5494
bparker.work@gmail.com

Zappone, Zack

From: Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 2:22 PM
To: Zappone, Zack
Subject: Fwd: Jennifer Thomas involvement in redistricting

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From: Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Oct 14, 2022, 1:24 PM
Subject: Jennifer Thomas involvement in redistricting
To: Sean Gannon <seangannon017@gmail.com>

Hi -

I just wanted to tip you off about some questionable connection of the redistricting commissioner Jennifer Thomas and her connection to the Home Builders Association.

Jennifer Thomas had to complete an application where she said she would not donate or actively participate in any political action committee. Dated 3-9-22. See attached.

Jennifer Thomas made a political contribution to Michael Cathcart on 3-17-22, four days before she was officially voted and appointed on 3-21-22. While this technically does not violate, it is questionable since she knew her vote to appoint was just a few days and she had already applied.

Jennifer Thomas also works in government affairs for the Home Builders Association. Chris Jordan has confirmed that Jennifer was in his endorsement interview with the Home Builders on June 22nd. The Home Builders PAC has made several contributions this election cycle.

Jennifer Thomas submitted a map that had the partisan lean turned on when legal explicitly said partisanship was not to be considered. The base map did not have partisanship turned on. Jennifer had to go in and turn that filter on.

Finally, Jennifer's map is the one recommended from the commission and was the only map that kept East Central divided along Interstate 90 - which perpetuates the lines historic systemic racism. This is the map that the G.O.P. organized around testified to support.

She submitted other maps that clearly gerrymandered District 3 stretching from Five Mile to Eagle Ridge.

From: Delbridge, Tessa <tdelbridge@spokanecity.org>
Sent: Wednesday, March 9, 2022 8:46 AM
To: City Council Members and Staff <citycouncil@spokanecity.org>
Subject: Additional Appointment - March 21st

Good morning Council President and Councilmembers,

I apologize for the two emails, but there is one additional appointment for your consideration at the March 21st meeting that was submitted today. For the Council Districting Board, Mayor is forwarding Jennifer Thomas from District 1 to serve until 11/30/2022. Her application is attached for your review.

Thank you,

TESSA DELBRIDGE | CITY OF SPOKANE | CONSTITUENT SERVICES COORDINATOR, OFFICE OF THE
MAYOR
509.625.6716 | tdelbridge@spokanecity.org | spokanecity.org

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Zappone, Zack

From: Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 2:22 PM
To: Zappone, Zack
Subject: Fwd: Redistricting- Tell Spokane City Council No Gerrymandering!

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From: Brian Parker <barker.work@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Oct 19, 2022, 3:08 PM
Subject: Fwd: Redistricting- Tell Spokane City Council No Gerrymandering!
To: Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>, Sean Gannon <Seangannon017@gmail.com>

Petition being distributed to Woodward's campaign list by Becky Funk, her Campaign Manager. Funk's a super right winger from N Idaho.

Brian Parker
510-847-5494
barker.work@gmail.com

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From: Becky Funk <beckyjo1964@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Oct 19, 2022 at 11:45 AM
Subject: Redistricting- Tell Spokane City Council No Gerrymandering!
To: <Billwilson99203@gmail.com>

Please look at and sign the petition here to stop the gerrymandering: <https://petitionbuilder.org/petition/redistricting-tell-city-council-2d9y>

Becky Funk
208.964.0410
Sent from my iPad

Zappone, Zack

From: Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 2:21 PM
To: Zappone, Zack
Subject: Fwd: [EXTERNAL]Urge City Council to Support Map 2 to Unite Neighborhoods

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Date: Thu, Oct 20, 2022, 5:38 PM
Subject: Fwd: [EXTERNAL]Urge City Council to Support Map 2 to Unite Neighborhoods
To: Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>, Riley Smith <smith.riley26@gmail.com>

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Dillon, Paul" <Paul.Dillon@ppgwni.org>
Date: October 20, 2022 at 5:22:57 PM PDT
To: seangannon017@gmail.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]Urge City Council to Support Map 2 to Unite Neighborhoods

FYI -

From: greater Spokane progress@googlegroups.com <greater Spokane progress@googlegroups.com> **On Behalf Of** Anne Martin
Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2022 3:31 PM
To: Greater Spokane Progress <greater Spokane progress@googlegroups.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Urge City Council to Support Map 2 to Unite Neighborhoods

Hello! The [City of Spokane Redistricting Board](#) has finished their work to adjust City Council District boundaries so that they are relatively equal in population based on 2020 census data. The Board has voted to send [Map 1](#) to the Council for their approval that makes minimal changes with a shared downtown. [Map 2](#) would unite existing neighborhoods including East Central, which is currently split between District 1 and 2, and share downtown with all three districts. There is still an opportunity to urge the City Council to support Map 2 at their next meeting on Monday, October 24 at 6pm. This will be their first redistricting hearing, and the meeting when Council can amend the map. The second hearing and vote on the final map is scheduled for November 7.

Will you email the City Council or testify in support at the City Council Meeting on October 24 and ask your members, especially those that live in the East Central Neighborhood, to urge Council Members to support map 2?

Key points to include in your email or testimony:

- Please don't divide our neighborhoods. Support Map 2, which unites East Central, Riverside, and West Hills neighborhoods, which have been divided.
- Map 1 was the only map that divided East Central along Interstate-90, which continues the history of systemic racism that erodes Black influence and representation in Spokane.
- The new boundary of the West Hills neighborhood in Map 2 is maintaining the integrity of the neighborhood boundary.
- Map 2 strengthens Council representation by making sure that each neighborhood has only two Council Members, which reduces conflict over having disagreements on who is representing important neighborhood resources like the former East Central Library.
- The first comment period this summer through the ThoughtExchange resulted in overwhelming responses to keep neighborhoods intact.
- The Redistricting Board is not representative of the community. The Board also failed to conduct adequate outreach to neighborhoods to engage them in the redistricting process and didn't allow enough time for public comment.
- This is about neighborhoods, not partisan politics

Send your email to: citycouncil2@spokanecity.org.

For more information, read Jerry LeClaire's story, Local Redistricting Is Not Done from Indivisible -- The High Ground.

Thanks!

Anne

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Anne Martin (she/her)

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Zappone, Zack

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Sent: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 2:21 PM
To: Zappone, Zack
Subject: Fwd: redistricting

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Date: Sun, Oct 23, 2022, 11:06 PM
Subject: Fwd: redistricting
To: Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>

Weak whiney read below

Brian Parker
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Spokane, WA

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From: Brian Parker <bparker.work@gmail.com>
Date: October 23, 2022 at 11:04:48 PM PDT
To: flynch10@comcast.net
Subject: Re: redistricting

Actually a month after they approve the new maps no one except highly partisan folks will remember what happened. It will all work out.

Brian Parker
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bparker.work@gmail.com
Spokane, WA

On Oct 23, 2022, at 10:12 PM, flynch10@comcast.net wrote:

Doesn't matter if he has the votes, I think he is wrong in taking this action. There is nothing significant to gain and the potential for considerable bad will from moderates and independents.

Dean

From: Brian Parker <bparker.work@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 23, 2022 9:32 PM
To: flynch10@comcast.net
Subject: Re: redistricting

I talked to Breean, he's voting for it and he has 4 solid votes. They are going to overrule the committee. He needs our help to provide a bit of cover. It's going to look bad enough because the Realtor and Rep's are going to turn out a big crowd.

Hope you can reconsider.

Brian Parker

510-847-5494

bparker.work@gmail.com

On Sun, Oct 23, 2022 at 9:12 PM <flynch10@comcast.net> wrote:

Brian,

I will not be speaking tomorrow. I don't think it is worth the political capital to overrule the recommendation of the Council approved Redistricting Committee. The time to have had an impact was with the appointments and instructions, it is a little late now in the game.

Dean

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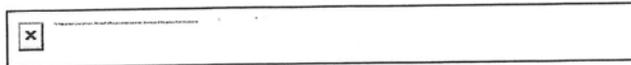
Statewide conservative organization (fairly inflammatory organization)

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Spokane City Councilmember Zack Zappone has proposed a redistricting plan which ignores neighborhood boundaries, yet benefits his own selfish political ambitions.



State

The Washington State Republican Senate Caucus reminds us that more of the Democrats' massive fee increases – to pay for the \$17 billion transportation package they jammed through – will go into effect this Saturday (October 1st). Legislative Democrats patted themselves on the back earlier this year with misleading statements claiming that gas taxes were not raised to pay for their latest transportation plan – and the local media never questioned the false statements. Yet the Democrats always forgot to mention that they raised fees (some by 400%!) on basic state services, which will hurt lower- and middle- income workers the hardest.

The substantial increased fees on many license plate items were effective back on July 1st.

Starting this Saturday, it will cost Washington State residents 75% more (from \$24 to \$42, and from \$32 to \$56) to obtain an enhanced driver's license and 100% more (from \$10 to \$20) to acquire a new license photograph. Republicans put forth a transportation budget during the legislative session which did not raise any fees or taxes and instead used the state's surplus revenue and existing revenue sources (taxes on the sales of new vehicles) to fund its transportation proposal.

We should note that Washington State already has the third highest gas tax in the country (at 49.4 cents per gallon) which is constitutionally protected to be used to fund transportation construction. Also, gas prices are expected to climb by an estimated 46 cents per gallon (and 59 cents per gallon of diesel) to pay for Governor Inslee's expensive Cap and Trade legislation when it goes into effect in January. And remember that the fees collected from the cap and trade increases are also being used to pay for the transportation package.

So, while the Democrats continue to brag that they did not raise gas taxes to pay for their extremely partisan and urban-focused transportation package, they conveniently forget to mention that 1) Washington already has one of the highest gas taxes in the country; 2) the Democrats substantially increased fees on basic services; and 3) the carbon cap and trade legislation will raise gas prices 46 cents a gallon next year. (Washington State Senate Republican Caucus Facebook post, Washington Republican House Caucus Media Release, and Washington Policy Center)

Speaking of gas prices... the average price of gas in Washington State again climbed above \$5.00 a gallon over the weekend thanks to the Democrats' reckless and expensive energy policies. Meanwhile Governor Inslee and Democrat legislators refuse to help lower- and middle- households who are facing financial difficulties by providing any type of gas

tax relief. Republicans sought to help these families by supporting Ferndale State Senator Simon Sefzik's "FUEL Act which would have used the state's surplus revenues to fund a temporary suspension of the state's 49.4 cents a gallon gas tax. Democrats refused to even hold a hearing on Senator Sefzik's proposal. ([AAA gas price chart](#) and [Shift's Newsmaker Interview](#))

The video of a bipartisan collection of Snohomish County law enforcement leaders and elected officials calling for the repeal of the Democrats' dangerous 2021 anti-police legislative package has not only drawn local media attention, but national media has begun to cover it as well. The five-minute video, produced by the Snohomish County Sheriff's office, features several city mayors (including a couple of prominent Democrats) and police chiefs in the county encouraging viewers to contact their state legislators to ask them to repeal laws restricting officers from pursuing suspected criminals or holding them for questioning. Nearly all of the local television news outlets have done stories on the video. It has begun to receive national attention on Fox News and NewsNation, allowing national audiences to share our shock that [Democrats in the Washington State Senate failed to support legislation](#) during the 2022 session which would have allowed police to again pursue suspected criminals. Evidently Democrat legislators believe it is OK for thousands of suspected criminals to flee police questioning and remain free to make more crime victims out of innocent residents. ([Snohomish County Sheriff's Facebook page](#) and [The Center Square](#))

Governor Inslee continues to ignore the science around the COVID virus, as the national Centers for Disease Control stated that masking is no longer required in healthcare facilities, yet the governor still requires masks in Washington State's medical locations. In the governor's [September 8th announcement](#) that he will finally end his 950+ day abuse of emergency powers on October 31st (conveniently just before the midterm elections), the governor also announced that "the statewide Face Covering Order issued by the state Department of Health will remain in place for health care and long-term care settings" even after other emergency declarations have ended on Halloween. ([The Hill](#) and [Governor Inslee media release](#))

The mother of a young man who died from an overdose of fentanyl is frustrated by the lack of response she has received from Governor Inslee, as she seeks to make the public and elected officials aware of the severe problems associated with this dangerous drug. Melanie Madden of

Buckley said she has only received “generic-template” responses from the governor’s office as she attempts to convince lawmakers to do something about the flood of fentanyl into our country. She says the number of people who die every two weeks in our country from a fentanyl overdose is equal to the number of people who died on 9/11 (almost 3,000). (KIRO Newsradio)

Western Washington

27 former and current City of Seattle firefighters who have filed two separate lawsuits claiming they were discriminated against when they sought religious exemptions from the Seattle Fire Department’s (SFD) COVID vaccine mandate. Some 24 fired firefighters filed the first lawsuit, claiming statements made by department officials are proof that the offer of a religious exemption was “a sham” and that the city never intended to “accommodate” them even as they did accommodate those who requested medical exemptions. Their lawsuit is seeking back pay and benefits, and attorney fees. Three current firefighters say they are facing termination because the city refuses to respect their religious accommodations. These firefighters are seeking a court order against their termination and reimbursement of attorney fees. Staff shortages within the SFD has resulted in Seattle taxpayers paying nearly \$38 million in overtime this year, while emergency response times have increased. (MyNorthwest and Seattle Times)

King County experienced its highest number of domestic violence murders during the economic lockdown of the state. Buried in the middle of a story on a specific murder case is the fact that King County Prosecutors recorded 30 domestic violence murders in 2020, the highest number since the office began keeping track in 1997. As researchers continue to evaluate which methods of dealing with the pandemic were most effective, domestic violence cases, drug overdoses, suicides, and other negative actions will need to be included when evaluating the impact the economic lockdown Governor Inslee imposed on state residents. (MyNorthwest)

Eastern Washington

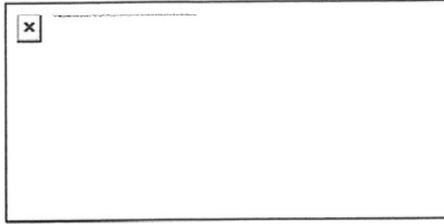
Spokane Councilmember Zach Zappone is receiving criticism for his proposed (and very gerrymandered) redistricting map of city council districts, which splits up existing precincts and neighborhoods, but selfishly benefits himself. Councilmember Zappone barely won his 2021 election by just 272 votes (during which he showed his disregard for road safety laws by repeatedly riding his bike illegally through traffic while filming himself for campaign social media posts) and is now selfishly using his position as an “advisory member” of the city’s redistricting commission to benefit his own political future.

Councilmember Zappone represents the 3rd Council District, which currently leans slightly to the liberals, but a moderate or conservative candidate could still win. Zappone’s partisan plan would increase the number of liberals in his district and make it less likely he would face strong opposition in the future. Zappone’s plan no longer uses I-90 (an obvious border between neighborhoods) to separate the other two council districts and instead uses Trent Avenue which cuts through many neighborhoods. It also splits the property of the iconic Spokane Club into two separate districts.

The redistricting commission has made public four proposed district maps (moderates and conservatives are supportive of map 1, which keeps neighborhoods together). On October 4th the commission will take public comment on the maps and then recommend one map to the city council. The council can then choose from any of the four maps. (CM Zappone’s proposed map, Shift Article, and City of Spokane)

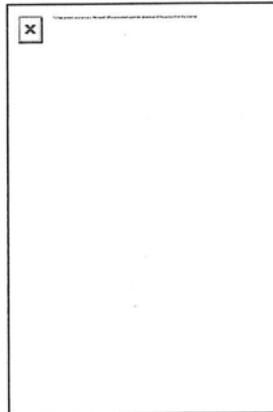
The Kennewick and Richland police departments and the Benton County Sheriff’s office worked together this past week to round up 28 suspected criminals, which law enforcement officials claim are responsible for more than 55 different criminal actions. The suspected repeat offenders have been charged with 27 felonies and 28 misdemeanors. (KEPR – TV)

Legislative Candidate Interview

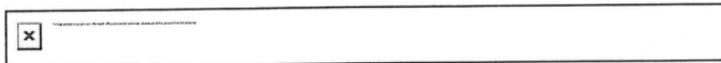


Shift's Newsmaker Interview was with community leader, business owner, and Marine veteran Dan Johnson, the 42nd Legislative District Republican House candidate in the open Position 2 contest. Johnson grew up in Whatcom County, where he owned and operated his family's tow truck business until it was sold in 2019. Johnson worked, as a private citizen in 2009 with then State Representative Doug Ericksen to write the strong DUI legislation known as "Hailey's Law" (the legislation was revised in 2020 to incorporate a Washington State Supreme Court ruling). His campaign recently released a video of Johnson driving around Bellingham while describing how failed liberal crime, drug, and homeless policies have had a negative impact on the community.

In his Shift Interview, Johnson outlines his legislative agenda to reverse the Democrats' disastrous anti-police package to "restore a safe living environment for our citizens", implement meaningful emergency powers reform, and to provide Washington residents with tax relief by reducing the state's property, sales, and fuel taxes. Johnson also provides a timeless classic as one of his all-time favorite books. ([Click to read full Newsmaker Interview](#))



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To: Zack Zappone <zzappone@gmail.com>

Thanks Zack

Colin Tiernan
Reporter
The Spokesman-Review
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Dear friends,

My September 15th Campaign Kick Off was successful. Thank you for supporting that event in person or by donating to my re-election campaign. As you can see from the pictures, it was a wonderful night!

Following the lead of Council President Breean Beggs, the majority on the Spokane City Council continue to undermine law enforcement by voting 4-3 to take \$120,000 from the Spokane Police Department's drug enforcement fund from civil asset forfeitures. You can read about the decision [here](#). Beggs argued that more money was needed for rehabilitation, though money could have come out of ARPA funds. This is just one more example of the smoke and mirrors efforts to defund the police.

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Camp Hope continues to be an issue for our community. We are actively working to relocate people into better situations before winter weather arrives and are working with the county and state. Please take the time to watch and listen to my latest comments.

The Spokane Spokane Redistricting Board is currently redrawing the City Council District Lines. The board is made up of one appointed commissioner from each district and Council President Breean Beggs and Councilman Zach Zappone are on the advisory committee. There are 4 maps proposed. The Redistricting Board's decision will impact City of Spokane

elections for the next 10 years.

You can look at the proposed districts [here](#). The two remaining steps in the process include getting public feedback on the maps and council approval. This is the time to make your voice heard.

Here is how you can help:

1. Please **FILL OUT** the **online survey** [here](#). Please rank the maps in the following order:
 - i. [Map #1](#) – Minimal Changes with Shared Downtown
 - ii. [Map #3](#) – Geographic Boundaries A
 - iii. [Map #4](#) – Geographic Boundaries B
 - iv. [Map #2](#) – Neighborhood Council Boundaries with Shared Downtown
2. Please **EMAIL** the committee with feedback to Hannahlee Allers at hallers@spokanecity.org by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, October 2, 2022.
3. Please **ATTEND**, in person, the public comment meeting on **Tuesday, October 4 at 5 PM** in City Council Chambers and sign up to testify **FOR** Map #1 and **AGAINST** Map #2.
4. Please **SHARE** this information with others (friends, neighbors, colleagues, employees) who are like-minded and want to protect fair elections in Spokane.

I'm in this fight to make sure Spokane continues to be the beautiful and vibrant city we are proud to call home. With your help, we'll keep it that way!

For Spokane,
Nadine

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From: Allers, Hannahlee <hallery@spokanecity.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2022 10:00 AM
To: 'Rick Friedlander' <rickfriedlander@comcast.net>; 'HBS Yahoo' <habstevens@yahoo.com>; 'Jennifer Thomas' <jennkimiko@gmail.com>; Beggs, Breean <bbeggs@spokanecity.org>; Zappone, Zack <zzappone@spokanecity.org>
Cc: Piccolo, Mike <mpiccolo@spokanecity.org>; Gunn, Jeff <jgunn@spokanecity.org>; Thomas, Kelly <kthomas@spokanecity.org>
Subject: RE: 8/31 Redistricting Meeting Agenda

An updated agenda is attached to include maps from CM Zappone.

Hannahlee Allers | Director, City Council Office

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Cc: Piccolo, Mike <mpiccolo@spokanecity.org>; Gunn, Jeff <jgunn@spokanecity.org>; Thomas, Kelly <kthomas@spokanecity.org>

Subject: 8/31 Redistricting Meeting Agenda

(Do not reply all)

Attached is the agenda for tomorrow's meeting. See you there!

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**SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE/AGENDA OF THE
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**A special meeting of the City of Spokane Redistricting Board will be held
on Wednesday, August 31, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.**

A special meeting of the City of Spokane's Redistricting Board will be held at **3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 31, 2022**, in City Council Briefing Center – Lower Level of City Hall, 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd. The meeting can also be accessed virtually via the Microsoft Teams meeting info on the attached agenda.

The meeting will be conducted in a study session format and will be open to the public both virtually and in person. Public testimony will be taken – information on how to give testimony can be found on the agenda attached.

Agenda Attached


Council President Breean Beggs

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City of Spokane

Redistricting Board
8/31/2022, 3:00 p.m.

<u>Meeting Agenda</u>		
3:00 p.m.	1. Approval of <u>August 24, 2022, Meeting Minutes</u>	
3:05 p.m.	2. Public Comment Period (see below)	
3:20 p.m.	3. Map Presentations & Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Rick Friedlander</u> • <u>Heather Beebe-Stevens</u> • <u>Jennifer Thomas</u> • <u>Zack Zappone</u> 	Board Members
4:00 p.m.	4. Public Comment Period (see below)	
4:15 p.m.	5. Possible vote on maps to move forward	Board Members
6:20 p.m.	6. Additional Updates & Next Steps	
6:30 p.m.	7. Adjourn	

Participating in Public Comment:

Members of the public will have 3 minutes to give testimony before the Board. Testimony sign up is open from 2:00-3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 31, 2022. You must sign up by 3:00 p.m. to be called on to testify. Sign up forms will be available in the Briefing Center for in-person attendees.

Those wishing to give testimony virtually can sign up between 2:00-3:00 p.m. at <https://forms.gle/EFu4Rdh4htE8K3846>. (If you are unable to access the form by clicking the hyperlink, please copy and paste the link address into your browser window.) Instructions for participation are provided on the form when you sign up.

Individuals giving testimony shall follow the same rules for giving testimony before City Council and shall not use profanity, engage in obscene speech, or make personal comment or verbal insults about any individual. All comments shall relate to the work of the Redistricting Board.

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MEETING MINUTES
City of Spokane
Redistricting Board
August 24, 2022

Call to Order: 5:25 p.m.

Recording of the meeting may be viewed here:

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Attendance:

Board Members Present: Rick Freidlander; Heather Beebe-Stevens, Jennifer Thomas (arrived at 5:36 p.m.); Breean Beggs (liaison member; arrived at 5:32 p.m.), Zack Zappone (liaison member)

Board Members Absent: None

Agenda Items:

1. Approval of July 20, 2022, Meeting Minutes
 - Presenters:
N/A
 - Action taken
Motion by Heather Beebe-Stevens to approve the minutes from July 20, 2022, Board meeting; seconded by Rick Friedlander. Motion passed 2-0 (Jennifer Thomas absent).
2. Q&A with County Auditor's Office
 - Presenters:
Vickie Dalton, Spokane County Auditor; Mike McLaughlin; Spokane County Elections Manager
 - Action taken
Presentation and discussion only, no action taken.
3. Review of Board Goals & Responsibilities
 - Presenters:
Board Members; Mike Piccolo, City of Spokane
 - Action taken
Presentation and discussion only, no was taken.
4. Report on Community Meetings
 - Presenters:

Rick Friedlander's Maps

Map 1

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Heather Beebe-Stevens' Maps

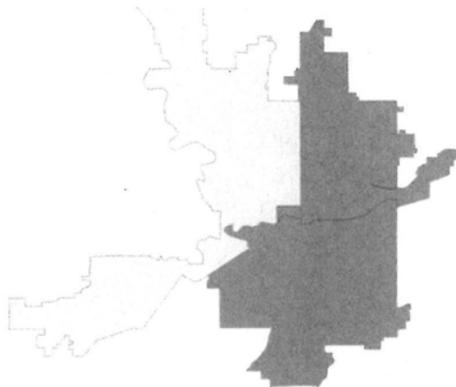
Map 1 – East Central Split

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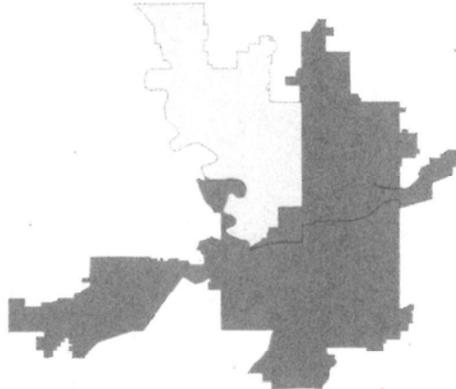
Map 2 – Neighborhoods V1

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Map 3 – Neighborhoods V2

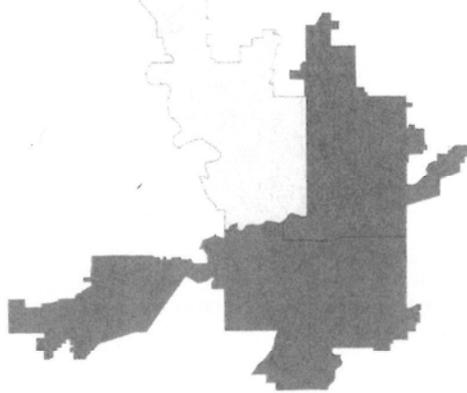
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Jennifer Thomas' Maps

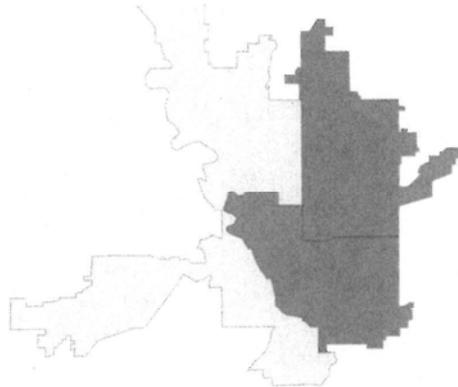
Map 1 - Balanced Minimalist with Shared Downtown

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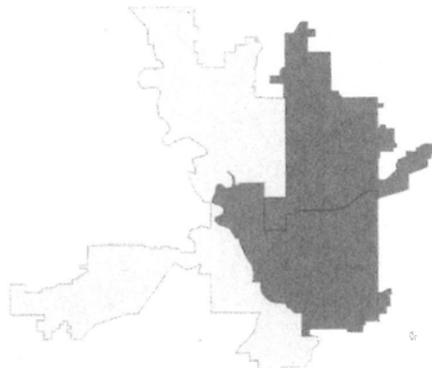
Map 2 – Cohesive Flow

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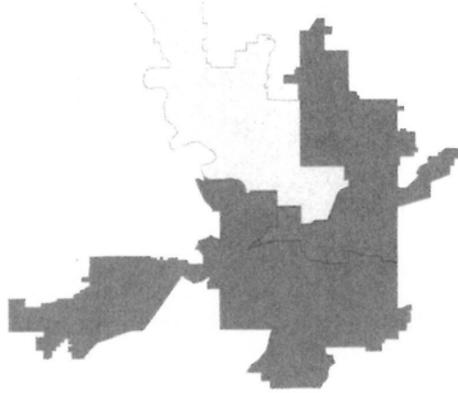
Map 3 – Neighborhoods Prioritized

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Map 4 – Population & Neighborhoods Prioritized

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Zack Zappone's Maps

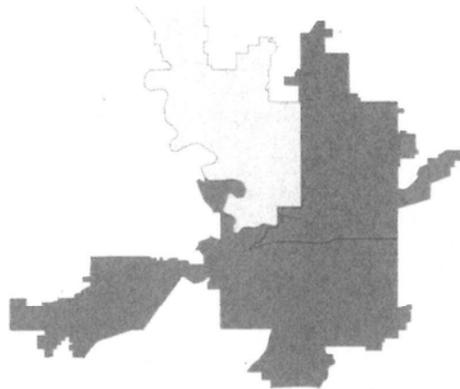
Map 1 – Whole Neighborhood Councils

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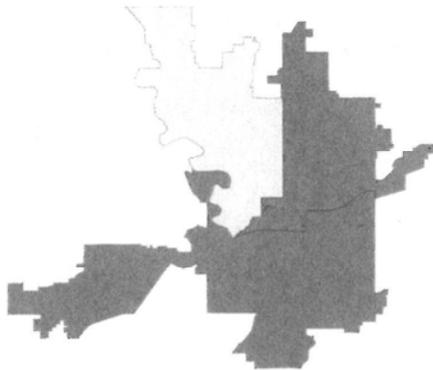
Map 2 – East Central Split #1

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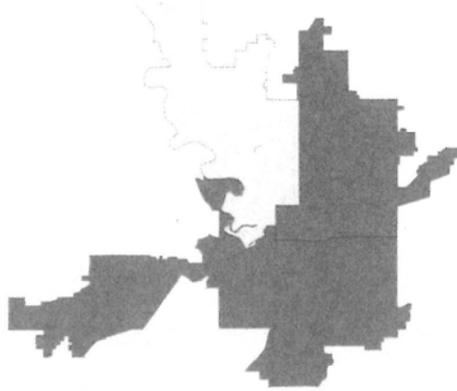
Map 3 – East Central Split #2

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Map 4 – Riverside & East Central Split

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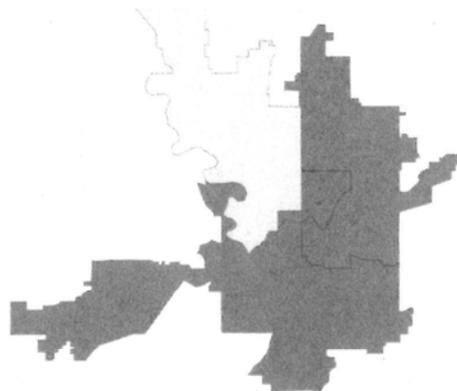
Map 5 – East Central D1 #1

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Map 6 – East Central D1 #2

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- Board Members
- Action taken
Presentation and discussion only, no action taken.

5. Thought Exchange Survey Overview

- Presenters:
Hannahlee Allers, City Council Staff
- Action taken
Presentation and discussion only, no was taken.

6. Initial Map Proposals

- Presenters:
Board Members
- Action taken
Presentation and discussion only, no was taken.

7. Additional Updates & Next Steps

- Presenters:
Board Members
- Action taken
Presentation and discussion only, no was taken.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Prepared By:
Hannahlee Allers, Council Office Director

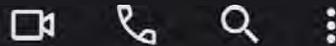
Approved on Month, XX, 20XX.

Rick Friedlander
Chair

EXHIBIT 5



← Jeff Gunn



I think it makes sense to just add more districts. So split them. That way you never end up with a mike / Kate

Geographically our districts are big

Do like a north south split on 1 and 3 and a east west split on 2



We are doing council redistricting right now soooo

Well it's not a thing to consider at redistricting now. We are only allowed to do minor changes for population adjustment. By charter.
We'd have to change the charter for changing districts.
But still a question of how would that impact our composition on council. Would it give more voice to conservatives?

We'd have to see. Just an interesting idea

Cleveland 330k people have 17 council members and 17 districts. She said with low turnout can be 3k voters

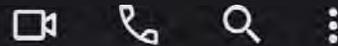
We definitely need a charter change under our belts



Text message



← Jeff Gunn



Are you good if I work from home today? It doesn't seem like there's anything I need to be in person for

J

I might have to come in to be the second computer for the redistricting meeting but I'll touch base with hannahlee

No worries. Sounds good

Wednesday, Aug 24 • 11:04 AM

Can you call a constituent named Colette today around noon? She just has some questions / concerns about "spending". Was super specific to me on the phone but she seems nice and just wants to chat. [509 220 0239](tel:5092200239)

J

Wasn't super specific *

Ok i can do that

J

Perfect

Wednesday, Aug 24 • 1:24 PM

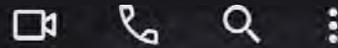
Fiery talk with Colette. She says she will definitely be calling me in the future. She is a caller. lol



Text message



Jeff Gunn



Thursday, Oct 20 • 1:33 PM

Have you not seen the talking points?



I don't think so?

Don't divide our neighborhoods

- Map #2 doesn't divide any neighborhood. It unites East Central, Riverside, and West Hills neighborhoods, which have been divided
- Map #1 was the only map that divided East Central along Interstate-90, which continues the history of systemic racism that erodes Black influence in Sp...
- Residents feel like their council members are not responsive to them when they have four council members
 - Divided neighborhoods means that council members sometimes fight each other over who they represent like the East Central Library
 - It also means constituents don't get responses
- The Commission's public outreach process is not representative of the community.
- Map 2 doesn't change the districts much as conservatives say – 95% of City residents would stay in the same district.

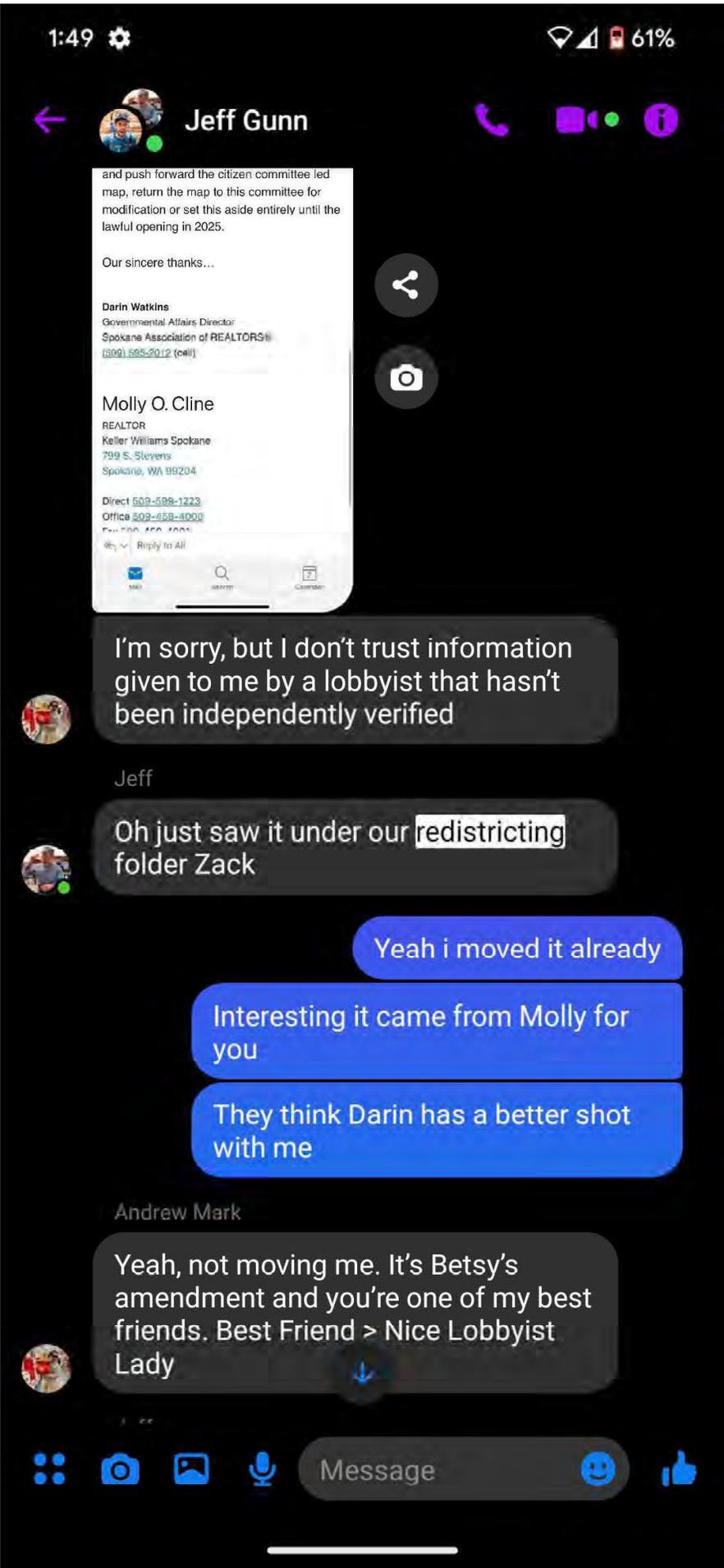
But idk if she can do that

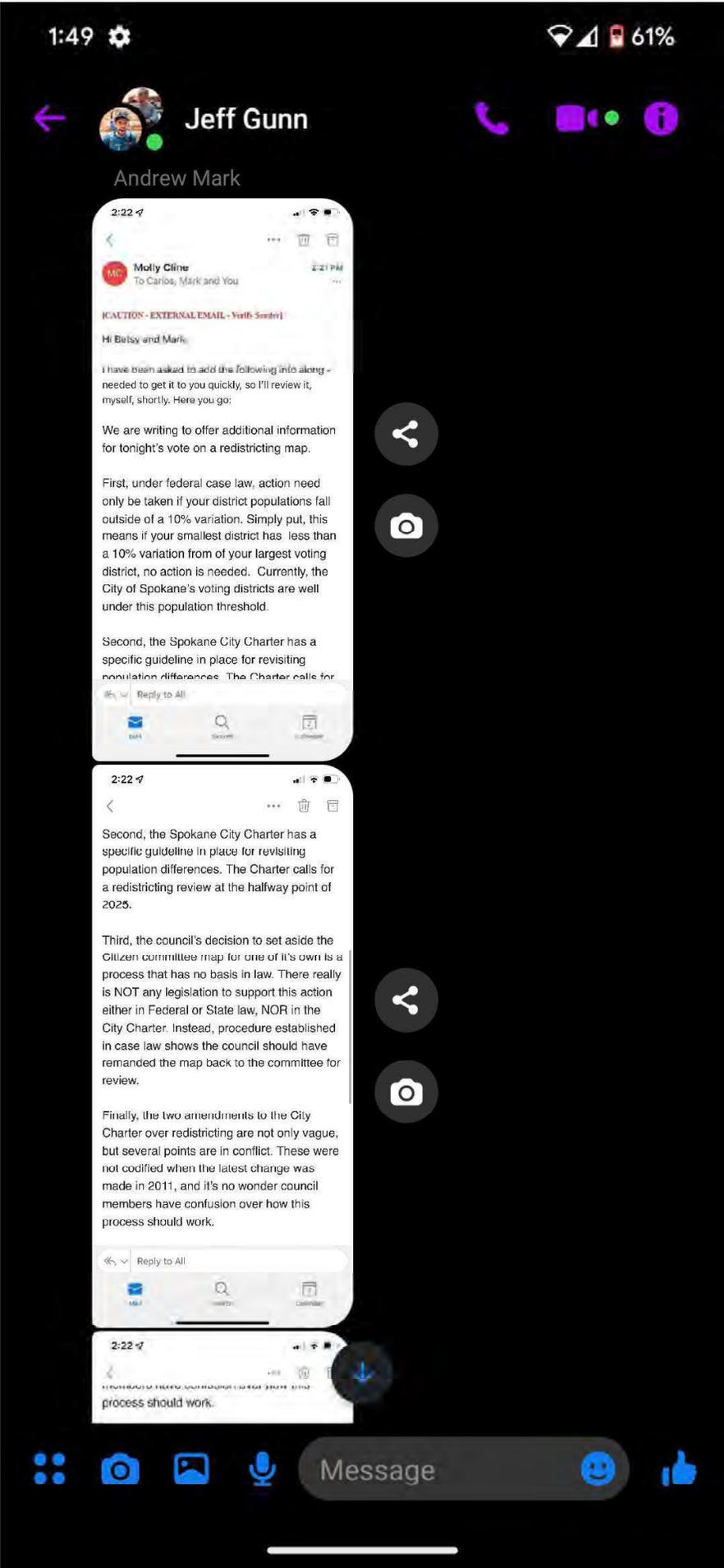
I would say if she's able to put it on the redistricting website. Yes. Idk what she's thinking



Text message







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Jeff Gunn

Andrew Mark

2:22

Molly Cline
To Carlos, Mark and You

CAUTION - EXTERNAL EMAIL - Verify Sender!

Hi Betsy and Mark,

I have been asked to add the following info along - needed to get it to you quickly, so I'll review it, myself, shortly. Here you go:

We are writing to offer additional information for tonight's vote on a redistricting map.

First, under federal case law, action need only be taken if your district populations fall outside of a 10% variation. Simply put, this means if your smallest district has less than a 10% variation from of your largest voting district, no action is needed. Currently, the City of Spokane's voting districts are well under this population threshold.

Second, the Spokane City Charter has a specific guideline in place for revisiting population differences. The Charter calls for

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Second, the Spokane City Charter has a specific guideline in place for revisiting population differences. The Charter calls for a redistricting review at the halfway point of 2025.

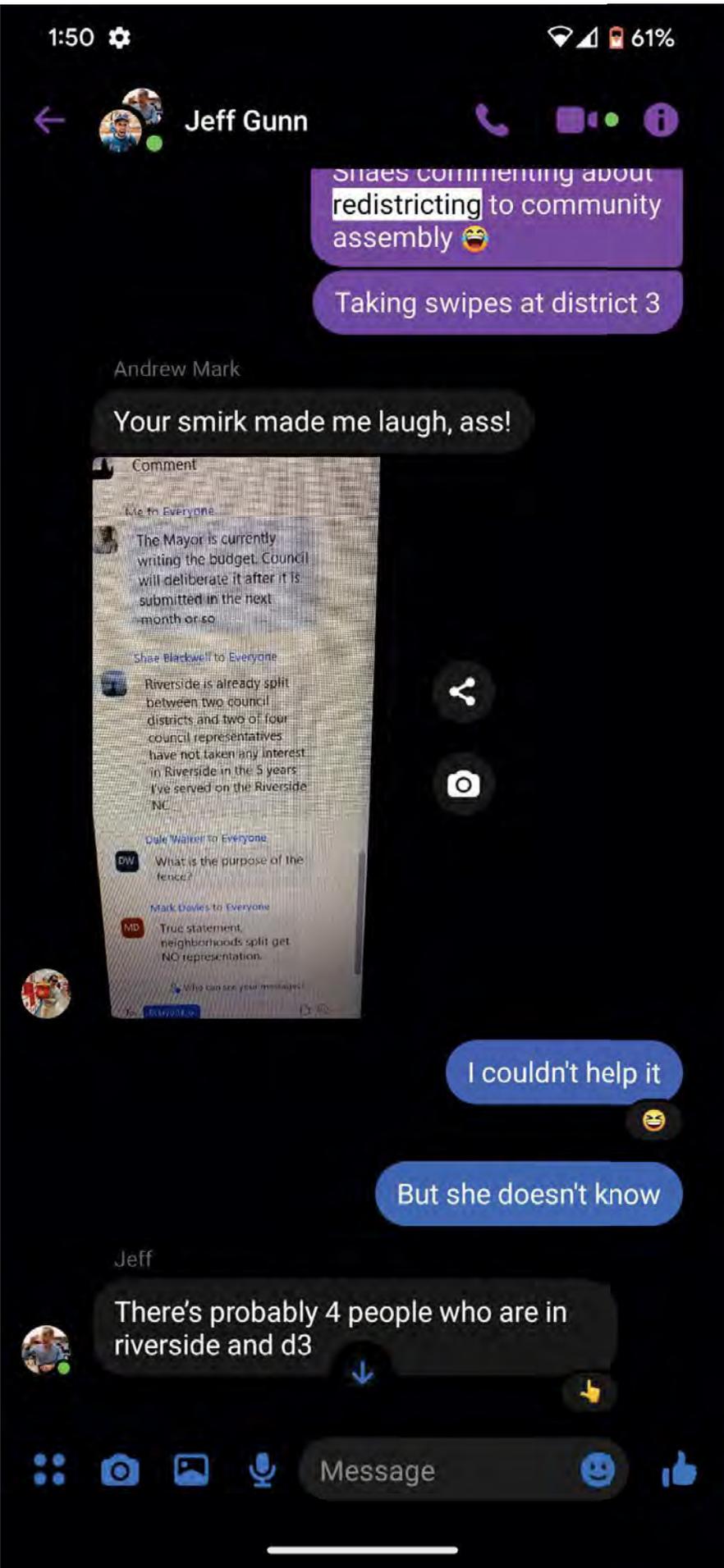
Third, the council's decision to set aside the Citizen committee map for one of it's own is a process that has no basis in law. There really is NOT any legislation to support this action either in Federal or State law, NOR in the City Charter. Instead, procedure established in case law shows the council should have remanded the map back to the committee for review.

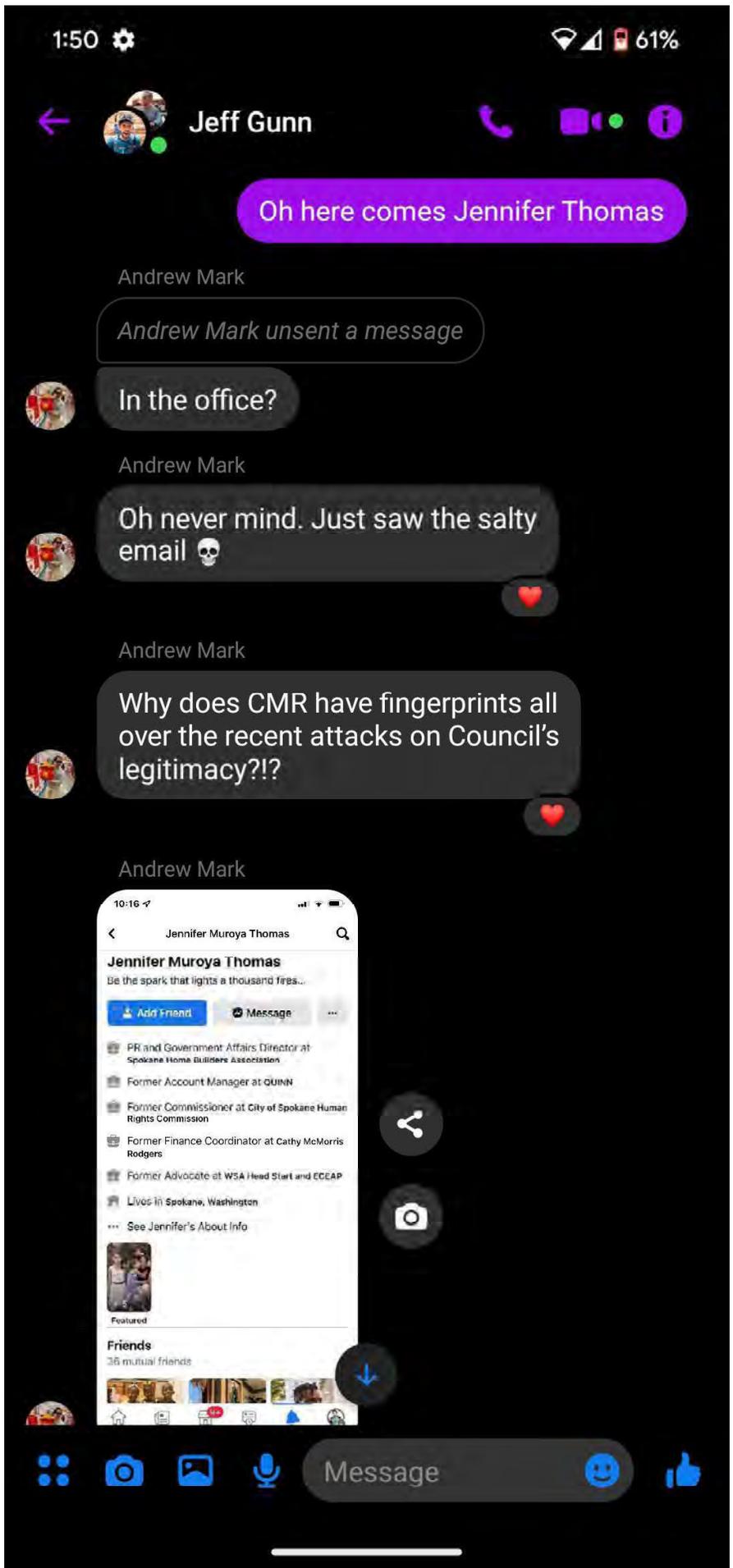
Finally, the two amendments to the City Charter over redistricting are not only vague, but several points are in conflict. These were not codified when the latest change was made in 2011, and it's no wonder council members have confusion over how this process should work.

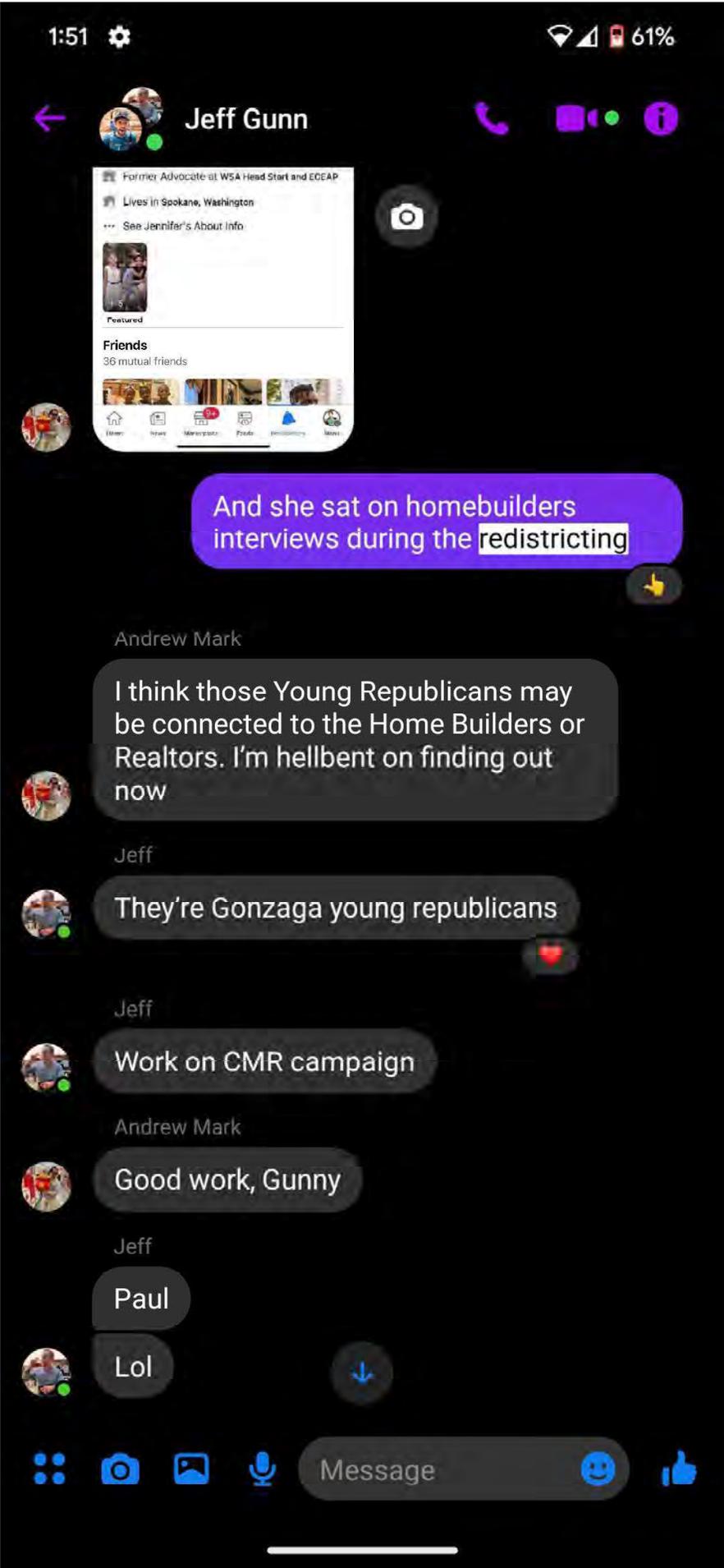
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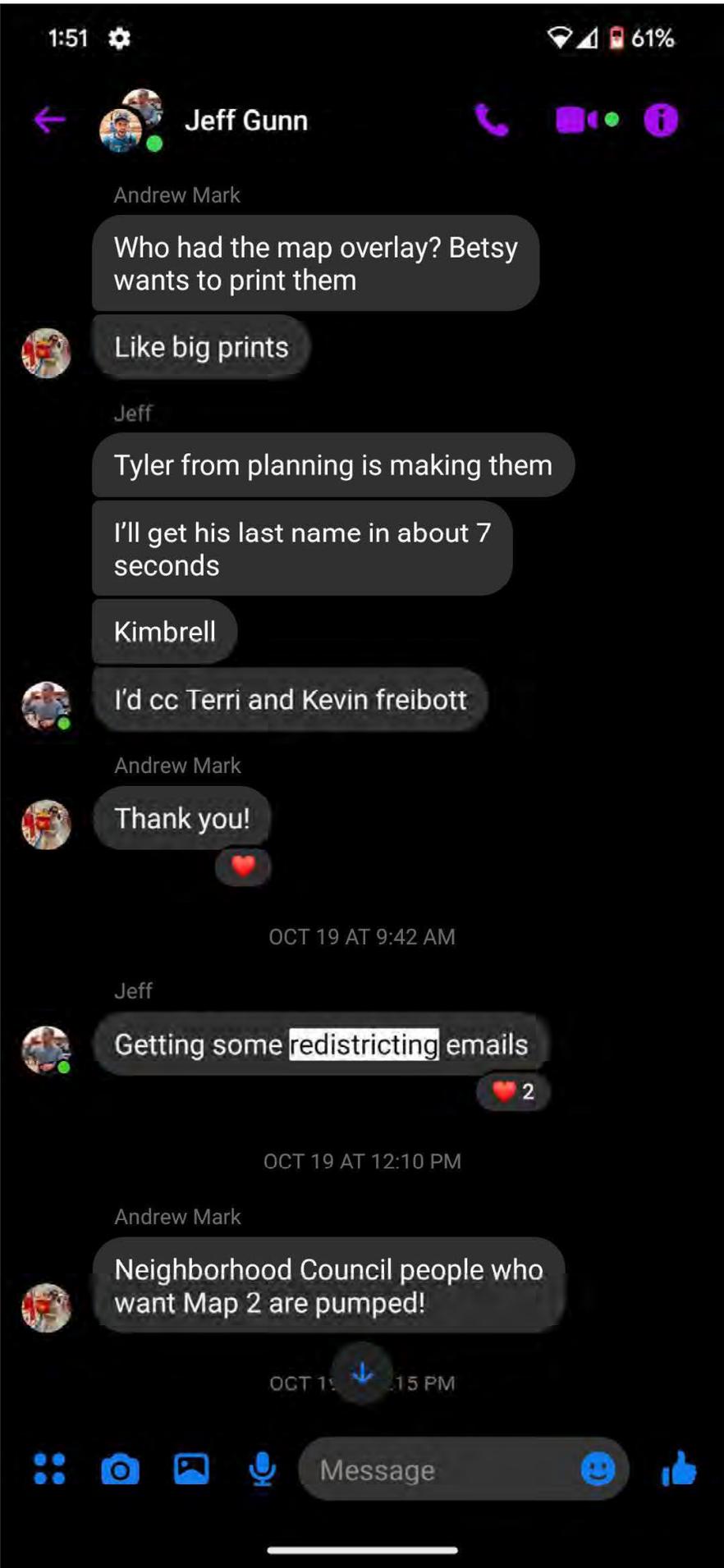
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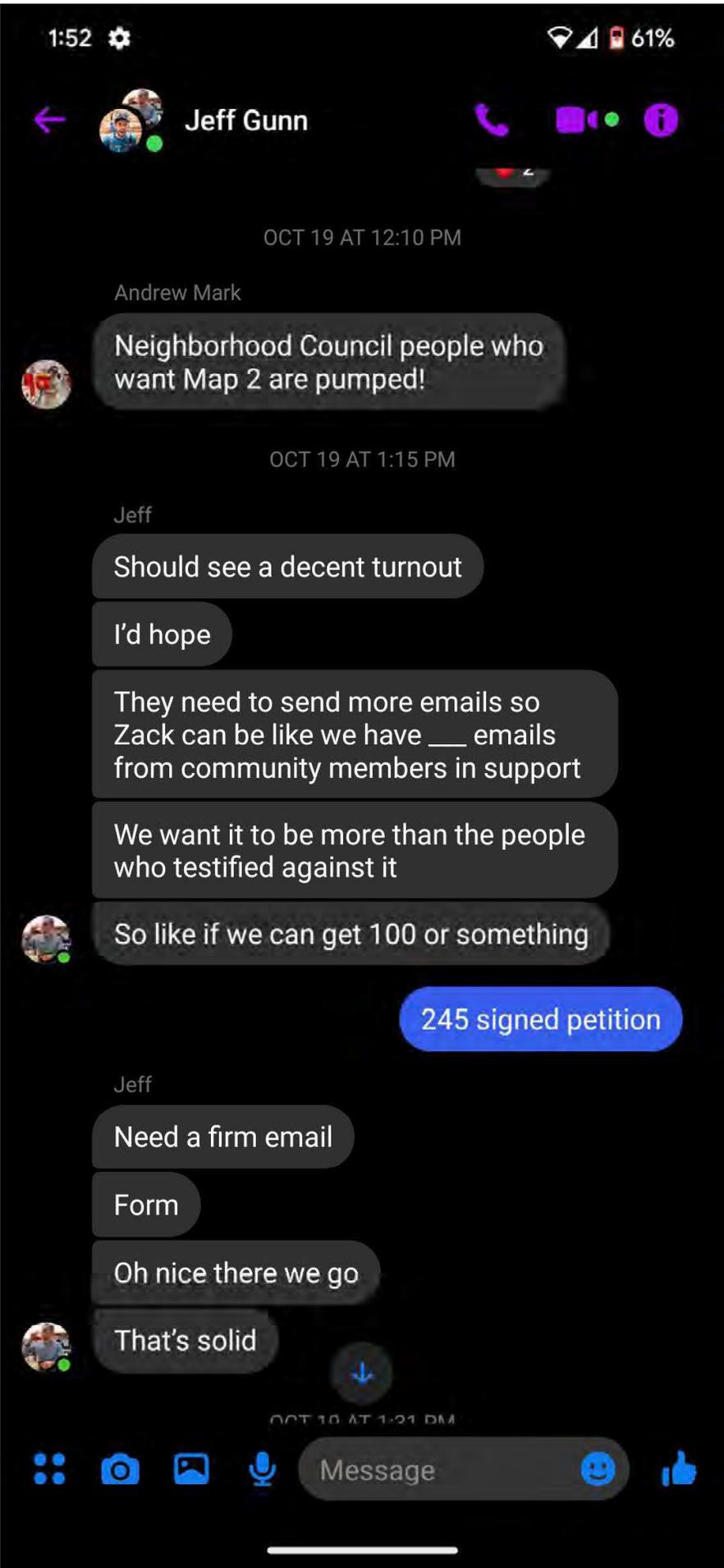
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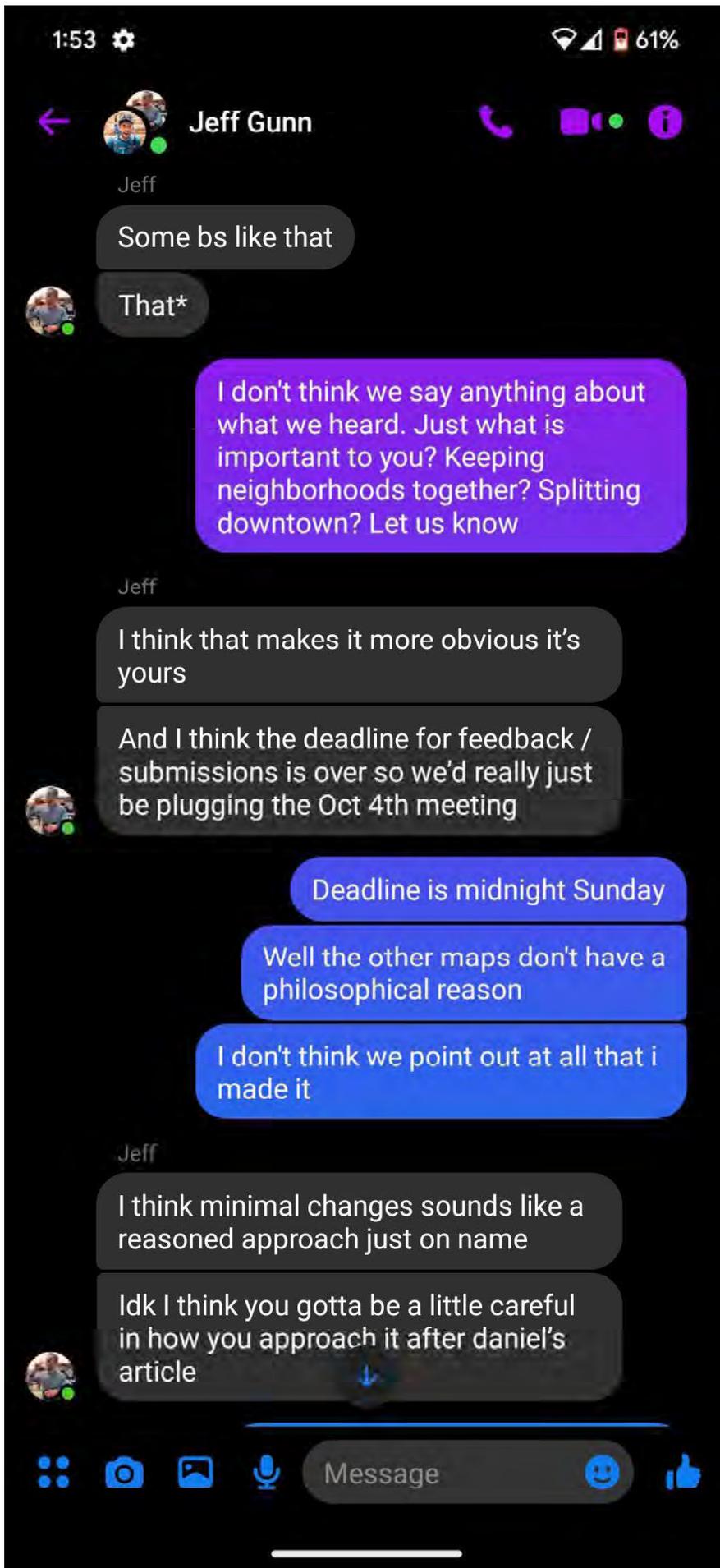


EXHIBIT 6

← Josh Walters



Map 4-6 are also my maps

But this is what the debate is. Lol

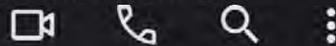
Some conservatives are saying i shouldn't get a say. And that it's an ethics question

But city legal says that we can participate on it

J Do they think that you should abstain from participating? Or do they want to change the law so that you can't.

They think i shouldn't participate. Even tho city charter says the commission is to be made up of 3 independent commissioners and 2 non voting

← Josh Walters



They think i shouldn't participate. Even tho the city charter says the commission is to be made up of 3 independent commissioners and 2 non voting members of council

And council eventually adopts a map. Commission recommends to council. And we can change it

I think the Republicans told your brother that i drew a map that would benefit me. And that one is my map #1. Which was one of four that moved on to the final.

It gives Browne's addition and peaceful valley to me

And they are all upset. The reason I give it to me is that it's the only way I was able to make all the neighborhoods whole in one council district and not split between two districts

That seems reasonable.



Your reasoning.

Yep yep. It's really the only way to make it work. I told your brother to try making one himself

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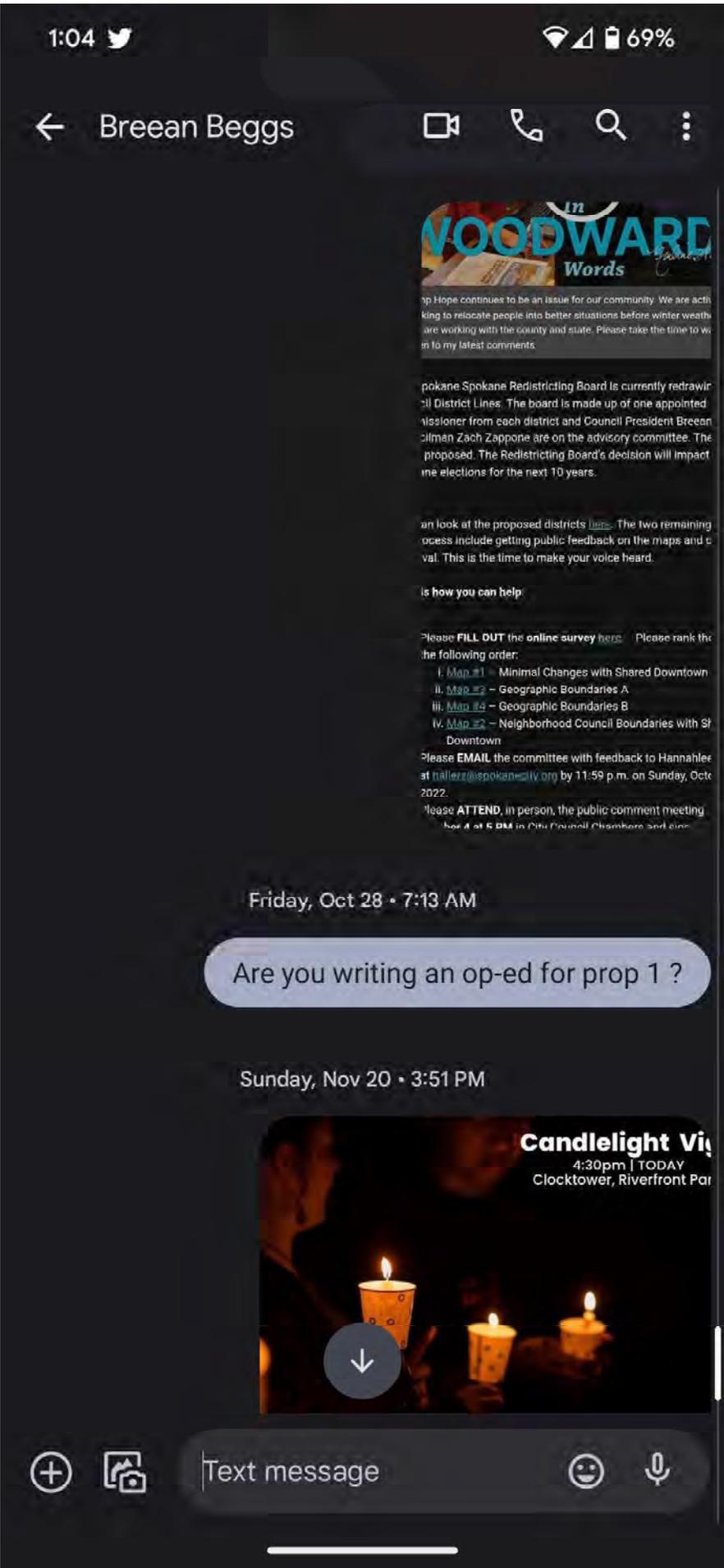
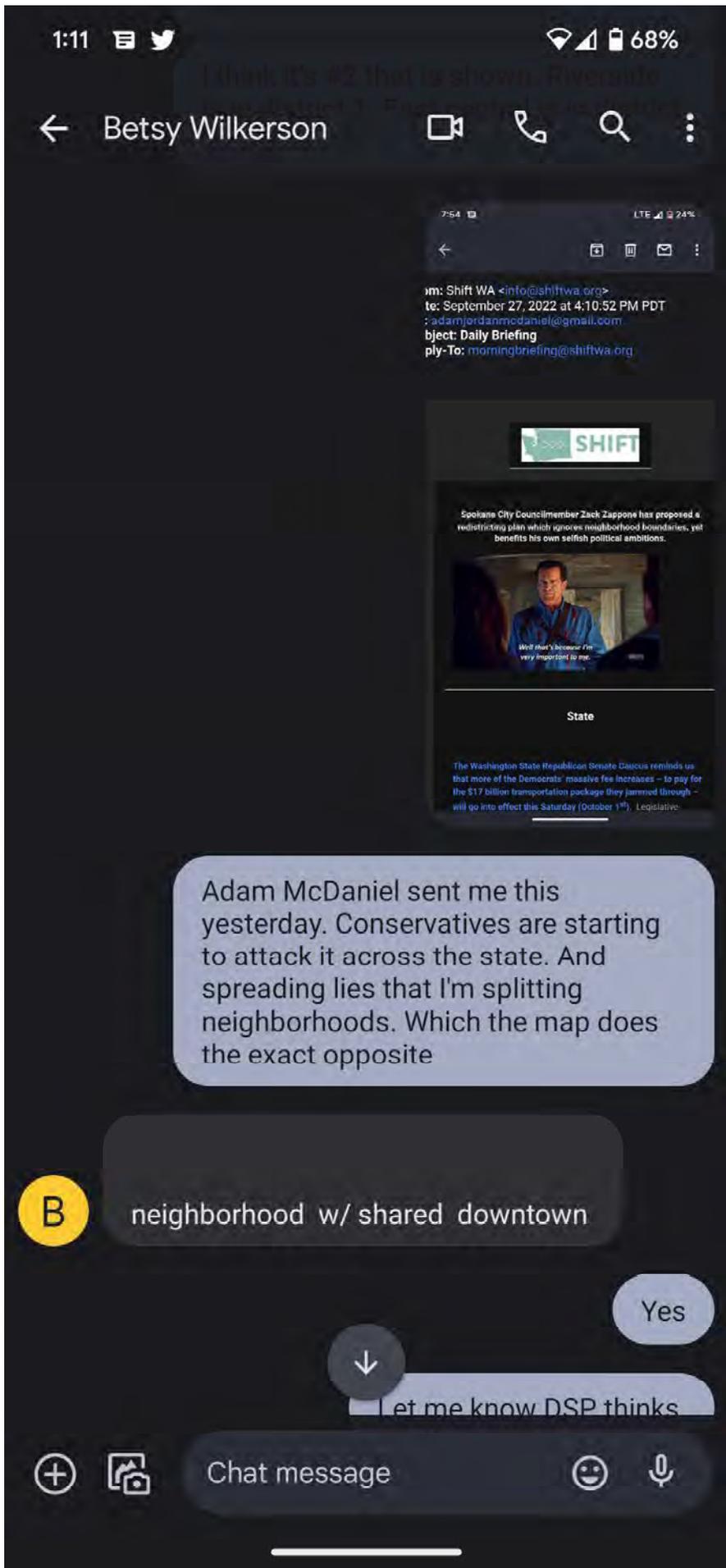


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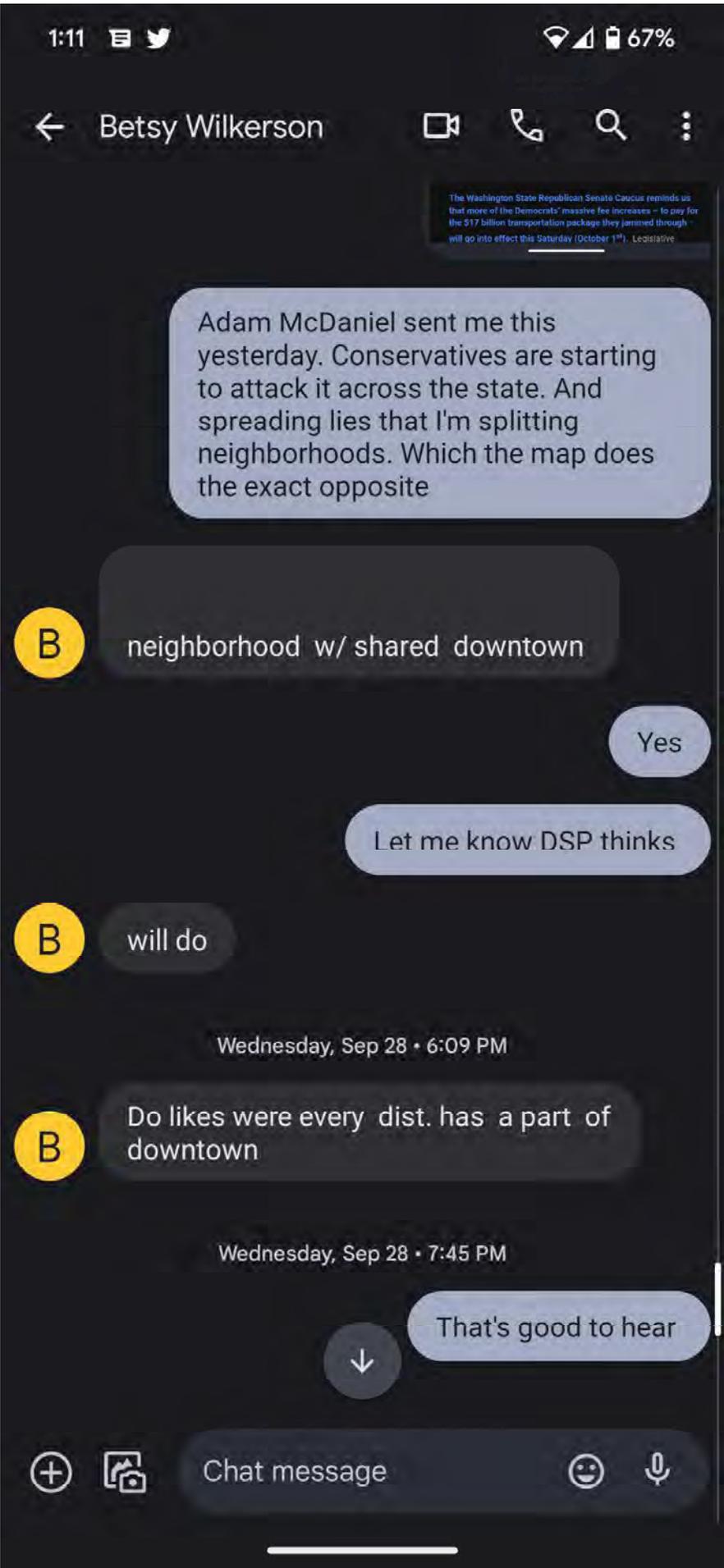


EXHIBIT 9

Saturday, Oct 1 • 2:11 AM

https://www.thecentersquare.com/washington/ethical-question-raised-about-spokanes-council-redistricting-process/article_1ca2bb44-40ee-11ed-abe1-abb99eb40777.html

Subject: Ethical question raised about Spokane's

Don't know if you saw this one. Keep up the good work. No one but partisans care about reapportionment. The map looks good. Don't take this crap seriously. Save the majority



Oh yeah. Daniel Walters also wrote a piece, which was disappointing

danmcdaniel@gmail.com
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kane City Councilmember Zack Zappone has pr
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benefits his own selfish political ambitions



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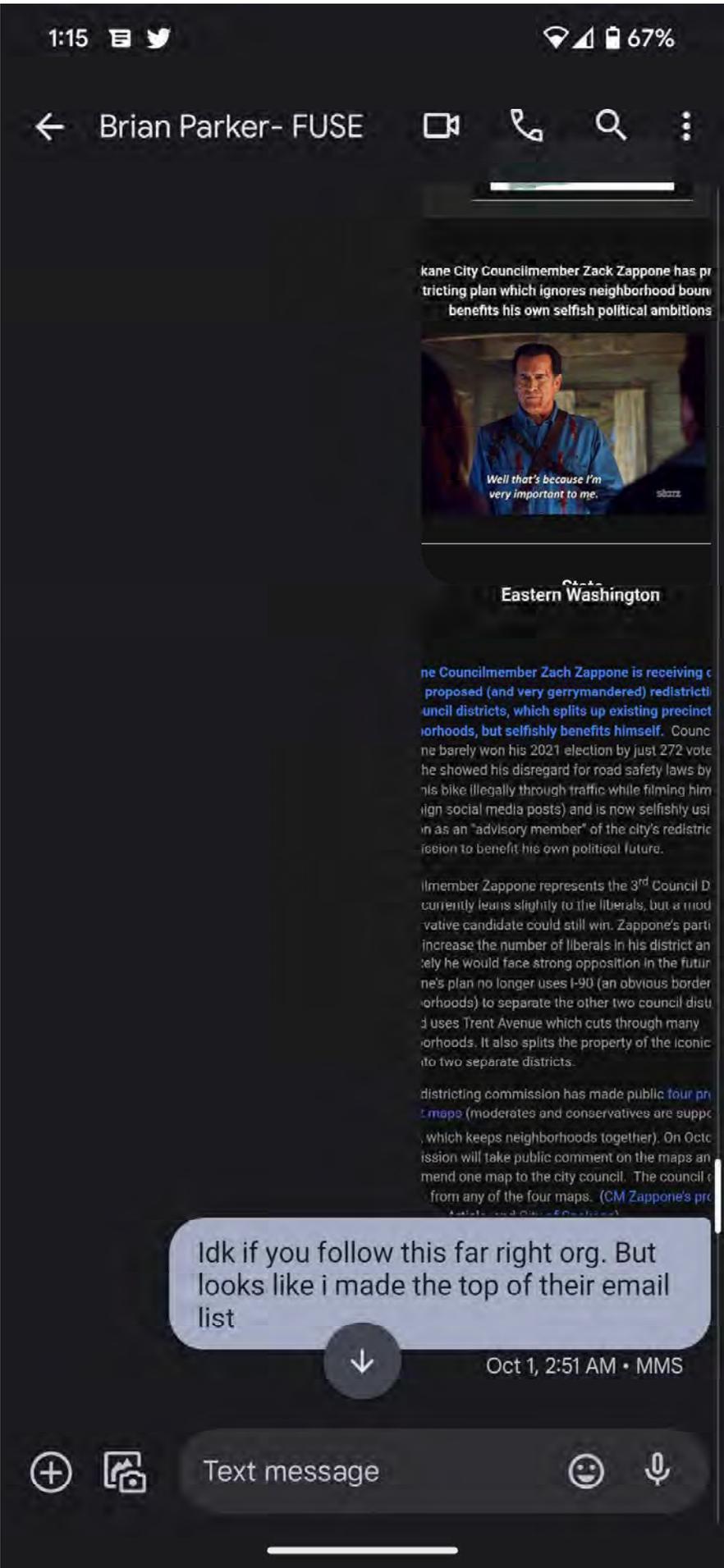
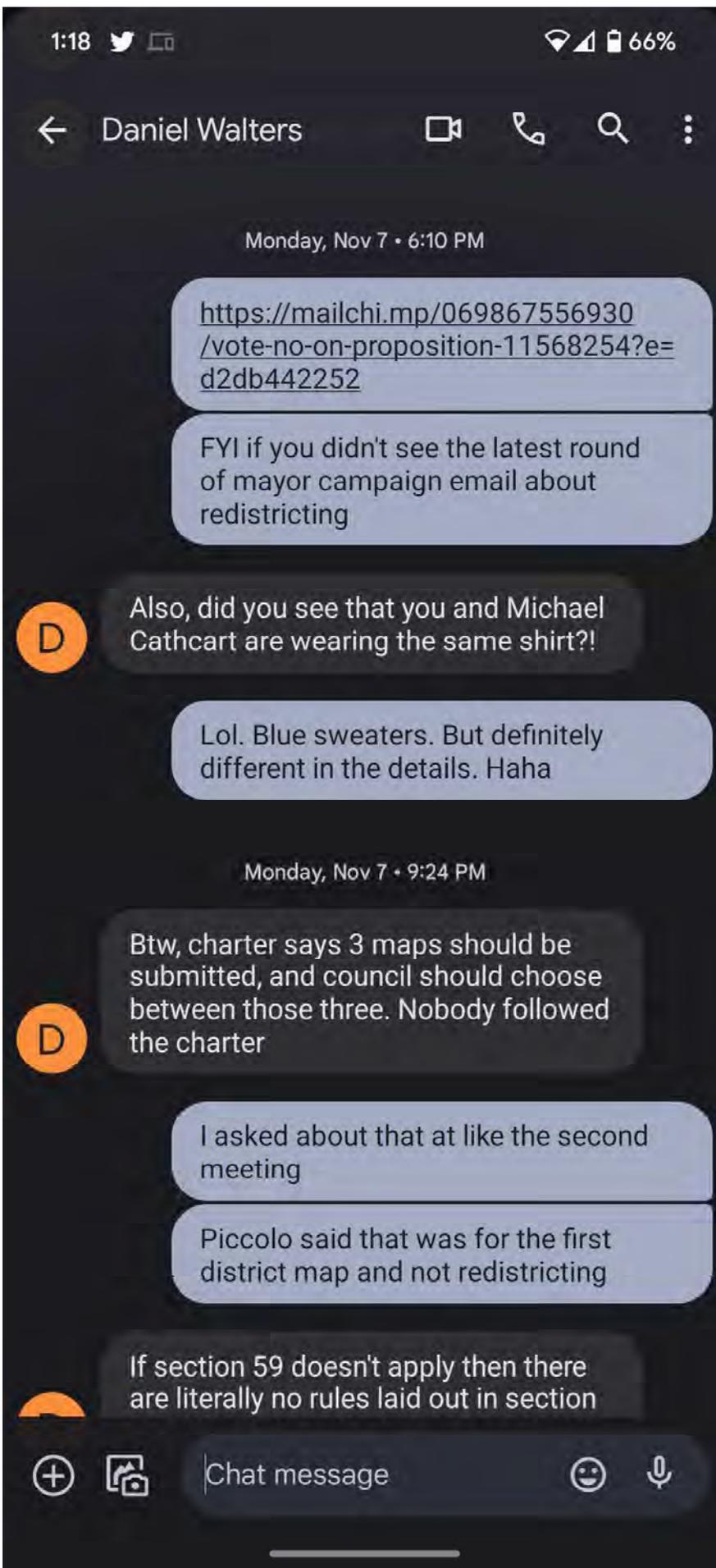


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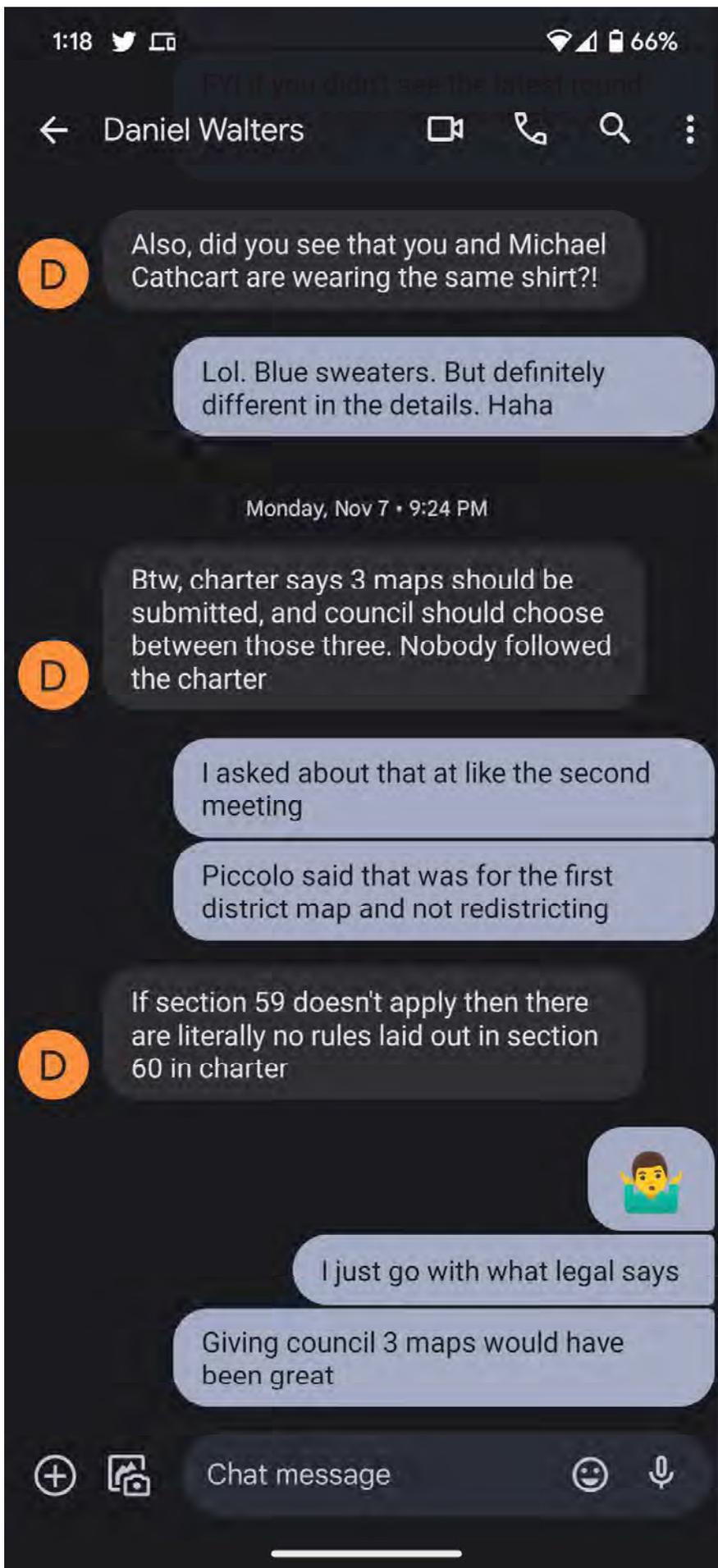
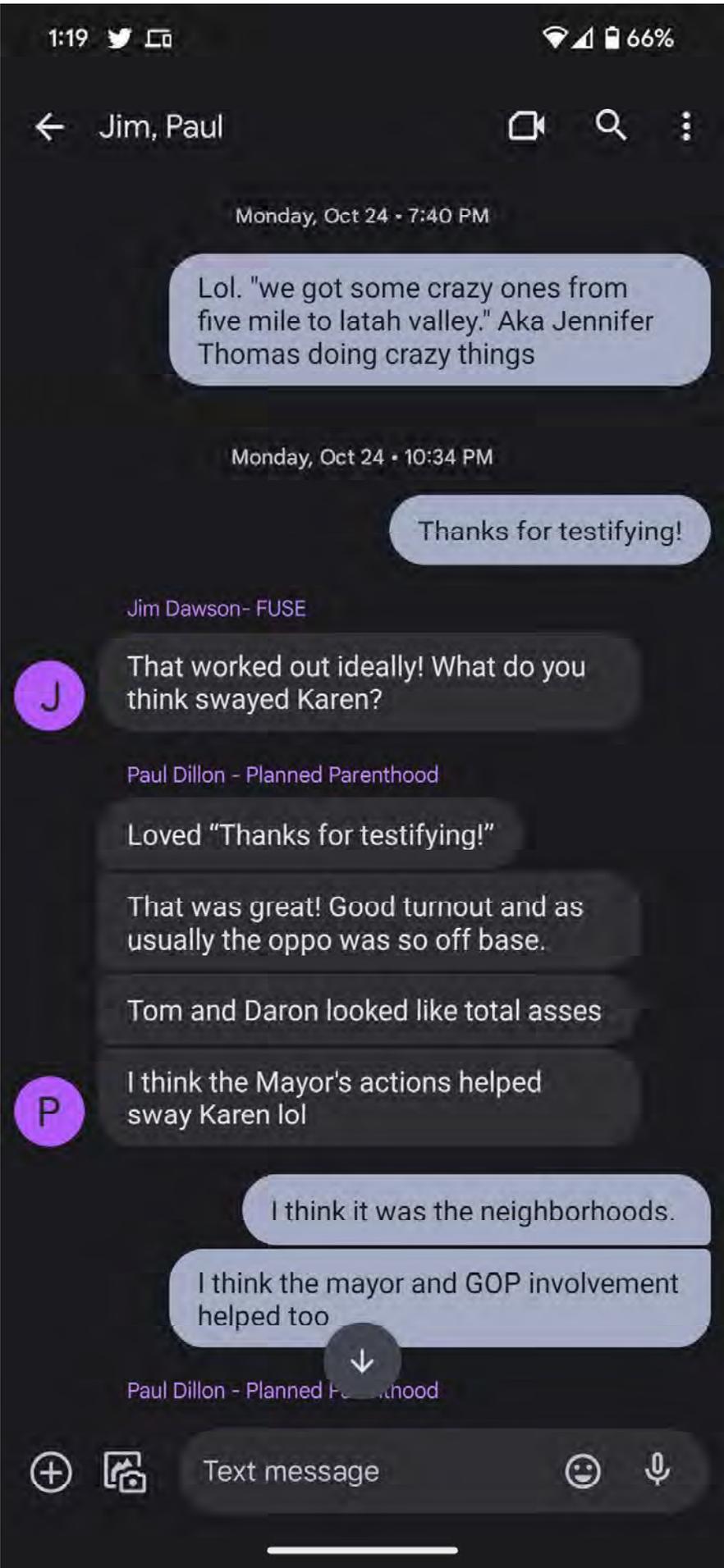
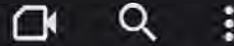


EXHIBIT 11



← Jim, Paul



Monday, Oct 24 - 7:40 PM

Lol. "we got some crazy ones from five mile to latah valley." Aka Jennifer Thomas doing crazy things

Monday, Oct 24 - 10:34 PM

Thanks for testifying!

Jim Dawson- FUSE



That worked out ideally! What do you think swayed Karen?

Paul Dillon - Planned Parenthood

Loved "Thanks for testifying!"

That was great! Good turnout and as usually the oppo was so off base.

Tom and Daron looked like total asses



I think the Mayor's actions helped sway Karen lol

I think it was the neighborhoods.

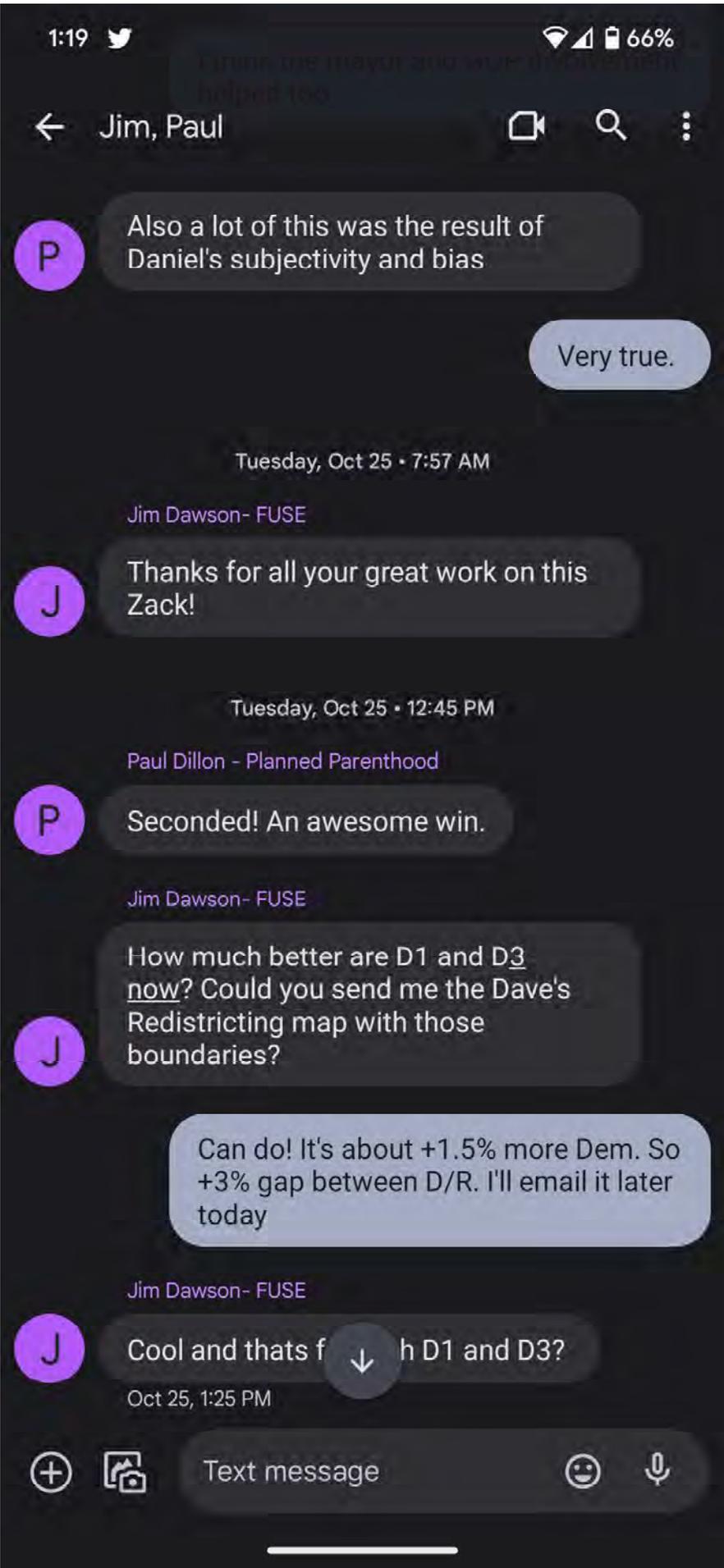
I think the mayor and GOP involvement helped too

Paul Dillon - Planned Parenthood



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← Jim, Paul



Also a lot of this was the result of Daniel's subjectivity and bias

Very true.

Tuesday, Oct 25 - 7:57 AM

Jim Dawson- FUSE



Thanks for all your great work on this Zack!

Tuesday, Oct 25 - 12:45 PM

Paul Dillon - Planned Parenthood



Seconded! An awesome win.

Jim Dawson- FUSE



How much better are D1 and D3 now? Could you send me the Dave's Redistricting map with those boundaries?

Can do! It's about +1.5% more Dem. So +3% gap between D/R. I'll email it later today

Jim Dawson- FUSE



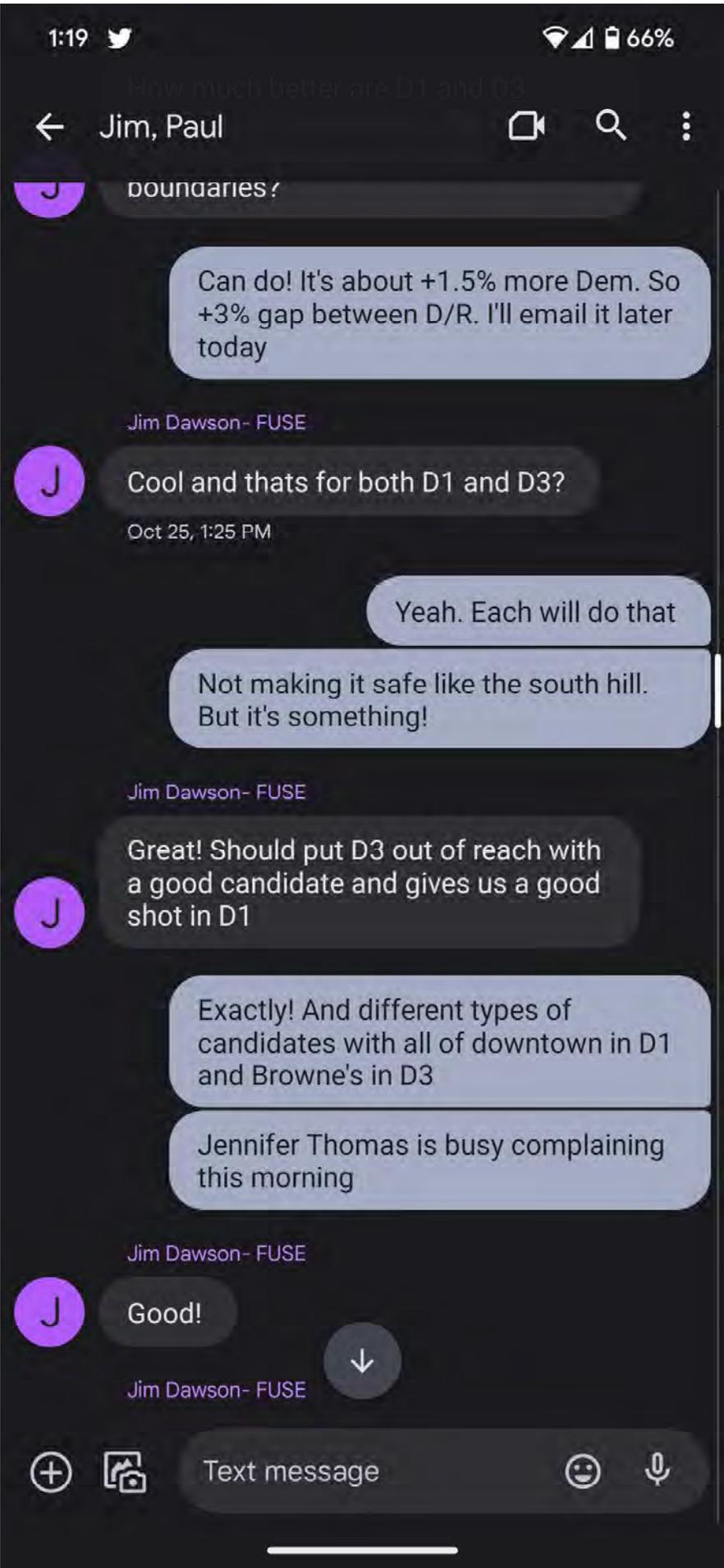
Cool and thats f... h D1 and D3?

Oct 25, 1:25 PM

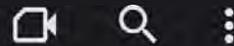


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Paul Dillon - Planned Parenthood

Jennifer Thomas: "I feel like I live in Gotham right now." Hahaha

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P

Lol. Love that! She also sent a complaint to all of us and mayor today about the process

Paul Dillon - Planned Parenthood

Saw that. So much corruption for that 1.5% increase!

P

Hhaha right!

And how do they know all the partisan swing if Jennifer isn't feeding it to everyone

Paul Dillon - Planned Parenthood

It's just wild how much they care about city council. I saw Spokane Good government was raising money and thought it was for county candidates. Nope, instead used it to hit Breean on Prop 1.

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EXHIBIT 12



Macklin Scheldrup

last seen yesterday at 8:24 AM



September 1, 2022

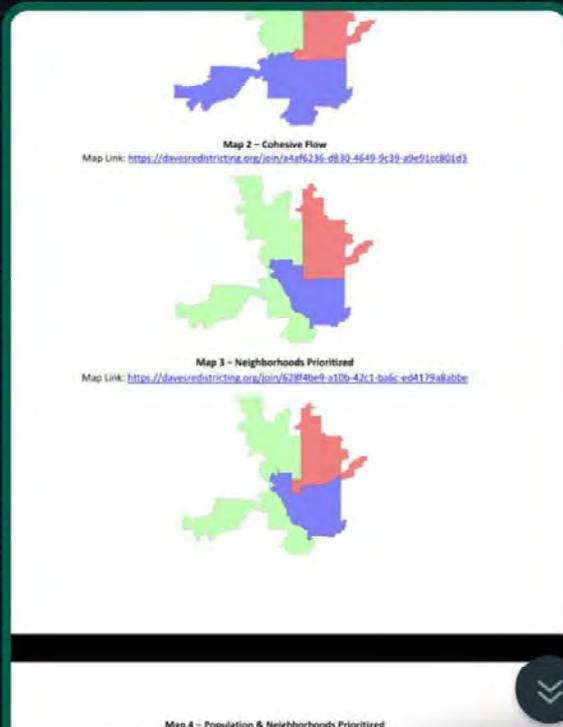
Well that was a contentious **redistricting** meeting. The 3 person commission. With 2 council liaisons.

One of the commissioners works for the Spokane home builders association. Apparently former school board candidate. Basically Republican operative. She kept trying to shut down my map. She told the committee she didn't think it was appropriate or fair that we would look at my map insted of other council members.

My map is by far the best.

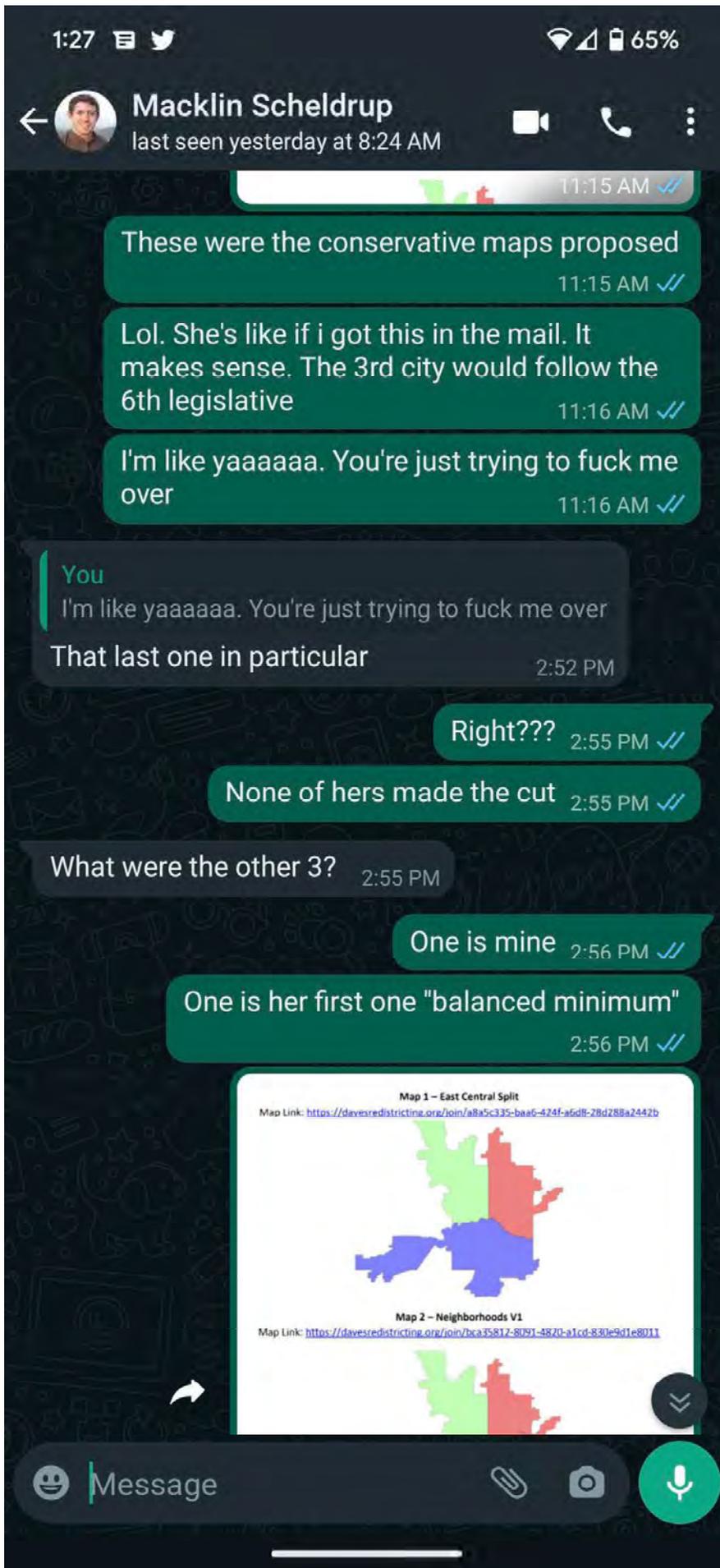
We eventually got it to be considered in the final 4 that is going out for more comments.

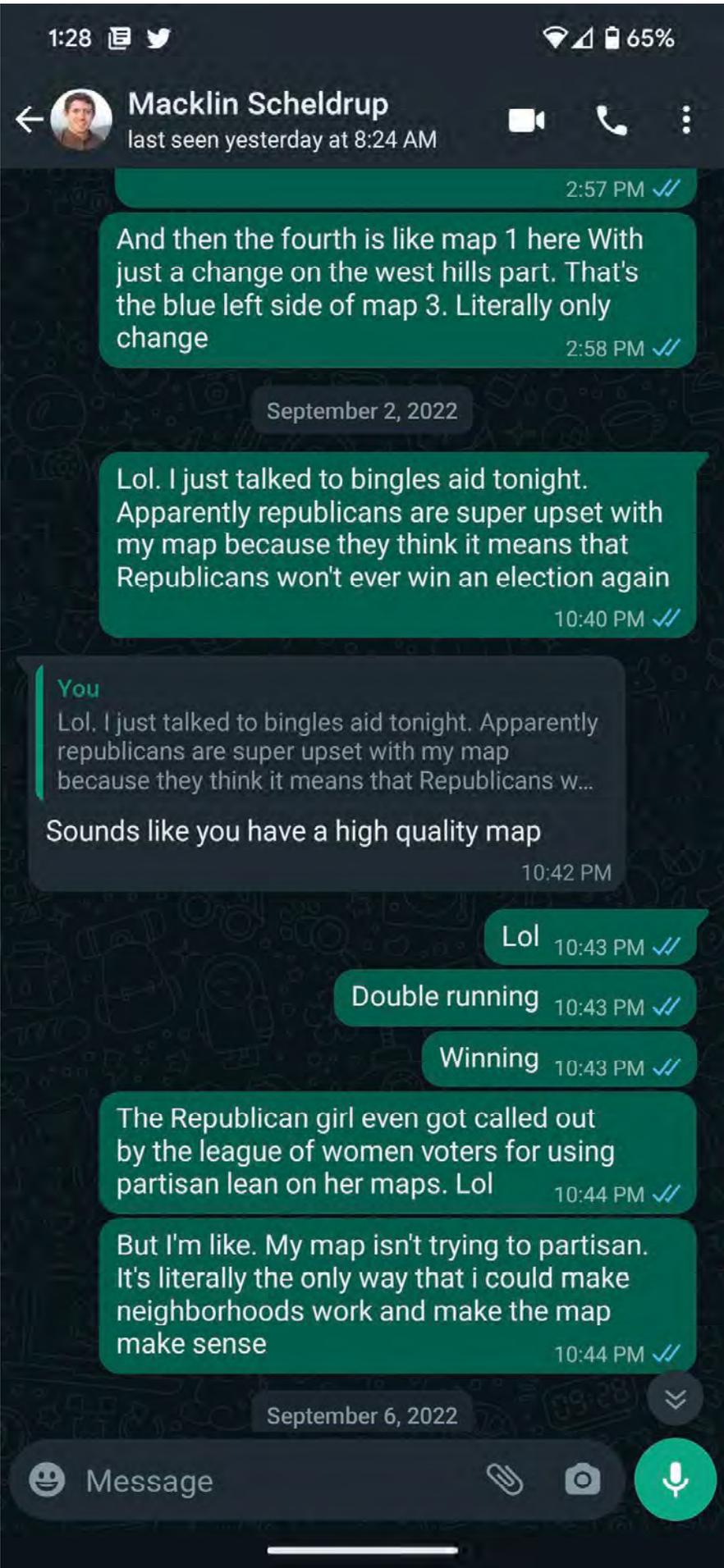
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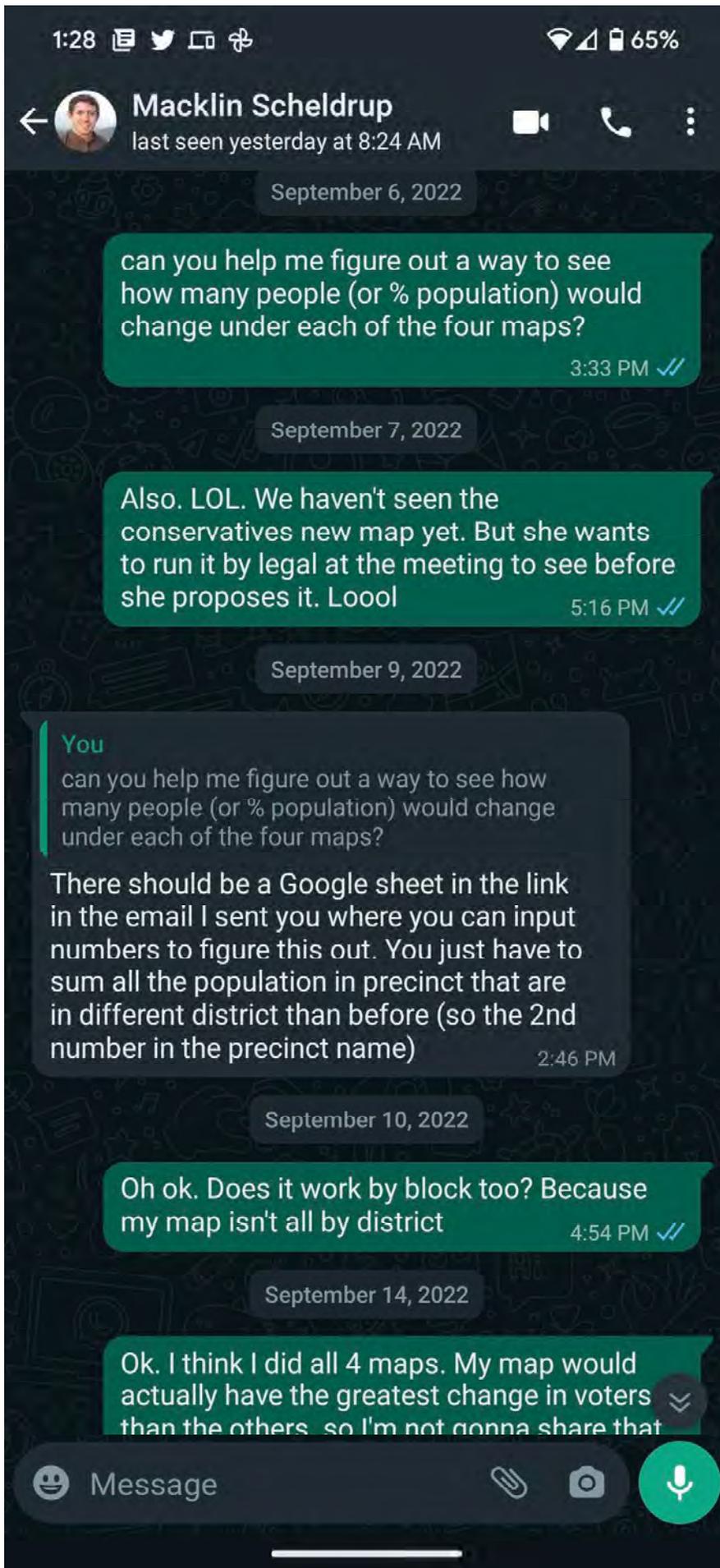


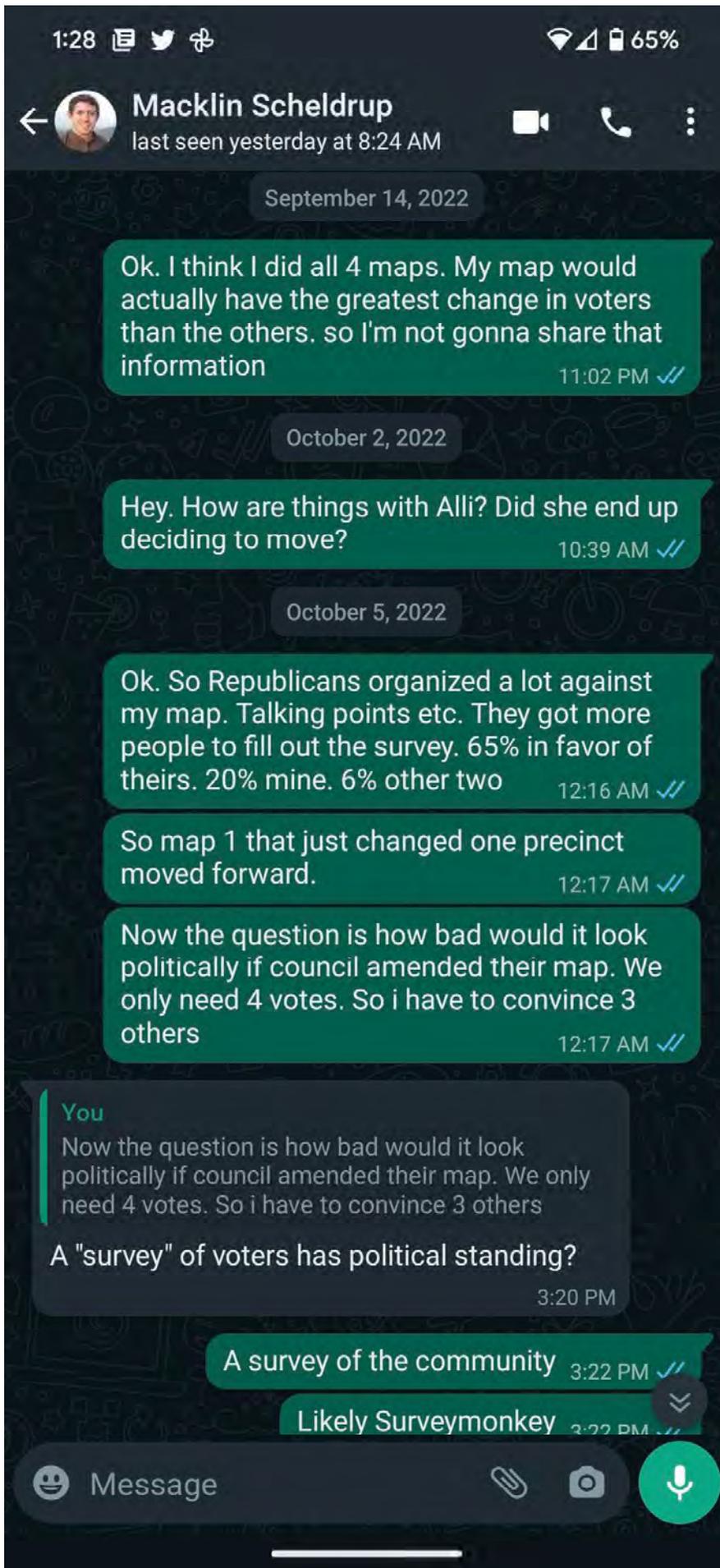
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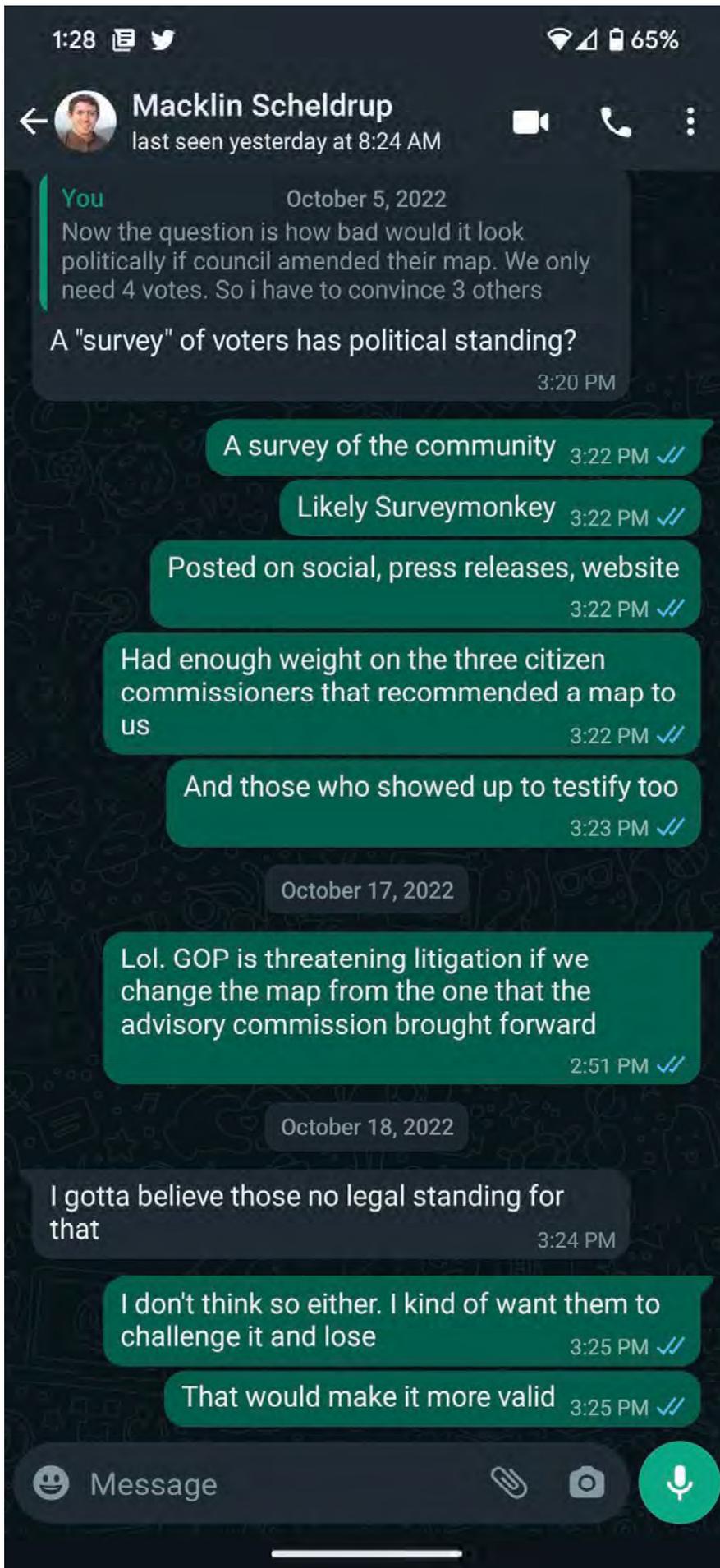
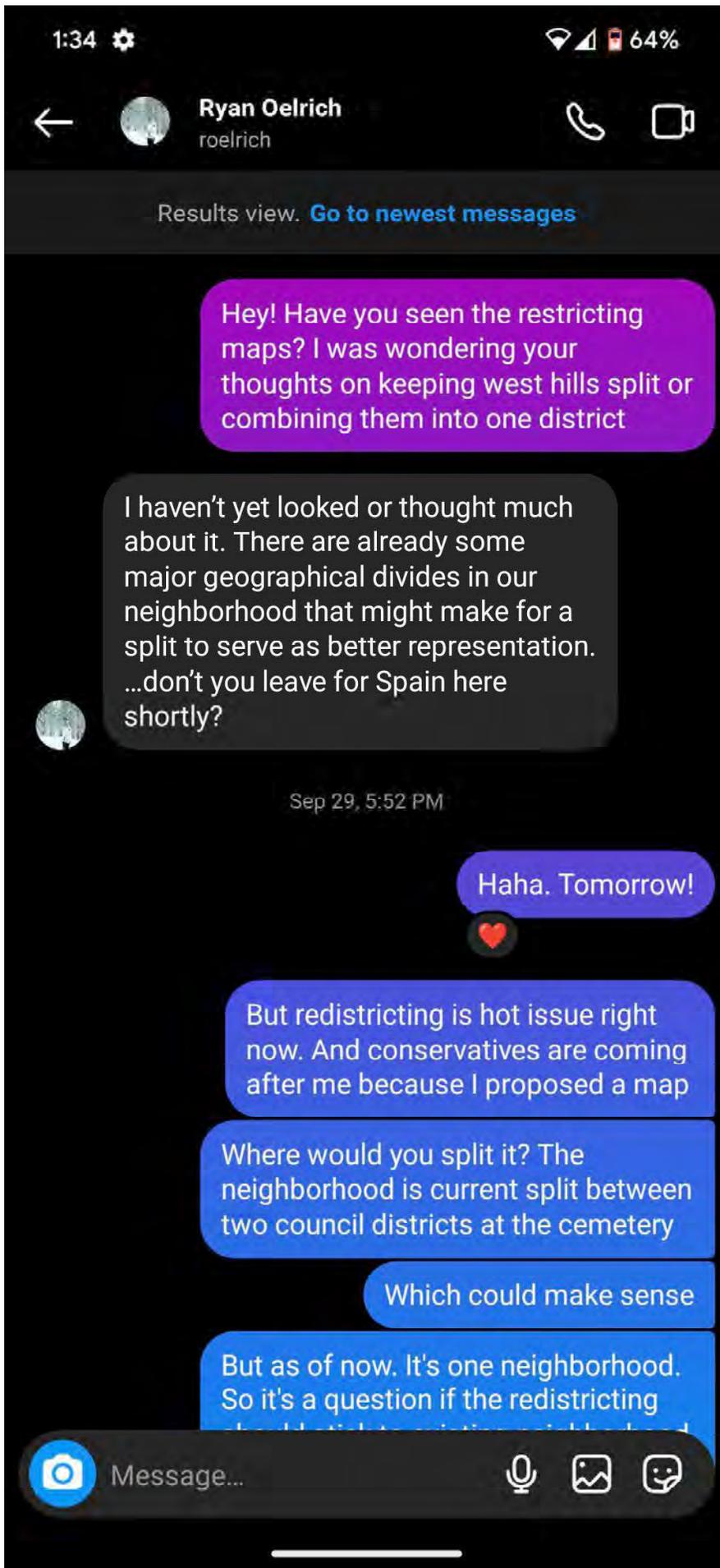
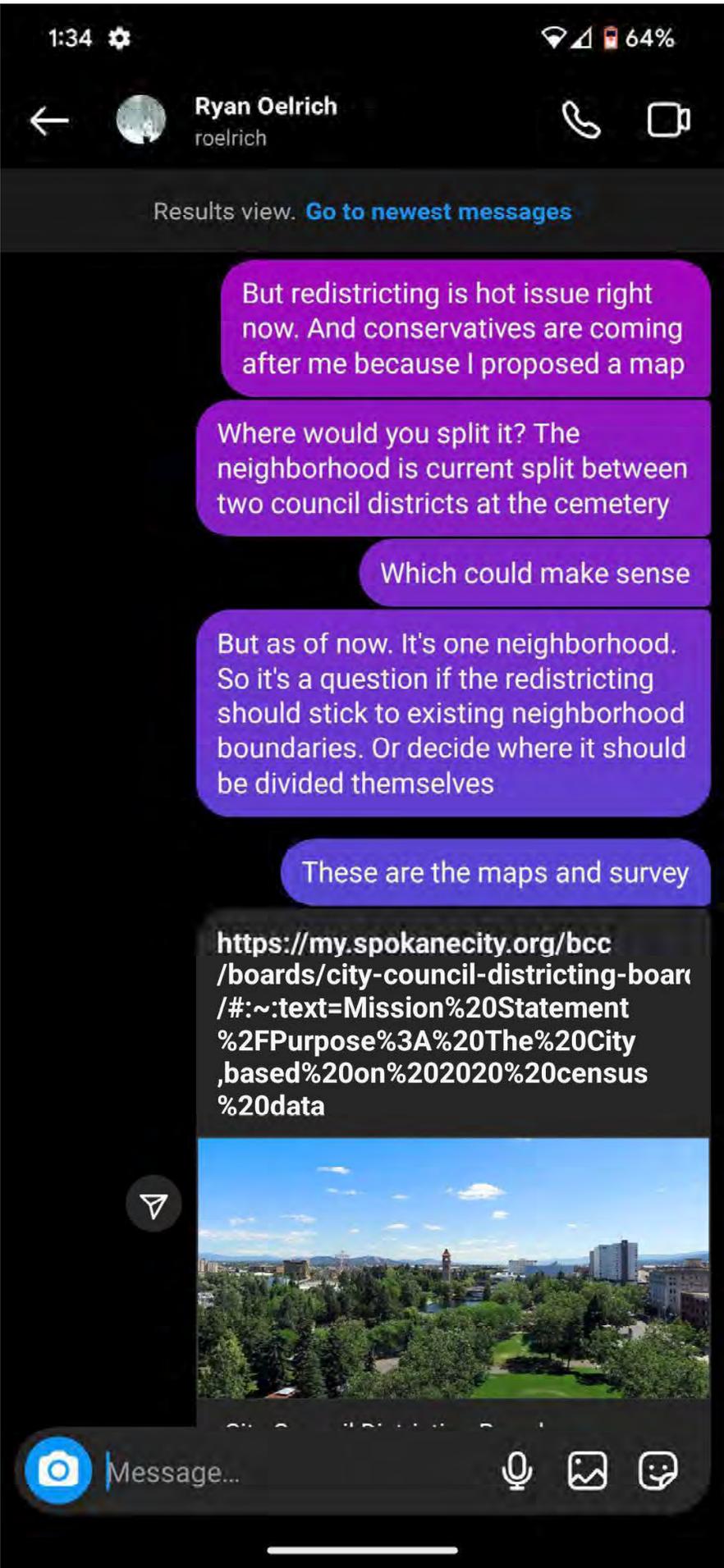
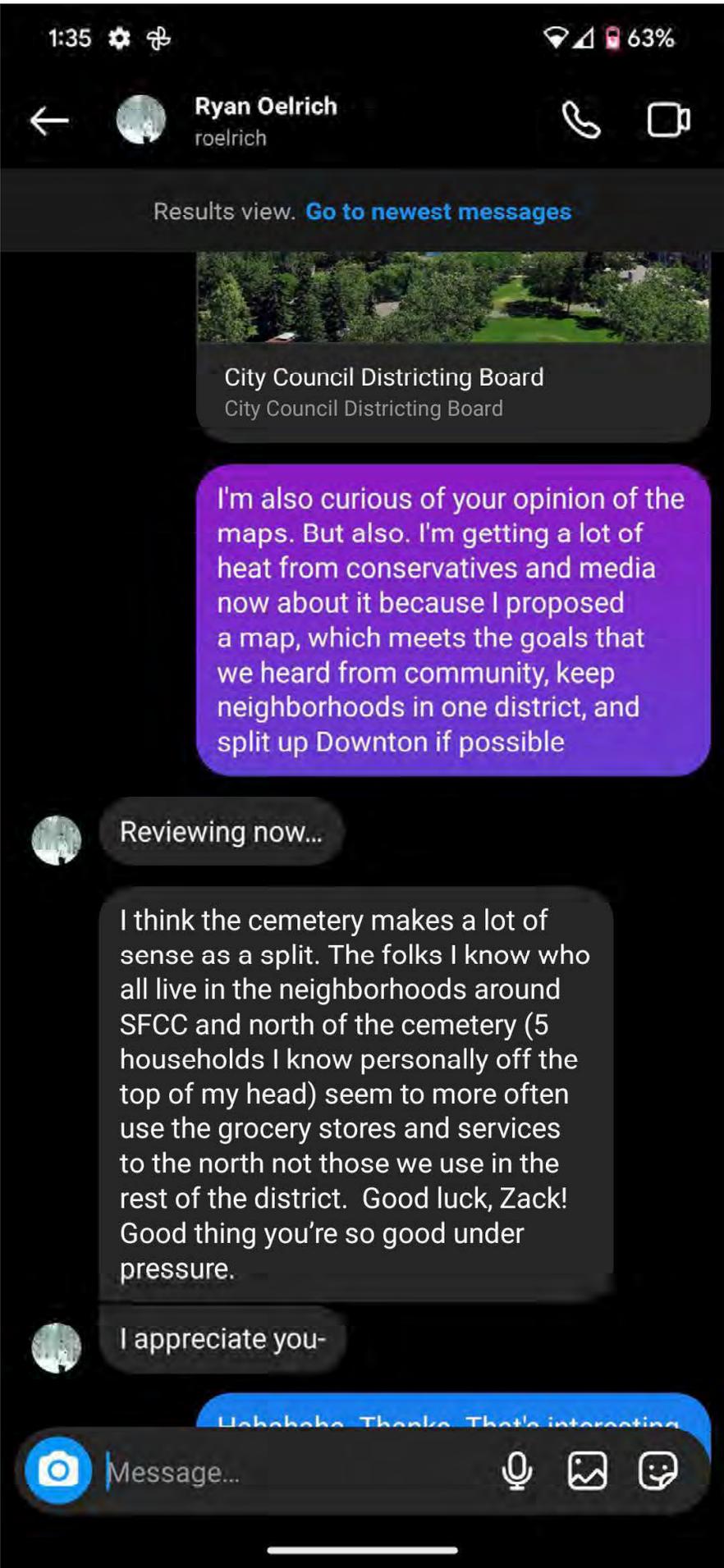


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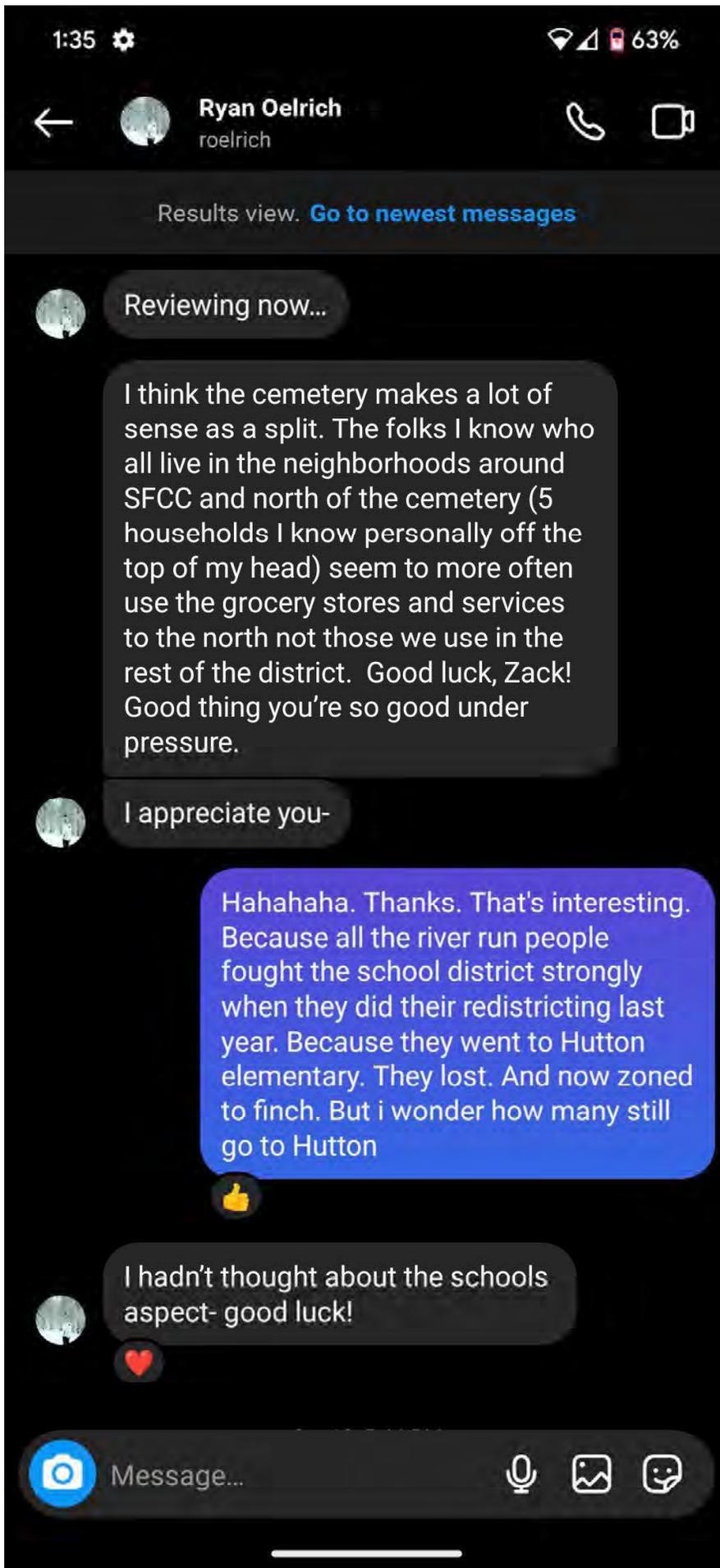
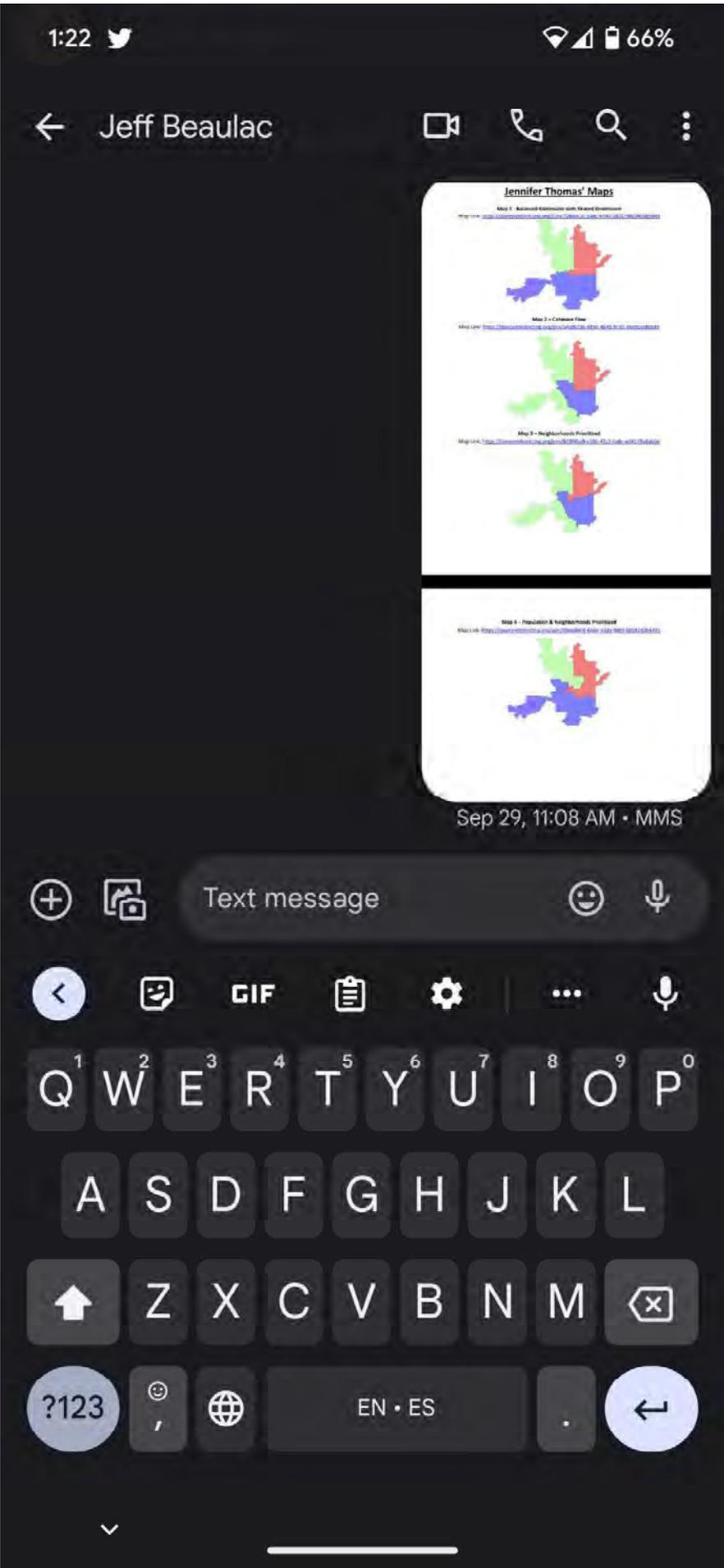
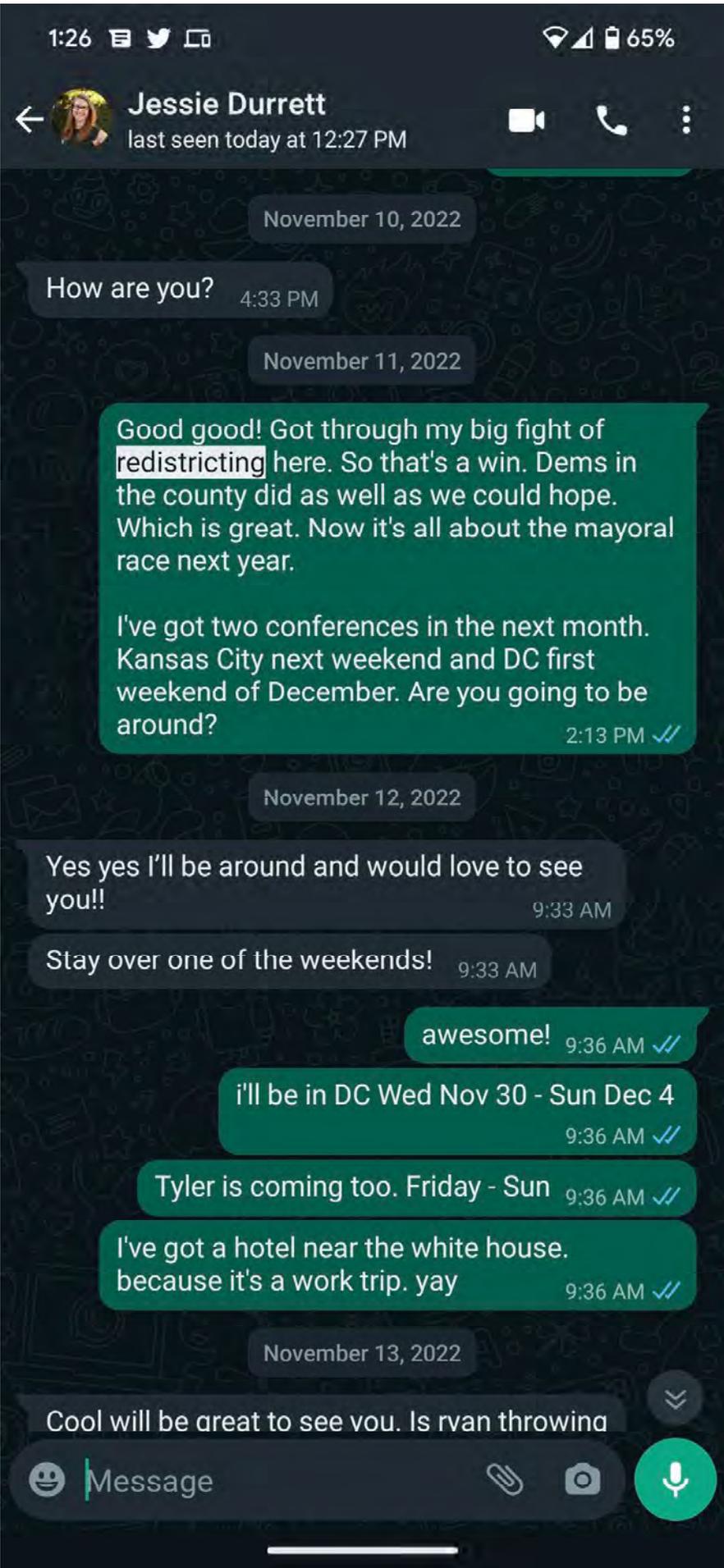


EXHIBIT 14





Jessie Durrett

last seen today at 12:27 PM



November 10, 2022

How are you? 4:33 PM

November 11, 2022

Good good! Got through my big fight of redistricting here. So that's a win. Dems in the county did as well as we could hope. Which is great. Now it's all about the mayoral race next year.

I've got two conferences in the next month. Kansas City next weekend and DC first weekend of December. Are you going to be around? 2:13 PM ✓✓

November 12, 2022

Yes yes I'll be around and would love to see you!! 9:33 AM

Stay over one of the weekends! 9:33 AM

awesome! 9:36 AM ✓✓

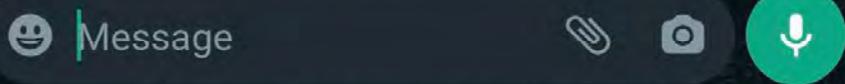
i'll be in DC Wed Nov 30 - Sun Dec 4 9:36 AM ✓✓

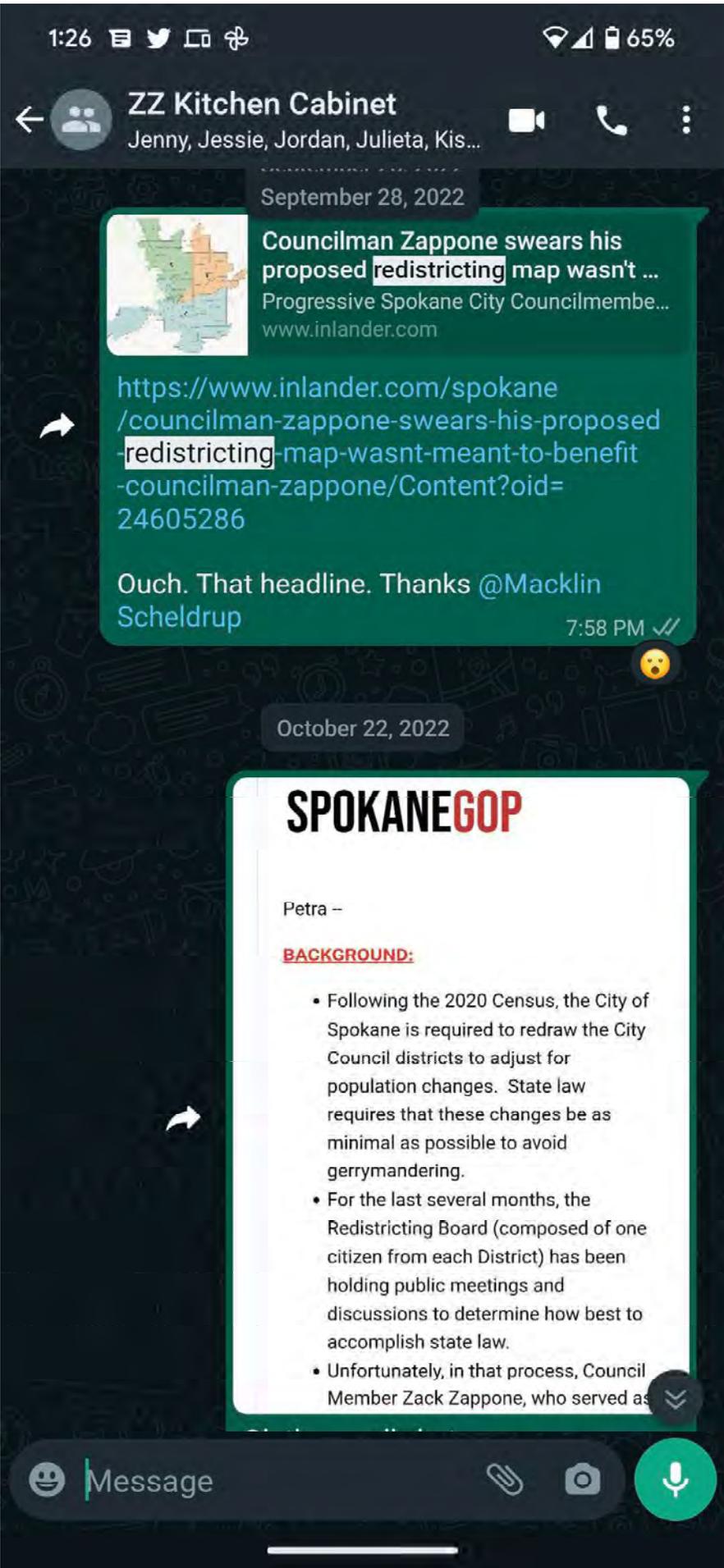
Tyler is coming too. Friday - Sun 9:36 AM ✓✓

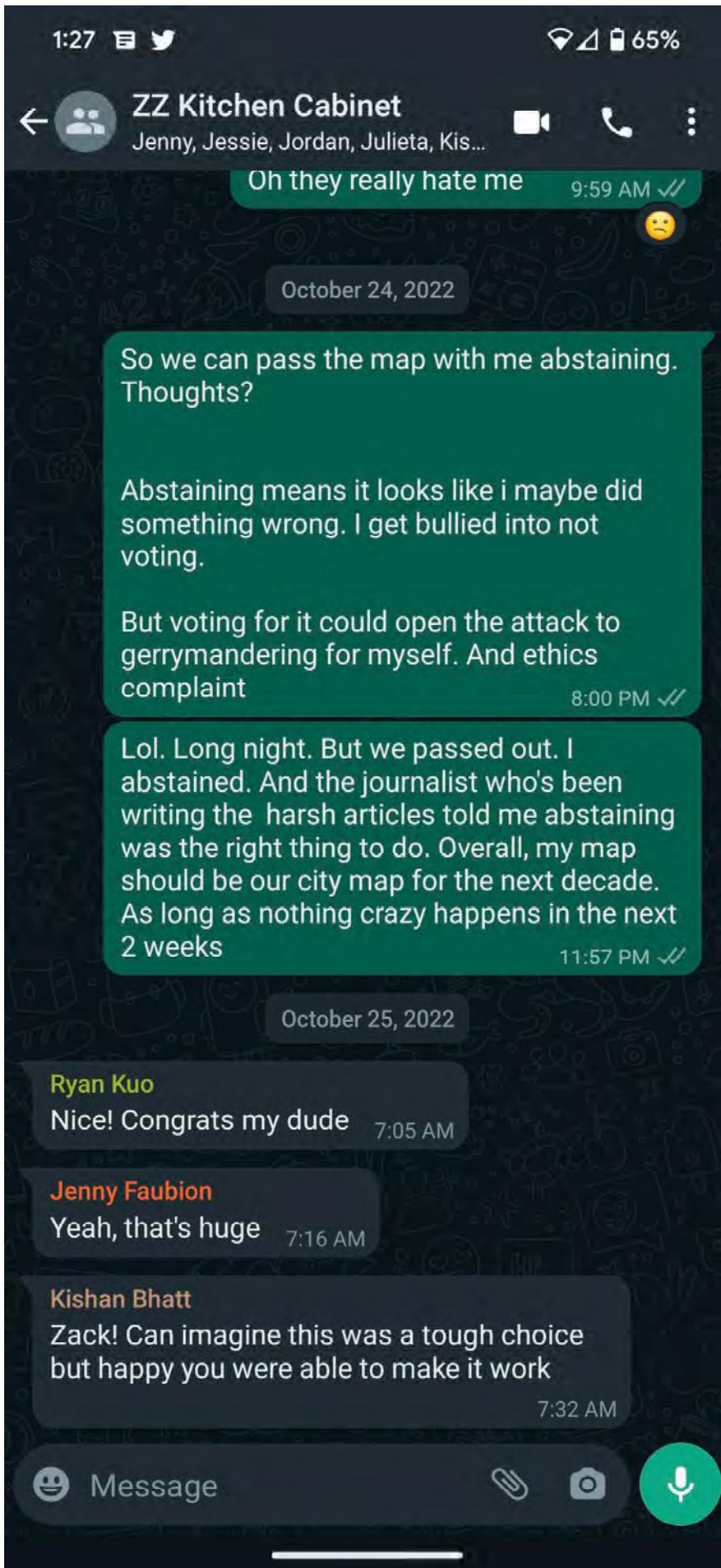
I've got a hotel near the white house. because it's a work trip. yay 9:36 AM ✓✓

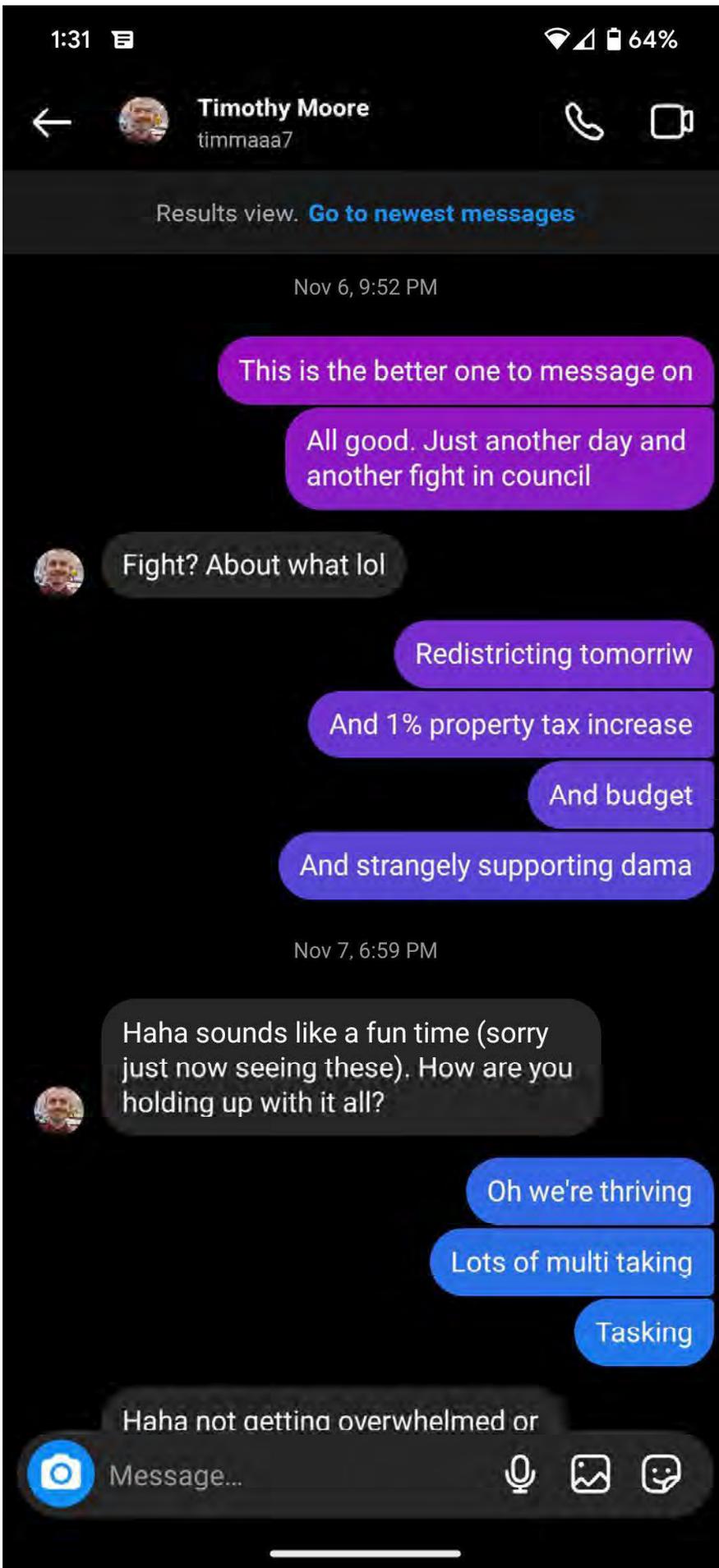
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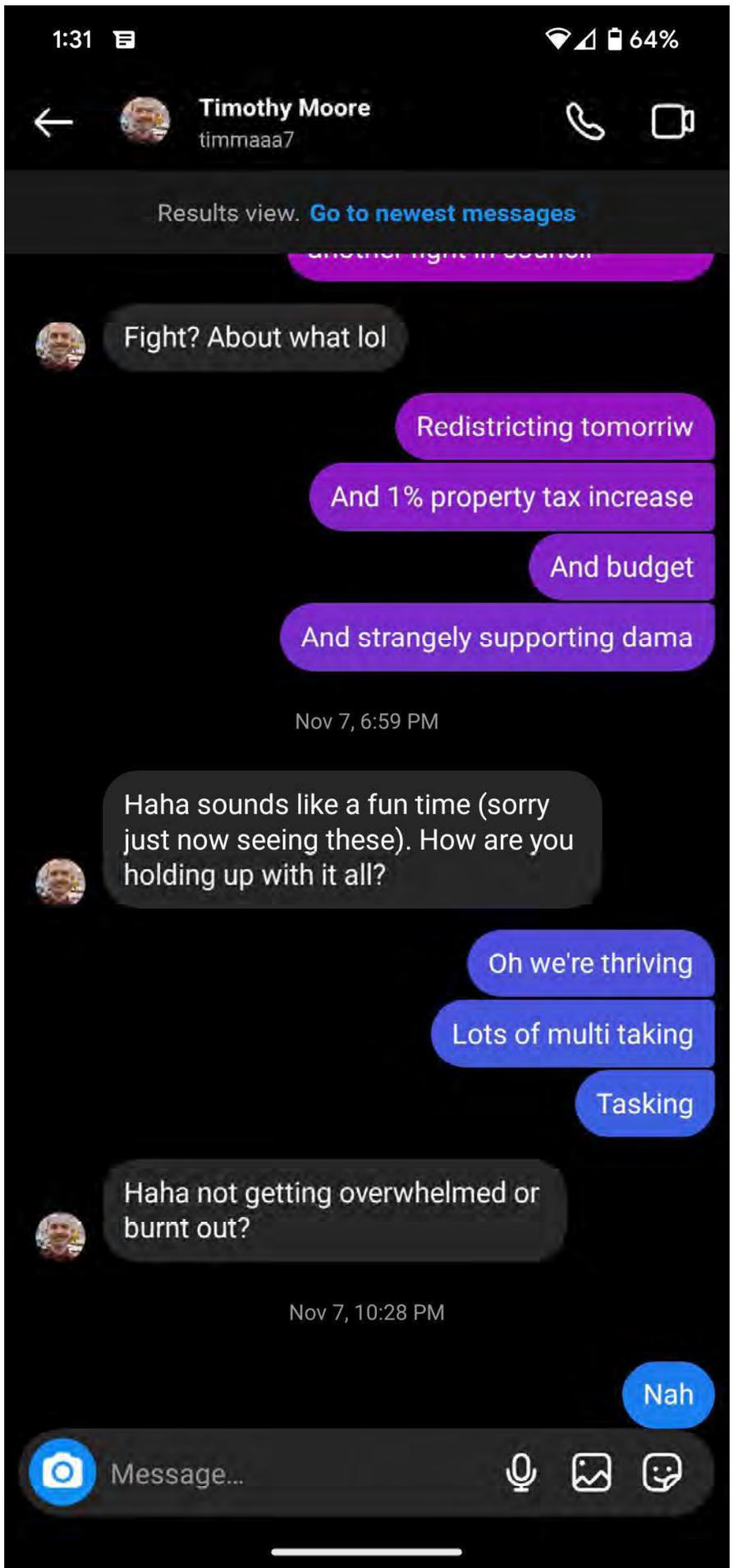
Cool will be great to see you. Is ryan throwing

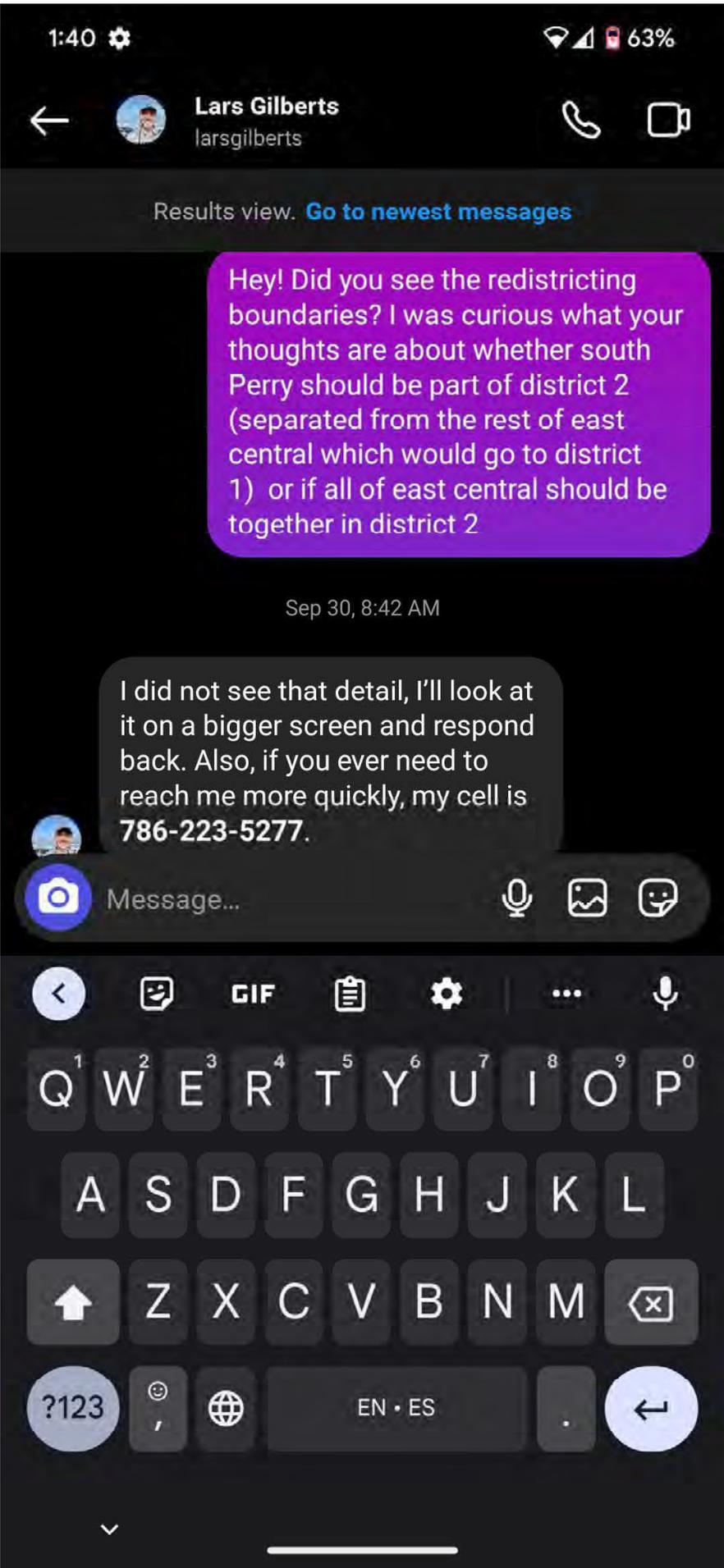


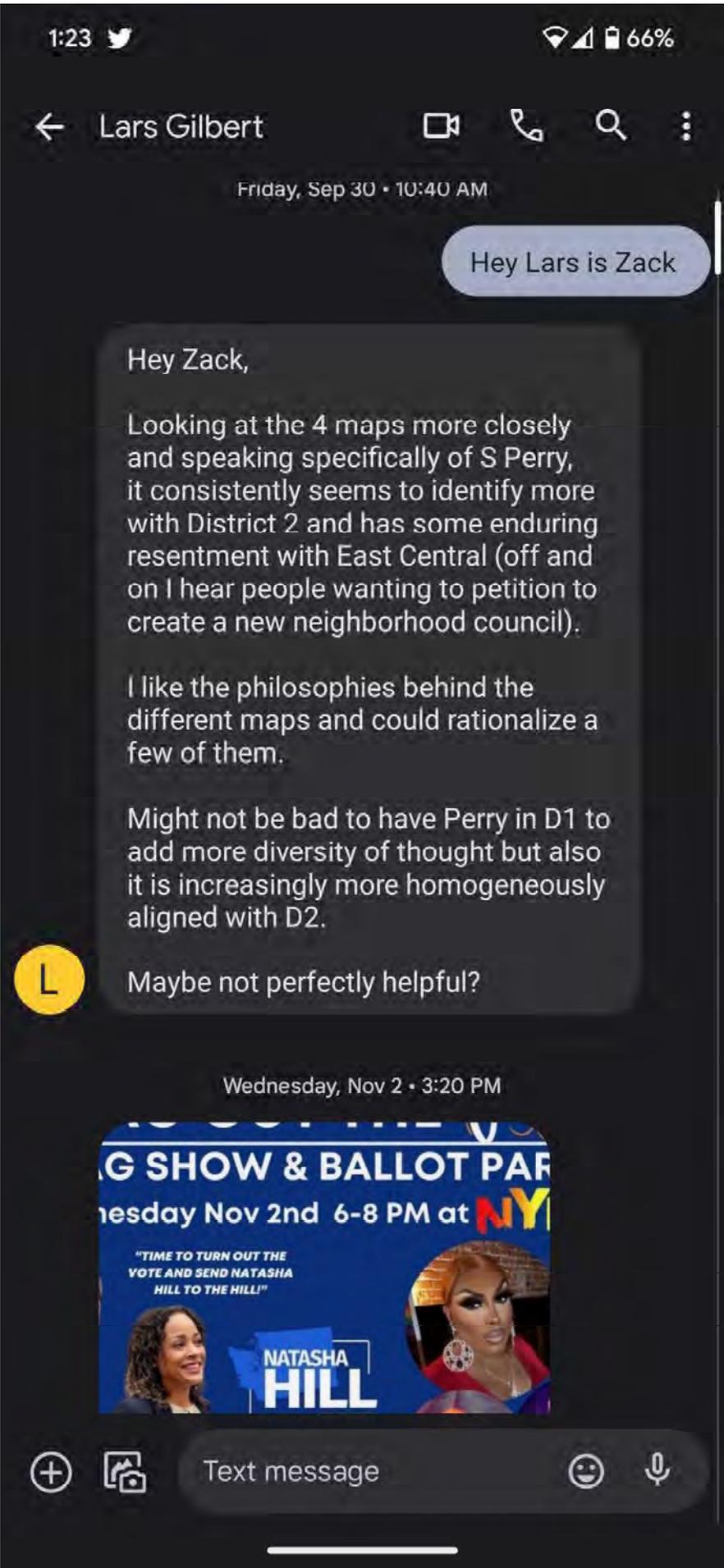












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Daniel Kenton Trautvetter

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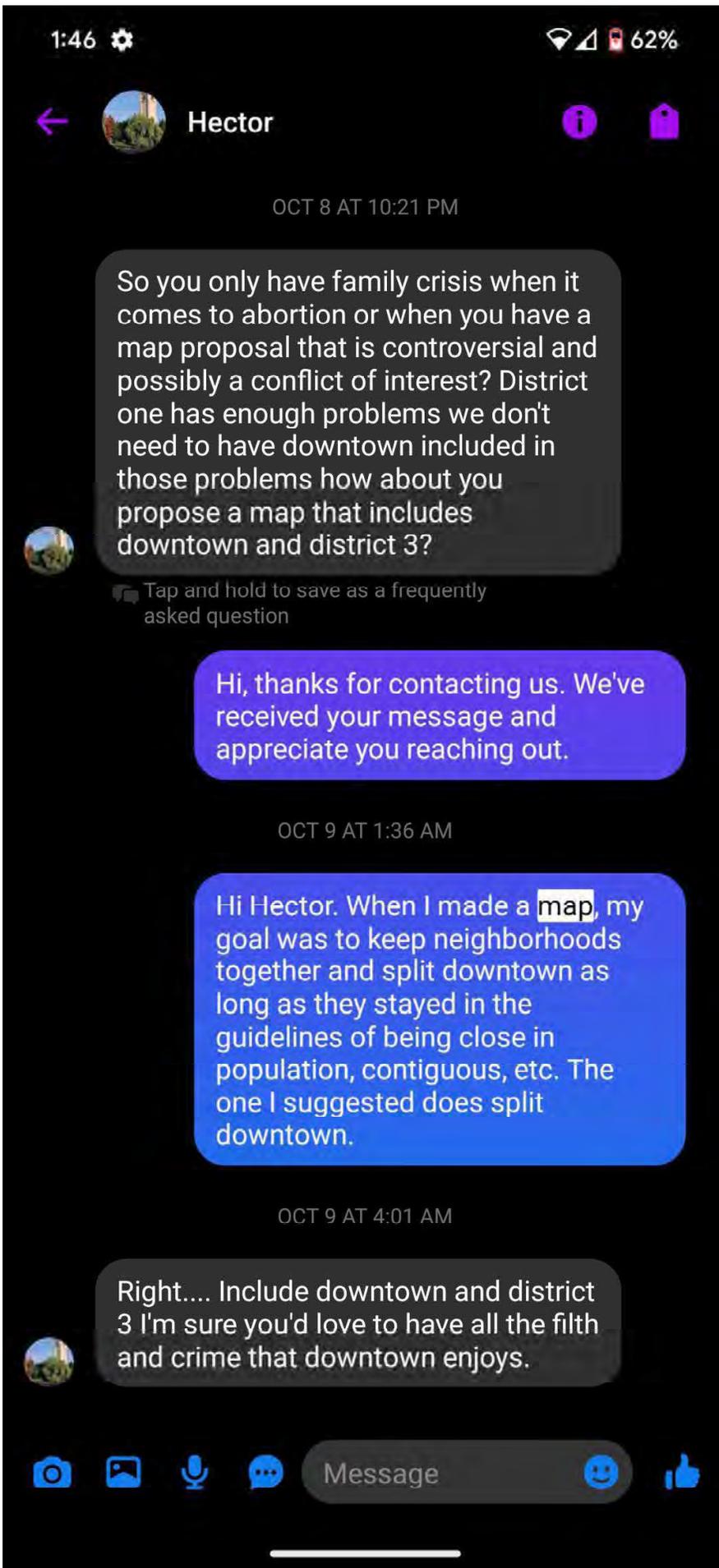
HaHa. niyiu!!!

Hahahaha. Night old man!

I'll be busy making redistricting maps









4:58

LTE 49%



Spokane Rising



Hey! Have you been following redistricting?

4:31 PM

Not very closely! What's the latest? Last I heard there was some kind of odd debate about "your" map?

5:49 PM

Yep. Those are the GOP talking points. Basically there is discussion between map #1 (minimal changes) and map #2 (which doesn't divide neighborhoods). Council is having a 1st reading / hearing next Monday about it. And then we can amend/ substitute a version.

So next Monday is the opportunity for people to weigh in on the maps. mayor sent out to her campaign email to support map #1 and not #2.

So we are looking to hear from people (especially those who love in the neighborhoods) next Monday



I'm happy to call you if you want to hear more too



Start a message



4:58

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Spokane Rising



I'm happy to call you if you want to hear more too.

5:57 PM

Where can I find the latest maps?

8:53 PM

It's really just map 1 and 2. But the others are there too

my.spokanecity.org/bcc/boards/cit...

And I asked them to add the neighborhood boundary layer to it. So maybe that will be added to the website tomorrow

8:54 PM

Aha! Yes! This is helpful — she literally sent out a campaign email to support Map 1? Wtf 🤔 What do you think the motivation for that is?

Also happy to chat — I will say I'm glad there are only three districts because it would be WAY harder with six, lol



Start a message



←  Spokane Rising ⓘ

with six, lol

9:05 PM

She did. And Spokane GOP sent talking points. Realtors testified in favor of it. And the one commissioner who keeps making a big deal about me drawing the map works as government affairs for the home builders.

So i guess they think this is the best map for them

9:09 PM

It seems so weird to me because the differences aren't *huge.* There are some oddities about both of them but that's how this always goes. It does seem intuitive to line up the neighborhoods with the districts

 1
9:11 PM

Yeah happy to give you some more context I'd you want it too!


10:19 PM

  Start a message 

←  Democrat for Ukrainian Free... ⓘ



Democrat for Ukrainian Freedom
@SpokaneWAguy

Stand w/ Ukraine, Democrat, #BidenHarris2020,
Climate Hawk, Vaxxed & Boosted

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Thursday, September 29

Jennifer Thomas' Maps

Map 1 - Balanced Minimalist with Shared Downtown

Map Link: <https://davesredistricting.org/join/7068dc1c-3a8c-4752-b82b-90694c065a43>



Map 2 - Cohesive Flow

Map Link: <https://davesredistricting.org/join/a486236-0830-4649-9c39-9e921cc80103>



Map 3 - Neighborhoods Prioritized

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Map 4 - Population & Neighborhoods Prioritized

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Map 4 - Population & Neighborhoods Prioritized
Map Link: <https://davesredistricting.org/form/09e185d1-6bba-41da-9d8f-60b9743b441e>



Hey thanks for your comments on redistricting. If you didn't see, Jennifer Thomas submitted 4 maps. The one Daniel Walters's article talks about is the only one that moved forward after the commissioners voted. But I think it's important to show just how much her other ones were trying to benefit conservatives. During the meeting she said her cohesive flow map "just makes sense." That if she were a voter and got a picture of the map in the mail, then that map would make sense.

6:32 AM 

Sunday, October 23

  Start a message 