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**DISTRICTING COMMISSION ANNOUNCES FIRST ROUND OF
CITYWIDE PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*Public hearings will seek New Yorkers' input on how the Commission should
draw the new district lines.*

The New York City Districting Commission Chairman Benito Romano and Executive Director Carl Hum today announced the first round of public hearings to solicit testimony related to the initial phases of its work in drafting a new districting plan for the New York City Council's 51 council districts. The hearings will begin next month and the public is invited to pre-register for speaking time or submit testimony via the NYC Commission's website at www.nyc.gov/districting.

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"I encourage all members of the public to participate in this very important process," said **Benito Romano, Chairman of the NYC Districting Commission**. "Public input will help guide and inform the Commission's actions and decisions over the next few months."

"Determining the city's new district lines can only be possible through public input and that's why it's critical that their voices be heard through this process," said **Carl Hum, Executive Director**.

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| BROOKLYN Monday, August 13th 5PM-9PM | Brooklyn Borough Hall 209 Joralemon Street New York, NY 11209 |
| MANHATTAN Thursday, August 16th 5PM-9PM | New York Law School 185 West Broadway New York, NY 10013 |
| STATEN ISLAND Monday, August 20th 5PM-9PM | Staten Island Borough Hall 10 Richmond Terrace Staten Island, NY 10301 |
| QUEENS Tuesday, August 21st 5PM-9PM | Queens Library at Flushing 41-17 Main Street Flushing, NY 11355 |
| BRONX Thursday, August 23rd 5PM-9PM | Lehman College 250 Bedford Park Boulevard West East Dining Room, Music Bldg. Bronx, NY 10468 |



For more information about the Commission and its schedule of upcoming hearings, please visit www.nyc.gov/districting

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