

An aerial photograph of a residential neighborhood in Detroit, Michigan, showing a dense grid of streets and houses. A semi-transparent blue grid is overlaid on the image, representing a redistricting plan. The text "DETROIT CITY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING" is centered in the blue area.

**DETROIT CITY COUNCIL
REDISTRICTING**

An aerial photograph of a suburban neighborhood with a grid of streets, houses, and trees. A large, semi-transparent blue rectangle is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the word "BACKGROUND" in bold black text.

BACKGROUND



LEGAL UNDERPINNINGS

- Primary Considerations (Priority Considerations)
 - As close to equal population as possible
 - As compact and contiguous as possible
- Other Factors (May also be considered)
 - Preserving the integrity of political subdivisions
 - Preserving the core of a district
 - Maintaining communities of interest
 - Election precincts

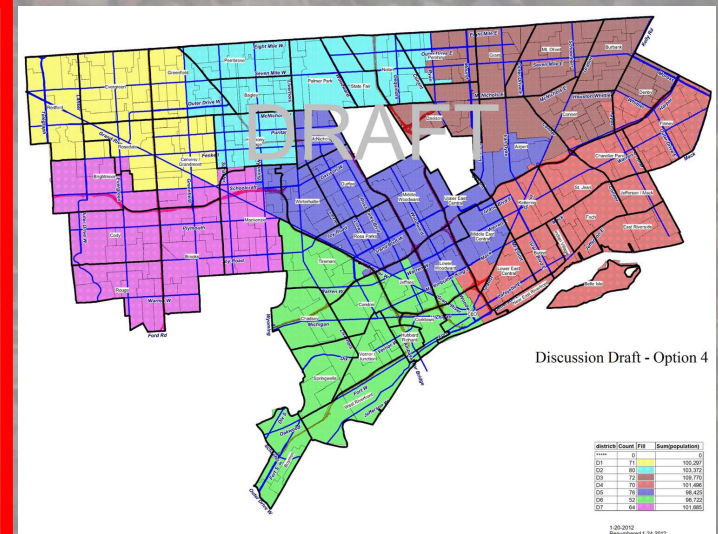
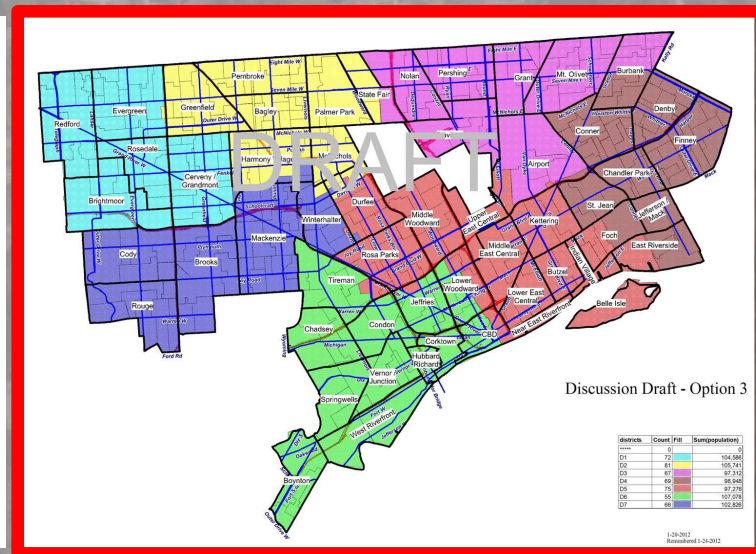
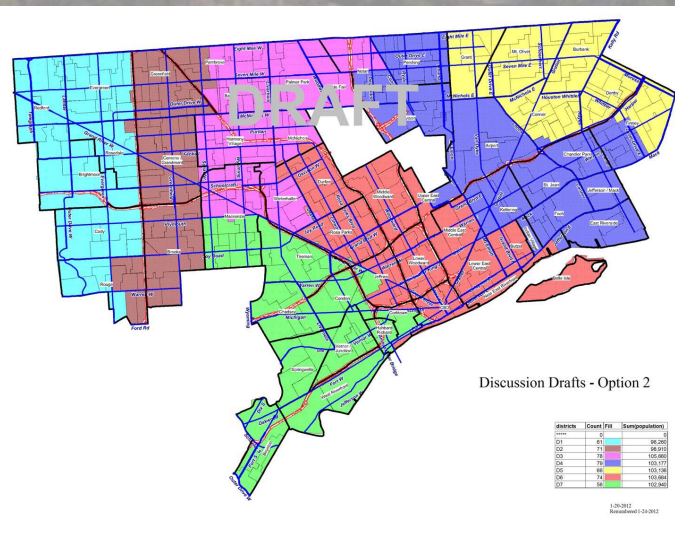
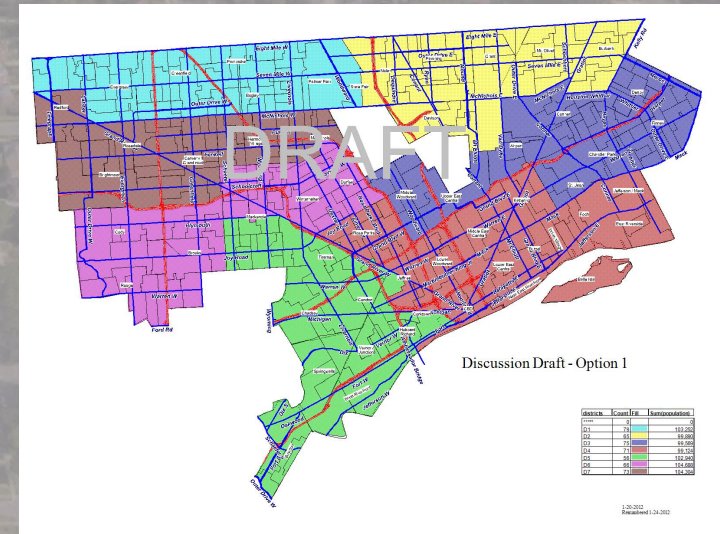
PRIMARY CONSIDERATIONS

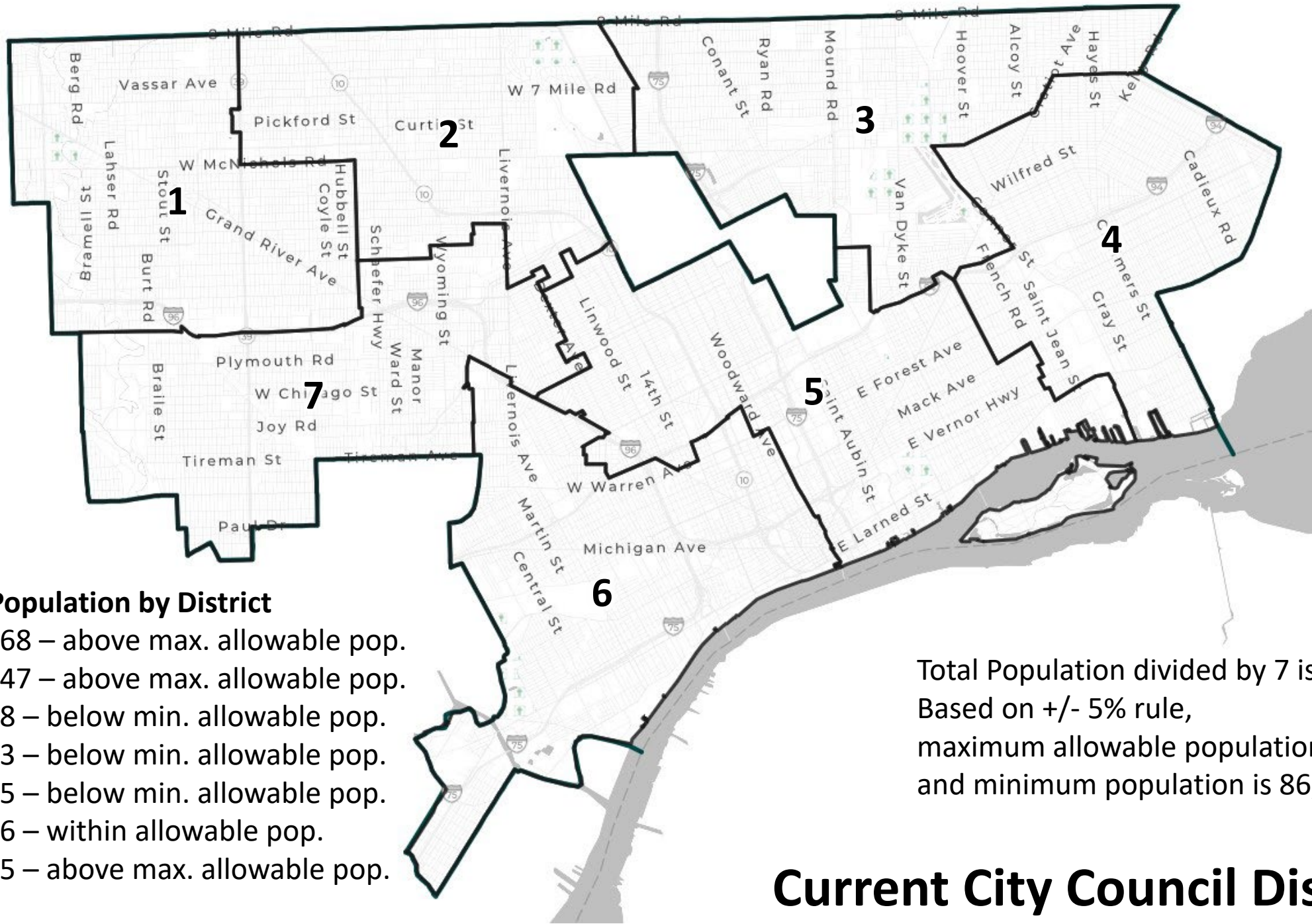
- As close to equal population as possible (91,400 +/- 5%)
 - The U.S. Supreme Court has determined that deviations from equal population must be small and justified by a legitimate state policy.
- As compact and contiguous as possible
 - Compact - avoid “bizarre shapes” and any other “obvious irregularities” as much as possible. A district that is less dispersed from its central core will be more compact while a district encompassing regions located far from its center will be less compact.
 - Contiguous – requires that all areas of the district to connect at some point with the rest of the district.

OTHER FACTORS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED

- Preserving the integrity of political subdivisions
 - In this case keeping all districts within the City boundaries.
- Preserving the core of a district
 - Avoiding as much change as possible for one or more district.
- Maintaining communities of interest
 - The Michigan State Constitution defines Communities of Interest as groups or neighborhoods that might "share cultural or historical characteristics or economic interests."
- Election precincts
 - Minimizing disruption to election precincts as much as possible.

Four draft possibilities were considered for the current Districts from which the third option was adopted in February of 2012





Current Population by District

- 1 – 100,068 – above max. allowable pop.
- 2 – 100,347 – above max. allowable pop.
- 3 – 80,928 – below min. allowable pop.
- 4 – 79,203 – below min. allowable pop.
- 5 – 86,375 – below min. allowable pop.
- 6 – 94,326 – within allowable pop.
- 7 – 96,555 – above max. allowable pop.

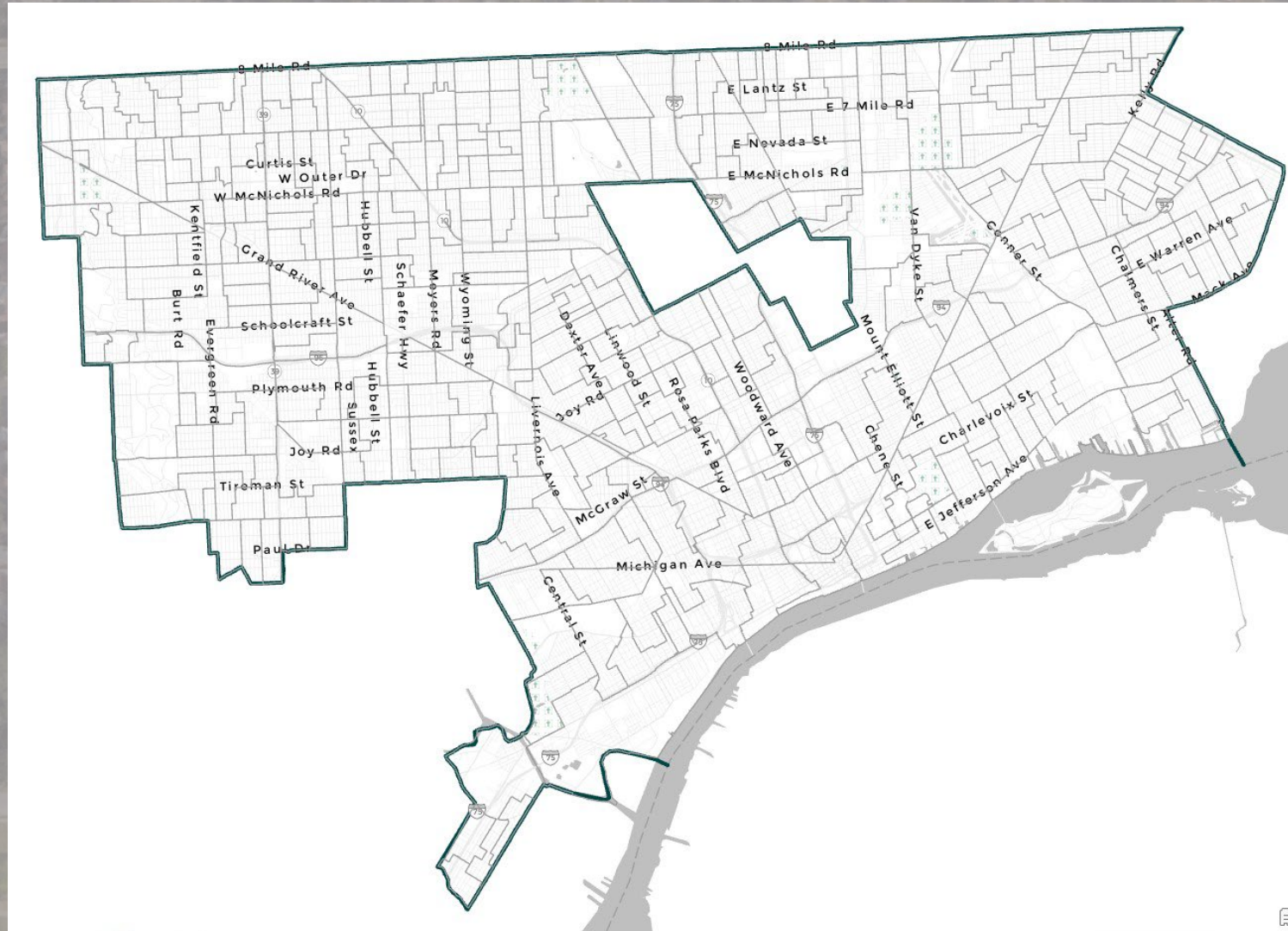
Total Population divided by 7 is 91,400
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 maximum allowable population is 95,970
 and minimum population is 86,830

Current City Council Districts

Population Comparison by District 2010-2020

	<u>2010 pop.</u>	<u>2020 pop.</u>	<u>% decrease</u>
Dist. 1	104,586	100,068	4.32
Dist. 2	105,741	100,347	5.10
Dist. 3	97,312	80,928	16.84
Dist. 4	98,948	79,203	19.95
Dist. 5	97,276	86,375	11.21
Dist. 6	107,078	94,326	11.91
Dist. 7	102,826	96,555	6.10



2023 Voting Precincts – 400 total



2023 Voting Precinct Consolidations

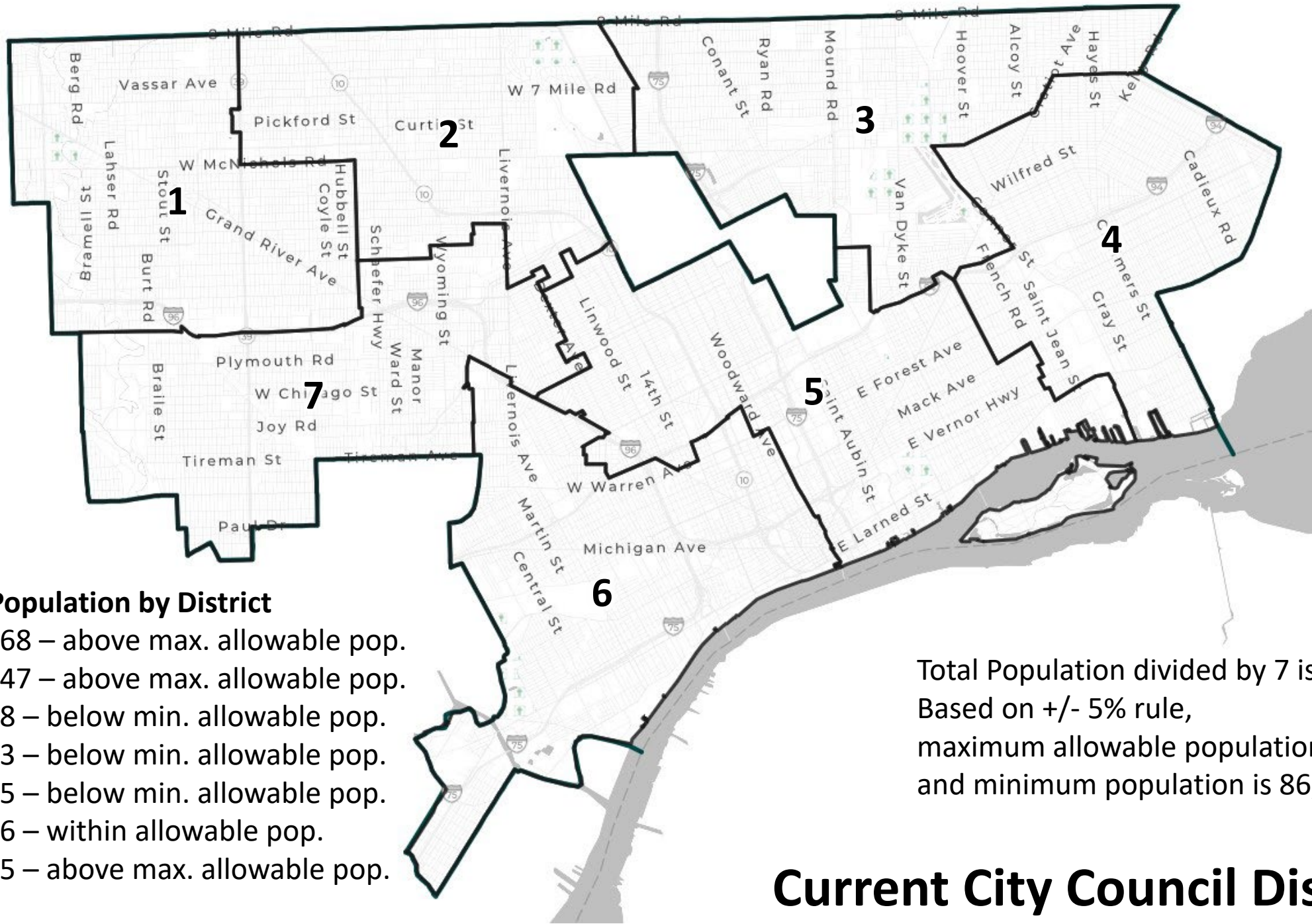
- Voting precincts have been consolidated several times in recent years
- Most recently in April 2023, the existing 450 precincts were consolidated to 400 precincts
- As a result, some current district boundaries are no longer available because they split a voting precinct
- This is demonstrated by precinct 101 which is currently divided into districts 3 & 4 and needs to be reunified in the redrawn districts



 voting precinct 101 in 2012 when current districts were established
 area added to voting precinct 101 through consolidation by 2023

An aerial photograph of a suburban residential neighborhood. The houses are arranged in a grid pattern with streets. There are many trees and green spaces. A large blue semi-transparent rectangle is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text 'Proposed New City Council Districts'.

**Proposed
New City Council
Districts**



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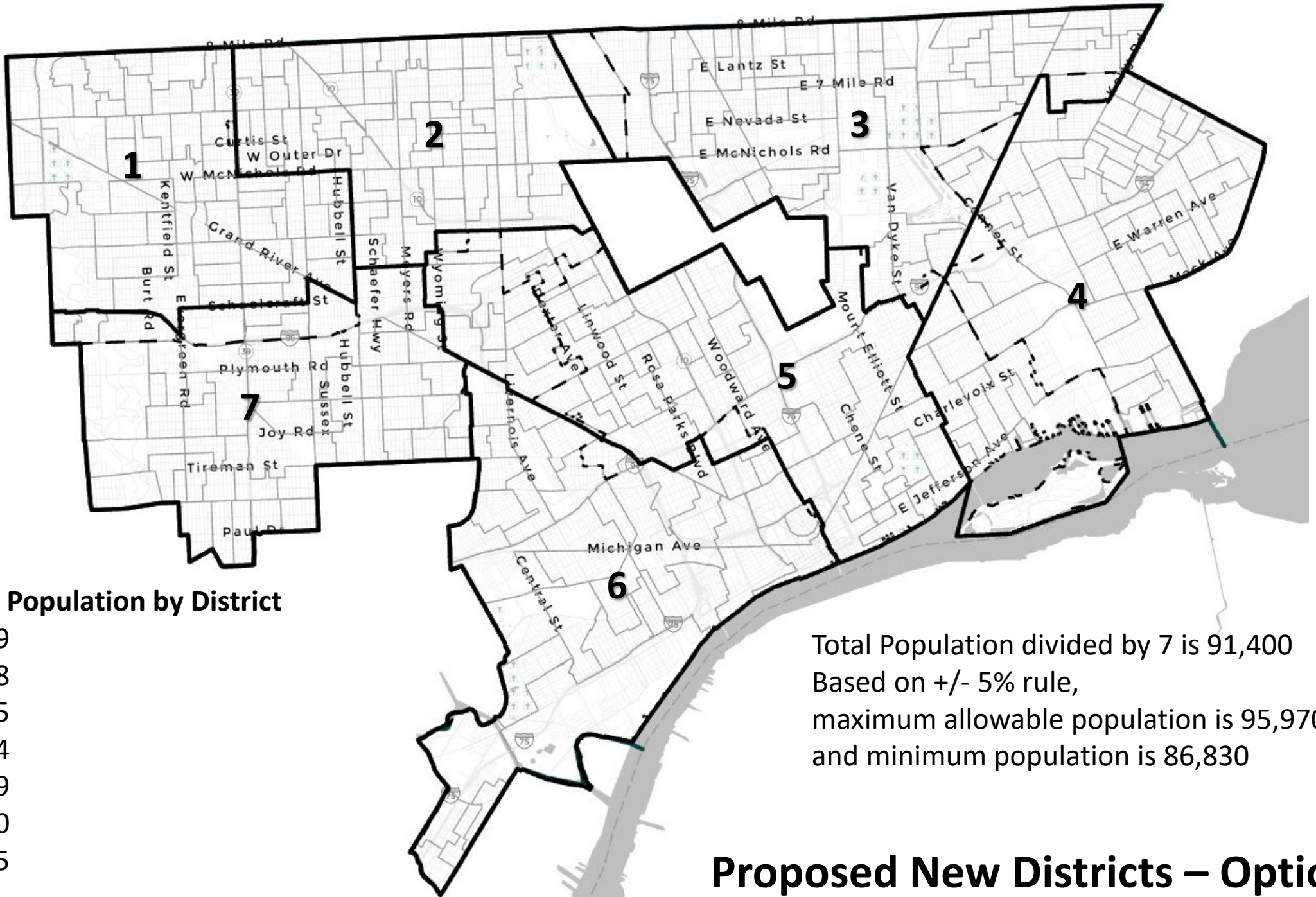
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Current City Council Districts

An aerial photograph of a suburban neighborhood with a grid street pattern, houses, and trees. A large blue rectangular box is overlaid in the center, containing text.

Option 1

Prioritize even boundaries over population equalization

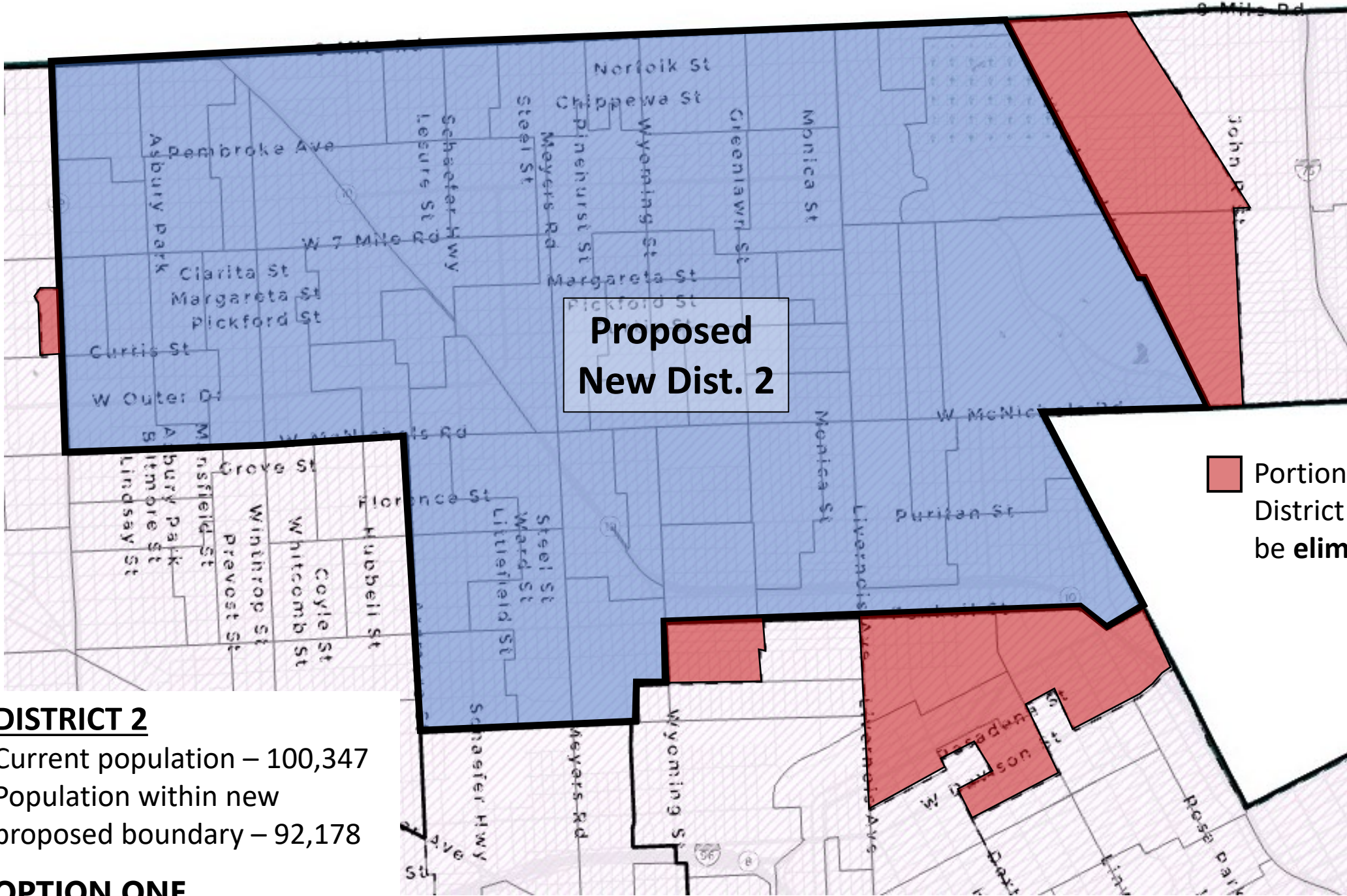


Proposed Population by District

- 1 – 91,659
- 2 – 92,178
- 3 – 91,495
- 4 – 91,154
- 5 – 90,709
- 6 – 91,850
- 7 – 90,755

Total Population divided by 7 is 91,400
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Proposed New Districts – Option 1



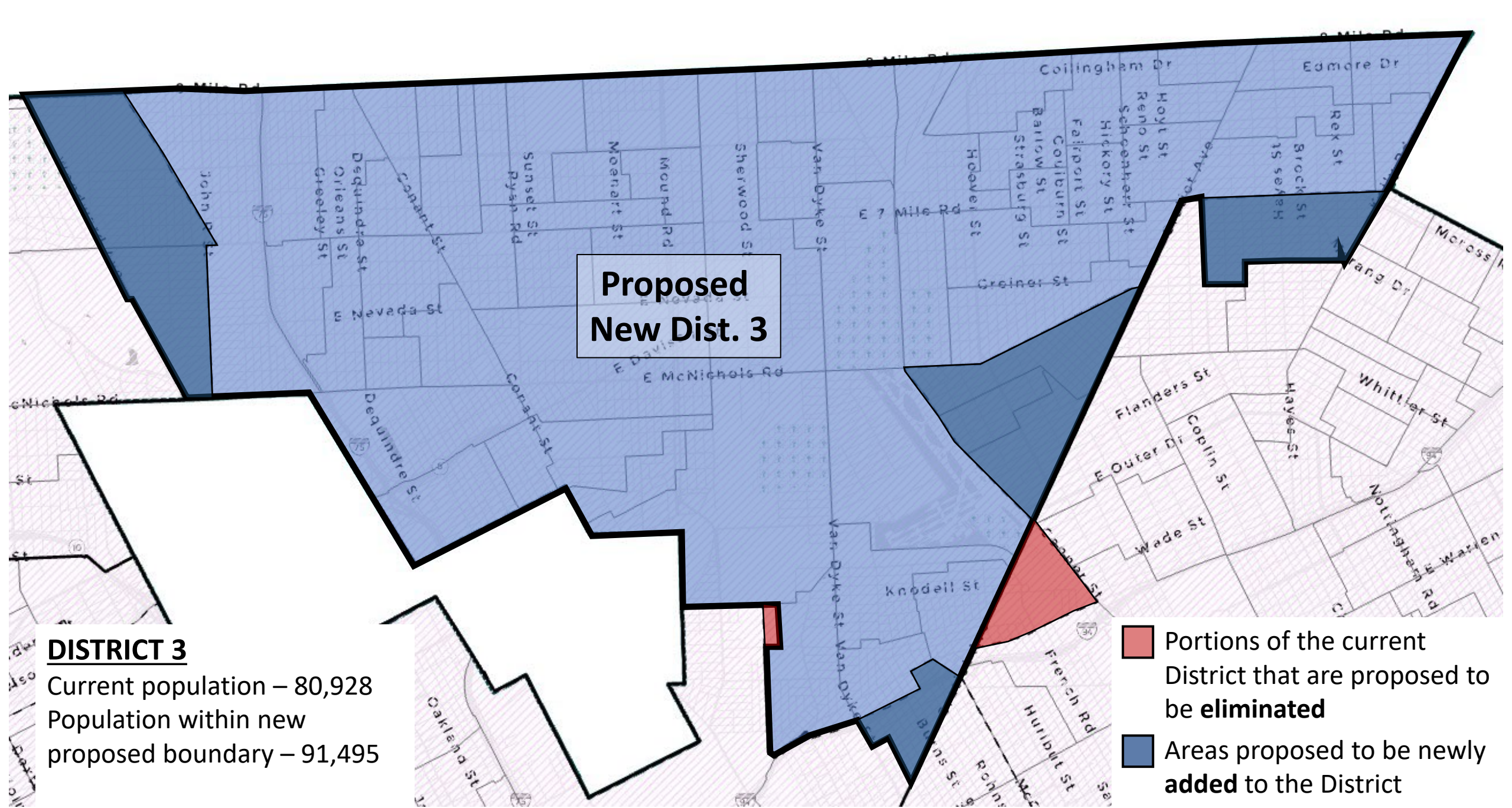
**Proposed
New Dist. 2**

Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**

DISTRICT 2

Current population – 100,347
 Population within new proposed boundary – 92,178

OPTION ONE

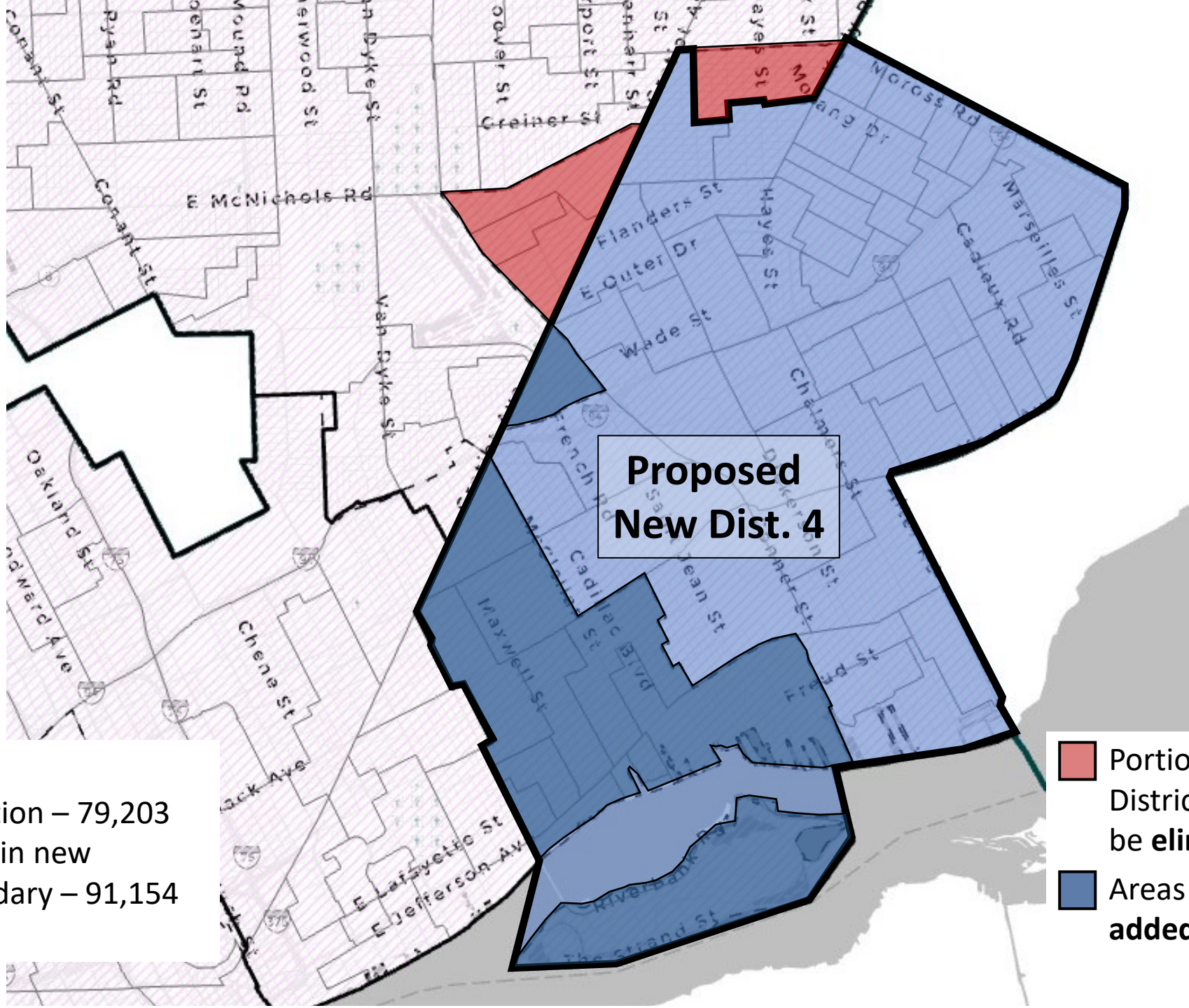


**Proposed
New Dist. 3**

DISTRICT 3

Current population – 80,928
Population within new proposed boundary – 91,495



- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District



**Proposed
New Dist. 4**

DISTRICT 4

Current population – 79,203
Population within new
proposed boundary – 91,154

-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
-  Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

OPTION ONE



A map of a city area showing proposed changes to District 5. The map features a grid of streets and is color-coded: a large central area is shaded in light blue, indicating areas to be newly added to the district; several smaller, irregularly shaped areas are shaded in light red, indicating portions of the current district to be eliminated. A thick black line outlines the new district boundary. A white box with a black border is centered on the map, containing the text 'Proposed New Dist. 5'.

**Proposed
New Dist. 5**

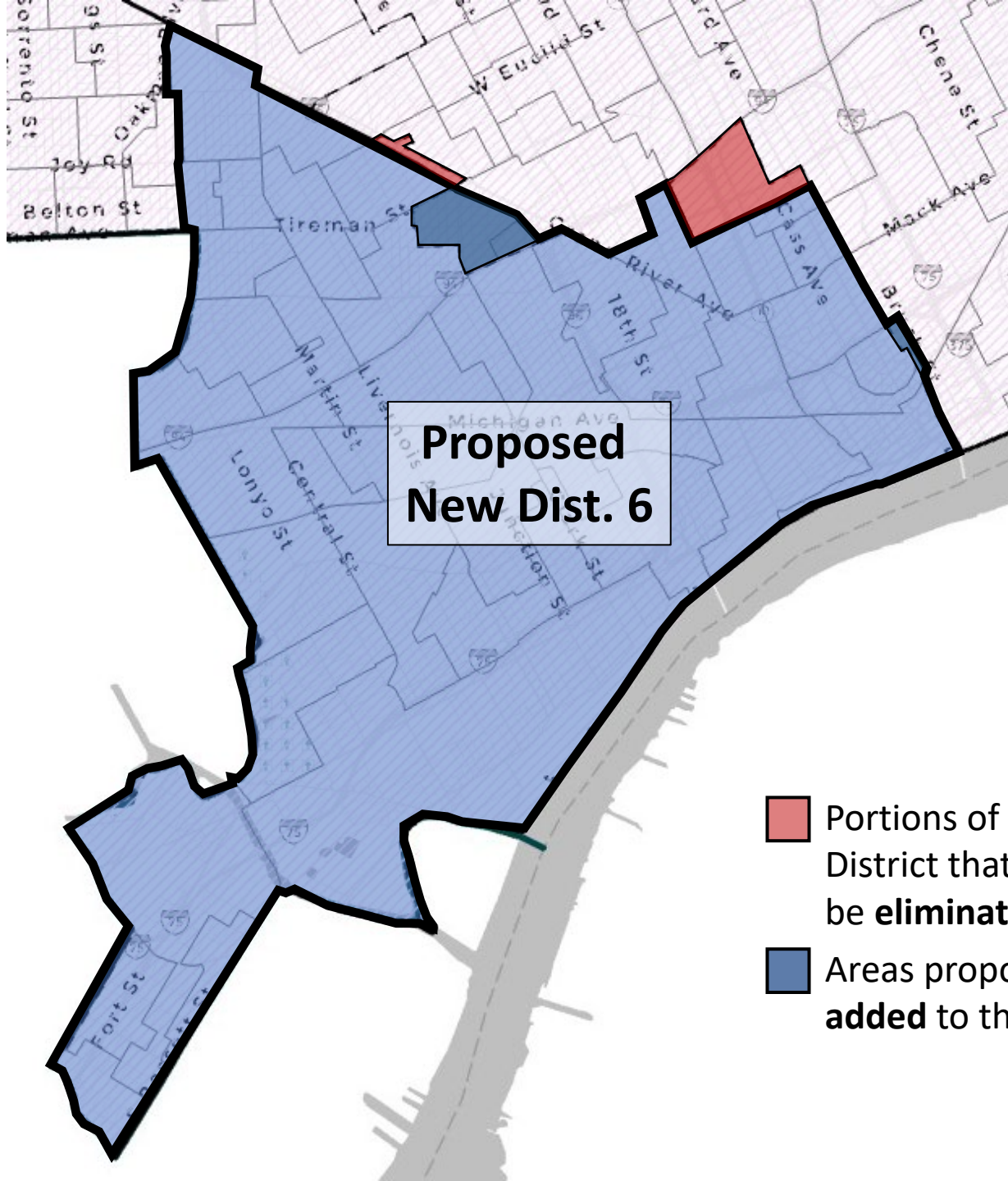
DISTRICT 5

Current population – 86,375

Population within new
proposed boundary – 90,709



-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
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OPTION ONE



DISTRICT 6

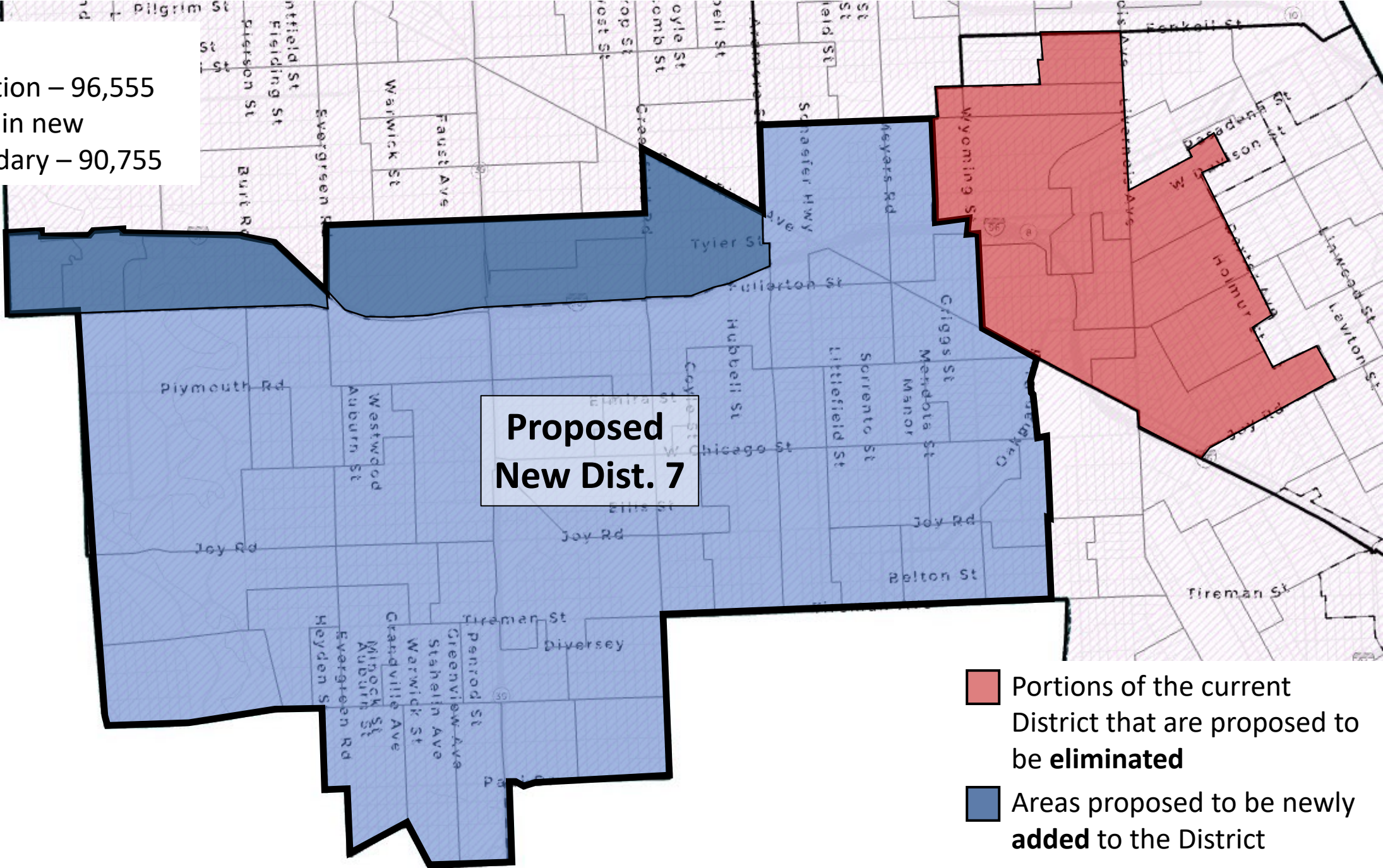
Current population – 94,326
Population within new
proposed boundary – 91,850



-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
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DISTRICT 7

Current population – 96,555

Population within new proposed boundary – 90,755

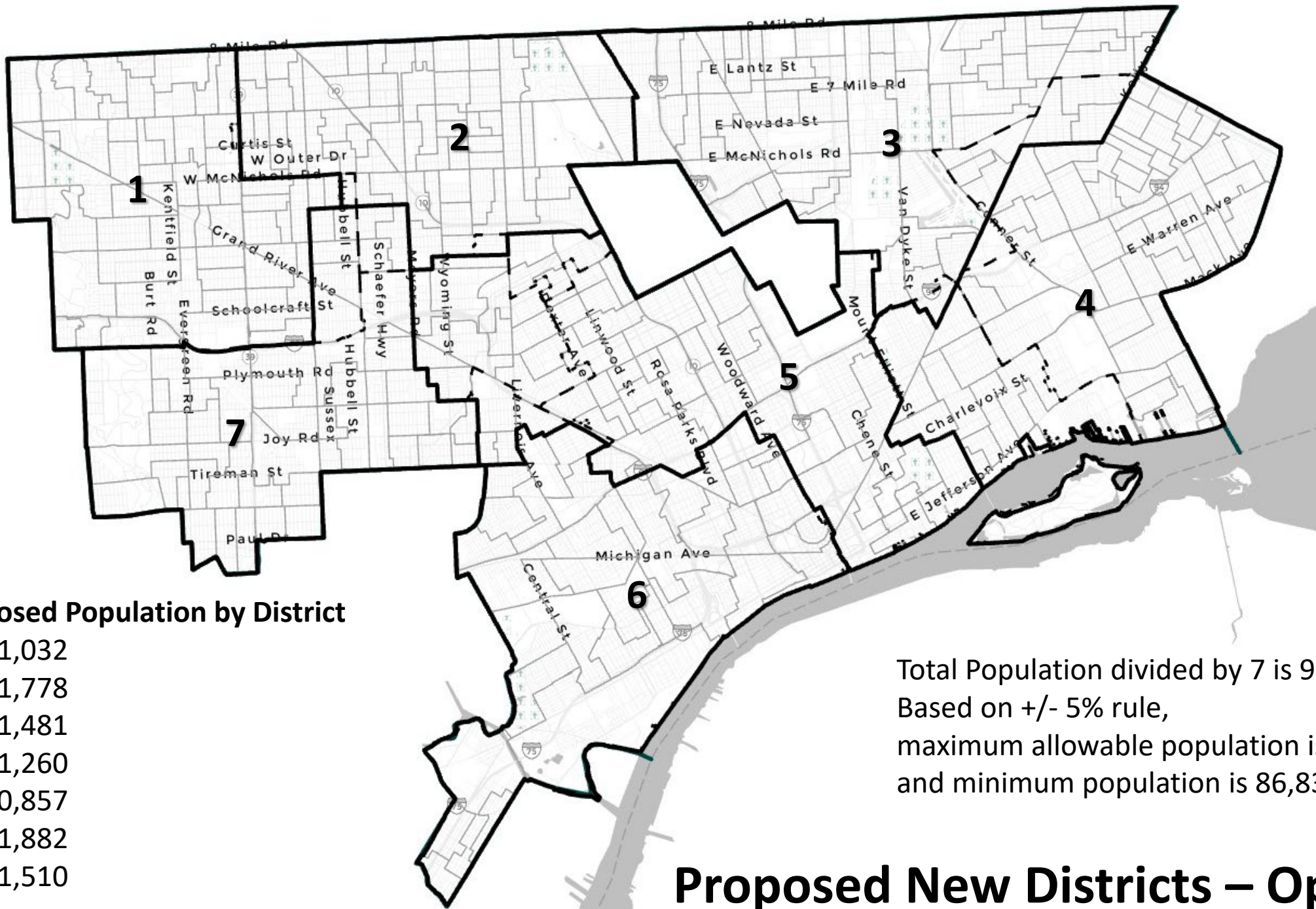


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Option 2

Prioritize equal population over even boundaries

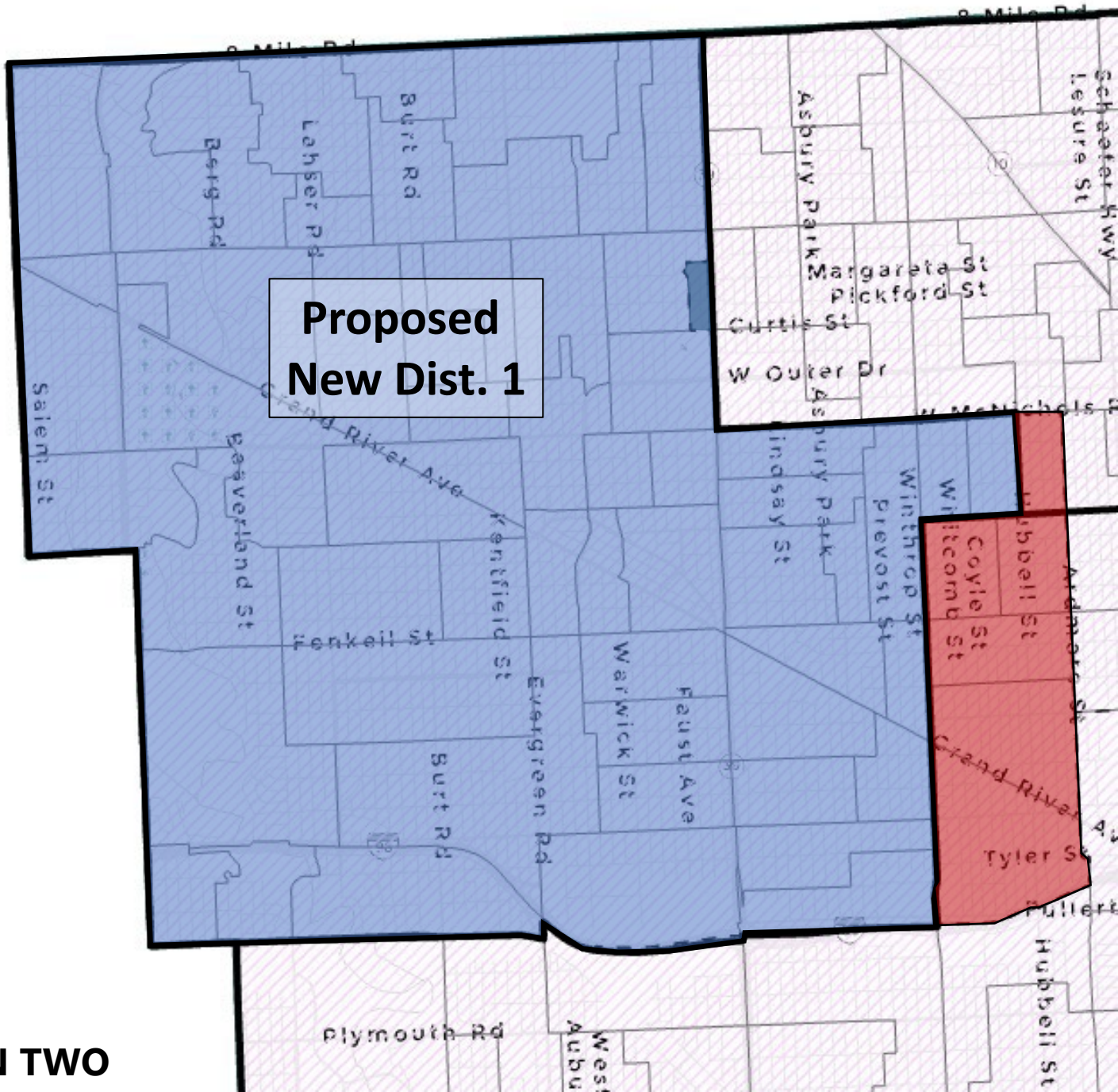


Proposed Population by District

- 1 – 91,032
- 2 – 91,778
- 3 – 91,481
- 4 – 91,260
- 5 – 90,857
- 6 – 91,882
- 7 – 91,510

Total Population divided by 7 is 91,400
 Based on +/- 5% rule,
 maximum allowable population is 95,970
 and minimum population is 86,830

Proposed New Districts – Option 2



**Proposed
New Dist. 1**

DISTRICT 1

Current population - 100,068
 Population within new
 proposed boundary - 91,032


- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District



DISTRICT 2

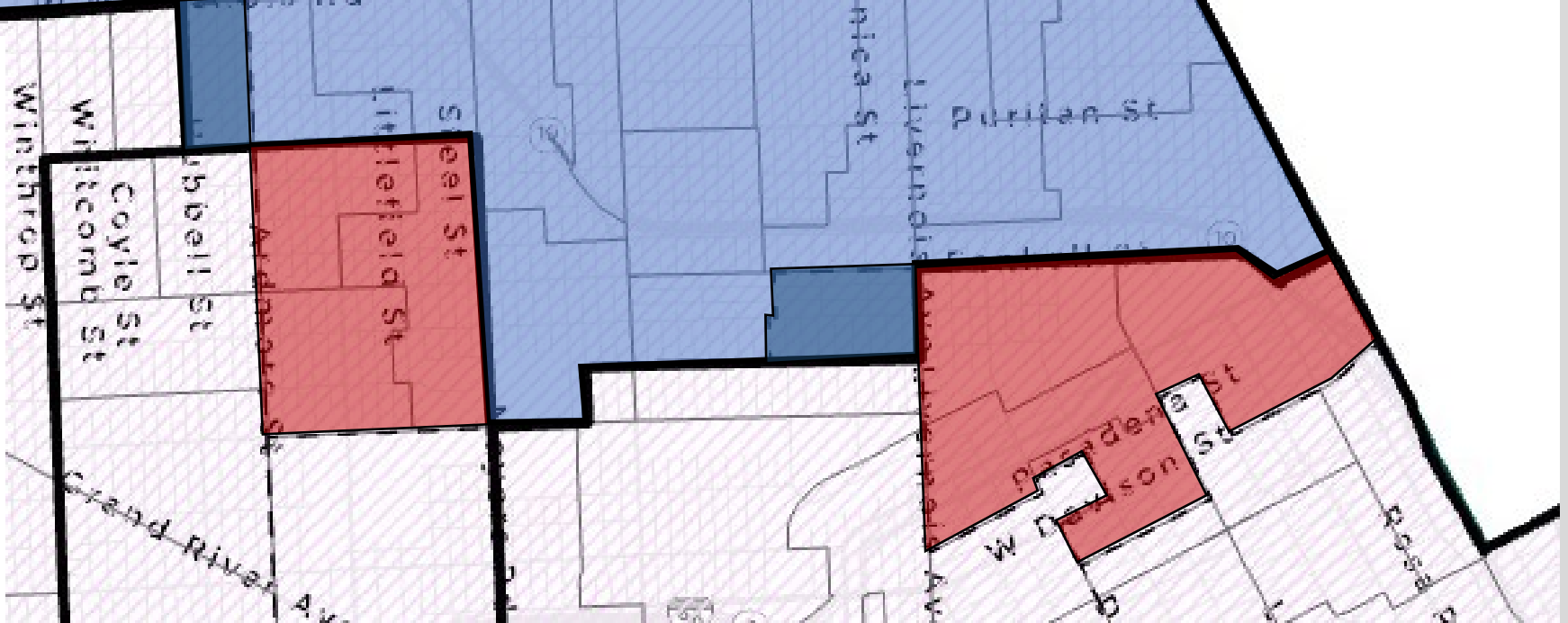
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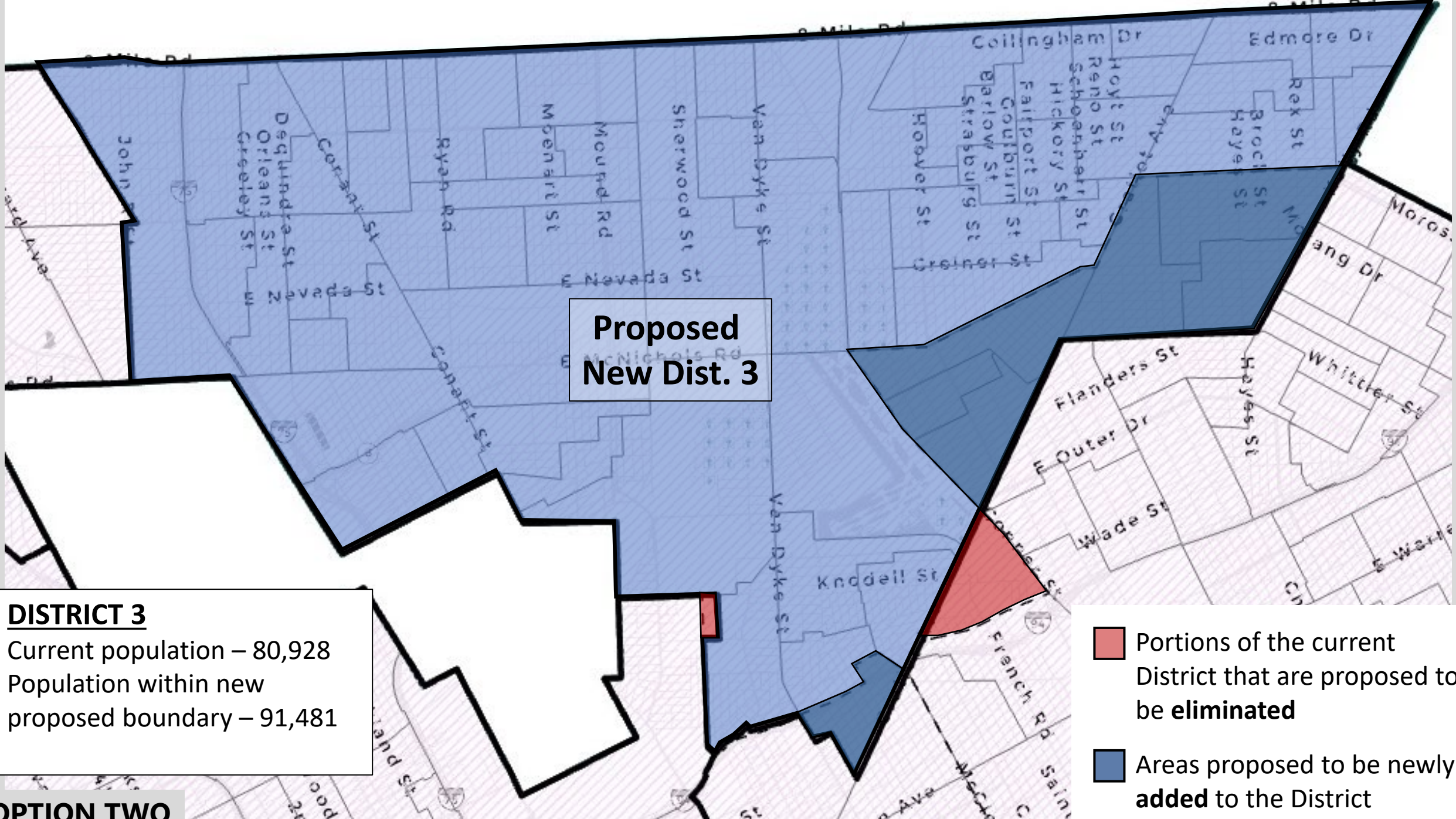
Population within new proposed boundary – 91,778

 Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**

 Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District



OPTION TWO



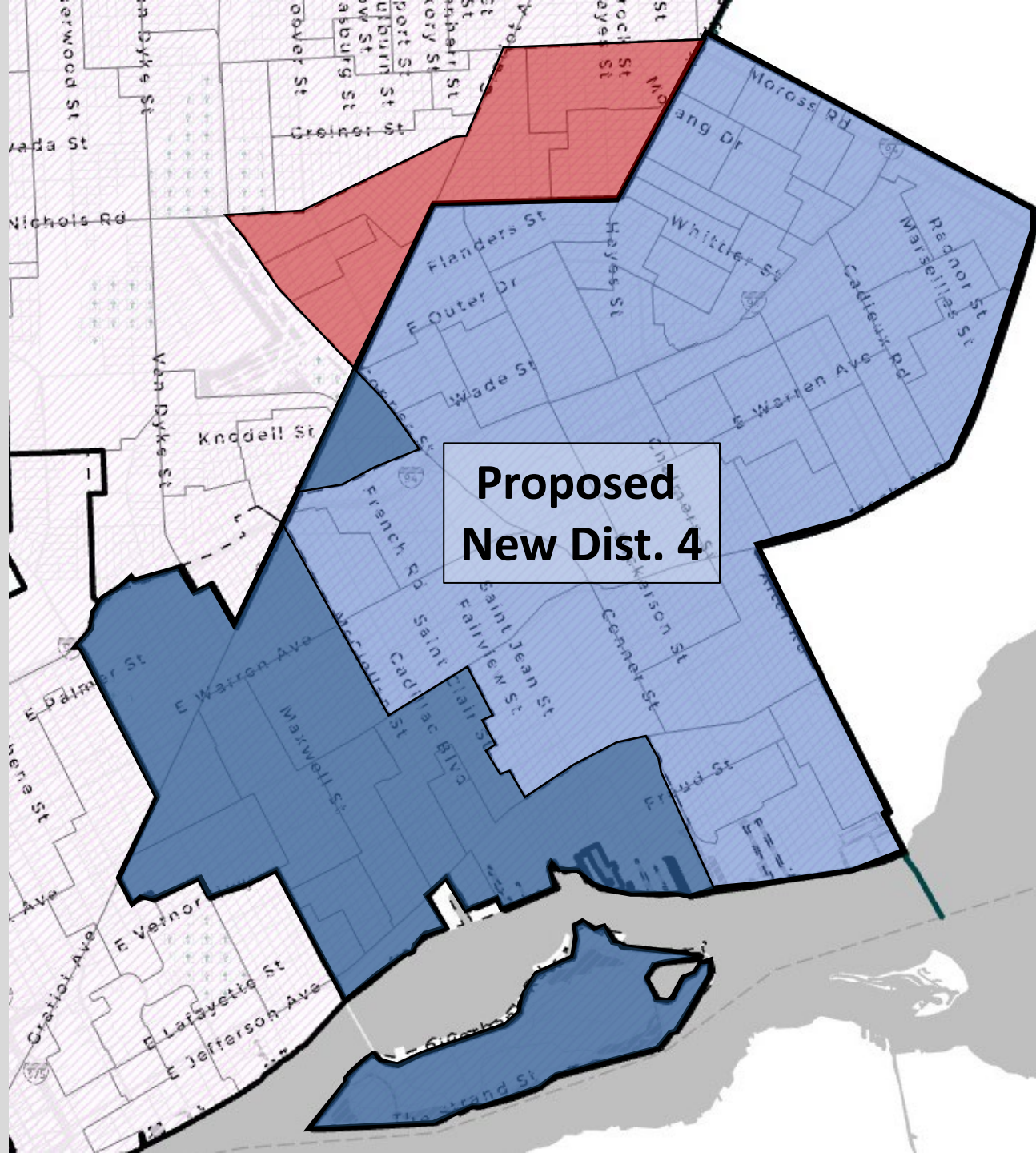


Proposed
New Dist. 3

DISTRICT 3
Current population – 80,928
Population within new
proposed boundary – 91,481

-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
-  Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District



OPTION TWO

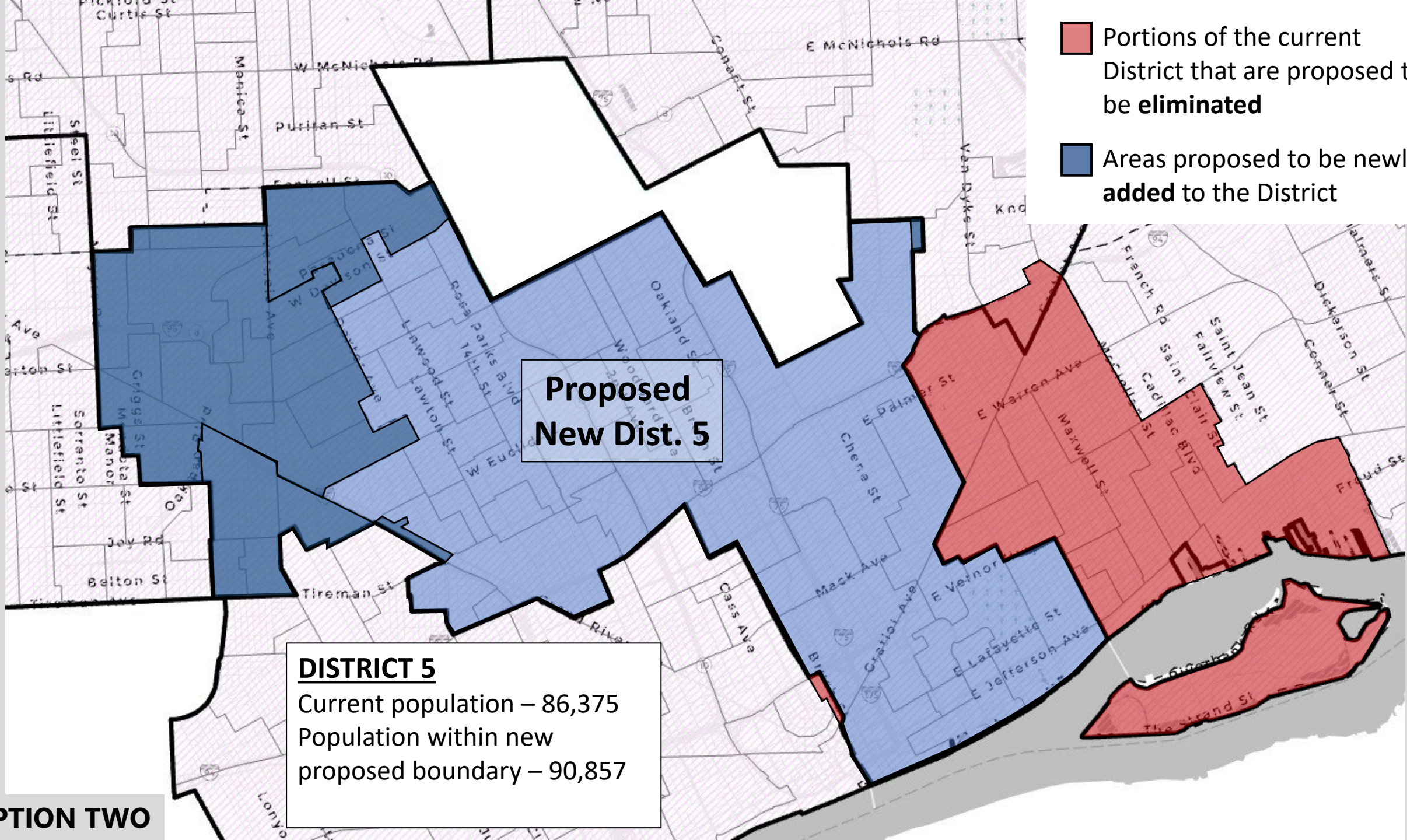


Proposed
New Dist. 4

DISTRICT 4

Current population – 79,203
Population within new
proposed boundary – 91,260

-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
-  Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District



- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
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**Proposed
New Dist. 5**


DISTRICT 5
Current population – 86,375
Population within new
proposed boundary – 90,857

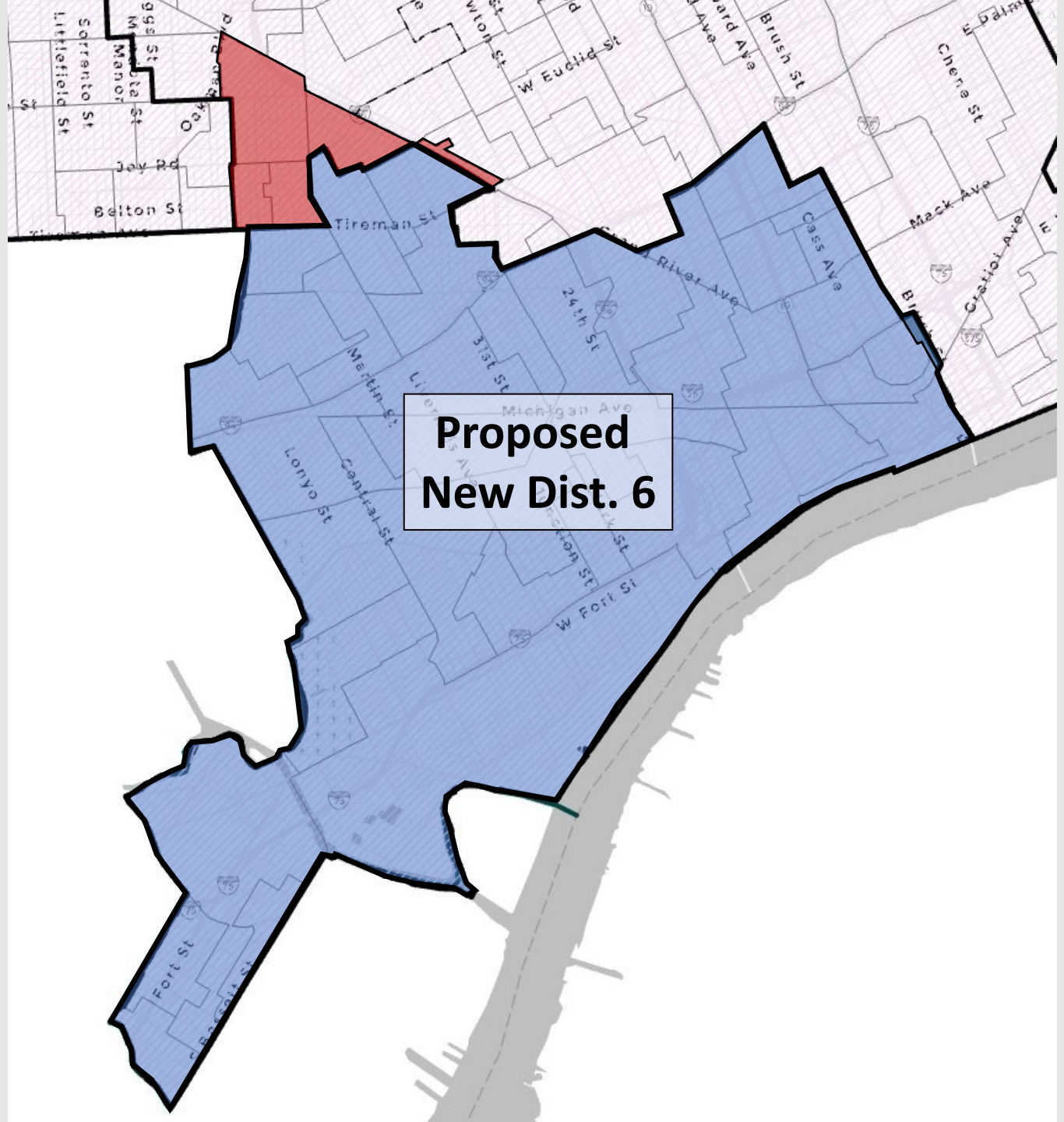
DISTRICT 6

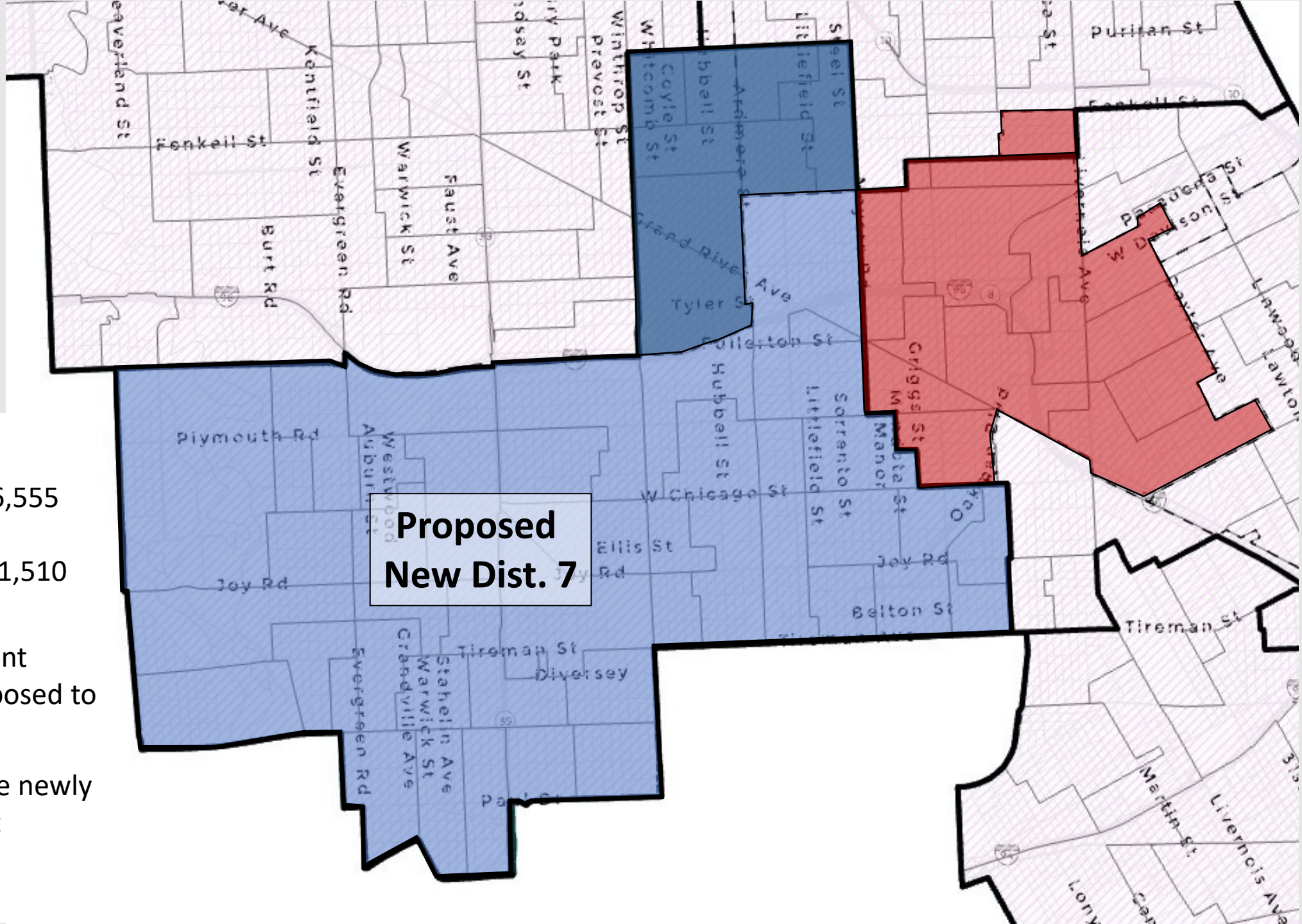
Current population – 94,326

Population within new
proposed boundary – 91,882

 Portions of the current
District that are proposed to
be **eliminated**

 Areas proposed to be newly
added to the District





DISTRICT 7

Current population – 96,555
Population within new proposed boundary – 91,510

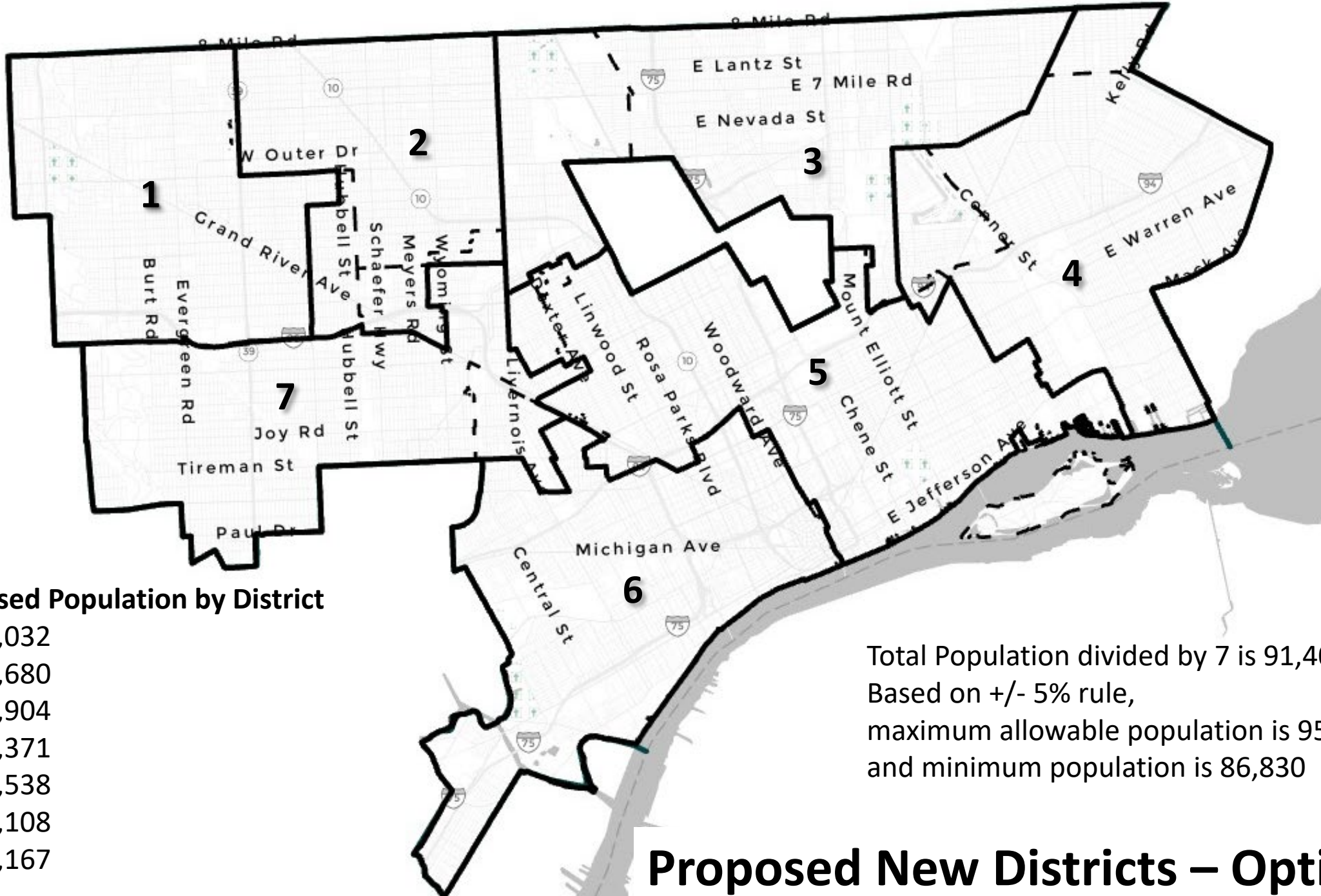
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OPTION TWO

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Option 3

Maintain current District 5 boundaries

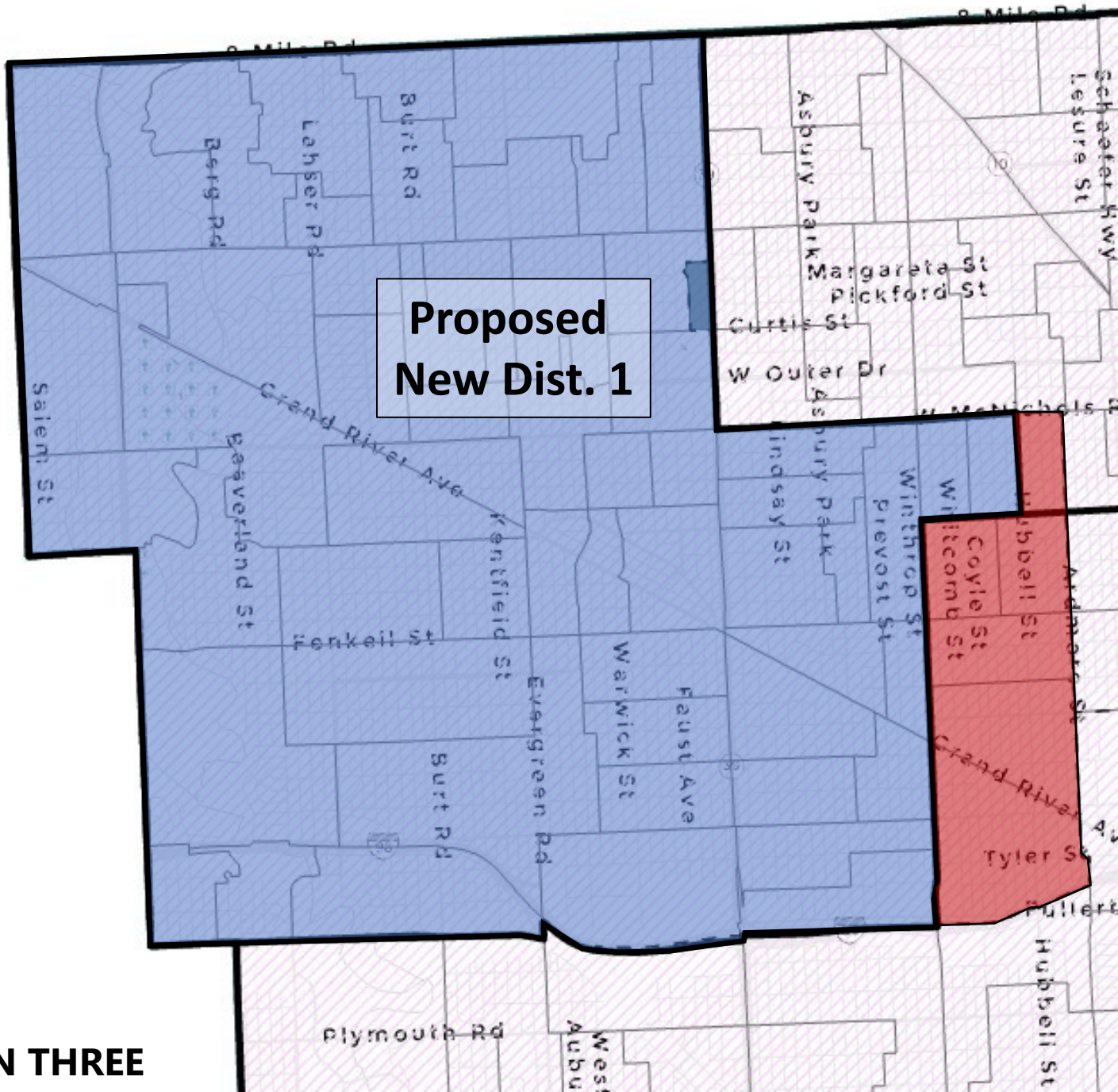


Proposed Population by District

- 1 – 91,032
- 2 – 91,680
- 3 – 91,904
- 4 – 91,371
- 5 – 91,538
- 6 – 91,108
- 7 – 91,167

Total Population divided by 7 is 91,400
 Based on +/- 5% rule,
 maximum allowable population is 95,970
 and minimum population is 86,830

Proposed New Districts – Option 3

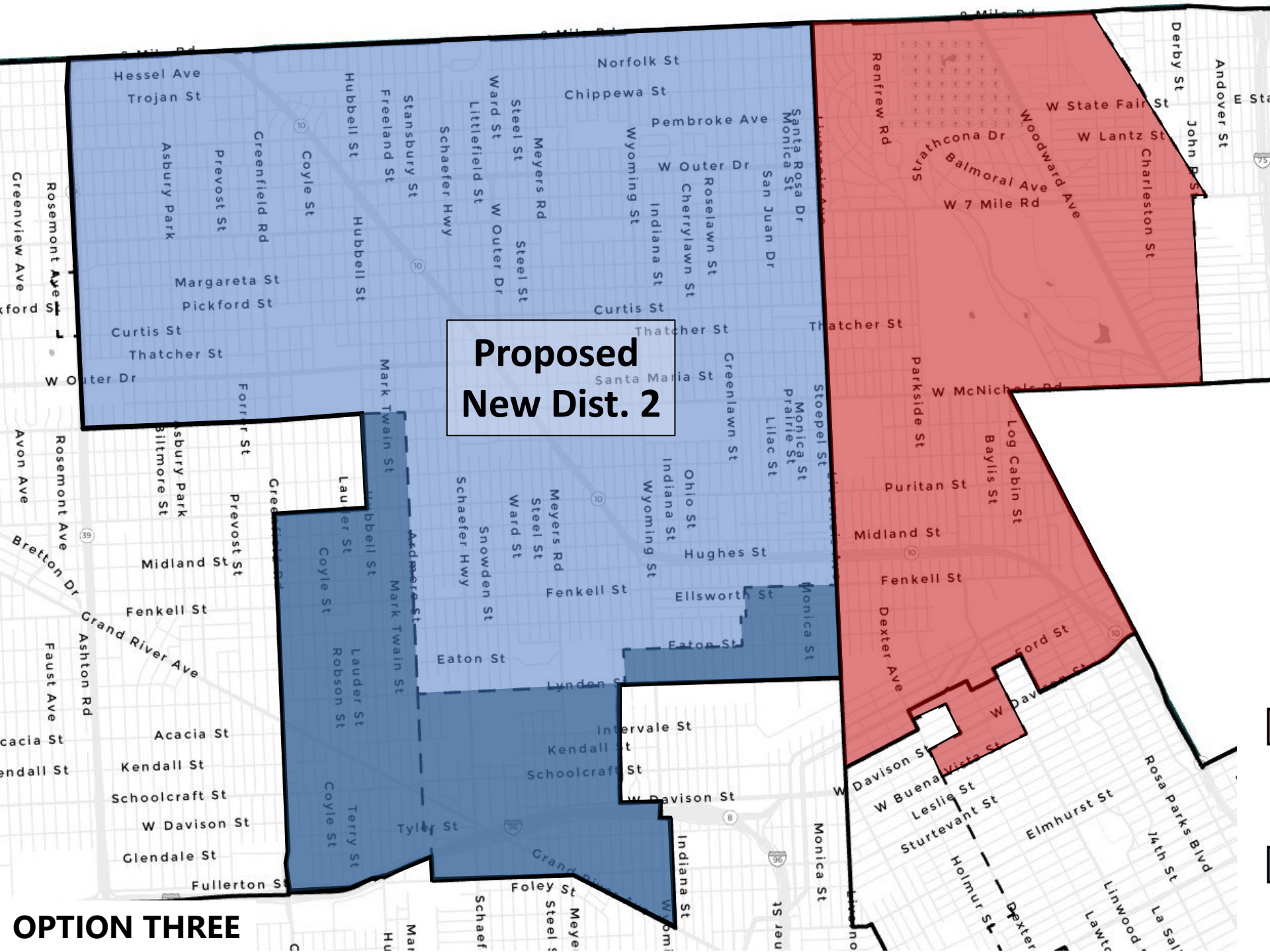


**Proposed
New Dist. 1**

DISTRICT 1

Current population - 100,068
 Population within new
 proposed boundary - 91,032

- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District



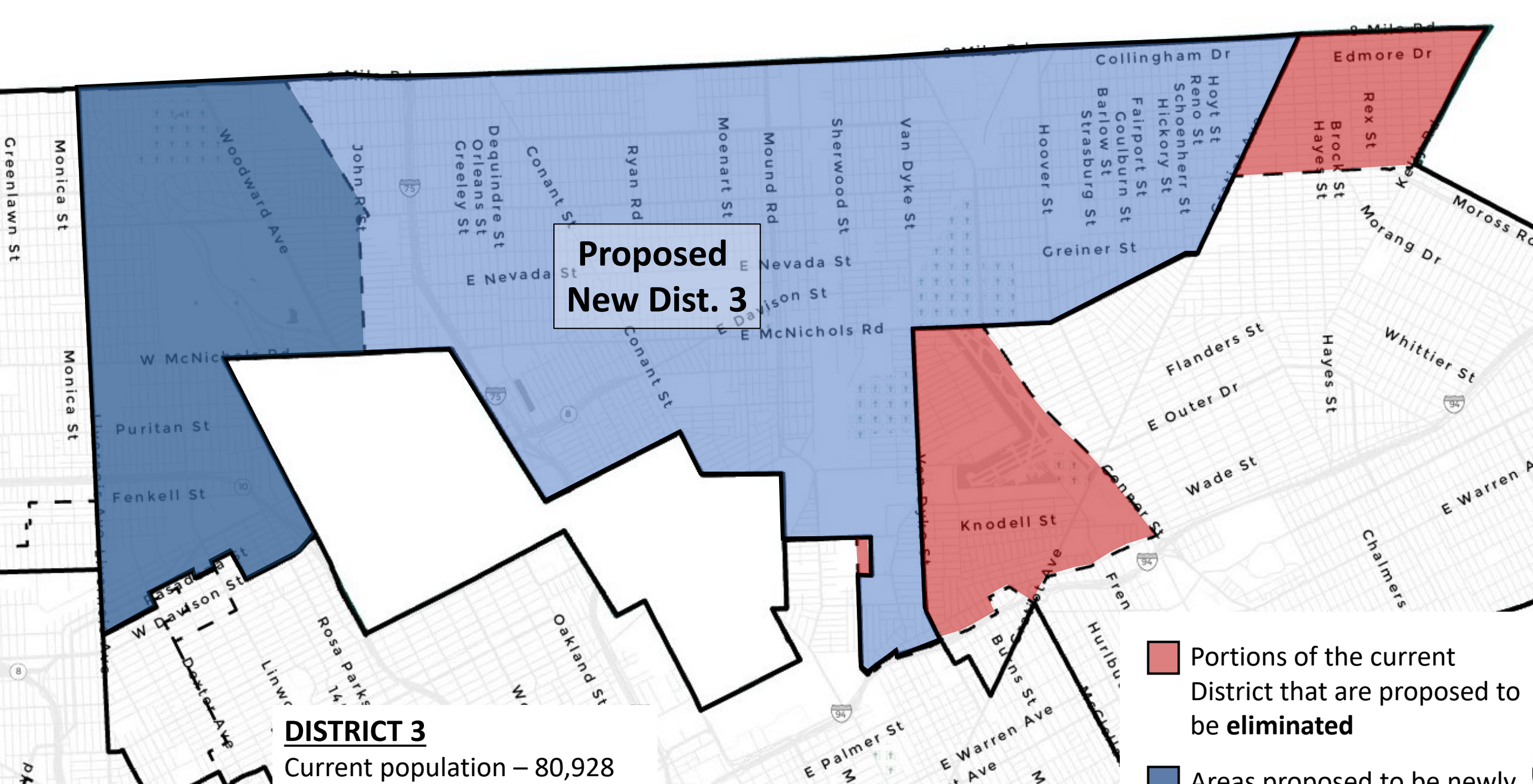
**Proposed
New Dist. 2**

DISTRICT 2

Current population - 100,347
 Population within new proposed boundary - 91,680

- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

OPTION THREE



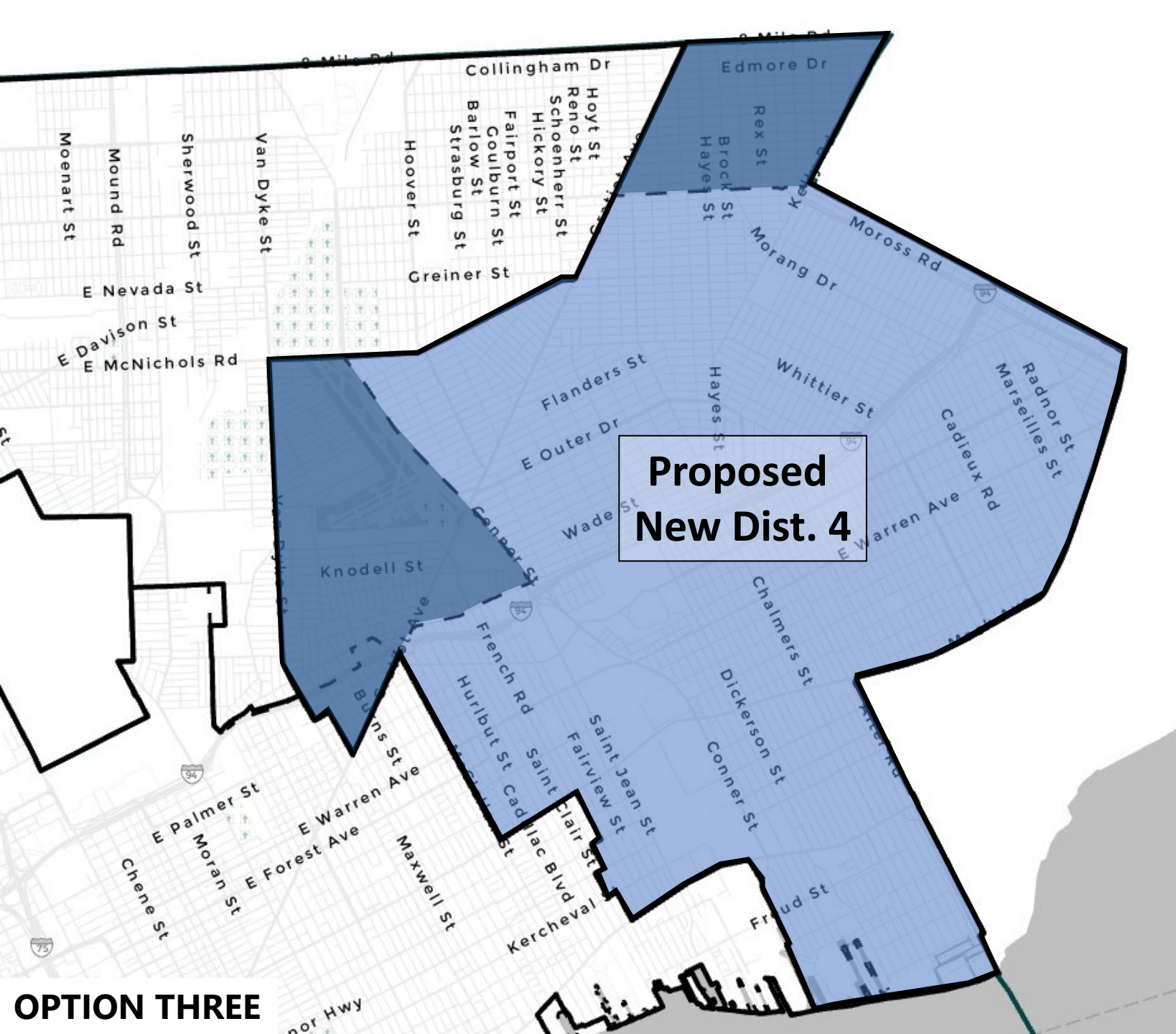
**Proposed
New Dist. 3**

DISTRICT 3

Current population – 80,928
Population within new
proposed boundary - 91,904

- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

OPTION THREE



**Proposed
New Dist. 4**

DISTRICT 4



Current population – 79,203
Population within new
proposed boundary – 91,371

- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

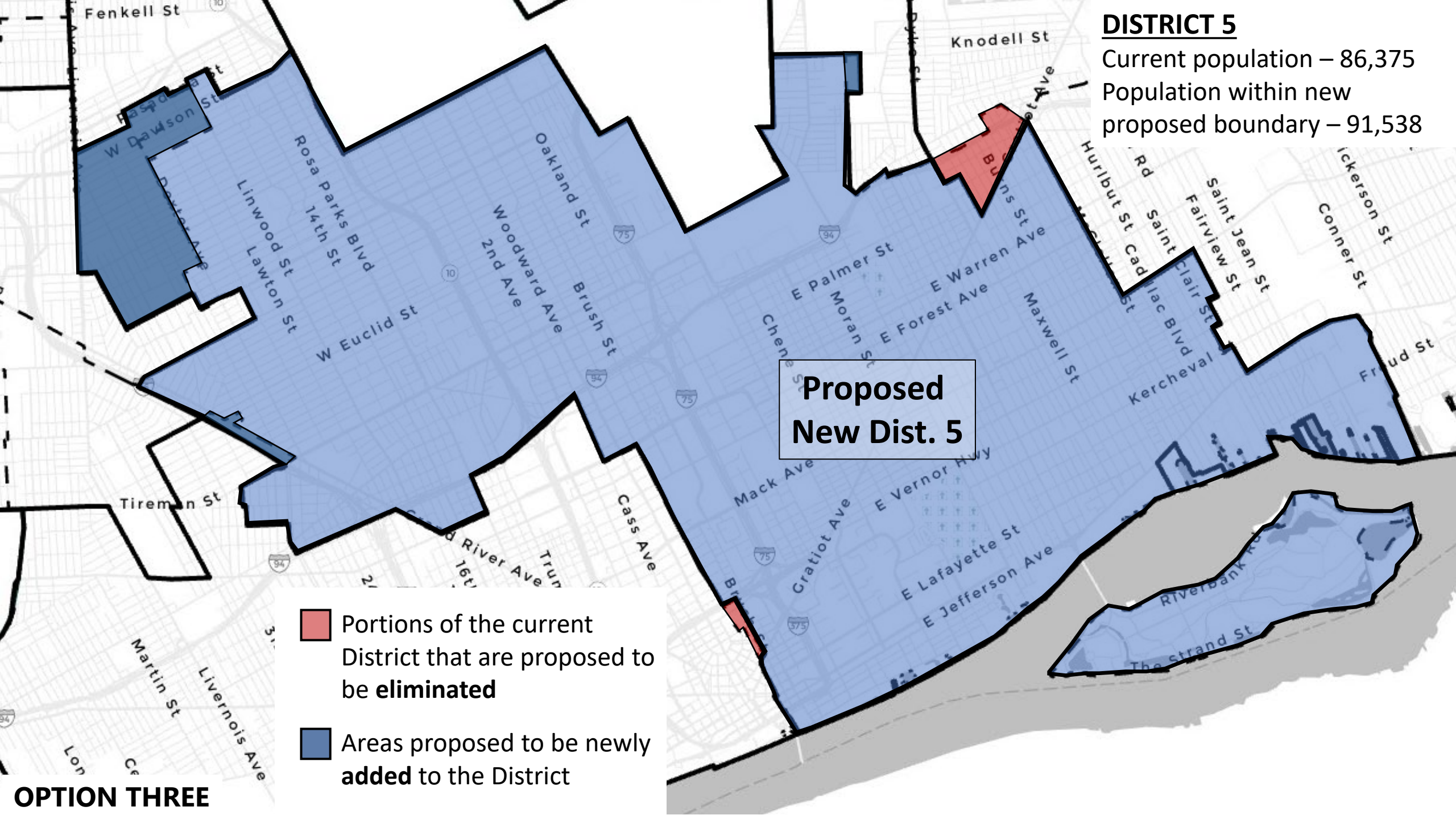
DISTRICT 5

Current population – 86,375
Population within new proposed boundary – 91,538

**Proposed
New Dist. 5**



-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
-  Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

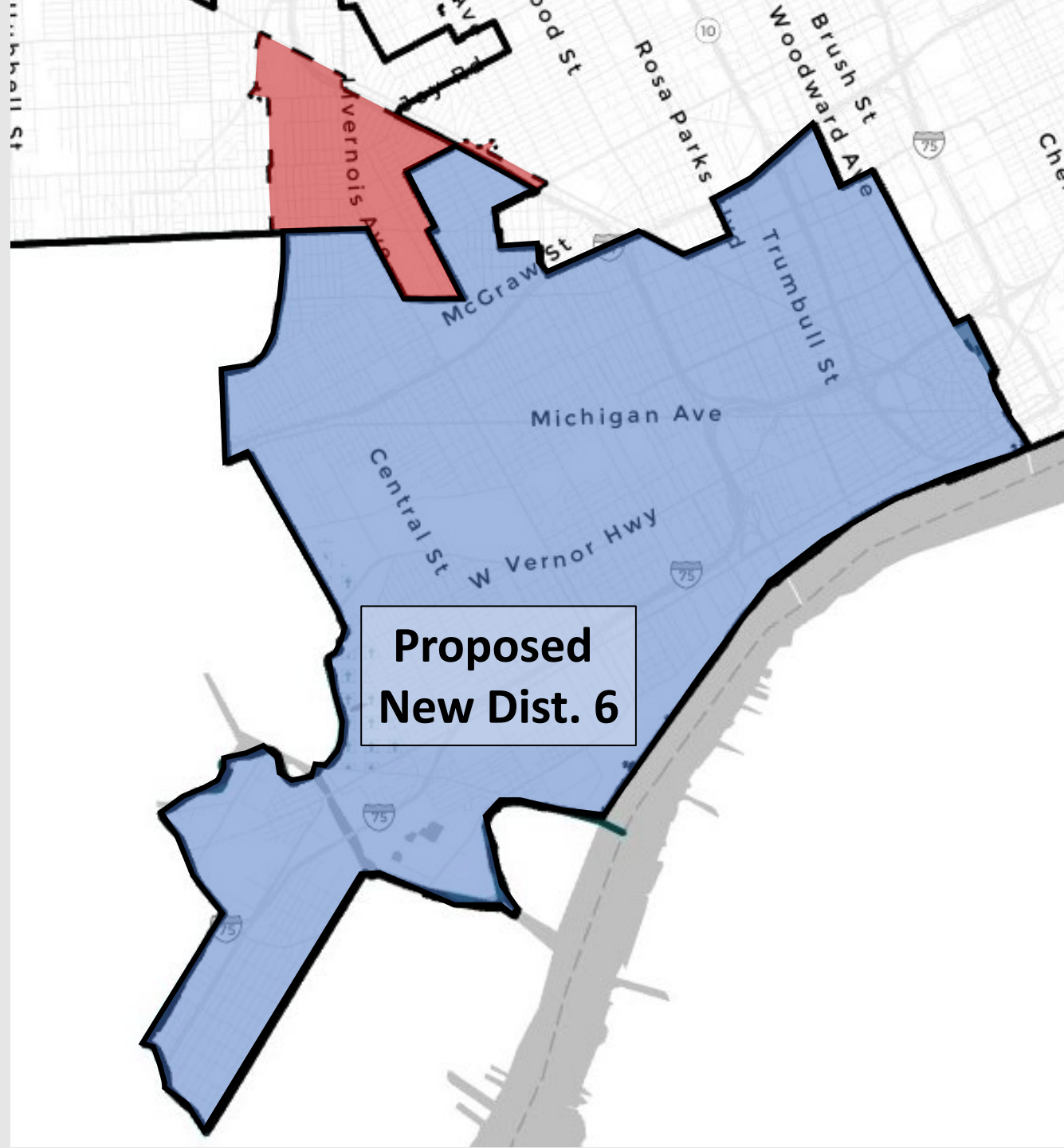
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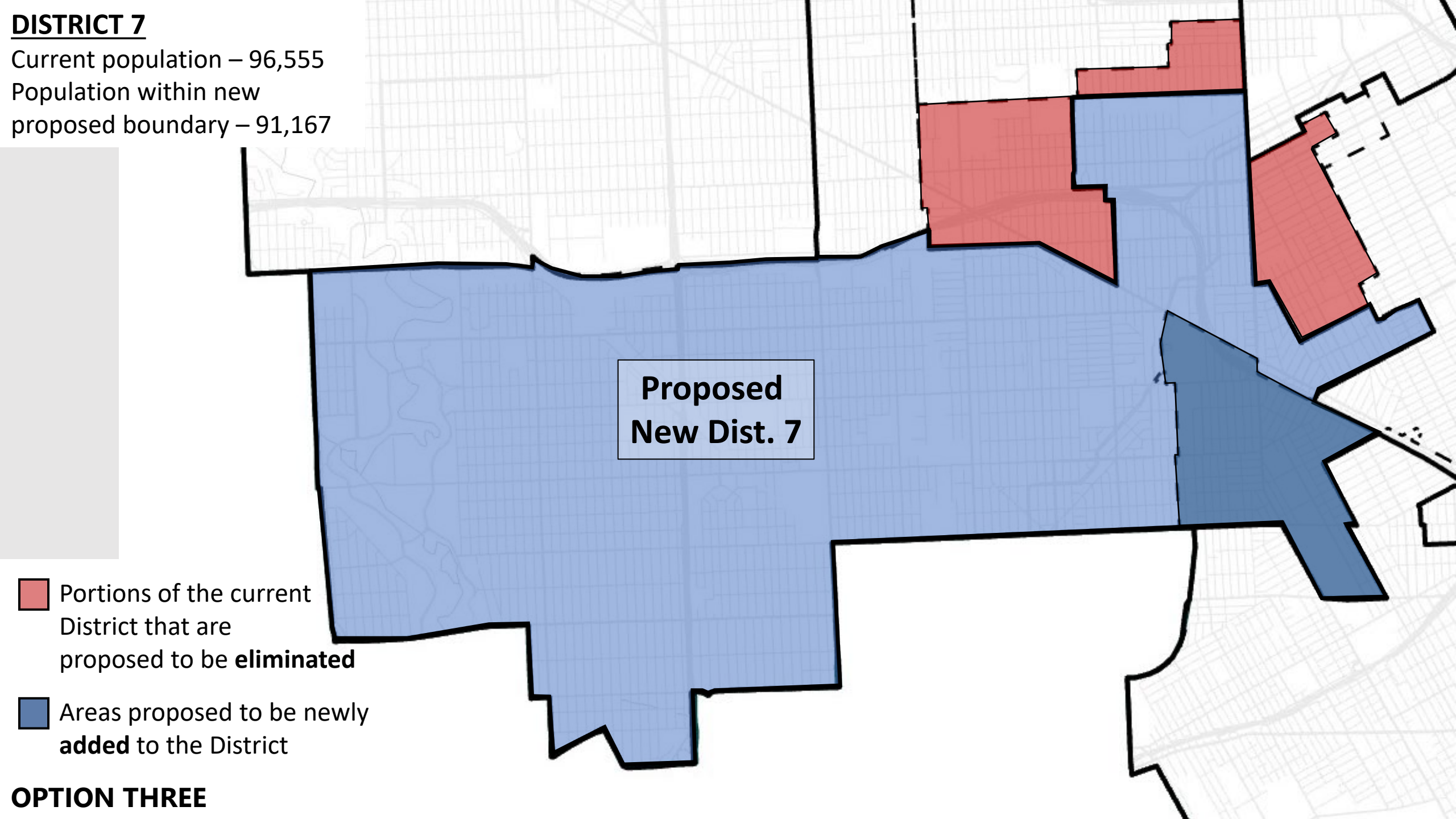
DISTRICT 6

Current population – 94,326
Population within new
proposed boundary – 91,108

-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
-  Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District



OPTION THREE





DISTRICT 7

Current population – 96,555

Population within new
proposed boundary – 91,167

**Proposed
New Dist. 7**

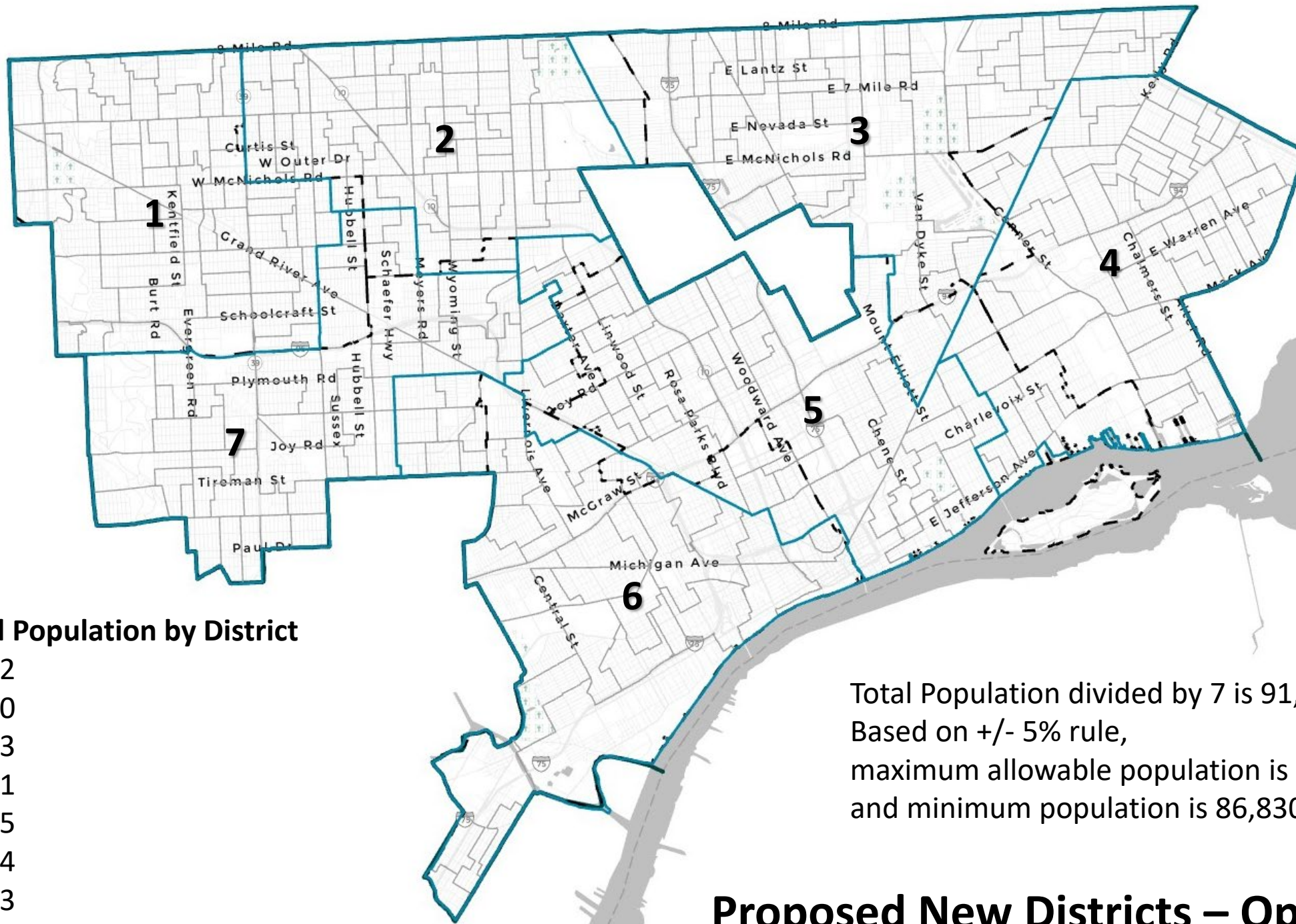
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OPTION THREE

An aerial photograph of a suburban neighborhood with a grid street pattern, houses, and trees. A large blue rectangular box is overlaid in the center of the image, containing text.

Option 4

Greater impact to all districts



Proposed Population by District

- 1 – 91,582
- 2 – 91,370
- 3 – 90,103
- 4 – 90,421
- 5 – 91,755
- 6 – 91,414
- 7 – 91,913



Total Population divided by 7 is 91,400
 Based on +/- 5% rule,
 maximum allowable population is 95,970
 and minimum population is 86,830

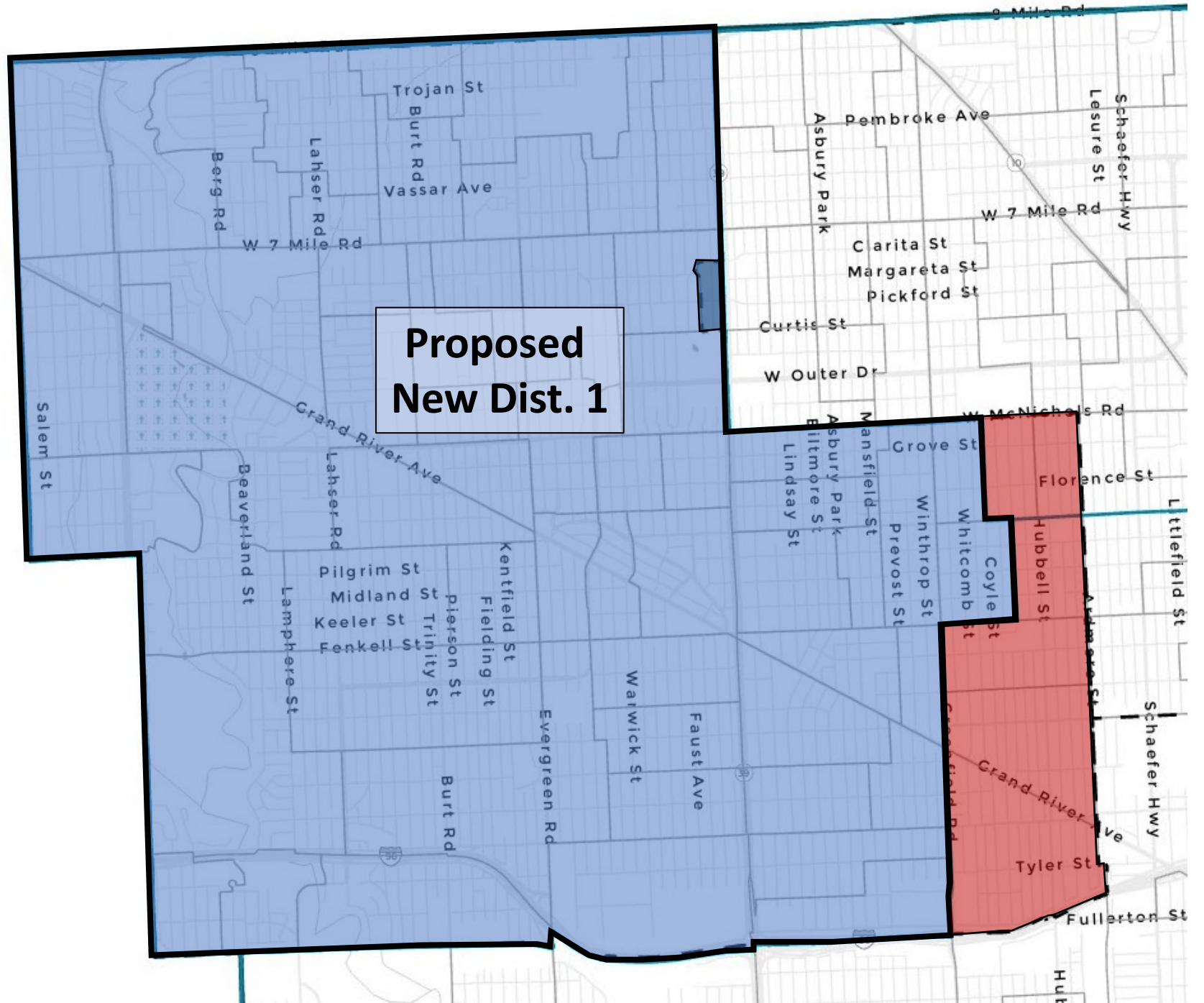
Proposed New Districts – Option 4

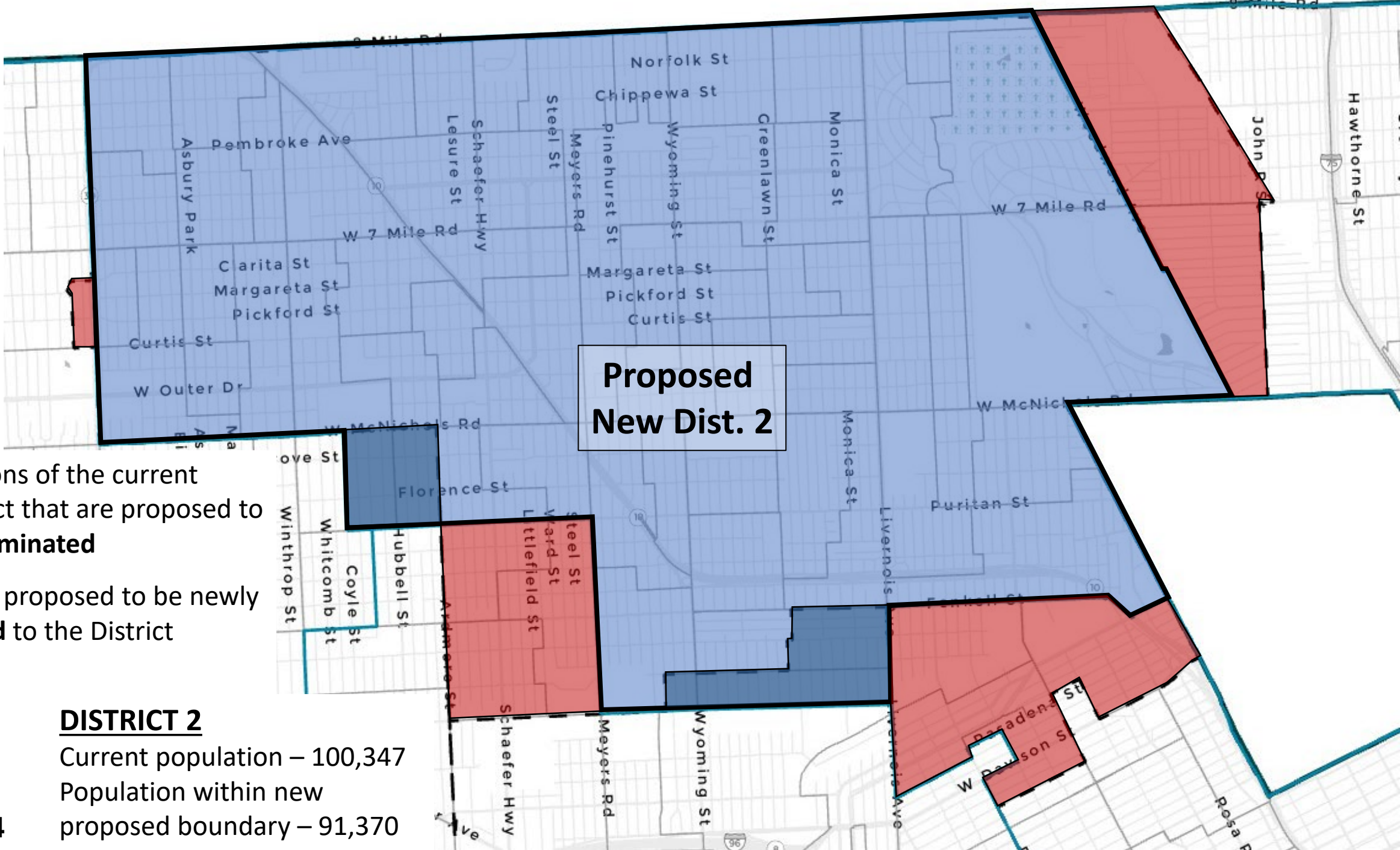
DISTRICT 1

Current population - 100,068

Population within new proposed boundary - 91,582

-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
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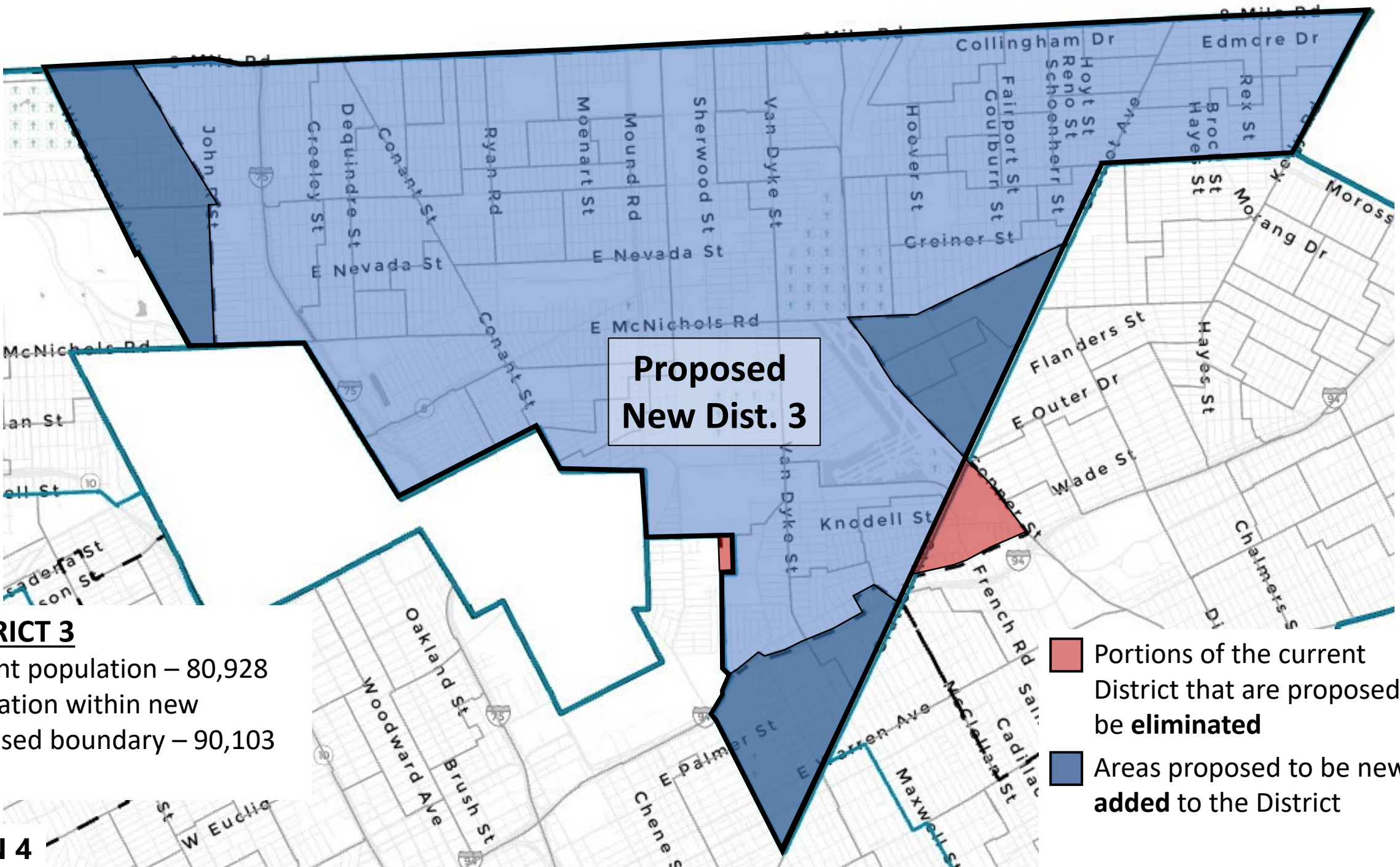


**Proposed
New Dist. 2**

- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

DISTRICT 2
 Current population – 100,347
 Population within new proposed boundary – 91,370

OPTION 4



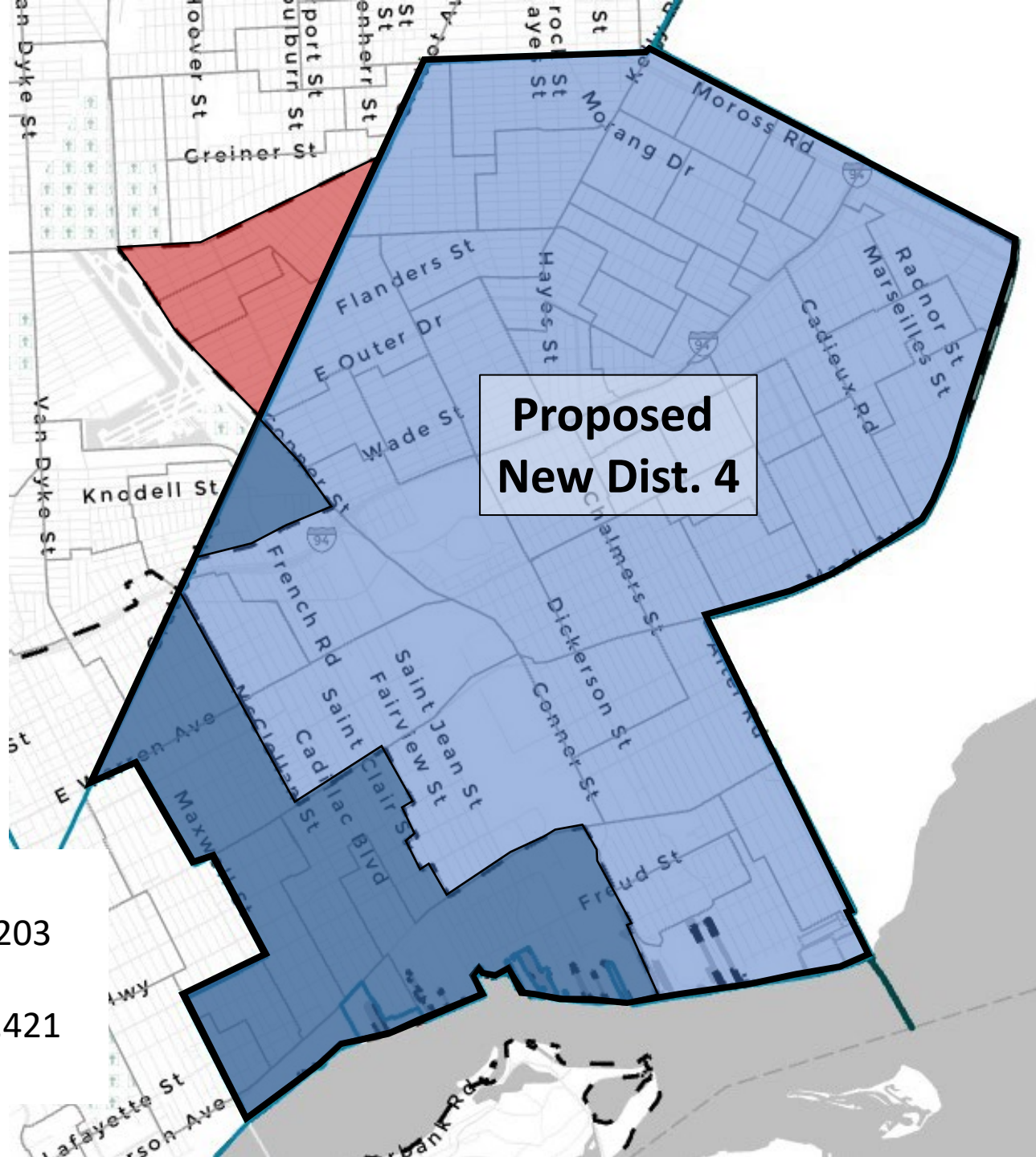
**Proposed
New Dist. 3**

DISTRICT 3

Current population – 80,928
 Population within new
 proposed boundary – 90,103

- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District



OPTION 4



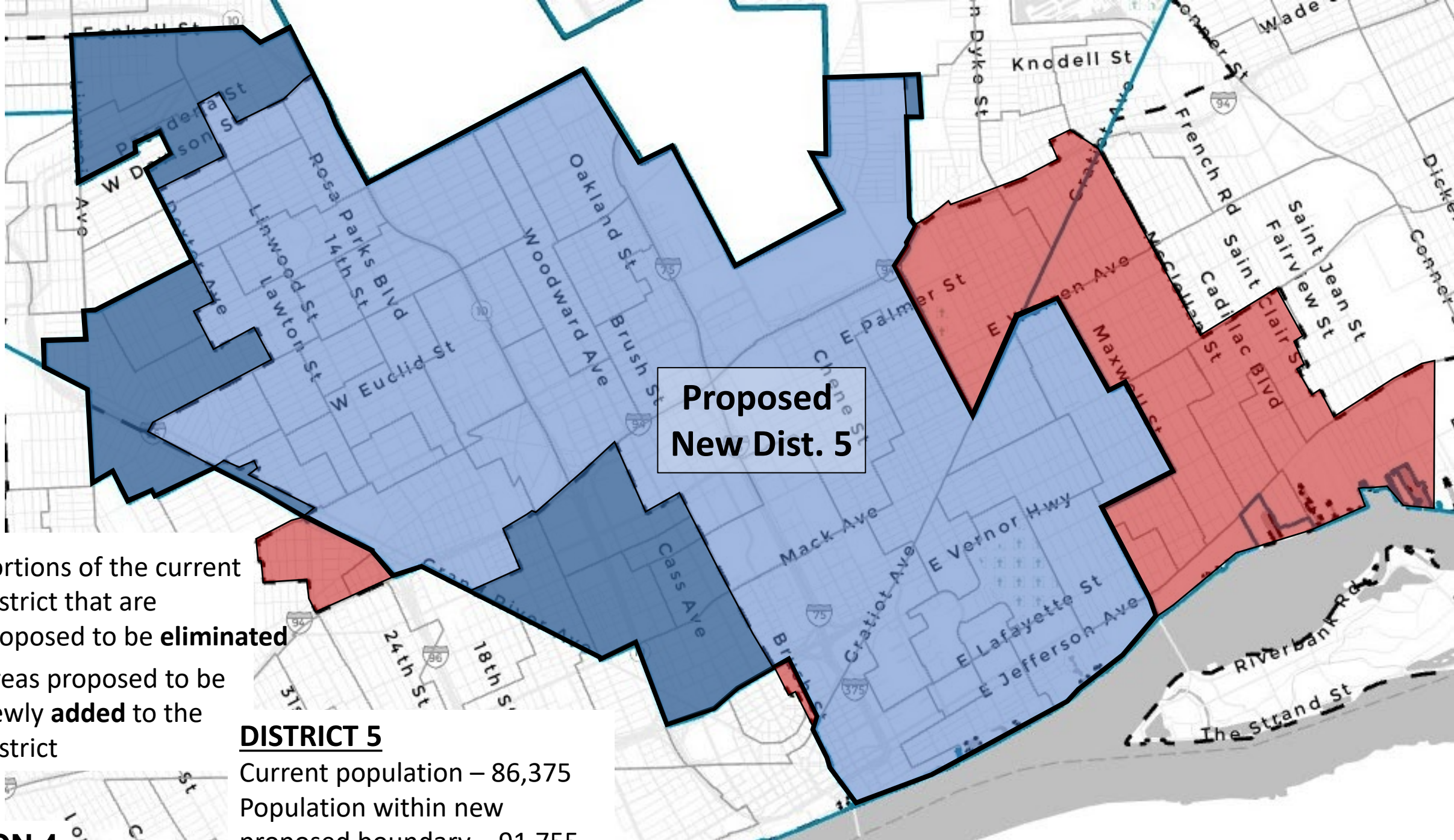
Proposed
New Dist. 4

DISTRICT 4

Current population – 79,203
Population within new
proposed boundary – 90,421

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OPTION 4



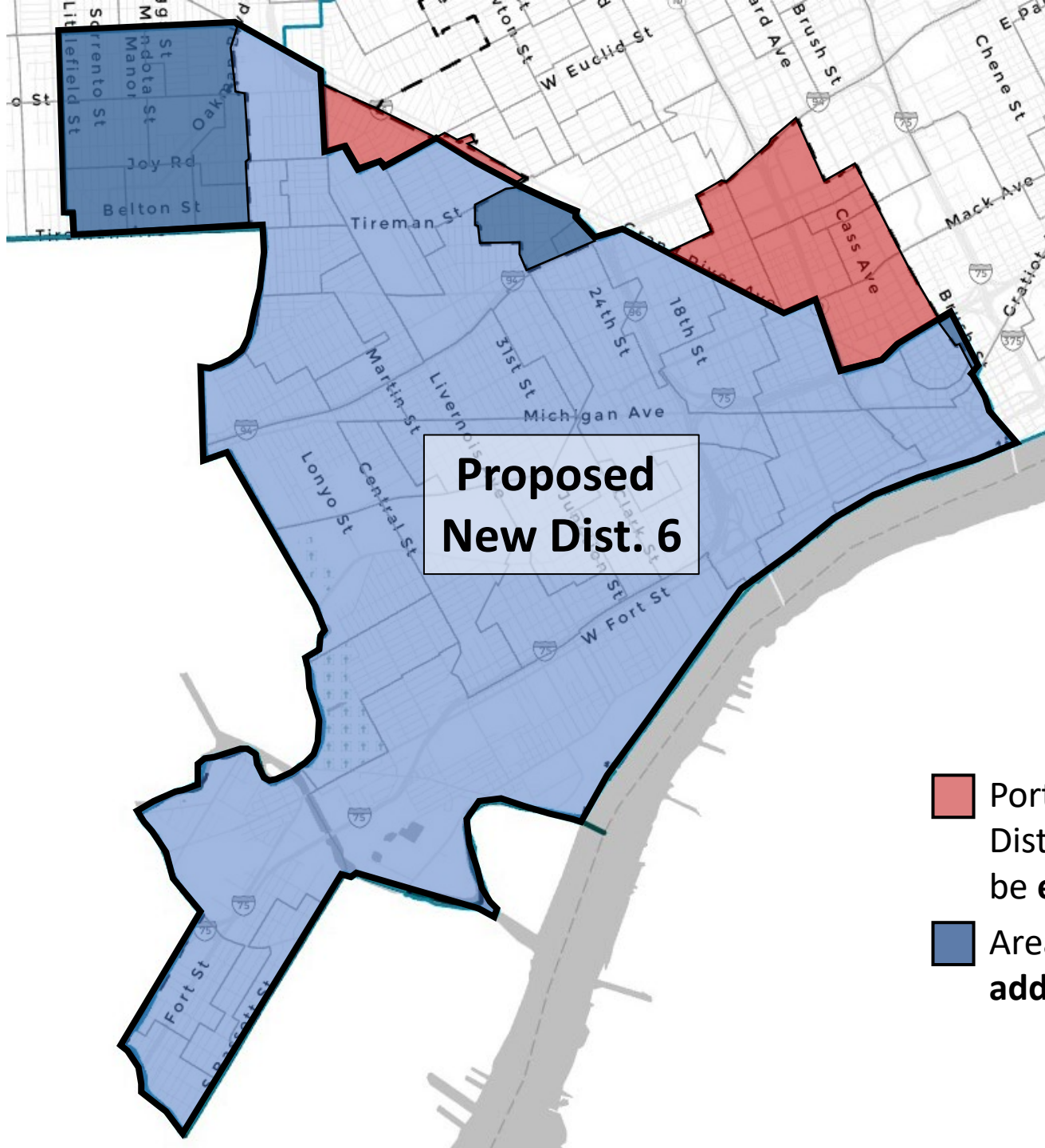
**Proposed
New Dist. 5**

Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**



Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

<u>DISTRICT 5</u>
Current population – 86,375
Population within new proposed boundary – 91,755

OPTION 4



**Proposed
New Dist. 6**

-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
-  Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

DISTRICT 6

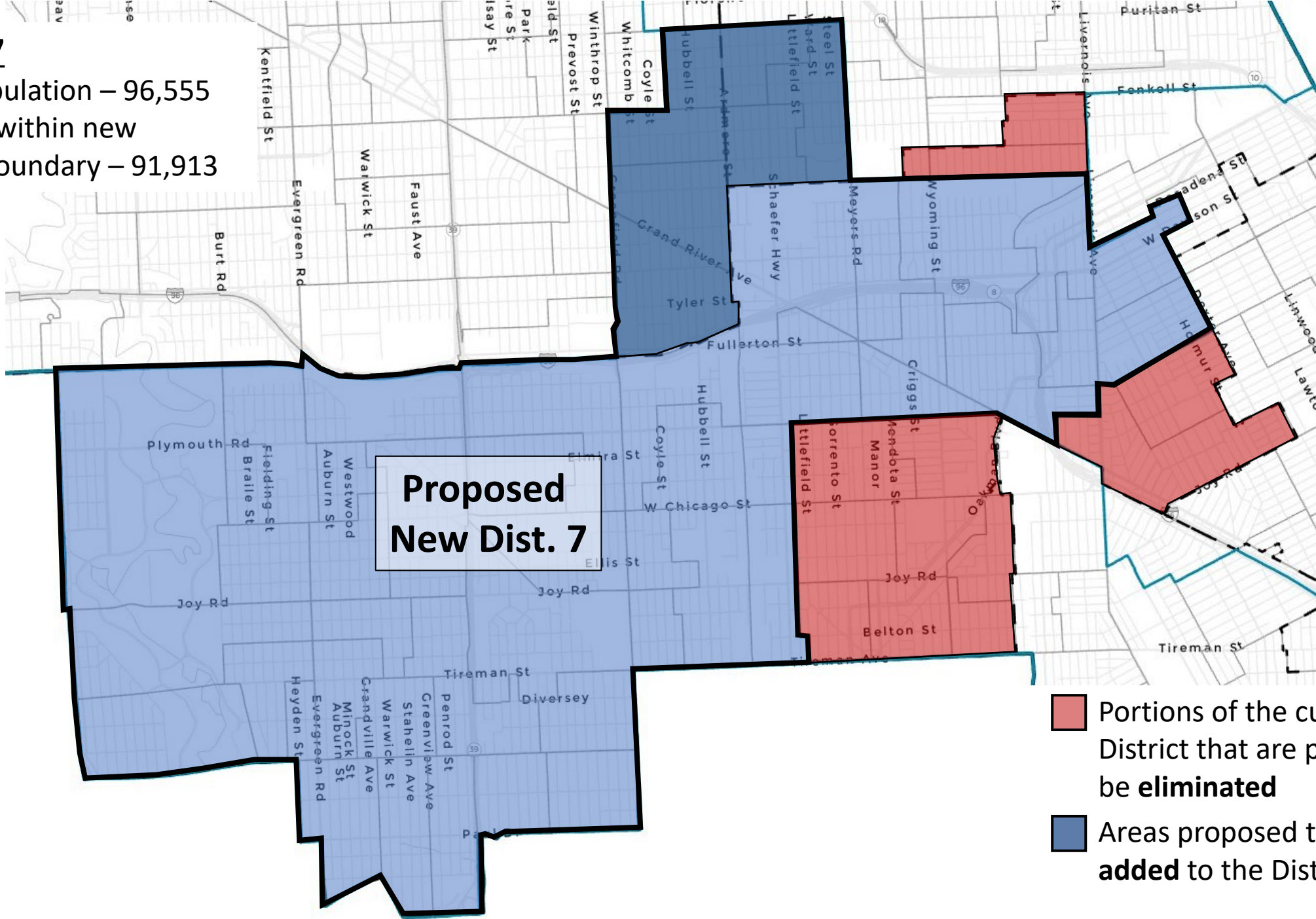
Current population – 94,326
Population within new
proposed boundary – 91,414

OPTION 4



DISTRICT 7

Current population – 96,555

Population within new proposed boundary – 91,913



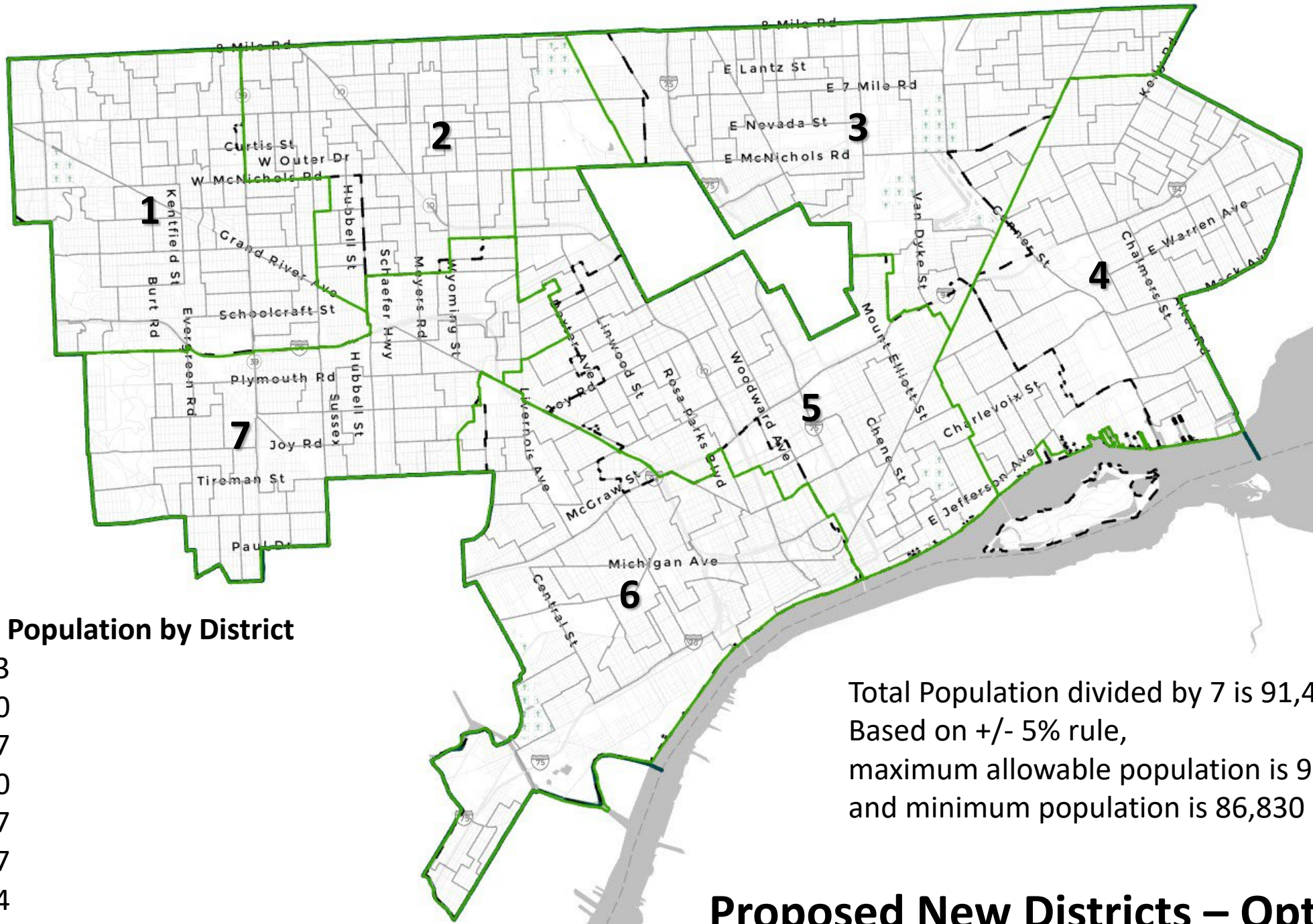
**Proposed
New Dist. 7**

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Option 5

Allows northward expansion of district 5

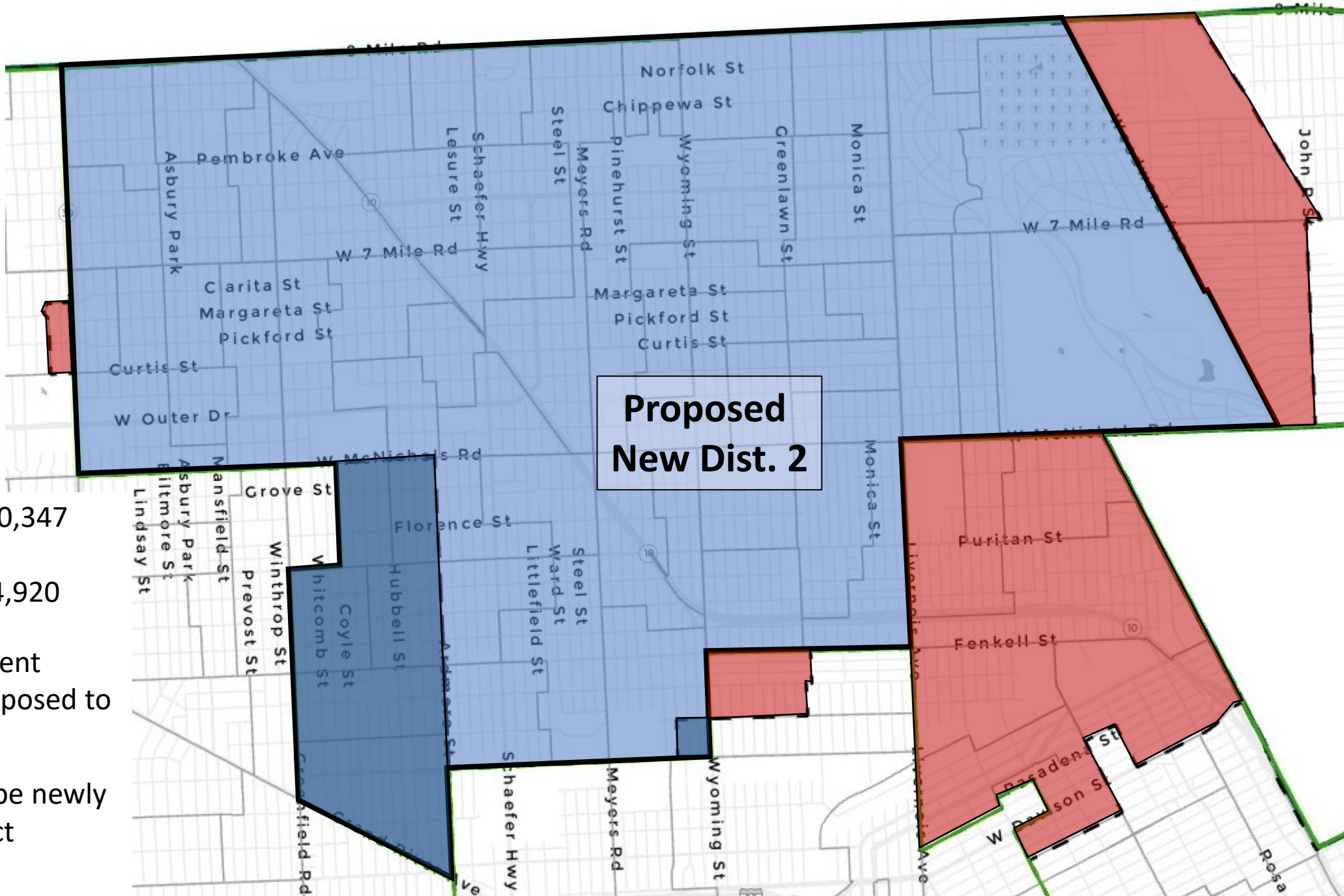


Proposed Population by District

- 1 – 91,823
- 2 – 94,920
- 3 – 89,177
- 4 – 92,230
- 5 – 88,687
- 6 – 90,537
- 7 – 91,184

Total Population divided by 7 is 91,400
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Proposed New Districts – Option 5

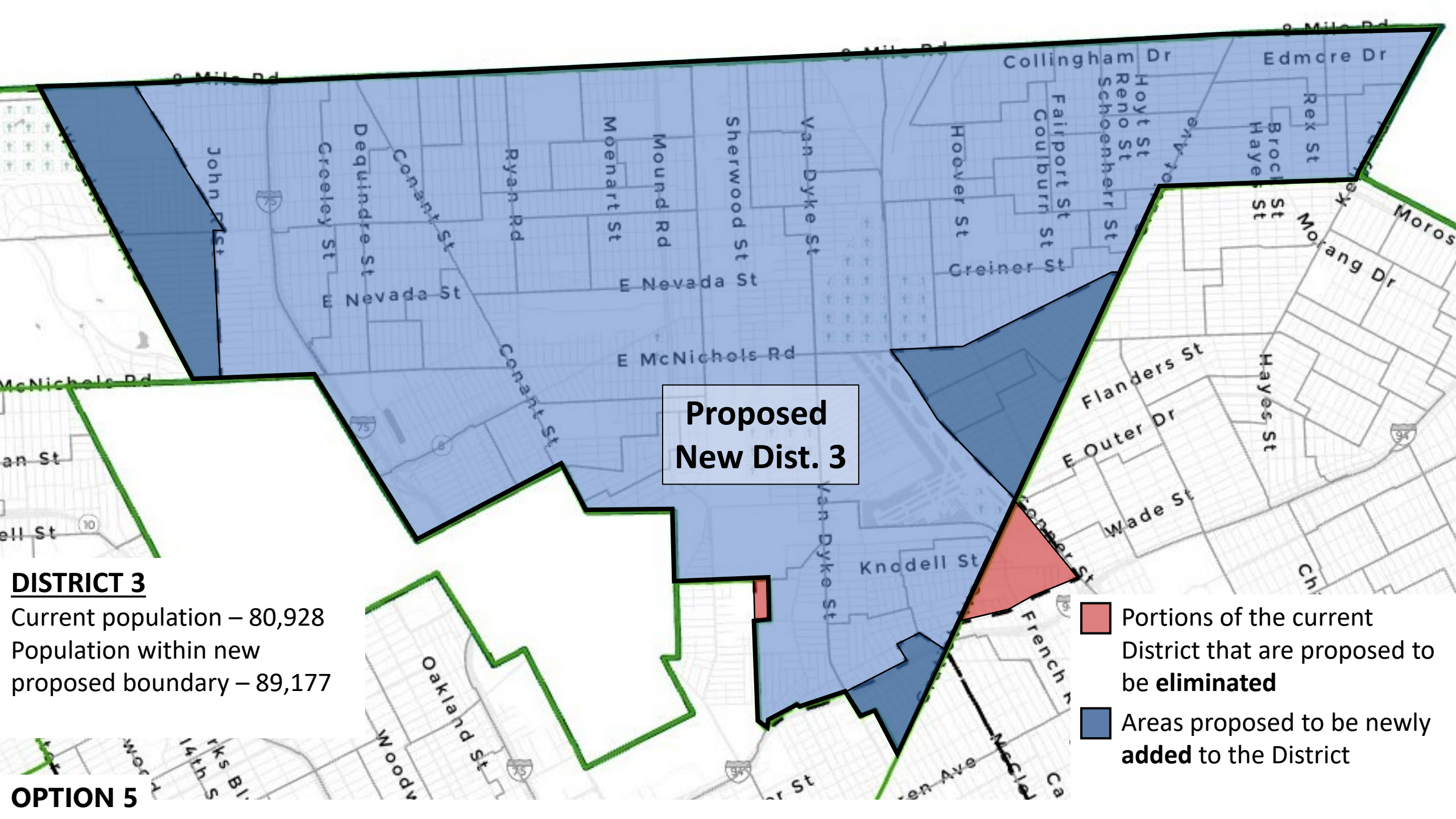


DISTRICT 2

Current population – 100,347
 Population within new proposed boundary – 94,920

- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

OPTION 5



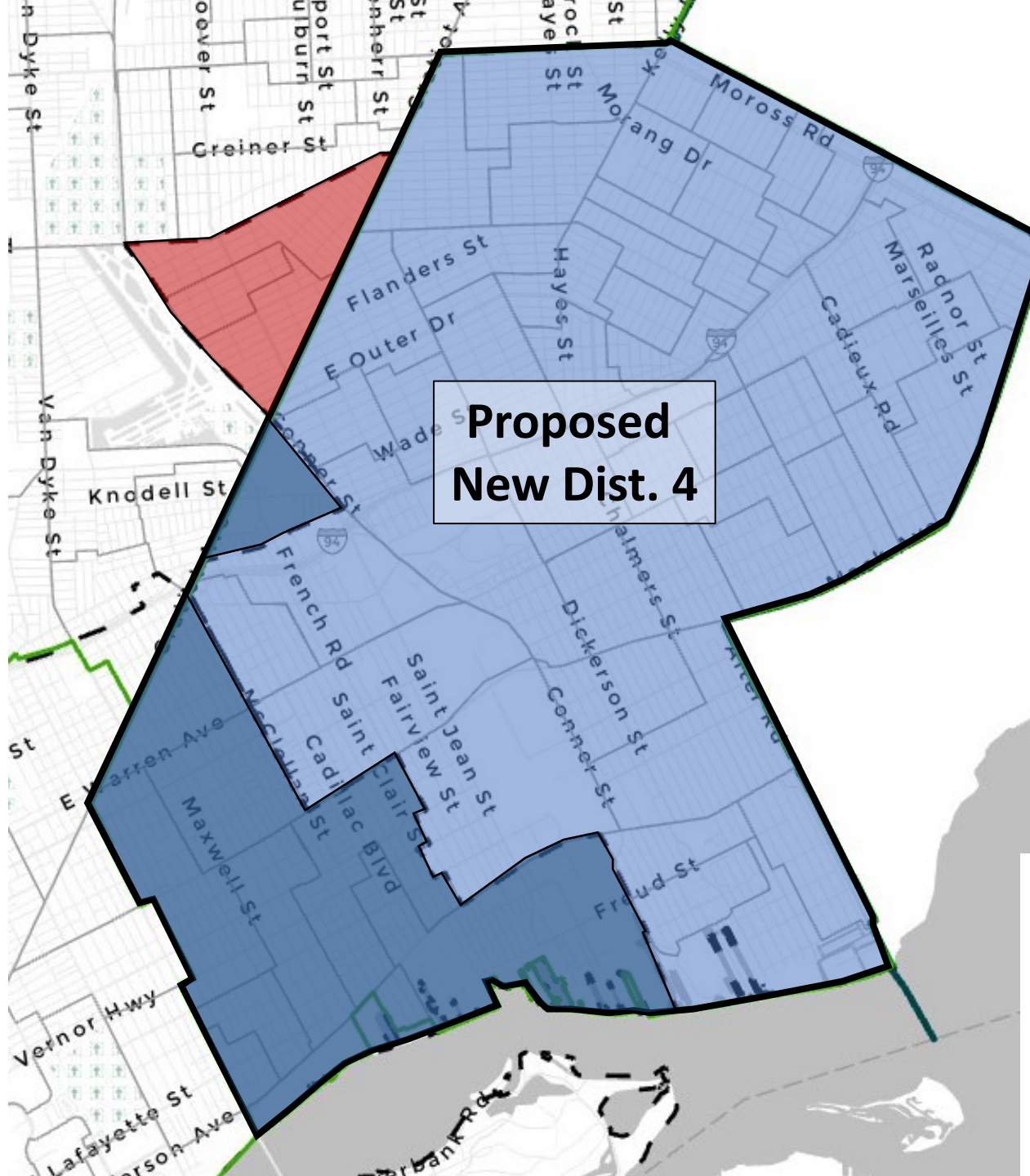
**Proposed
New Dist. 3**

- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District



DISTRICT 3

Current population – 80,928
 Population within new proposed boundary – 89,177

OPTION 5



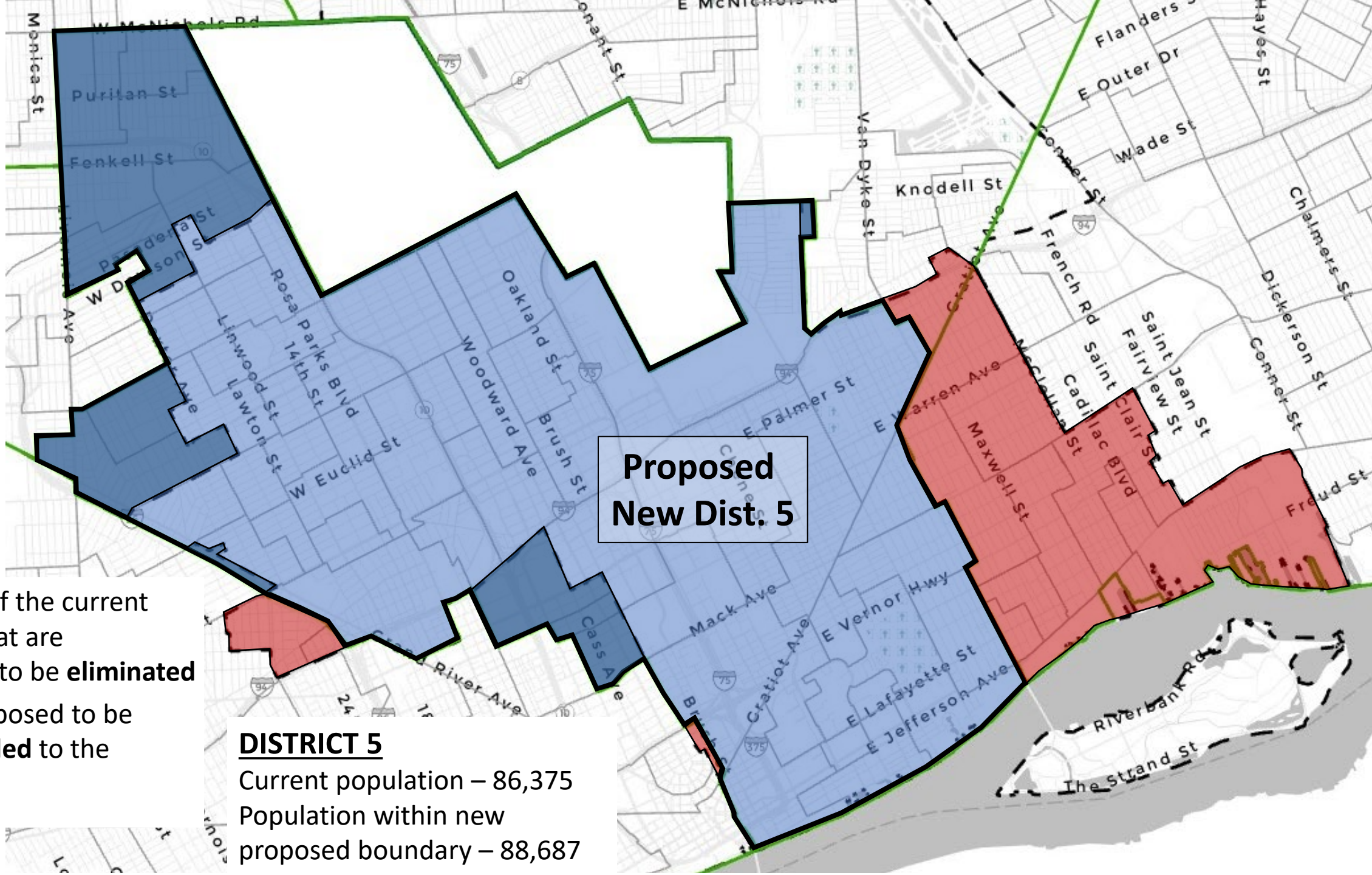
**Proposed
New Dist. 4**

-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
-  Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

DISTRICT 4

Current population – 79,203
Population within new proposed boundary – 92,230

OPTION 5



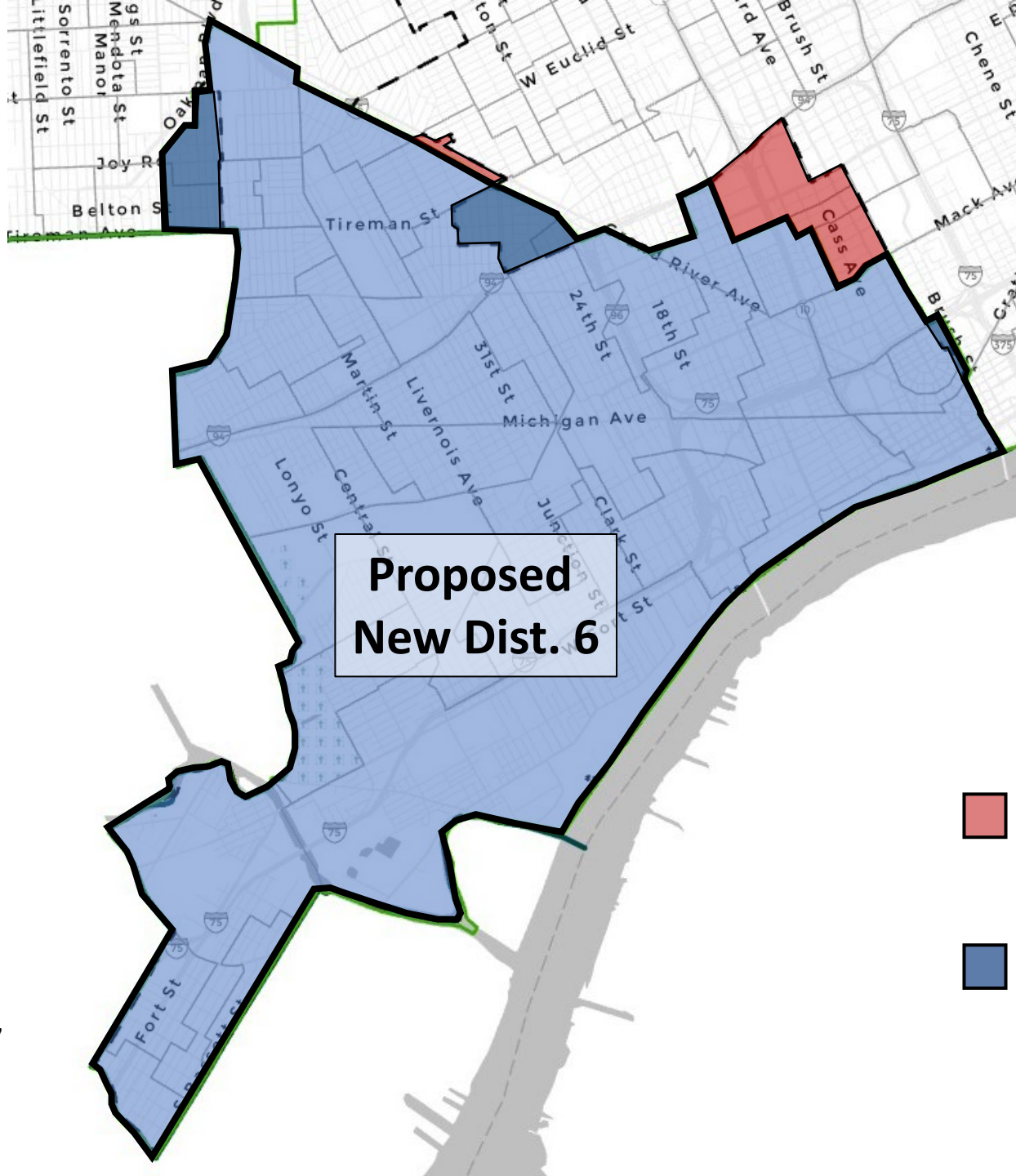
**Proposed
New Dist. 5**

Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**

Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District

DISTRICT 5
Current population – 86,375
Population within new proposed boundary – 88,687



OPTION 5



DISTRICT 6

Current population – 94,326

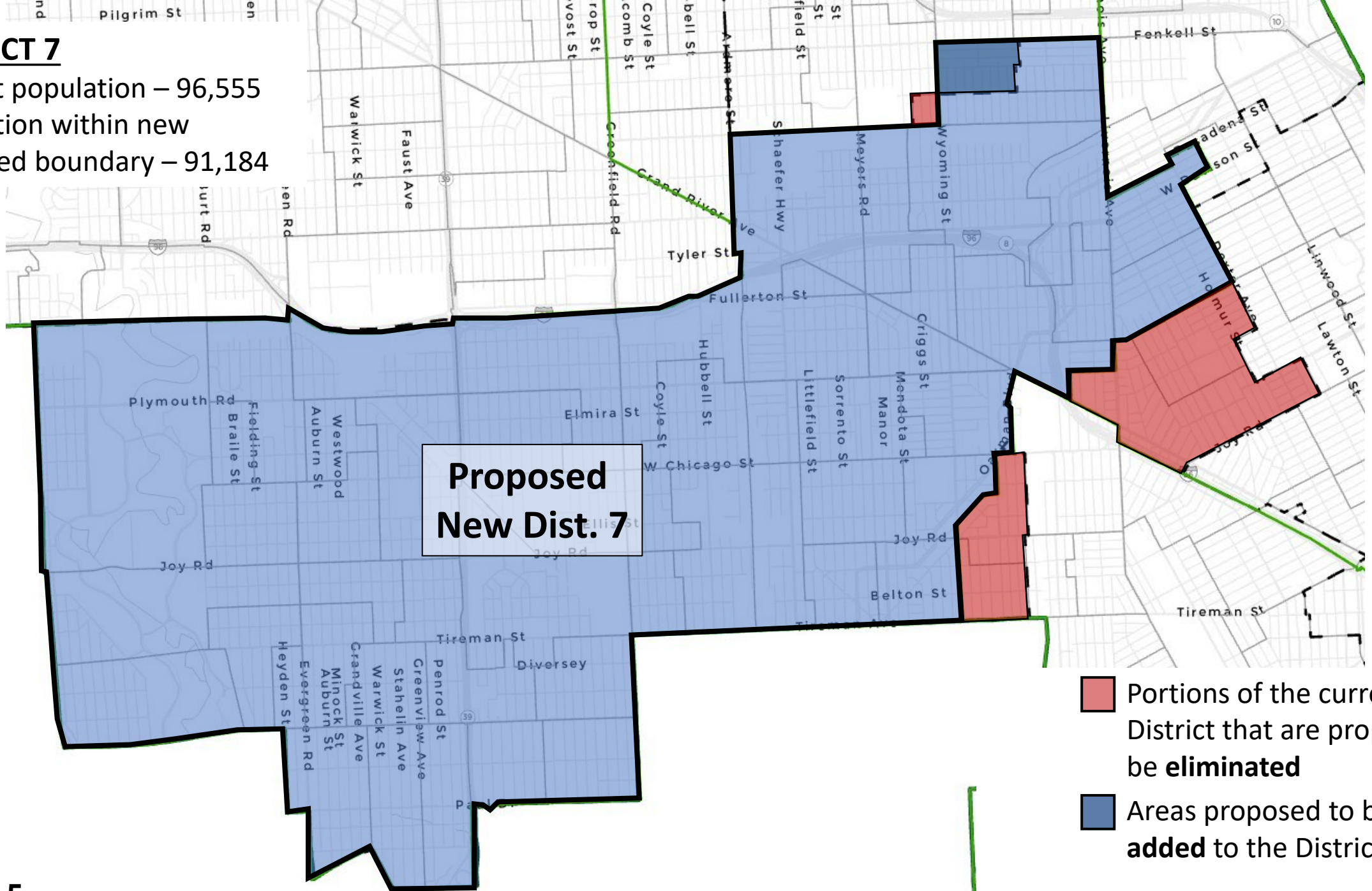
Population within new
proposed boundary – 90,537

-  Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
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DISTRICT 7

Current population – 96,555

Population within new proposed boundary – 91,184



Proposed
New Dist. 7

- Portions of the current District that are proposed to be **eliminated**
- Areas proposed to be newly **added** to the District