

TO: REDISTRICTING COMMISSIONERS

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FROM: CORLISS LEE, MEMBER AIRPORT ADJACENT NEIGHBORHOODS COI

Commissioners,

Thank you for the opportunity to give input to the redistricting process.

The airport is considered a city asset owned by all the districts, but currently it is shown in the 5th district since it has the airport terminal and airport businesses abutting directly to the eastside all along Lakewood Blvd. But that being said, there are neighborhoods and businesses all around the airport that are also impacted in a variety of ways and they too deserve a seat at the table.

The Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods COI formed 6 months ago and members from several districts have debated many scenarios on how to best handle this asset and its affect on the community. The outcome of those discussions was to **practice inclusion, and make the airport a shared asset among the districts that directly border it.**

NOISE ABATEMENT (affects 4th, 7th and 8th districts most, 5th and 3rd districts to a lesser degree)

See attached noise map LGB NOISE FOOTPRINT .PDF

Certain airport issues are chronic and while there have been admirable efforts to mitigate them, they remain issues that require residents to contact council. Noise abatement is a significant issue that affects the 4th district (landing aircraft) and the 7th and 8th districts (takeoff). The 5th district is not under the flight path unless air traffic has been re-directed to a 2nd runway used as a back up. My 93 year old mother is under the secondary flight path and calls me upset when airplanes go over her house to land. It wakes her up and she can't go back to sleep. But the 5th district has a much lesser impact overall to noise problems.

If you have never lived with a noise problem, you may not fully understand the impact. It is a daily torment that wears on a person's mental health. It is important that neighbors experiencing excessive noise be able to work with their council member directly and get feedback from them on actions being taken. Being told "the airport is under district 5 – call the district 5 council member's office" is discouraging. The 4th, 7th and 8th district residents don't have a voice in who is chosen as the 5th district council member. They don't have a relationship with the 5th district council office.

GLOBEMASTER AREA (affects westside of the airport, currently 7th district)

Since Boeing vacated this property there have been meetings with the community on the Globemaster Plan. While the visioning was inclusive, the outcome is yet to be determined by who leases the plots of land available. It is possible to have a large company like Fedex, UPS, Amazon take up residence. Those businesses bring with them trucks and traffic that will impact the surrounding neighborhoods off Cherry Ave. The eastside of the airport will not be impacted. It makes sense to align the Globemaster area with the westside area that is currently the 7th district.

SOUTHSIDE OF THE AIRPORT

There is a neighborhood (Artcraft Manor West) that borders on two sides with the 4th district. Willow, Redondo, Stearns and Lakewood Blvd are the main streets surrounding this neighborhood. Today it is in the 5th district. The only

relation it has to the 5th is that it borders the airport. It was probably added to the 5th district to add census numbers to the 5th district, but “organically” belongs in the 4th.

The question is, what to do to make up those census numbers if you realign this tract with the 4th. See the neighborhoods map at the end of this document.

EL DORADO PARK

5th district residents favor having the entire park, which is where El Dorado West and the Nature Center is sited - in the 5th district. If you look at the current map of districts, this is called the whale’s tail. It looks like a gerrymandered section, but there are no census numbers attached to it. The Nature Center was assigned to district 4 in the last redistricting. There are no complaints about the management of the part of the park under the 4th district (the Nature Center) that I know of. However, it does “organically” belong in the 5th.

The benefit to leaving it in the 4th district is having more than one district handle the budget issues.

NEIGHBORHOODS

I found a pretty good Long Beach neighborhoods map on Wikipedia and I have copied it below. At a glance I noticed LaMarina Neighborhood (by CSULB) is not shown. You would have to talk to the neighborhoods to validate the boundaries are still current. **Breaking up neighborhoods during redistricting should be avoided.**

There was once a neighborhoods map in the Land Use Element, but it was removed. I had a screenshot of it and will include it at the end of this letter. I’m sorry it is a blurry copy but perhaps Chris Koontz can provide a better one.

I hope to have a map ready to show today at the Longfellow meeting (8th district focus session) but will most certainly have it ready for next week at McBride.

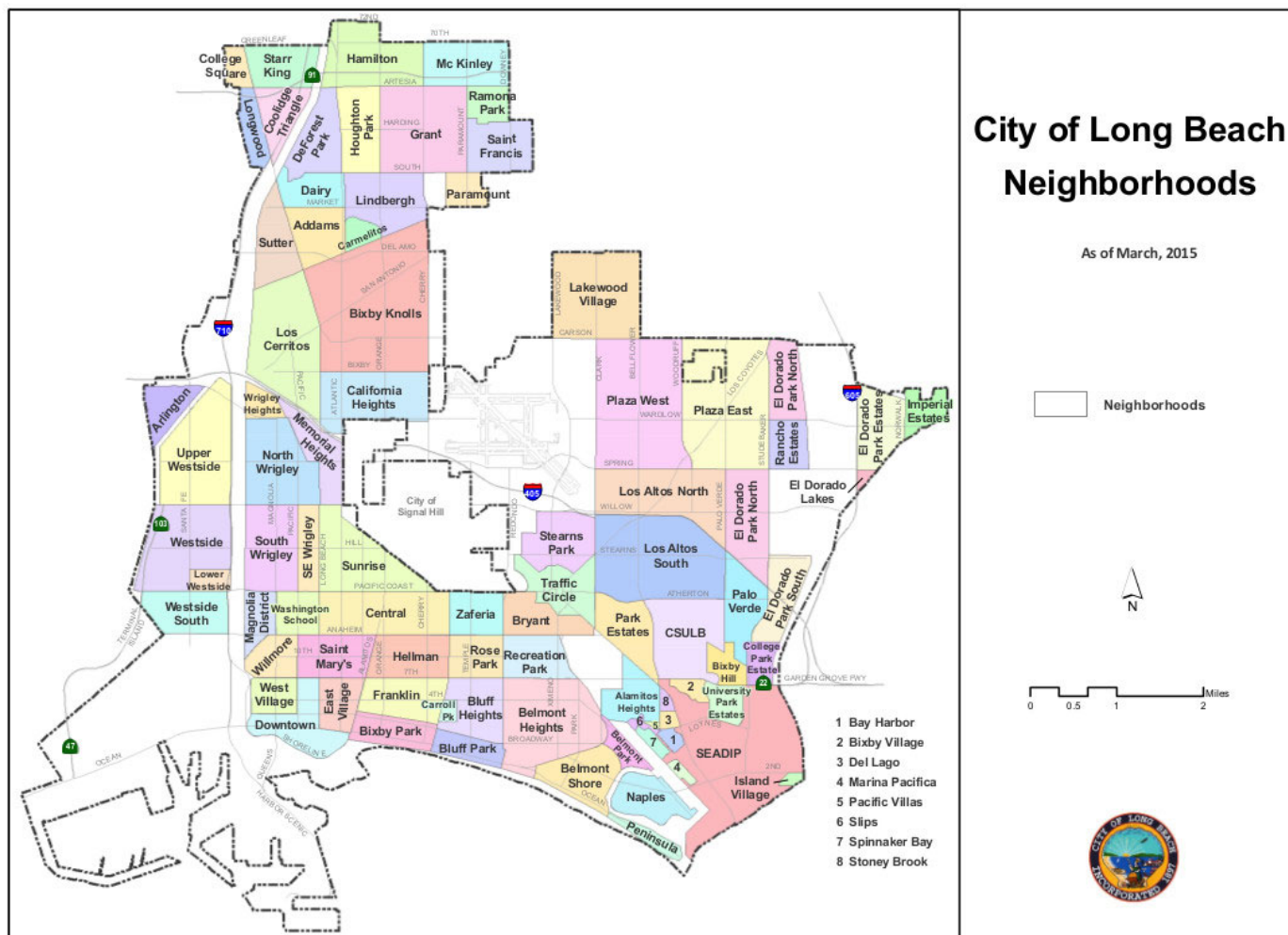
Respectfully,

Corliss Lee

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References:

- 1) Neighborhood map from Wikipedia
- 2) List of Long Beach neighborhoods from Wikipedia
- 3) City of Long Beach LU-4 map Community Plan Areas and Neighborhoods Dec 2019
<http://www.longbeach.gov/globalassets/lbds/media-library/documents/planning/advance/lueude/land-use-element-final-adopted-december-2019> [this map no longer exists in the LUE]
- 4) LGB Transparent Noise Footprint.pdf



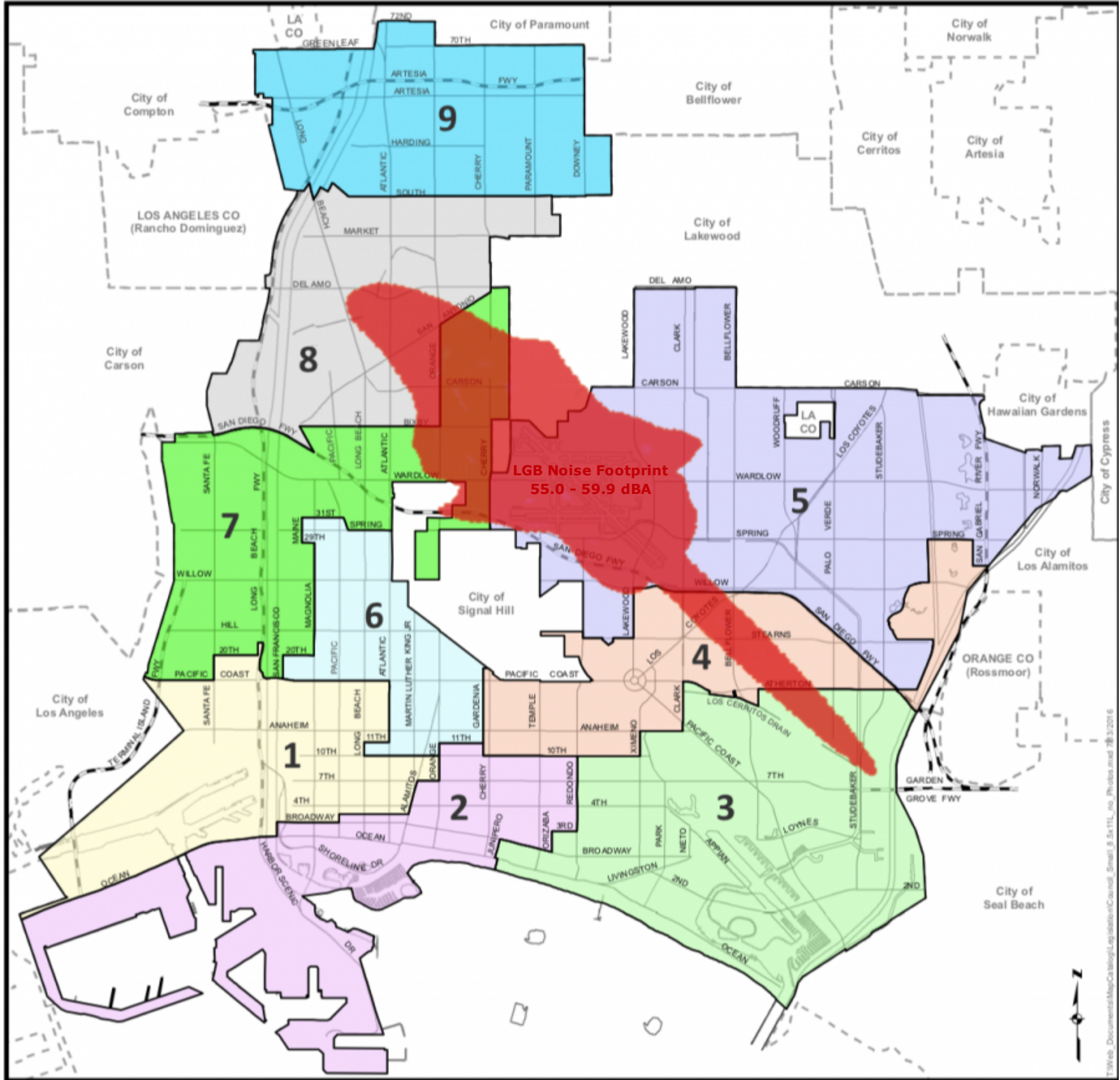
FROM WIKIPEDIA

Neighborhoods of Long Beach, California

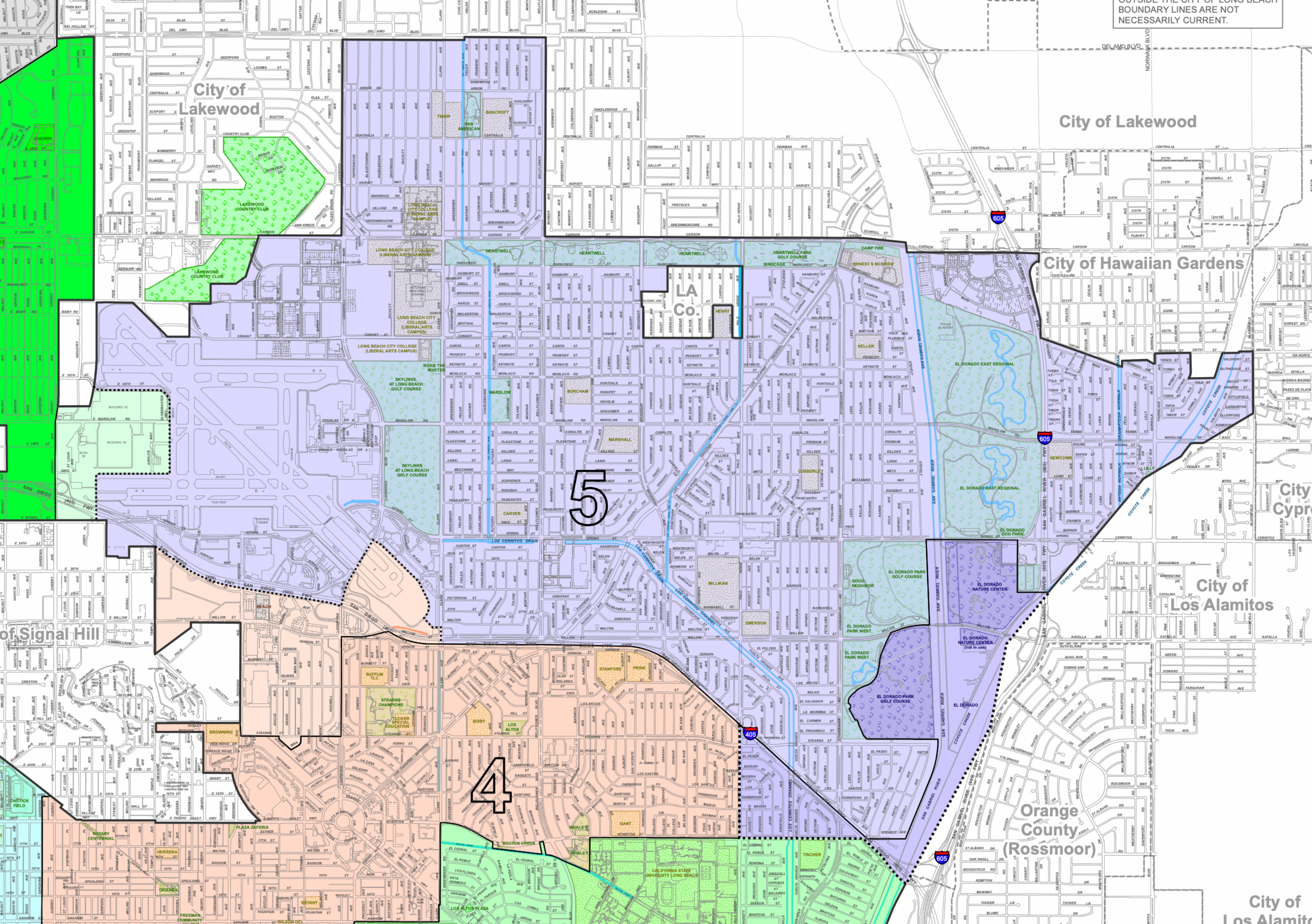
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

[Long Beach, California](#), is composed of many different neighborhoods. Some neighborhoods are named after thoroughfares, while others are named for nearby parks, schools, or city features.

OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED LB NEIGHBORHOODS	TAKEN FROM WIKIPEDIA	OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS	
4th Street Corridor	Imperial Estates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Alamitos Beach (NABA) 	
7th Street	Island Village	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AOC7: Anaheim, Orange, Cherry and 7th Street 	
Addams	Jane Addams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artcraft Manor 	
Alamitos Beach	Lakewood Village	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bixby Highlands 	
Alamitos Heights	Lindbergh Neighborhood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bixby Terrace 	
Arlington	Longwood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadway Corridor 	
Bay Harbor	Los Altos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Downtown Shoreline 	
Belmont Heights	Los Cerritos/Virginia Country Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eastside 	
Belmont Park	Lower West Side	Cambodia Town (Little Phnom Penh)	
Belmont Shore	Magnolia District	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long Beach Marina 	
Bixby Hill	Marina Pacifica	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MacArthur Park Community of Long Beach 	
Bixby Knolls	McKinley Neighborhood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Nihonmachi" (East-Central) 	
Bixby Park	Memorial Heights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Long Beach 	
Bixby Village	Naples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poly High 	
Bluff Heights	Palo Verde	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promenade 	
Bluff Park	Paramount Neighborhood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ridgewood Heights 	
Bryant	Park Estates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoreline Village 	
California Heights	Peninsula	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South of Conant 	
Carmelitos	Plaza	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terminal Island 	
Carroll Park	Ramona Park	Wrigley Heights	
Central Area	Rancho Estates		
College Park Estates	Recreation Park		
College Square	Rose Park	Note: La Marina Neighborhood by CSULB is not listed	
Coolidge Triangle	St. Francis		
Cypress	Saint Mary's		
Dairy	SEADIP		
DeForest Park	Starr King		
Del Lago	Stearns Park		
Downtown Long Beach	Sunrise		
East Village	Sutter		
El Dorado Lakes	Traffic Circle		
El Dorado Park	Upper West Side		
El Dorado Park Estates	University Park Estates		
El Dorado North	Washington School		
El Dorado South	West Long Beach		
Franklin Neighborhood	West Village		
Grant Neighborhood	Willmore		
Hamilton Neighborhood	Wrigley		
Hellman	Zaferia		
Houghton Park			



OUTSIDE THE CITY OF LONG BEACH
BOUNDARY LINES ARE NOT
NECESSARILY CURRENT.



City of
Lakewood

City of Lakewood

City of Hawaiian Gardens

City of
Cypress

City of
Los Alamitos

Orange
County
(Rossmore)

City of
Los Alamitos

City of Signal Hill

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