

Date: October 6, 2021

To: Independent Redistricting Commission

From: Kevin J. Jackson, Deputy City Manager

Subject: Redistricting Priorities Draft Map Direction

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The Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) will provide City staff and Redistricting Partners with redistricting priorities for potential draft maps. Commissioners should identify redistricting priorities to provide direction on three to five consultant drawn draft maps including two types of priorities:

1. That which needs to be prioritized across all draft maps. Some examples are:
  - a. A target deviation goal
  - b. Voting Rights Act or other requirements
2. That which may be prioritized in one or more maps. Some examples are:
  - a. Having one plan that is minimizing the number of divided neighborhoods
  - b. Following transportation patterns
  - c. Having specific areas put entirely in one district

### **Mapping Direction Process**

1. The Chair will open the item and explain how the discussion will be facilitated.
2. In alphabetical order, the Chair will ask each commission member, including alternates, to express redistricting priorities, in addition to the required City Charter criteria, they wish to have emphasized in a draft map as additional direction to the consultant in preparing draft maps.
3. The Chair, with staff assistance, will summarize the redistricting priorities for Redistricting Partners to report back with three to five maps reflecting the unduplicated priorities identified by the Commission.
4. The Chair will call for the vote to approve or deny the request for the Redistricting Partners to prepare a report on the proposed maps using the criteria expressed by the Commission.

### **Communities of Interest Testimony (COI)**

The COI form submissions have been organized by current Council Districts to help navigate the submissions. In addition, the handouts and written public comments submitted for each meeting have been compiled for review during the mapping process (Attachment). Please note that residents will still have the opportunity to provide input to the Commission about their community through out this process. The documents are intended to inform the IRC about the communities



concerns and help with the determining the recommendations for mapping direction for Redistricting Partners. Also, Commissioners can review the videos of prior meetings on the Commission's [website](#) to view oral public testimony.

### **Additional Resources**

In addition to the COI documents, the [Redistricting Manual](#) and training documents, and the [video](#) of the presentation on Redistricting Fundamentals from the February 21, 2021 Commission meeting are available on the Redistricting website.

If you have any questions, please contact Bradley Bounds II at (562) 570-6787 or via email at [Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov](mailto:Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov).

ATTACHMENT: COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST DOCUMENTS

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In order to access your comments in the future, we need to attach a name to your community of interest. How would you like it to be identified?	What binds your community together or creates its shared identity?	Where is your community located?	By keeping your community intact in new district maps, in what ways would it enhance the quality of its representation? (How would keeping your community intact enhance the quality of its representation?)	If you wish to include an additional comment for consideration by the Commission, please add them here:	In which Council District do you currently reside? Please visit <a href="https://tsdgis.longbeach.gov/MapIt/">https://tsdgis.longbeach.gov/MapIt/</a> to look up your District. (If you do not reside in Long Beach, select "Other")	Name2	Date
COI: Redistricting Survey	My community is diverse. The citizens of my community are constantly adapting to the changing times.	Zip Code: 90804		Attention: Commision  The taxes from our zip code; which comes directly from our communities businesses and sales must be accounted towards resources back into the community. Overall, the impact of resources into the community need to be long term effect (6-10), not short term (1-5yrs).	47;	Mary	
African American Atheist Member, Equitable Cambodian Committee	Spicy Mexican food. Music. Khmer Language and Cambodian Culture.	Mark Twain library Cambodia Town		I would like to speak before the Commission via Virtual Communication.	90813; Although I live outside the District, I am a framer of the Charter Change ans a property owner in Long Beach.	Edgar Payne Alex J Norman	
Central Area Cambodian community	Shared historical experience, shared educational experience and language, ethnicity, culture, religion and economics. Many Cambodians migrated to Long Beach and settled in the central area following the brutal Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia (1975-79).	Boundaries: (Approximate depending on 2020 Census) West: Long Beach Blvd. from Willow St to Anaheim South: Anaheim from Long Beach Blvd to Atlantic Ave. West: Atlantic Ave from Anaheim St. to 7th St. South: 7th St. from Atlantic Ave to Stanley Ave. East: Stanley Ave. from 7th St to 10th St. South: 10th St. from Stanley Ave to Molino Ave. East: Molino Ave from 10th St. to Anaheim St. South: Anaheim St from Molino Ave. to Orizaba Ave. East: Orizaba Ave from Anaheim St. to Pacific Coast Hwy. North: Pacific Coast Hwy. from Orizaba Ave. to Alliance St. North East: Alliance St. from Pacific Coast Hwy to Willow St. North Willow St. from Alliance St to Long Beach Blvd.	See Letter to IRC from Equity for Cambodians	See letters from Equity for Cambodians to IRC	Community is divided mostly between 4th and 6th but has pieces in 1st and 2d. - See map	Marc Coleman	
I have interest my community to support voting election, find a bank of food, and protest to have higher salaries or immigration status. I'm identify a American Latina because my parents are imimgrants this country.	My community do not want to get vaccine of COVID-19 because they believe the vaccine is beast mark to control the population. The president of United States of America have a law the COVID-19 vaccine is mandatory in places such as schools restaurants, markets stores and hospitals•My	My community of neighbors are Latino and black in Compton.The streets aren't fix for workers of city because I have to change the car tires each year. My neighbor is near kindergarten school, elementary school and high school. There is two parks are dangerous to kill people and sexual assault.		People are homeless because they can not pay their rent of home to lose their jobs. I suggest have a program of government to pay the rent for American citizens.	Compton;	Elvira Celis	5/21/2021

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Downtown Riders and Renters	We're a community of younger professionals who love Long Beach but but we can't afford to purchase homes in Long Beach. Many of us live in rented apartments along the Ocean Blvd, Pine Ave, and Pacific Ave in multistory multifamily residential buildings near transit. We ride bicycles, one wheels, and public transit for our local trips. We live, work, and play in Downtown Long Beach. Currently, our community is split between Districts 1 and 2, with each of those districts stretching outside of Downtown, diluting the Riders and Renters' voice by pulling in entire neighborhoods of homeowners who primarily drive in personal vehicles.	Riders and Renters are bounded by Seaside Way to the south, Magnolia to the west, 7th St to the north and Alamitos to the east. We primarily rent along Ocean and Pacific.	There are two primarily policy areas where Riders and Renters differentiate ourselves. The first is housing, specifically housing density. We support tenant protections and increased development around public transit, inclusionary zoning, and other policies that promote density. Single family homeowners, by contrast step by oppose these policies, even though they are not the ones who are impacted by them. Second, Riders and Renters have strong support for and affinity to public transit. The A Line light rail, micromobility, bicycle friendly road design, and high quality bus routes are essential for us to live our daily lives. We're tired of fighting opposition to new housing because some people want to preserve their free on-street parking. Please don't divide our voice by treating us equal to homeowners. We're fundamentally different.	The residents of LB's downtown urban core share a distinct identity and mindset, complete with identifiable preferences relating to housing and transportation. We have shared challenges and common interest in developing a cohesive and attractive downtown that is attractive for people to live just as much as work and play. When downtown is sliced in two by a district boundary, it creates problems figuring out which council member represents which side of the street.	Council District 1	Padric Gleason Gonzales	5/24/2021
A Line Transit Corridor	This community is unified by its proximity to the A Line light rail and it's defined by Long Beach's new inclusionary housing policy. Stretching from Downtown and continuing north along Long Beach Boulevard, residents of this area will see increased density and also increased diversity as a result of transit-oriented development, pedestrian improvements, and proximity to transit, including the A Line train and frequent bus service. An adjacent corridor exists along Atlantic Avenue, which is one of 5 bus rapid transit corridors identified by the Metropolitan Transit Authority. In short, the north-south corridors that currently provide mobility for residents traveling to and from downtown are communities of interest because we require a unified voice on transportation and housing matters. This is similar to the communities along the 710 freeway or along the LA River, which similarly deserve a unified voice, given their proximity to major north-south geographic dividers in the city. I recommend that the redistricting commission please consider unifying communities along a north-south orientation to better reflect the communities that are bordered by major transportation routes.	Downtown and the Long Beach Boulevard corridor extending north from Downtown to the 405 Freeway	These communities deserve representation that reflects their use of public transportation and the challenges relating to life within earshot to LA County's busiest train line. We also have to contend with traffic congestion and air pollution from some of the city's busiest non-freeway roadways.	The Westside of Long Beach- west of the LA River- is sliced and diced across 4 different city council districts. One has to wonder if that's not an effort to silence the concerns of primarily Latino residents who live along the 710 freeway and who suffer the nation's highest rates of disease relating to air pollution. The western and eastern halves of District 7, for example, share very little in common. The same can be said for Districts 1 and 2. In each case, the western halves are diluted by cracking those voters with whiter, wealthier voters in the eastern half.	Council District 1	Padric Gleason Gonzales	5/24/2021
SPA 8, District 1	We share a history as one of the Long Beach neighborhoods that suffer most due to discriminatory redlining practices, gentrification, and unfair rental and home lending practices. We felt the effects of COVID disproportionately from our neighbors, and rank among the lowest on the measurements of social determinants of good health. The majority of us are hard-working lower-middle class citizens, some of whom, sadly, turn to genocide as a solution for scarce resources and little hope. My community needs desperately to engage in the political process in order to build coalitions that will bring us true representation.	My specific neighborhood is bound by 10th Street, Anaheim, 12th, and Long Beach Boulevard. I live near Washington Middle School and First Baptist Church.			Council District 1	Shilita Kay Montez	5/25/2021
North Pine Neighborhood Alliance (NPNA)	We are residents living in multi-unit buildings and/or single-family bldgs converted into multi-family units, at least 80% renters, very diverse ethnically/age/gender/income, neighborhood is mixed-use residential and retail/commercial, Jenny Oropeza and Renaissance schools, several large faith groups as well as small storefront churches, many small/locally-owned businesses, 4 senior/vets/disabled HUD rental towers are in our neighborhood, fighting for low income affordable housing and justice for homeless as well as fighting against gentrification of our neighborhood. NPNA actively participates with other neighborhood groups and community organizations working for LB EQUITY. Another 2 key neighborhood concerns are lack of public, park/green space and absentee landlords who do not properly maintain housing. Primary languages are Spanish and English.	NPNA boundaries are: SOUTH: 3rd Street between Pacific to Long Beach Blvd. EAST: Long Beach Blvd. between 3rd Street to Anaheim NORTH: Anaheim between Pacific to Long Beach Blvd. WEST: Pacific between Anaheim to 3rd Street	Our neighborhood does NOT have much shared interests with the core of downtown (dominated by developers, real estate speculators and large/corporate hotels/restaurants) nor with the Ocean Blvd. corridor (way larger buildings and significantly higher income), nor with Promenade residents (income). Our neighborhood does work with Washington, Willmore, AOC7 neighborhood groups. We need not only to stay connected as a physical neighborhood but also need to stay a part of District 1 since we share more concerns and issues with District 1 residents.	please respect existing neighborhoods!	Council District 1;	North Pine Neighborhood Alliance - Leanna Noble	5/25/2021
Downtown Residents	I believe that all of the residents downtown should be in the same district. We all live in the urban core of Long Beach and face some of the same challenges and opportunities for the future of downtown. Currently we are split between District 1 and District 2. I live in District 1 and it is frustrating an da bit unusual to me that Pine Ave is not all in the same district downtown. It seems that all of downtown from Alamitos west and south of 10th should all be represented by the same council member. Especially after the pandemic where so much of downtown has been in upheaval, it would be great to have 1 person to go to to advocate for our neighborhood.	Downtown Long Beach. To me, at a minimum, everything south of 10th and west of Alamitos should be in the same district. Obviously we will have to include other areas, whether our district goes north along Long Beach Blvd or east along Ocean I don't have a strong opinion, but it seems that we share common values and concerns as residents in both of these other corridors.	I can literally look out my window and see residents in another district (south of 3rd of Broadway, depending upon which way I look). But all of us downtown definitely has a shared interest in the development and improvement of downtown. We have been through a lot during the pandemic and I think it would be a great opportunity to bring us together for a shared vision of the future. The old City Place is hopefully going to be redeveloped in the future and having input from all of downtown would be great and a single representative to handle the issues.	I am a strong believer in downtown Long Beach, please make our voice unified!	Council District 1;	Derrick Davis	5/27/2021
Lee Charley	History, Nightlife, Restaurants Age Group.	I live in the Washington neighborhood in the First District.	I'm not sure how to answer this question.	I have so much to add but I'm doing this on my phone. Will there be a meeting or something for our district 1?	Council District 1;	Lee Charley	5/30/2021

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Anya Bobadilla		Cesar Chavez park, 6th street freeway exit			Council District 1;	Anya	5/30/2021
Thalia	NEGLECTED	Edge of Hellman Ave and near Craftsman village	It is not intact it is on the edge between district 1 and 2 and totally ignored.	This neighborhood is neglected by the city.	Council District 1;	Thalia	5/31/2021
Downtown Seniors	We respresent the low-income Seniors that live downtown in subsidized HUD housing. We are the ones that are most negatively impacted by Long Beach Transits' lack of attention to Seniors needs and lack of resources to meet our needs. are organizing to put pressure on the City to pay attention to our needs not just provide lip service. We want to be in one district with a representative that pays attention to our needs. Safety is very important, infrastructure to support safe mobility. Access to emergency medical care and transport, Access to healthy food and safe parks. Want to see more Senior subsidized housing be built and more economic and retail resources brought in to meet our needs.	Most of us are located from Ocean to Anaheim and the river to MLK.	We are all ethnically diverse which we all love as a community. Language access is a large issue for our community.	You have a difficult job. Try to do the most equitable and fair job you can and don't be swayed by the vocal, wealthier population that would like to keep redlining. Diversity makes our community stronger. Resources need to be allocated more equitably.	Council District 1;	Karen Reside	6/1/2021
EightOlives	We moved into District 1 in May 2021. Where we live is a very diverse demographic neighborhood, mainly families renting with kids. We need better infrastructures maintenance or improvements, weekly street sweeping scoops up nothing but stirs up dust and dirt into the air, almost every alleys we walk by riddled with potholes and need to be repaved. At the least, the potholes should be filled in. Illegal parking and dumping are normal sights. Not sure how this community engages with political process but surely need more voices to speak up to improve where we live.	Gumbiner Park			Council District 1;	Ling y Liu	6/1/2021
District 1	Condo homeowners single professionals	Westgate neighborhood, specifically 4th St and Maine Ave.	It may help retain our property's value being associated with the downtown metro area as well as proximity to the ocean.		Council District 1;	Antoinette Emery	6/1/2021
I am not sure that I understand this question correctly, however, my name, Ms. Jordan and a shared vision of the future of a community or all of the above.	I have no idea and it's the reason that I need to be informed, going forward.	It is between Edison Elementary and Cesar Chavez Elementary and Chavez Park, the historical district.		NA	Council District 1;	Shawntic Jordan	6/1/2021
Mark	What bonds my community the most in my opinion is 1.) socioeconomic similarities and 2.) ethnical similarities. A big portion of my community lives between what many of us call a socioeconomic sandwich, with communities south of us being affluent, and communities north of us being affluent while my community deals with poverty and lack of resources whether it be medical, housing, nutrition, education, etc. Because of this, many people in my community are not well informed or aware of elections, such as the past recall election.	My community lies between 7th street and Pacific Coast Highway. We have Stevenson elementary school in our neighborhood.		Please consider adding more resources for this district, road repairs, increase police presence and more programs to help alleviate the financial and lack of recourses burdening the people of my district and community.	Council District 1;	Mark	6/4/2021
Jannet Gutierrez	We need to do what we can do for our community	Long Beach			Council District 1;	Jannet Ann Gutierrez	6/9/2021
Apostle Bailey	How people treat others from various cultures they should not have an I own this governmental area an you do not.	4th st. And Redondo long beach		None	Council District 1;	Apostle Bailey	6/14/2021
TonyG	Integrated diversity of cultural, ethnic and socio economic backgrounds in dense urban environment	DTLB including art district extending inland to st Mary's hospital and toward water Marina			Council District 1;	Anthony Guarino	6/27/2021
Wilmore City historic district	The LGBTQ community	Near downtown by the pacific/4th metro station			Council District 1;	Rachel Lane	7/9/2021
Willmore City Historic District/ 1st Council District.	The original site of the City of Long Beach and the largest collection of historic homes. The community is diverse, with a high percentage of Latinos (many who have been here beginning in the 50's), higher poverty, lower education levels. An increasingly younger population of all races with smaller families. A high percentage of renters.	3rd St to Anaheim, 710 freeway to Pacific Ave.			Council District 1;	Kathleen Irvine	7/17/2021
City place loft	Young professionals	East village		Please address the homeless issue is turning our area downtown into a disaster zone	Council District 1;	Jorge Anaya	7/19/2021
Willmore city-south	Families	Emerld villas by ceases Chavez park			Council District 1;	Gina	7/19/2021
Derek	I live in the Wilmore City part of town just a few blocks from the Civic center and I believe that our community is bound together by medium to low income families.	My neighborhood is close to the Drake Park area about a quarter mile from the Los Angeles River.		I lived in Northern California almost all of my life and moved to this area in Long Beach about seven and a half years ago I find that again the municipality of the City of Long Beach does a better job than any place I lived in Northern California. I feel very much at home here and I want to be a part of this community and to help it along as best I can.	Council District 1;	Derek Allen	7/20/2021
Rdjensen100	I can't really speak for this as I Don know much about the area that my district covers. I do know that the area is heavily African American, Latino and Asian with some Caucasian.	I live at 646 Nebraska Ave which is on the corner of 7th and Nebraska but I can't tell you the area that the district covers.			Council District 1;	Richard Jensen	7/23/2021
VeraD	Sense of history, sharing information in various ways, community gatherings, small businesses run by local residents, respect for diversity.	Downtown Long Beach		Your link to the map doesn't define the districts & was not helpful..I had to search google for a district map	Council District 1;	Vera Dunwoody	7/24/2021

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Harleen	Desire for human rights and equality, care for the environment, the want to wear masks, need to help homeless, low tolerance towards prejudice, love for our city and her beaches plus the desire to give to our community. Also, fear of drugs and addiction on the streets here, fear to leave home past 4 pm, fear of the increase of shootings, fear of being female here and less able to protect myself from this dangerous neighborhood.	Wilmore City, near Anaheim and 11th.			Council District 1;	Bridget	7/26/2021
Charles	The downtown community is bound by the diverse professionals that live in area. The events	South of 7th street between magnolia and Long Beach blvd			Council District 1;	Charles Hart	7/30/2021
Seaside	Diversity	Willmore			Council District 1;	Elizabeth sweet	7/31/2021
Tanya Marshall	Diverse community	Wrigley Neighborhood			Council District 1;	Tanya Marshall	7/31/2021
Denise's community					Council District 1;	Denise Stringfellow	7/31/2021
East Village	This area is economically, socially and racially diverse, so there are various communities within the community. The political process among the residents of this area is largely opaque. Perhaps the downtown businesses have more influence (which is problematic)	DTLB East Village			Council District 1;	Gregg Cohan	7/31/2021
Eastside LBC	my committee is crime ridden	in the Washington neighborhood		please add more police patrols in my neighborhood. there are a lot of drug addics and homeless around here. maybe we need more drug rehabs	Council District 1;	Nichole	8/1/2021
April	We just try to look out for each other versus the multitude of criminals in the area.	7th-8th/Pacific Ave		Do something about the homeless/criminals, please.	Council District 1;	April Spurlock	8/3/2021
Long Beach	Values	1230 East Ocean Blvd			Council District 1;	Stephen Hessenauer	8/3/2021
Downtown Long Beach	Walkability, 15 minute city, community events and festivals (farmers markets, community cleanups, etc.), placemaking art (ex. murals)	Pacific Ave and 6th street and the area surrounding it in DTLA and towards the 710			Council District 1;	Ryan Wolfe	8/3/2021
Ocean Blvd Residents	Insuring that the interests of the residents of Ocean Blvd are heard and considered in the city's plans.	Ocean Blvd. from the bridge to Bixby Park.			Council District 1;	Sandra Stanton	8/3/2021
MR	Multicultural, environmental and historical preservation community values	DTLB		No gerrymandering please	Council District 1;	Mirena Rada	8/4/2021
The FEBA (technically, part of the traditional Washington School neighborhood)	Socioeconomic factors, with an emphasis on economic	Between PCH, Long Beach Blvd, Anaheim, and Pacific		No gerrymandering! Straight lines please.	Council District 1;	Frank Miranda	8/4/2021
Mike in dtlb	Location. Long Beach is a Group of neighborhoods and I think we really identify with the community we live in.	Dtlb			Council District 1;	Mike Burdick	8/5/2021
Female/Girl Call me Amy or Amyiha	I think we should close school for the rest of this month and October, the children need time to catch up and get into a schedule. Generally the children should come first, they have mental health too.	Bixby Park			Council District 1;	Amyiha Dioness	8/5/2021
Aquack	Great variety of residents, eateries and activities appealing to all residents	Downtown			Council District 1;	Carol Kappe	8/9/2021
Laura Cooley Belmont heights	I live in a very diverse area. There are no minorities here. I feel we are all equally represented.	7th and Termino Belmont heights		Long Beach is a great place to live! The great diverse cultures, the beach, the architecture, the food, the murals, the museums. I love being a Long Beach resident.	Council District 1;	Laura l Cooley	8/10/2021
Downtown Long Beach	Cosmopolitan	Ocean Blvd			Council District 1;	LT	8/10/2021
Downtown Long Beach	Downtown Long Beach includes both commercial businesses and numerous residents. I feel that it's diverse, and should be defined geographically.	Downtown extends to Magnolia or Golden Shore on the west - including the Civic Center.			Council District 1;	Nancy Pfeffer	8/10/2021
Downtown resident	Downtown resident, owner for last 20 years	Pine at 4th		Make district big enough to balance residents and business interests and influence	Council District 1;	Susan Holgate	8/11/2021
Steve	Neighbors	Wilmore			Council District 1;	Stephen Fernandez	8/11/2021

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LGBT Community	Our identities as queer people are vast and incredible diverse. We are united by our Sexual minority status, Shared history of marginalization and oppression, being underrepresented in politics/film/literature, inequities in housing and healthcare, higher rates of mental illness and substance use, and less family support.	The “gayborhood” in LB is Alamitos Beach. This is unfair because most LGBT cannot afford to live there. Harvey Milk Plaza would’ve been a nice safe queer space but that is now a homeless encampment. Give more affordable housing specific to the LGBT community and let LB reclaim its reputation as a queer friendly city!		Please make our district safer and welcoming for the queer community. I do not feel safe in the Willmore neighborhood due to unprecedented gun violence, homelessness, and police brutality as the first response to intimate partner violence, mental illness, and substance use. These issues are exacerbated for the LGBT community because of systemic inequalities and barriers to accessing needed resources due to stigma, prejudice, and a lack of positive queer representation in our community.	Council District 1;	Taylor Smith	8/11/2021
Wilmore	Drake Park, The Bembridge House, our local neighborhood market Jed's, and a very mixed demographic both ethnically and financially.	West of Magnolia Blvd/ South of Anaheim St; Drake Park and the Bembridge House			Council District 1;	Chad Whiting	8/11/2021
Boki	Kindness	North Long Beach			Council District 1;	Daniel Sanchez	8/12/2021
None	None	None		No more comment. Fix the homeless problem.	Council District 1;	Fix the homeless problem. That's the environmental hazards	8/12/2021
Susan		Pine Ave at 8th			Council District 1;	Susan	8/12/2021
Linds	My community is comprised of various cultures, religions and races; not to forget the neighbors I've yet to meet and learn about. I've seen people take a invested interest in my community so I am able to see them engage with themselves and others.	The Wriggs off Locust		Please retain the lines of our community as we may contribute and continue to improve on our neighborhood.	Council District 1;	Lindsey Adams	8/13/2021
Downtown	Downtown Pine represents a community of all ages that enjoy a “city” life where one can walk to everything - enjoy dining, entertainment etc. I would love to see Historic Pine stay that way. Just pre-covid, it was going through a great period of growth and dynamism. The streets hummed with life. Now it is quite different- not just due to covid continuing - but due to the many businesses that have left and the businesses that are struggling to stay afloat with much reduced business.	Downtown Pine.		Each district in Long Beach is like a flower. Each it’s own beauty and individual needs for water, light, etc. We must nurture each flower to have a beautiful garden. Each district in LBC needs nurturing- each district has different needs. Let’s try to figure that out so that LBC remains a shining example of diverse communities that flourish together.	Council District 1;	Mary Mickelson	8/14/2021
Raina	Ethnic, creative, artistic diversity in a ever growing and evolving community	Near downtown Long Beach near the Courthouse			Council District 1;	Raina	8/15/2021
Wrigley	Our community is very diverse but yet family oriented. The river bed and trail near the river bed is known about Wrigley	Near the river bed, and 710/405 fwy entrance/ wardlow			Council District 1;	Ana Duarte	8/15/2021
10th and Long Beach Blvd	Similar socio-economic status	The blocks to the east and west of 10th and Long Beach blvd		Black Lives Matter	Council District 1;	Jeff La Tourette	8/16/2021
Phillip	Residents	Rose Ave			Council District 1;	Phillip	8/16/2021
Kevin	Where we walk, talk, dine, and the type of travel we use.	Downtown Long Beach should not be split into multiple districts. It’s a unique combination of workplaces, recreation, and residences which is currently split into multiple districts.			Council District 1;	Kevin Kane	8/17/2021

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Xavid	An inclusive community of Latinos, African- Americans , Anglo-Americans, Asians and Gay y Lesbian that represents the what the future communities should resemble not a segregated community by income which has benefitted only Anglo- Americans who are the majority in the cities redevelopment office and housing development. Our cities and the federal government created the generational wealth divide by Jim Crow laws and other policies that provided resources to “white Americans” and not all Americans based on implicit bias.	Downtown Long Beach		Yes, is this commission represents all residents of Long Beach by race and class? And will the city adopt an inclusive policy in housing similar to the covenants that were used to keep minorities out .	Council District 1;	David olivares	8/18/2021
Marshall	Shared values	Wriggley			Council District 1;	Marshall Christipher	8/18/2021
Email	Inclusiveness	Alamitis beach			Council District 1;	Walter	8/18/2021
Poly	It's a poorer neighborhood of working class people. The elementary school tends to be the most lively location since it's the only open space.	Poly area near Roosevelt		Our neighborhood (Roosevelt) small streets where two cars can barely pass. The narrow streets and school traffic makes it impossible to navigate. Streets need to be one way. The school has overflow parking at Atlantic and 15th. The parking lot is the neighborhood eye sore. I think the neighborhood needs more greenery between the sidewalks and the streets to make up for the shallow setbacks	Council District 1;	Evan Pino	8/19/2021
Ashley Stringer		The northeast corner of downtown			Council District 1;	Ashley Gammage-Stringer	8/20/2021
Marina	Marina	Shoreline marina			Council District 1;	Kevin Perlin	8/20/2021
Alfredo	My community is mostly Hispanic and we talk to our neighbors about , political views, business , work , and heritage.	My community is located by PCH. And Long Beach Blvd.			Council District 1;	José Alfredo Águila Martínez	8/20/2021
Washington District	My community is predominantly Hispanic and of the lower socioeconomic demographic. It lacks a community center, market, and library. Our community attracts local dope dealers, addicts, and the houseless population. It is ridden with crime, and the police are no longer interested in law and order. It is a disgrace to the Cith of Long Beach. In order to avoid civil arrest, it is of the utmost importance to expand the perimeter to include English speaking people that can navigate the political process and create positive changes that will enhance the community. The community is in need of art for visual as well as therapeutic purposes.	14th street park a d Seaside Park Washington Middle Schools			Council District 1;	Lori Logan	8/20/2021
Washington Neighborhood	I reside in an emerging neighborhood. I rent as most of my neighbors. We live in the 90813 zip code. We are communities of color. Our neighborhood is the Gateway to Long Beach. We feel deeply about our quality of life and we love Long Beach.	Our community is located from Magnolia to Long Beach Blvd. ( East to West) PCH to Anaheim (North to South) AKA Anaheim Corridor and Washington District.		More and varied trash receptacles, bins, and dumpsters are needed with regular bi-weekly pick-up especially in the alleys and in front of WMS for the children. Additional street lights are necessary too for safety.	Council District 1;	Teri Erby	8/21/2021
Liz Hughes	Kindness. Acceptance of differences.	Alamitos Beach.			Council District 1;	Liz Hughes	8/25/2021
The Poly Community, or the area around Poly/Washington. I teach at Poly and I used to teach at Washington. I have taught 20 years in this community, and I now I live on 8th and Chestnut.		The Poly Community, or the area around Poly/Washington. I teach at Poly and I used to teach at Washington. I have taught 20 years in this community, and I now I live on 8th and Chestnut.		Honestly, I don't think I'm the best representative. I'm well educated and a teacher, and I purposely moved to the district where I live now so I could live in the neighborhood where my students live, but I am not a person of color, and I do not speak one of the many languages other than English which are spoken in Long Beach. I think we need to choose people who truly represent Long Beach, and in my area of town, I would not be a good choice.	Council District 1;	Eddy Joylyn Souter	8/25/2021
Kirk Wilson	As a gay elder, I am proud of our Mayor and the acceptance and support I receive from my neighbors and community.	Alamitos, Long Beach, CA		Please address the LBPD to wear masks and get vaccinated. I don't feel safe in coming to contact with them.	Council District 1;	Kirk Wilson	8/28/2021
Casa Rosa Condos	Hardworking condo owners with mixed backgrounds, ethnicities, race, age, and sexual orientation	6th St between Magnolia and Chestnut		Concentrating a huge percentage of Section 8/Low-to-Extremely-Low housing in the current District 1 is a monumental disservice to condo, townhouse, and home owners in the area, not least of which are you killing the businesses downtown. Even the WalMart and Albertson's had to close their doors here because of the shoplifting that became rampant with the increase in Section 8 housing of a number of years ago. Please STOP cramming this sort of housing into downtown!!	Council District 1;	Gayle Crider	8/30/2021
Cesar Chavez Park	We live in Golden Gate Square condos across from Cesar Chavez Park	We are near Cesar Chavez School			Council District 1;	Shirley Owens	8/30/2021



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We have a beautiful neighborhood. Rec Park Wilson high school. The golf course but are peace is being destroyed by overnight parking. With people sleeping in their cars.And people sleeping in the park. Leaving trash,drug  and alcohol paraphernalia. In are community using the park .For drugs and sexual activity at night.Making it dangerous for us to take advantage of our Park at night walking exercising. The bathrooms are not locked up they're open 24 hours. I walked in on two men and a women using drugs in the ladies bathroom. Across from Wilson High School in the daytime. This puts a children in danger. Drug alcohol and sex in the middle of the daytime across from the high school shameful. Our community has always had a strong neighborhood watch. But most of the time the police refused to arrest these individuals committing these	Rec park has so much to offer our community. We have baseball courts, tennis courts Golf Course.. We have people sleeping in park.And in thier cars a burglary rate is going up. People breaking into our garage has our cars. The trashed that these people leave behind is ridiculous. We have worked with the gentleman from Park and Recreations to remove trash. Only to have it continue on a regular basis.	District 1 we have Wilson High School, Rec Park the golf course the senior center.And the dog park,baseball courts.		We are a old neighborhood hard-working neighborhood we deserve to have our community stay clean accessible.To people who live in the area. We should not be afraid of walking through the park .And not be harassed by a homeless encampment.Or people using are bathrooms for drugs sex. Especially across from Wilson High School teenage kids being put in that situation shameful. The bathroom should be locked up at night.	Council District 1;	Elvia Yribe	8/31/2021
Washington	Hard-working, low-income, multi-family houses trying to make ends meet	Washington		I would be more inclined to by locally, but the sales tax rate breaks my budget	Council District 1;	William	9/1/2021
Willmore Historic District	The community is a mile from the beach, harbor and aquarium and on the other side the historic drake park neighborhood. Interested in neighborhood safety while experiencing lots of growth after the pandemic that is gentrifying areas.	4th and magnolia ave			Council District 1;	Greta capeluto	9/3/2021
First District	Collage	Long Beach			Council District 1;	Vanessa McBride	9/3/2021
Daphne	Safety, historic homes, tight knit	Brenner Place Historic District and Hellman street		We on Brenner Place would like to be moved to district 2 so our needs can be met more appropriately.	Council District 1;	Daphne Draayer	9/3/2021
Dr Merrick Tomlinson	Diversity and Social interests like art, music food and entertainment	Long Beach Business district			Council District 1;	Merrick Tomlinson	9/3/2021
Josh Rockwell	Downtown is a center for social activity and business	Downtown W 3rd & Cedar Avenue			Council District 1;	Josh Rockwell	9/3/2021
Darice Davis h	Being one of God's unique creations. There is no price for admission or criteria for qualification.	Again limiting criteria push toward exclusion, rather than inclusion and community.			Council District 1;	My community of interest is humanity. This fragmenting everything works against unity and community fragmenting	9/4/2021
Miss Rose	Long beach college	Long beach		Keep long beach clean rid of dirty dirty person r people. Keep it beautiful.	Council District 1;Don't know?;	MisRose	9/4/2021

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Karen washington	Very good	761 e via carmelitos #304 long beach ca. 90805.			Council District 1;None;	Karen washington	9/5/2021
Ehlershardie	International Tower	Beach at Los Alamitos	The beach communities would be included	We need to stop the loud mufflers racing down the streets! Other communities are stopping the illegal activity. It's noise pollution.	Council District 2	Chris Ehlers-Hardie	9/5/2021
Content Creators	Interest in creating content about promotions and events on Social Media	Downtown Long Beach	Ideas and Creativity flows in unity and sharings	A recognition will make our community alive and active.	Council District 2	Scott Drury	9/5/2021
Carolyn Eggleston League of Wm Voters of Long Beach, Amer Association of University Wm, Long Beach area	The need for respect for all citizens in the Long Beach area.	Bluff Heights, Long Beach	Allowing everyone the right to participate equally.	Thank you for your important work.	Council District 2	Carolyn Eggleston	9/8/2021
By my name	Our city council women only communicates with a portion of our district and community. I would like to see more safety for our neighborhood and community, the parking gor tenants to be resolve and more diversity of business and restaurants, as well community resources available and provided for people that need them. Rent control and affordable housing for low wage earners.	Rosa Park, Retro 4th and Historic Area	By City council members go out and talk with residence, in the different neighborhoods to learn what is really needed Schedule Cafecitos, neighborhood, and other meetings to learn who lives there, what are the needs of the people who live there, what resources ate lacking, the impact of gentrification.		Council District 2	Judy Vega	9/8/2021
Alamitos Beach Neighborhood.	<p>This is the third oldest neighborhood in the city. Our neighborhood was built by the Bixby sons and their friends.We have a very high number of historical original buildings still on intact. Our neighborhood includes the area from Alamitos Avenue to Junipero, from Ocean Blvd to Fourth Street. This neighborhood has been repeatedly ignored in the past, and has also been gerrymandered in the past</p> <p>The area should be treated as one neighborhood. We have a village like feel, our area is compact and walkable. Our history should be recognized and preserved.</p> <p>Moving Alamitos Beach in with the "Downtown" highrise and high density buildings is a mistake. Alamitos Beach should be included with the neighborhoods to the east of Junipero. The entire neighborhood was built as a unit, with Bixby Park the center of the original development.</p> <p>The streets were named alphabetically, in Spanish, Beginning with Alamitos, and Ending with Ximeno. Over the years some of the street names were changed to English. Orange Avenue was Descanso street.</p> <p>The area east of Bixby Park was the other half of the original Alamitos Beach Neighborhood.</p> <p>The downtown area should be in a separate district. That area has NOTHING in common with Alamitos Beach at all. The downtown has different priorities.</p> <p>Alamitos Beach is treated as an orphan by the council office and by city hall managers</p>	Alamitos Beach from Alamitos to Junipero, fourth Street to Ocean Blvd	<p>We are lumped in with downtown. We should NOT be part of Downtown. We are the third oldest neighborhood in the city of Long Beach, and we belong United with the the rest of the original development of Alamitos Beach tract. That area is the neighborhood east of Bixby Park, from Junipero to Temple.</p> <p>For years, Alamitos beach has been stuck with the high-rise downtown and Shoreline group of people. We have nothing in common with high-rise or Shoreline we are own residential neighborhood with our own historical buildings historic Park historic library and historic retail shopping street on 4th Street.</p> <p>City Council does not address our parking problems, the trash in the streets, OR Street trees, or help with additional funding for Parks or historical preservation.</p> <p>We are lumped in with the high-rise people who don't even know we exist.</p>	When drawing the map please separate this residential area from the downtown high-rise community and Shoreline drive people those are completely different neighborhoods with completely different problems and have no relationship at all to this 120-year-old historic residential neighborhood.	Council District 2;	Davina	9/8/2021
Alamitos Beach	Diverse in social, racial and economic status. There is a good mix of single family homes, condos and apartment buildings but no more than 3 stories. There are also small independent businesses and restaurants.	Alamitos Beach, North Alamitos Beach, Bixby Park, I'm located at E 3rd and Walnut Streets			Council District 2;	Beverly Leifer	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach	Shared resources (groceries, neighborhood restaurants, etc.), diverse mixture of people and socioeconomic backgrounds, a general love and passion for our city and the people within in no matter the neighborhood.	Alamitos beach off of 3rd and Alamitos. On Appleton St. Appleton St alone feels like it's own community.			Council District 2;	Chloe Addleman	9/23/2021
LGBT	Social Justice, Equality, Progressive Values	Bluff Heights, Alamitos Heights, Below 7th			Council District 2;	Rick Rives	9/23/2021
Dave - and this is a horribly written question.	Any data I might add here will be racially or economically motivated and I don't want to represent my neighbors unfavorably just because they don't fit my personal parameters.	Bluff heights, south of 4th street.		You're district map on this questionnaire doesn't work on Safari mobile.	Council District 2;	Dave Conrey	9/23/2021
Donna Rose	Diverse middle class.	Rose Park		Bought SFR home 1979. City allowed area to overbuild in late '80s, early 90's resulting in serious parking issues and overcrowding. Went from homeowners to multitude of rentals.	Council District 2;	Donna Coats	9/23/2021



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Megan	If this is some gerrymandering for political gain, this is a really screwed up way to use performative compassion.	Craftsman Village. It's not lost on me that half of my neighborhood is District 1 and the other is District 2. You can visually see the difference on one side of the street to the other. District 1 is a lower income district and it's obvious there is less money put into keeping youth safe and educated, more cops with shoddy training willing to target POC, less cops willing to listen to citizens that need the help, and the property values and massively different.			Council District 2;	Megan Kimberling	9/23/2021
Downtown condo owners	Live downtown and own the condominium in which I live	Downtown Long Beach along ocean Blvd			Council District 2;	David Medzerian	9/23/2021
1500Ocean	homeoners association	Ocean Blvd.			Council District 2;	Linda Spery	9/23/2021
East Village	Diversity. Pride in community. It is unpretentious. Nice place to live, but almost like a great secret. Many people are unaware of how much change has occurred and think of LB as it used to be, if they don't love or visit.	Downtown - East Village - not sure of the exact boundaries			Council District 2;	Byron Johns	9/23/2021
TonyR	At the moment, nothing.	Downtown			Council District 2;	Tony Randazzo	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach - LBGTQ	Like minded individuals who share both the benefits (bike paths) and concerns (homeless, lack of parking). And, making LB a safe and welcoming collection of communities	Alamitos Beach		Communication is the key! Both offered and received, neighborhood associations enhance this process without "heavy lifting "	Council District 2;	Douglas Emslie	9/23/2021
SaraKGodot	Liberal, artsy, supportive	Retro Row			Council District 2;	Sara Kay Godot	9/23/2021
C.Beltran	Long Beach has been my home for many years and the main concern is increase crime and homeless communities	Rose park			Council District 2;	Christina Beltran	9/23/2021
Inclusive Community Interest ("ICI")	A community interest that is of one type of history, value, interest, et cetera, misses the opportunity to develop an ability to understand other points of views and lifestyles. An ICI based on a defined location in Long Beach that is more closely associated to each other will make conversations and meetings more accessible.	Districts should be composed of an area that is contiguous, tight, and closely associated. No long fingers spreading out and no discriminatory aspects, such as race, color, ethnicity, wealth, poverty, language et cetera.		I would like to be involved in providing my service in creating districts that are fair and diverse within the district itself.	Council District 2;	Peter Paul Mendel	9/23/2021
Corrie D	We love our pedestrian lifestyle of living close to the beach & downtown amenities. We share the sorrows of the political push for higher density urbanization that lack adequate parking & lack of cohesive public transport options in a highly parking impacted area. We are at war with our neighbors over this & city hall doesn't give a damn.	Greater Downtown, East Village Arts District. I live at 3rd & Elm, but we're heavily impacted by all decisions made in the DT planned development area.		Long Beach is a very densely populated city. We deserve smaller districts where our representatives can focus on the issues that really impact each neighborhood. The east village shouldn't play 2nd fiddle to DT; we deserve better.	Council District 2;	Corrine Dolman	9/23/2021
East Village Arts	We are artists actors and musicians	Dtlb east village		Need to encourage more artists and leas gentrifiers	Council District 2;	Diana burbano	9/23/2021
Greta	Diversity, multiculturalism and city life	Downtown Long Beach			Council District 2;	Greta Sievert	9/23/2021
Young professionals	A need for affordable housing, close access to retail and services, parking!!	Alamitos Beach			Council District 2;		9/23/2021
rickwimmer@yahoo.com	The older homes	Theresa street		I never hear from my city Council person for district 2.	Council District 2;	Rick Wimmer	9/23/2021
Carmine	Creative community coastal community gay community	Ocean Boulevard arts District the aquarium		I feel like more than half of the district boundary lines encompass large areas of Long Beach port were very few people actually live it's unrelated to the issues of people who live in downtown Long Beach	Council District 2;	Carmine Scotch	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach	Proximity to the beach, separation from Downtown, distinct shopping/dining district (Retro Row)	Boundaries: Alamitos Ave to the west, 7th Street to the north, Junipero Ave to the East. The Pacific Ocean is the southern border.			Council District 2;	Nigel Lifsey	9/23/2021
LBell	Sharing values, common income equality, preserving our history in the community	The bluff, retro row, the neighborhood library		It is incredibly discouraging to love this city so much, work in the heart of downtown, and watch as the housing being built around me will forever be out of my price range. This city is built on inclusion and acceptance, but now those who make this city function can't afford to live here.	Council District 2;	Lindsay	9/23/2021
Downtown	Living in urbanized/commercial area with high density residences	Approximately south of W 7th Street and west of Alamitos Avenue			Council District 2;	Brandon Carr	9/23/2021
East Village	Money	Linden/Broadway		Send money	Council District 2;	Douglas Wraver	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach	Diversity	Ocean/Downtown LB		Our city is dirty. The trash is breaking my heart.	Council District 2;	Jean Fieler	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach	The interest in improving the neighborhood and keep it clean and safe.	cherry avenue near third st.		Our neighborhood is interested in whatever makes our neighborhood safer, cleaner and putting more regulations on property owners to maintain thier properties accordingly	Council District 2;	Albert Giannelli	9/23/2021
Downtown Long Beach	Walkability to bars, shops, and restaurants— impact of downtown events on traffic, accessibility of local businesses ocean views and development needs for the downtown area.	Long Beach west of Linden, east of Magnolia, south of 4th		Thanks for this chance to engage with city government	Council District 2;	Ida Drury	9/23/2021
JVG3	There is no sense of community here- we're not within any of the historic districts nor "named" neighborhood- lots of renters - no parking- trash and dog shit all over- speeding cars, loud exhaust, booming bass at all hours and homeless everywhere	Between rose park to the east, Alamitos beach to the south, Hellman/ craftsman village to the west and Cambodia Town to the north			Council District 2;	John Gallagher	9/23/2021

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Amy	The shared experience of living in a downtown environment.	East Village		District 2 currently covers a very diverse area from downtown all the way to 10th & Redondo. Those are two completely different areas of the city with very different needs. After last year, there is a lot of attention that's needed to get downtown back to what it was pre-pandemic. I'd like to be in a district where the council member can focus fully on these issues and not one that's spread thin with such varying neighborhoods.	Council District 2;	Amy Stock	9/23/2021
Downtown	I think it's a restaurant the activities art shows plays in Long Beach performing arts Center all the time people that come in to entertain us	Area code 90802		No	Council District 2;	Robert	9/23/2021
Bluff Heights	Historic Homes, property rights, clean streets, law enforcement.	Bluff Heights		Preseve family historic homes and neighborhoods. Oppose rent controls and fully fund police department. Don't allow homeless to take over streets and parks. Enforce parking rules give residents parking permits.	Council District 2;	David Mihalko	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach	Diversity	4th/cherry and south		Don't gerrymander.	Council District 2;	Gary Boettcher	9/23/2021
Carpe8dm	Hard to answer as so diverse, Alamitos Beach...land of no parking, loads of homeless citizens and a huge trash problem	Alamitos Beach...2nd/Alamitos		I'm in favor of more parking enforcement, less looking the other way on challenges of homelessness and more community involvement	Council District 2;	Shari Denker	9/23/2021
I don't even know what this MEANS. Historic homeowner?	Not much of a community person, honestly. Is "Don't trust Cindy Allen" a community?	3rd and Temple		This all seems awfully vague, honestly.	Council District 2;	Gene Birkholz	9/23/2021
NABA	Caring for each other and the safety and quality of life in NABA	North of 4th, south of 7th, west at Los Alamitos. (I don't remember the eastern border.)		Hire and listen to Robert Fox.	Council District 2;	Barbara Ardinger	9/23/2021
I don't understand this question.	Our community has diversity of thoughts and beliefs, some variety in socioeconomic status. Our community is predominantly minority Hispanic and black. I think our community can be more involved in the political process. Some people feel like our local government is failing us. There are many issues such as blight, failing schools, homelessness and drug addiction in the street, unacceptable HIGH crime rates, disgusting neighborhoods full of trash, sidewalks that should be power washed, large pieces of trash furniture littering the streets.	Near the MOLAA, 7th and Alamitos, Gumbiner park, St Anthony church.		Please focus and address the following major issues: homelessness, drug addicts on the streets, rampant theft, unsanitary neighbor sidewalks full or filth trash and debris, blight, high crime, parking issues, failing schools, lack of police presence, general feeling of police failing the community and that they don't serve us.	Council District 2;	Adrienne Puckett	9/23/2021
Eric	Progressive city and people	Work and past life			Council District 2;	Eric Finley	9/23/2021
Music theatre & cultural	ORCA. I like the diversity of ages and culturals	I'm on ocean and elm overlooking the convention center and fountain		Cindy Allen is doing a great job for our district 2	Council District 2;	Joan stiehl	9/23/2021
Alamitos	We like beach life. But we don't like the unsafe conditions In our community.	1st Street between Falcon & Gaviota - Alamitos Beach.		Our council person is in her own world. We receive little to no response to the problems that we run by her in our community.	Council District 2;	Leslie Davis	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach	Gay , Family , Beach Community, native Born to Kong Beach	Alamitos Beach, Bixby Park		Better communication with the residents of the 2nd District, with real Honesty. Not the current deception from the city officials that we have now.	Council District 2;	Gregory M VanArk	9/23/2021
Downtown		Aqua		It would be nice to have a response to my inquiry about what is being done about the homeless issue in the main library.	Council District 2;	Jose Lopez	9/23/2021
Stevenson Elementary School community	Diverse community that values education, kids, and teachers.	Alamitos Beach to Atlantic and 6th.			Council District 2;	Lorraine Farrelly	9/23/2021
Resident	Walking to Rosepark Events put on by our association in the park Where neighbors get to know each other and sometimes discuss politics	Rosepark		I trust the commission to make the best decision for all	Council District 2;	Jeanne...the Organizational Genie	9/23/2021
Latino Skateboarder	Progressive, anti-racist, pro-choice, anti-police, pro-Antifa, equal rights, pro-Science, lover of nature, anti-religious.	Rose Park, Long Beach. Most skateboarders lean progressive/liberal.		Defund the police. Slash their gigantic budget in half (at the very least) and spend more money on resources that help the homeless and disenfranchised residents of Long Beach.	Council District 2;	Andrew Shusterman	9/23/2021
Rose Park South	Why do you want to change the districts? Are you trying too separate the class of people, such as low income, retired seniors! I have lived in Long Beach since 1974 and have been through many changes mostly good ones. I'm sorry to say what the Mayor, our so called city council members and let's not forget the Police Department, or the lack of one has done too this city in the last 4 yrs is deplorable!!	Rose Park South		See my answer above.	Council District 2;	Debbie Barker	9/23/2021
Thomas	We have absolutely nothing in common that binds our community together.	8th & Chestnut downtown Beach.			Council District 2;	Thomas Holliday	9/23/2021
Carroll Park	Historic homes; condominium building	Carroll Park; Retro-row: 4th Street			Council District 2;	Charlotte Weston	9/23/2021
GM90814	We are racially diversified and economically strong	I live by Bixby Park aka Cherry Park and the beautiful bluffs		Serve all neighborhoods equally!	Council District 2;	Gianna	9/23/2021
West Ocean resident	Don't know of any special politely interests here So many condos at West Ocean - both towers were built in 2007.	Seaside Way at Chestnut Place and west Ocean Blvd		Nada	Council District 2;	Lesley Scheller	9/23/2021
Marina resident	Boaters environmentalists business people	Shoreline marina			Council District 2;	Charlotte maure	9/23/2021

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LGBT AAPI	Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. Equal access and opportunity for economic prosperity. Free higher education, pro-choice and free healthcare	Cedar and Ocean		I do love the diversity of my neighborhood. There is no gathering spot for the neighborhood other than Pike Outlet Mall. When are the Crate and Barrel, West Elm and Zara coming into the neighborhood. Pine street looks deserted. There needs to be thoughtful landscaping. New City Hall is beautiful but the public spaces are not inviting friendly or beautiful. The city missed the mark. It's not community friendly nor do you want to spend anytime there.	Council District 2;	Cholsu Kim	9/23/2021
Pamela	My neighborhood is going down hill. We live at the downtown marina and the marine patrol does not enforce bikes on the side walks or calls for homeless camping, nor do they respond in a timely manner.	Downtown marina			Council District 2;	Pamela	9/23/2021
Pam	I'm very new to Long Beach and California. My neighborhood is diverse and open	1st and Orange Ave			Council District 2;	Pamela Taylor	9/23/2021
Bluff Heights	Walking, friendly neighbors, cleanliness, access to stores and other retail. Bike friendly.	Bluff Heights approx borders btwn Redondo and Junipero Ocean and 7th Street.			Council District 2;	Vincent Jordan	9/23/2021
Sergio	I Feel like our community strives be one of kindness, diversity, and understanding. We're very family oriented, whether it be with human children or fur babies. We love uniqueness in architecture, food, and music. We love a cozy neighborhood feel with a nightlife within walking distance.	Rose Park South		Our past representatives have been far more concerned with the downtown area, perhaps rightly so, but it's felt like we've been left out of the conversation.	Council District 2;	Sergio Garcia	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach/Naples	I would say that we are a small costal community. We get some money from local tourism because we're so close to the beach, but we're mostly residential and probably have a slightly higher average house hold income	Alamitos beach (Starting from Ocean ave at the edge of DTLB) and moving east through naples. The northern boundary would probably be Broadway		Just that I think that Alamitos Beach and Naples should be treated as one community because we have basically the same type of people who are home owners and more affluent than average!  Thank you for facilitating this survey!	Council District 2;	Courtney-Lynn Presto	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach	Inclusivity, community, compassion, togetherness.	Alamitos Beach			Council District 2;	Heidi Pelle	9/23/2021
Alamitos Beach	We are a welcoming community for all. Inspired by art and culture and good food!	Rainbow sidewalk area			Council District 2;	Tammy Bartel	9/23/2021
Working mom, family with school age kids, lgbtq+, mixed race, cat feeder/ trapper, rescuer, city employee	Fairness, safety, compassion	2nd & cerritos		Redrawing district lines won't improve the structural racism in our community. It also won't improve the economic distress of people in our city. This is a waste of time and tone deaf to the challenges our city faces	Council District 2;	Staycee Dains	9/23/2021
Josh	Boat owners and downtown neighborhoods	Shoreline marina			Council District 2;	Josh Evans	9/23/2021
Charlene	I've known my neighbors for 17 years. We are a very diverse neighborhood. We share similar family values, a since of commuinity, we share a community garden & I'm friends with the school crossing guard. This neighborhood does expresses it's political views but on an individual basis.	Rose Park area			Council District 2;	Charlene Mossen	9/24/2021
John W	The organic community gardens. The ability to practice permaculture, and teach, practice horticulture, small, intensive farming, and provide a safe place for families to spend time, children to play, learn, and feed each other.  A widespread system of free lending libraries, one which our family coordinates.  Keeping the neighborhood walkable, monitoring, and controlling traffic speeds to ensure safety.  Maintaining appearance of gardens, tending them to make a pleasing aesthetic neighborhood.	Alamitos heights neighborhood.		What is the point of this? The arbitrary lines connect different people from same areas? Our gardens are out of our district.	Council District 2;	John Walker	9/24/2021
Marisol	My community is diverse, but we all look for each other and support each other	Washington street			Council District 2;	Marisol Latorre DeWeese	9/24/2021
Alamitos Beach	We're in that funky middle ground between downtown and Bluff Park. We're the ones with some of the worst parking in the whole city, but we're still watching high rise luxury buildings pop up like crazy and watching single family homes become unattainable pipe dreams. There's a real common fear of gentrification and getting priced out as we watch those buildings pop up with their insane rental costs, and as we watch historic homes sell for well over their actual worth, because this neighborhood feels the last affordable neighborhoods on the whole coast that's within walking distance from the Pacific Ocean. It's one of the most diverse neighborhoods in everything from race, age, sexual orientation, religion, and marital/family status, but we're a very working class neighborhood so we have that in common.	Between Alamitos and Junipero. From Ocean to 4th. We drink coffee at Lord Windsor, eat pizza at Black, drink at V Room or Mineshaft, and we take full advantage of being walking/biking/roller skating distance from Retro Row, the beach, and downtown. And we can't find any freaking parking in any of it.		Please stop catering to developers and real estate moguls, and keep investing in the established communities that actually need to be catered to. We love this city and want to be able to call it home forever.	Council District 2;	Patricia Bradley-Struven	9/24/2021

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Alamitos Beach Americans and Legal Residents	American citizens and legal residents suffering from the inability to find adequate parking, the inability to find affordable housing, living in overpopulated neighborhoods, having streets that don't allow first responders and public services to safely and quickly access the area to save lives and provide services, being overrun by homeless, have a city councilmember that does nothing but fieldtrips, arts and crafts, and travels around visiting restaurants instead of improving the standard of living for the residents of the district, and can't get the police department to enforce motorcycle parking ordinances.	Alamitos Beach		Get us a city councilmember that works and earns their taxpayer paid paychecks.	Council District 2;	Erick Schoenrock	9/24/2021
Resident of Rose Park South	Respect, kindness and pride in our neighborhood.	Rose Park South			Council District 2;	Sybil Gonzalez	9/24/2021
Citizen	Educated voter	Downtown Beach Lover		Your map is useless, district labels can't be seen	Council District 2;	Anthony Ramirez	9/24/2021
LGBTQ	The struggle for civil rights and inclusion in society.	Everywhere			Council District 2;	Frank Spencer	9/24/2021
Jiru	History, art, multiculturalism	Alamitos Beach		Make better public parking and less transients	Council District 2;	Erik.jiru	9/24/2021
Downtown City Living	Living location	Ocean and Pine (Shoreline)			Council District 2;	Deon	9/24/2021
Alamitos Beach	Progressive Diversity	Alamitos Beach			Council District 2;		9/24/2021
Jimmy Gant	Gay community	Alamitos Beach			Council District 2;	Jim Gant	9/24/2021
SA790					Council District 2;	Sharron	9/24/2021
Alamitos Bay	Cultural diversity of the residents, the creative architectural variety of structures and homes, the plentiful social options and our consistent cool groove on the move vibe. man.	West of Bixby Park to Alamitos Avenue between Ocean Boulevard and 4th Street.		I'm a bike rider. Love the bike lanes. BUT the bike lane along Broadway from Alamitos Avenue to Redondo Avenue has just been one huge cluster fuck. COUNTLESS vehicle accidents at Broadway & Hermosa due to lack of traffic visibility has been irresponsible reflecting PPP (piss poor planning).	Council District 2;	Francis X Segura	9/25/2021
East Village Arts District	We have a population that is diverse in economic wealth, race, sexual orientation and interests. We have unique places to shop and dine that draw visitors from all over and we embrace our differences.	East Village just north of Ocean Blvd, bordered by Long Beach Blvd., Fourth Street and Alamitos.		Please keep working on solutions to the homelessness issue and enlist residents for help.	Council District 2;	Mary Anne Perez	9/25/2021
E. Ocean Blvd	Working class	E. Ocean & Bonita to Broadway & Bonita to Broadway & Falcon to E. Ocean & Falcon			Council District 2;	Edith Quiroz	9/25/2021
Rebecca P	The thing is our community is completely divided in political views. People around me see the city deteriorating but are clueless as to why. When I try to explain it to them, they don't understand. They're completely demoralized and destabilized.	Rose Park.			Council District 2;	Rebecca Plascencia	9/26/2021
Email	Nothing at all. My sense is we are all very aloof and indifferent to one another.	Bluff Heights		Don't gerrymander the districts. Ensure that people of color and the LGBT community have the deserved representation everywhere in the city.	Council District 2;	Daniel Parnell	9/28/2021
Bixby Park area	We are a very diverse area. Little to no parking. A Residential Neighborhood with historic homes and bldgs. We are not in a Historic District all though we should be. No category or representation to keep the charms of early 1900's bldgs. We are also on a major artery (Cherry) with busses and delivery trucks. Very loud and no police enforcement. Lots of homeless ppl to deal with daily. We watch out for each other. Different than Downtown. We are in Alamitos Beach. Need to keep the eclectic look and feel. Don't need more parklets or higher structures. No more road diets that do nothing but push more traffic onto neighboring streets.	Bixby Park, Alamitos Beach, Cherry Ave		Its important that Alamitos Beach stays a mostly residential neighborhood. Two new businesses (more restaurants) are comming on corner of Broadway n Cherry. One is changing hands and one is taking the place of Cherry Beer and Wine. Not looking forward to more traffic and noise. We are across the street. Why are they so sneaky about what's coming? We are at 252 Cherry Ave. It well be hard to live here. I want my house to be a business too. Quality of life is going downhill. No one well be able to live here. My property value well go down. Who wants to live next to 2 restaurants? Not me. The streets at Cherry and Appleton floods. 8 cross drains attached to nothing. Cars fly by making waves up to our porch. Fix that before building up or out here. Buy us a fence.	Council District 2;	Gail Shepherd	9/28/2021
Long Beach clean streets	We are 4 th streetstreching from Alimitos To ximeno	Retro row and 4 th streching			Council District 2;	Luke Hiller	9/29/2021
JJ	There are folks from a variety of life here and this creates the unique community in my neighborhood. It feels like a great mix of old and new. I'm relatively new to the area but there seems to be a lot of different lifestyles and history mixed in these few blocks.	My community is in the Rose Park neighborhood.			Council District 2;	Jennifer Jong	9/29/2021
Alamitos Beach	Our community is best defined by our diversity.	Alamitos Beach			Council District 2;	Nancy Abbott	9/29/2021
American female living in Long Beach, CA	Work hard, pay your bills, follow the rules, help others, contribute something good	Downtown Long Beach		We want the crime, open drug use and basic free for all that is happening right now in our city acknowledged and addressed. Enforce existing laws. Please try to make it safer for everyone in the community.	Council District 2;	Emily Canata	9/29/2021
Ryan	ethnicity	Retro Row			Council District 2;	Ryan L	9/29/2021

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Rose Park Historic District	<p>We want some of the city's infrastructure improvement money spent on our area up here north of 7th. Belmont Heights and all the wealthy areas of the city get new streets, curbs and sidewalks, but when the improvements get to 7th they stop. We want some traffic calming improvements up here. Cars constantly speed down our residential streets running stop signs and with drivers not even noticing there is anything around them. Install some speed humps or traffic circles to slow these creeps down! I have almost been struck by a speeding car on several occasions either trying to cross at an intersection or just trying to cross my own street to go to my car.</p> <p>We don't want to be put into a poorer district that surrounds us! Rose Park is a historic district with a preponderance of homeownership and growing families that is already burdened by the surrounding lower income areas. So put us in a nicer council district keep our community intact. We have never had a responsive City Councilmember for this district. Every one of them has been elected as a stepping stone to a higher office. Can we please get put in District 3 which has council member much more responsive to her constituents?</p>	east of Redondo, north of 7th, west of Junipero and south of 10th		You map link sucks. The map that appears doesn't show the district boundaries at all. Get a real district map.	Council District 2;	Debby Linn	9/29/2021
Alamitos Beach neighborhood	Working class, mixed race and age, interested in local issues but struggle to participate due to work and family obligations.	From Alamitos to cherry along ocean/1st/2nd/Broadway/Appleton/3rd			Council District 2;	Alicia Albertson	9/29/2021
Alamitos Beach	The proximity to Alamitos Beach	Within the boundaries of Alamitos Ave., 4th St., Junipero Ave. and Alamitos Beach			Council District 2;	Bryan Barbosa	9/29/2021
Rose Park South	Historical district (Rose Park South), local artist Cody w art socials and projects, front yard socialization w neighbors, well integrated residential area (straight/ LBGTQIA, race, ages, marital status and families w children).	6th-Orizaba- bike blvd 6th street Redondo to Junipero		Please see above - I know we are "on the border" at 6th-Orizaba but if anything we should get pulled toward current 3rd NOT to downtown 1st or 4th. Also affects our school board representation. Thank you.	Council District 2;	Kristen	9/29/2021
Alamitos Beach	Bars, pubs and restaurants, 4th St. retro row; a lot of multi unit housing. Families that are just starting out with young children seems to be a trend. Also a lot of dog owners.	Bixby park, Burbank elementary school, 3rd street library			Council District 2;	James Weaver	9/29/2021
Alamitos Beach	Have no idea. Everyone here pretty much keeps to themselves.	Alamitos Beach			Council District 2;		9/29/2021
Mandy	Working class, mid-income, multi-family dwelling neighborhood. Mix of mostly condominiums and apartments. Heavily parking impacted, so parking a big concern and is main cause of the high rental turnover. Due to this, not a lot of residential input in our political policies.	Alamitos Beach boarding downtown Arts District.		Align districts not only on head count, but also by median income and even distribution of business, rentals, and owners.	Council District 2;	Mandy Dominguez	9/29/2021
Alamitos Beach		Alamitos and Ocean			Council District 2;	Roberto Lopez	9/29/2021
Alamitos Beach community	Our community is extremely diverse and extremely friendly. Neighbors speak and make others feel very welcoming.	We are located from Junipero to Ocean Blvd.			Council District 2;	Linda	9/23/2021
Reginald W. Allen	My community is a vast array of working class and retired individuals of all creeds, ethnicities and backgrounds.	We are located near 4th Street at Redondo Avenue in the City of Long Beach		Our community is made up of a vast array of heterosexual and LGBTQ individuals across spectrums of gender, sexual orientation, age, race, religious origin/faith background, national origin, immigration status, educational backgrounds seeking to live in a safe, vibrant environment.	Council District 2;	Reginald W Allen	5/21/2021
Retro Row	I believe North Alamitos Beach should just be Alamitos Beach. The other option, define Retro Row by including North Alamitos Beach, Rose Park, Carrroll Park, and the section between Broadway and 4th street. Retro Row is the most diverse, odd/unique area in LB. We should advertise it for those looking for something different.	4th and Cherry		Keep Retro Row old school, it'll never go out of style.	Council District 2;	Dan	7/30/2021
Alamitos Beach	My neighborhood had remained largely diverse in citizenry. However, there has been a significant turnover in population, with more younger people. Primary interest of late has been two issues: parking and noise from vehicles and pedestrians.	From Ocean to Broadway, Alamitos to Cherry.		Our community currently does not have a functioning association through which to communicate. Over the last few years, it seems as though most of my neighbors are disengaged from city government. We only hear from our councilpersons when an election is on the horizon. Furthermore, there has been an obvious deterioration of city services but no reduction in city staff, salaries, and budget. Where did our city go?	Council District 2;	Jefferey Kaufmann	8/3/2021
Alamitos Beach	We have helped each other through Covid and protested recently for BLM and host most of Gay Pride. I will say I'm skeptical about the city leadership and what it has in store fore district 2 in the future.	Shoreline Village, Broadway gay corridor, 4th St restaurants and shopping, Queen Mary		Just wondering what this form is trying to accomplish. Seems like a formality that you would prefer most people not to fill out.	Council District 2;	Marla Smith	8/15/2021



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Alamitos Beach Community of single parents	My community is comprised of not only single parents but all those people that are working hard to maintain a living at the same time trying to keep and maintain this area of Long Beach accessible, safe and somewhat focused on the next generation of residents and how they will come to be a part of this area. During this time of growth and change I believe Long Beach has lost its way and the temptation of urban development, which long has been unachievable (for a number of reason), has become an excuse now for the city officials to nickel and dime the current residents of this area. Campaigns to be able to boast that LB is the most bike friendly city, is a prime example of the miss guided, miss managed over zealous ego's that is far too common in governance these days. Parking is a major issue for my community and I am sure many other's too, yet how can bike paths that do nothing to help parking, take precedence? This focus not only made driving much more difficult in the area, I believe it is much, much more unsafe and on top of the traffic issues created in order to virtue signal and cater to a few, the city impacted this community taking parking spots away and wholly not addressing this problem. Giant development projects bringing in massive retail/residential spaces have popped up as fast as a rubber stamp can be splashed with fresh ink, but not even an iota of thought to what impact these over populated under parking allocated developments would do to the surrounding areas. I take that back, there was an iota of thought, raise parking tickets to \$70. I haven't got all night to vent my frustration - to call this anything but an abuse of power is just wrong. So What I want is the basic needs of current residence and future	Alamitos Beach, Alamitos Ave to Cherry St. and from Ocean Blvd. to 7th Street, would be my best estimate.			Council District 2;	Tyson Aistrich	8/15/2021
FOBP	Friends of Bixby Park has been advocating for Bixby Park for years. Friends of Bixby Park exists to preserve the historic integrity of Bixby park, while providing a place with recreation opportunities for all people to gather, celebrate, contemplate, and engage in activities that promote health, well-being, community and the environment.	Bixby Park		<a href="https://districtr.org/plan/56930">https://districtr.org/plan/56930</a>  Please, email us if you want us to further clarify our thoughts. <a href="mailto:Friedsofbixbypark@gmail.com">Friedsofbixbypark@gmail.com</a>	Council District 2;	Friends of Bixby Park	8/25/2021
Morningland Monastery (member of Foundation for Intentional Community). We are a spiritual modern monastic community who practices mindfulness through active prayer and meditation.	prayer and meditation, and active volunteer programs	2600 E. 7th St., Long Beach, CA 90804			Council District 2;	Judi Weber	8/28/2021
Ian Bixby	I don't know too much about this area's history, but I love the old early 1900's houses and everyone is/seems very friendly. I grew up in Huntington Beach, so I love how diverse and liberal this area of Long Beach is. That's why my wife and I moved here in 2017.	Bluff Heights near Horace Mann Elementary School.		I would love it if street sweeping was bimonthly instead of weekly.	Council District 2;Council District 3;	Ian Bixby	8/31/2021
Broadway Corridor	LGBT, diverse	Broadway adjacent from downtown to belmont shores			Council District 2;Council District 3;Council District 1;	Ryan	9/5/2021
Pacific8	Small sub groups and population's of freinds and family's. Long Beach is the step child of OC and LA and with cheaper housing its just a home for many to work and play outside of long beach. So the beach front, biking to grab a bite, getting robbed, the battle for parking, running from the street sweeper, everyone walking their dog at the same time, Ice cream, a large unhoused population, a unfinished 22 freeway, wild parots squaking at 7am, the coner dive bar that never closes, oil islands that looks like fun? These are some of the things we share	Alcove Manner suburbs Alamitos bay		Someone please see that the queen mary is a pice of junk and waste of space and money. There is a reason Disneyland never got into long beach and a reason the pike died. Sames as the queen mary, there not that cool. The thing is the potential to be cool is all there but we cant interfere with the port since it makes so much money. So we have a rust bucket we pay for now so people can come see, no way queen marry breaks even, and a pike made for tourists. You go there once and unless a movies coming out you want to see there is no draw to return or hang out there.	Council District 2;Council District 7;	Bruce	9/10/2021
LGBTQ	The LGBTQ population in Long Beach is well known and has been part of the fabric off the city for decades. We are a minority that needs to continue to be recognized and not split up. While LGBTQ people reside and work throughout the city, historically the Broadway corridor has been considered the gay business district. And many LGBTQ people reside in the 2nd district. Over the years, these communities have been divided in past redistricting efforts.	The Broadway Corridor. Alamitos Beach, Bluff Park, downtown.	The LGBTQ population needs a voice at city hall. We must preserve our rights and our businesses.	Can we get better maps? With the ones on line it is difficult to read streets when you enlarge them.	Council District 3	Marsha Naify	9/14/2021
University Park Estates	University Park Estate Neighborhood Association	University Park Estates	Stay in District 3		Council District 3;	Mike	9/23/2021
district 3 and Naples Island	Naples Islands have a rich history as presented and published by Mr. Stanley Poe. The Naples Improvement Organization is very active in communication with its members and surrounding communities. Naples Acadamy is a accredited LB School on Naples Is. Suzie Price our 3rd District Council Woman is vibrant and active in our City's well beig.	Naples Islands. Restaurants, Bike and Walking Paths, Out Look and Colonnade Parks host band concerts presented by the City of LB. The Parks are great for pick nicks and just relaxing. Naples Academy is in walking distance for islanders.	Regulate De Facto Zoning Changes allowing Airbnb Vacation rentals that for example: changed 4 bedroomhomes into 3 Airbnb Vacation rental bedrooms. We have a Super Host Airbnb rental next to us. Parking, trash, and constant turnover of Airbnb rental have destroyed the Community neighborhood residents interaction.	"Map It" on the City Website requires a Computer Work Station and above average Mapping software knowledge.' I log-in today. The tutorial was minimal. The navigation screens and tabs are 1 on a scale of 1-5 with 1 the lowest. It is not intuitive. Contacted S. Price for help.	Council District 3;	Charles F Ward	9/23/2021

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C Ward District 3	Our Neighborhoods, Community Associations NIA, BIA and more, Churches, Schools in these boundaries are functioning good. Their District 3 representative - Suzie Price Councilwoman is our Voice. Retain our current District 3 Boundaries.	Use Existing District 3 Boundaries as of August 15, 2021. Retain our District 3 Boundaries. The Current Neighborhoods, Community Associations NIA, BIA, Churches, Schools in these boundaries are functioning good. Their District 3 representative - Suzie Price Councilwoman is our Voice.	Retain our current District 3 Boundaries. The Neighborhoods, Community Associations NIA, BIA, Churches, Schools in these boundaries are functioning good. Their District 3 representative - Suzie Price Councilwoman is our Voice.	Retain our current District 3 Boundaries. The Neighborhoods, Community Associations NIA, BIA, Churches, Schools in these boundaries are functioning good. Their District 3 representative - Suzie Price Councilwoman is our Voice.	Council District 3;	Charles F Ward	9/23/2021
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UNIVERSITY PARK ESTATES	Single family residences, small neighborhood, houses built in 1960, 1961, upper portion in the 1980's. Nice area away from high-rise buildings and crimes infested areas of Long Beach. Most resident are well educated, business oriented with conservative family values	Kettering elementary school, Bixby golf course, Chanel Park, Loynes Drive, 7th Street.	By staying intact we will have a greater influence on our elected officials and thereby on the city as a whole.	Retain single housing within the community, increase police patrols and control the homeless problem.	Council District 3;	GHISLAINE RODECKER	9/23/2021
Belmont Heights	Belmont Heights is a community of older housing stock, 100 years, that owners take pride in their homes. Many houses have participated in the yard to garden (?) offered by the LB Water Dept. Economically most owners are compatible. There are many renters in the area. There were far more Biden signs than Trump signs during the last election.	Belmont Heights: Seventh to Ocean, Redondo to	Keeping the neighborhood together keeps the soul of the community.	Please do not break up Belmont Heights and keep all of us in #3.	Council District 3;	Bette McKinney	9/23/2021
JulieDean	Belmont Shore is a COI based on geography and location made up of residents and businesses.	Belmont Shore - that area of the City of Long Beach bounded in general on the west by Termino Avenue, on the northwest by Livingston Drive, on the northeast by The Toledo, on the east by Alamitos Bay and 55th Place, and on the south by the Pacific Ocean and that area of the City of Long Beach bounded in general on the west by 39th Place, on the north by Ocean Boulevard, on the east by Termino Avenue, and on the south by the Pacific Ocean.	These specific residents are highly impacted by the 2nd Street and Ocean Blvd business districts. It's important that these two groups are represented by a single entity. Breaking up these boundaries into multiple council districts would make it very difficult for Belmont Shore to function well.		Council District 3;	Julie Dean	9/23/2021
Kathleenward	Residential homes with small businesses on currently zoned main streets. Preserve the Naples Improvement Assoc and Naples Business Assoc. a small community with walking and bicycle paths open to the public.	Naples Island.	Private homes. Very concerned about increasing number of residences carving out extra bedrooms without sufficient parking.	Better control of nightly rentals in spaces not built or meant for rental units and streets not wide enough for two way traffic.	Council District 3;	Kathleen Ward	9/23/2021
Limit Old Rich White Guys Power	Multi Generational Wealth. keep reading, I am not joking. Privilege, Racism.	Wealthy neighborhoods. Like, Naples, Belmont Heights, the Shore,		Keep the rich and powerful people in one district. This will limit how many votes they get on the council.	Council District 3;	Keith Christensen	9/23/2021
Bluff Park Neighborhood Association	<p>The Bluff Park Neighborhood Association (BPNA) represents those who live, own, and rent in the "Bluff Park Historic District" (BPHD), situated and well-represented over the years in City Council District 3. Since 1972, the association has been actively engaged, and in 1982 it was successful in its efforts to become the second neighborhood in the city of Long Beach to receive "historic landmark designation" from the City Council, creating the "Bluff Park Historic District".</p> <p>The "Bluff Park Historic District" consists mostly of stately single-family and multi-family houses constructed between 1903 and 1949. Located along the ocean bluffs, large two-story Craftsman Bungalows and Period Revival styles predominate with a mix of other significant architectural styles.</p> <p>The area was named for its proximity to the Bluff Park, which is a 25 acre (100,000 square meter) south of E. Ocean Boulevard and atop the tall bluff overlooking the sandy beach of the Pacific Ocean. As a result of efforts of past BPNA leaders, a replica of the "Lone Sailor Statue" resides in the park as a tribute to Long Beach's naval history.</p> <p>As a largely residential neighborhood, BPNA and those that live, own and rent in the neighborhood work closely and have common interests with other historically designated neighborhoods nearby including the Bluff Heights Historic District and the Belmont Heights Historic District.</p> <p>The BPNA and its residents have an affinity and engage in collaborative efforts with activities in the nearby Bixby Park and with businesses abutting (and in some cases within) the neighborhood along the E. Broadway corridor and in the nearby Belmont Shore, Alamitos Heights, Colorado Lagoon, Naples, and Marina Pacifica (at E. 2nd Street and Pacific Coast Highway).</p>	<p>The "Bluff Park Historic District" (BPHD) has specifically defined borders by City Ordinance, as shown on the map accessible on the City's website at <a href="https://www.longbeach.gov/globalassets/lbds/media-library/documents/planning/historic-preservation/districts/bluff_park-map">https://www.longbeach.gov/globalassets/lbds/media-library/documents/planning/historic-preservation/districts/bluff_park-map</a></p> <p>The borders of the BPHD run roughly as follows: SOUTHERN BORDER: South side of E. Ocean Boulevard. NORTHERN BORDER: Undulating near and to the south side of E. Broadway. WESTERN BORDER: East side of Junipero Avenue. EASTERN BORDER: West side of Loma Avenue.</p> <p>However, the aforementioned map provides much more specificity especially on the northern border which tends to undulate near and to E. Broadway. And as described in the response above, the BPNA's engagement and reach extend beyond our borders.</p>		Council District 3;	Jeffrey Mallin	9/23/2021	

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AlexS	Community oriented. Open to all ethnicities, all gender identification, all religions and all sexual orientations.	Triangle bordered by 7th St, PCH, and the golf course			Council District 3;	Alex Stenzler	9/23/2021
Humane Female Being	Respect, Consideration, Common Courtesy, Civility	Vermont St off Ximeno btwn 4th and Colorado		Please do something about the OUTRAGEOUS RENTS, I blame Suzie Price, long term residents are being displaced destroying our communities, this used to be an affordable city for middle income folks now you have to earn over \$100,000 to live in Belmont Shore or the heights . . . truly disgusted by the ASSHOLES moving into our communities, destroying what used to be a vibrant city where a person of modest means used to be able to thrive.	Council District 3;	Martha E Burke	9/23/2021
East Long Beach-Greenbelt Heights	Geographic boundaries. Being connected to my neighbors as a result of living in the neighborhood and neighborhoods adjacent to the neighborhood I live in.	Junipero to Bellflower Blvd and PCH to Ocean Blvd.		Leave the existing boundaries alone. I do not believe you're doing this for the betterment of the people who live here and am very wary of "woke" policies.	Council District 3;	Karen Redding	9/23/2021
Carroll, D	Shared values and interest.	Greenbelt Heights Long Beach, CA		Nothing follows	Council District 3;	Deonte Carroll	9/23/2021
Belmont Height Greenbelt	On my end of street Roswell Ave, we are mostly all of same shared political ideals, same concerns for your city & immediate neighborhood. We are of very varied demographics from 40+yr residents to college students. We share yard grown foods, we maintain a sm book exchange. We openly discuss current issues in our front yards or patio over a cold beverages. We post & share Voting information & as a neighborhood, we supported each other thru this pandemic ..Most all participate on Nextdoor app & communicate with the LBPD, Public Works & our councilpersons office for issues we cant handle ourselves..We have a sm Greenbelt area (former historic train lines) that the residents help maintain (sadly the City seems to have forgotten about)	750-52 Roswell Ave Greenbelt HeightsWilson HS area			Council District 3;	Margot T Genewich	9/23/2021
Anne	A diverse neighborhood that is FREE from restrictions, discriminations and tyranny.	4th Street Arts District		Businesses have suffered enough and this city has done nothing to lift them up, support them and by continuing these restrictions more will leave, close and we will have a shell of a city left. Pine Street has already gone south really quickly- downtown is no longer an attraction.	Council District 3;	Anne	9/23/2021
Dee	We are a socially liberal section of Long Beach. R1 zoning. Parking rules.	Belmont heights. East of Redondo. South of 4th. west of ximino . North of 3rd		Don't mix us into areas that have different housing ideas	Council District 3;	Diane	9/23/2021
Alamitos Heights	Pride of ownership. Neighbors. Location in Long Beach. Colorado Lagoon.	Alamitos Heights			Council District 3;	Thomas Curwen	9/23/2021
Alamitos heights resident	Quiet family friendly neighborhood	Alamitos heights			Council District 3;	Aaron Holloway	9/23/2021
Kash T	I consider Long Beach a small large town. I love the diversity, the general kindness of the people who live here, the walkability of many of the neighborhoods and the unique stores, eateries we have.	Belmont Heights			Council District 3;	Kashyap Trivedi	9/23/2021
Belmont Heights	Hard working, family values, long time households. The demographic questions comes off as racist, we welcome all communities.	Belmont heights, red car green belt			Council District 3;	Alexander Murray	9/23/2021
Sarah	we are a nice quiet enclave next to Wilson We share more in common with east of Rec Park and Belmont Heights then we do with areas on the other side of ximeno and 10th Street	termino to ximeno 10th to 7th			Council District 3;	sarah colnic	9/23/2021
Michael Fisher	Close proximity living with an abundance of amenities and outdoor activities. In the heart of it are the civic and government buildings, but also the arts and humanities buildings.	Downtown Long Beach			Council District 3;	Downtown District	9/23/2021
Belmont Heights	Location, historical architecture in buildings, small businesses, restaurants, shops and bars.	90814		I Believe we need to Have a more varied representation of people in the district, so it reflects more of the city as opposed to a individual district. Therefore dry and different lines for districts.	Council District 3;	Larry Van Steenwyk	9/23/2021
South East Long Beach	The South East portion of Long Beach represented by district 3 includes many family friendly neighborhoods that have a shared interest in maintaining the natural beauty of our area.	My district includes the south east portion of Long Beach (Belmont Shore, Belmont Heights, Alamitos Heights, and Park Estates)		Please maintain the boundaries of the 3rd district. I am happy with our representation and I feels others in my district are too.	Council District 3;	Thomas Reynolds	9/23/2021
Stoneybrook	Middle class condo owners. Take pride in our homes, and want what is best for our community.	Stoneybrook condos on pch and Bellflower.			Council District 3;	Jackie Kimmell	9/23/2021
Belmont shores and Belmont heights	Close neighbors, single family homes belmont heights, park activities- concerts in the park, beach/bay activities, second street restaurant/ shops	Ximeno to 7th st, ocean and PCH		Keep the current zoning	Council District 3;	Jill Riordan	9/23/2021
Nancy	We're friendly, know our neighbors, easy going and drawn to the ocean without the Belmont shore crowd.	Belmont heights			Council District 3;	Nancy	9/23/2021



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Tree Guy	Family in area since 1935. I born on Livingston Ave. My philanthropy has included 100's & 100's &100's of hours volunteering incl: planting and feeding trees, created a system to support local beautification where Mayor O'Neil failed, Always quick to support local music or art causes. My home was featured on KTLA-5 tv (Eric Spillman)for water conservation and after that TV piece appeared, the city of LB- Water Dept came to my home for fotos that started the Lawns to Garden program. <del>I care about my hometown</del>	The Best location in Belmont Heights: why Only on my street , on our block can a person walk or bike 5-7 min to : 4th st/ Shops & cafes/ Marine Stadium- Farmer Market &Concerts-golf/nature center / Lagoon/ Tennis / water ski/ Belmont Shore area Church & business district/ Add 5-10 min more and one can bike to Shop at Target/ Ralph's / Gelson's/ Trader Joe's and Whole foods		Show us how you care. Show me your pride Get things done Do NOT protect special interests of egotistical, Machiavellian bullies	Council District 3;	P . Henry	9/24/2021
Belmont heights	School	Near Fremont elementary		The city should deal with the issue of homelessness and public safety.	Council District 3;	Thomas johnson	9/24/2021
LBC-G	Diversity of my community is what binds me to it. It's not race, religion, self identification. It's everything that Long Beach stands for as a community. We don't tolerate one another, we respect one another.	Zafaria district.			Council District 3;	Greg	9/24/2021
Julie	I live in Belmont Heights and I define that by its geographical location.	Belmont Heights		This survey is awful and makes no sense.	Council District 3;	Julie Noggle	9/24/2021
Alamitos heights	Lots of interest in music the environment and socially gatherings	Alamitos heights Lowell Rogers and Wilson. Marina vista park. St. Barts church Belmont heights community church			Council District 3;	Marilyn tyo	9/24/2021
Belmont Shore	We are a community of shared values, single family households. People are middle class/upper middle class and are from various backgrounds. People here want a peaceful, crime free life.	Ultimo Ave			Council District 3;	Douglas Cringean	9/24/2021
Alamitos Heights	Upper Middle Class. Educated. Responsible. Care about property. Family environment.	Marine Stadium		Please keep our district together	Council District 3;	Rebecca Cringean	9/25/2021
Drai	Safe community, clean streets, good neighbors, having everything available and close to home, meaning grocery stores, library, post office, beach, restaurants.	Rose Park		There are homeless people camping out by our residence. They take up parking spaces with their shopping carts and belongings. They are drug addicts who break into cars.	Council District 3;	AUDREY	9/25/2021
Robert	Sense of affinity across B Heights, B Shore, alamitos heights and Naples. People know each other through schools and other groups.	Belmont Heights			Council District 3;	Robert Kleinhenz	9/25/2021
Samoans	Samoans have been part of the US since 1900 when the cession treaties were signed. They have a unique language, culture and governance. While the basic unit of organizing is the family, churches have now emerge as villages in the diaspora.	There are Samoans living in every district, including the non-incorporated areas of LA County. Many still live downtown, the west side and north LB.		City support of Samoan led organizations with a proven track record would be embraced with catharsis and enthusiasm.	Council District 3;	Rod Steiger	9/25/2021
Current dist. 3 Redcar greenbelt	Historic homes that were built along original red car line and whose children feed into Wilson HS attendance district.	10th st on North, Redondo on West, Palo Verde ( including el dorado park) on East, to Marina peninsula on South.		Going forward the city is going to Face continuing challenges; planning for climate change, upgrading infrastructure, addressing homelessness, and providing services for residents at an upgraded level. It is important that we not lose the gains we've made or forget that the city Council is here to serve the residents.Communication and cohesion play in important part in those decisions and plans.	Council District 3;	T. Davenport	9/28/2021
Melissa Brower	It is a small knit community & feel - see people exercising at Marina Vista, enjoying the farmers market, attending concerts in the park, shopping on 2nd street, and enjoying the beach, going to school.	Colorado Lagoon, Marina Vista, Rec Golf Courses, Rogers, Lowell, Wilson, 2nd Street, Ocean Bike Path, Peninsula to Belmont pool, Rancho Los Alamitos			Council District 3;	Melissa Brower	9/29/2021
Sustainable Community	Present & Future Sustainability For Our Community on a Global Scale. For Preservation, Restoration & Resiliance in an ever Changing Global Environment. Like Clean Water & Food. Something we can all agree apon for sustanance & survival to thrive 🌱	Alamitos Heights (Iron Triaangle) Big Rec golf Corse		Many Residence over the years have been asking for a city provided green waste bin or trash can. Promoting composting practices will help alleviate the issue & pressure 😊	Council District 3;	Ilan Soussan	9/29/2021
Don't care	Talk to them smile	7th Street and Redondo		No graffiti Less crime by Santa Fe and Forhan Street all of Long Beach matters to me	Council District 3;	Lisa	9/29/2021
Belmont Heights	Historic homes, keeping neighborhoods safe, clean and beautiful	Belmont Heights			Council District 3;	John Dunton	9/29/2021
Response	Voice	Long beach memorial		No comment	Council District 3;	Emelinda Macleod	9/29/2021
Bluff Park	We are one historical district and our representative needs to represent that entire community Bluff Park is an established historical district. Most residents are committed to preserving the historical nature of the neighborhood and we host community events	Bluff Park is an established historical district numbers matter. A larger community is heard more than a smaller fractured one		My husband and I would like to stay in the third district	Council District 3;	Henri Winters	9/29/2021
Career pathway advocates	LBUSD and non profit/civic groups collaborate to identify businesses and organizations that provide internship and volunteer opportunities for High School and college students. We engage with political process by advocating for funding, engaging workforce partners that collectively advocate for health equity, economic development access, housing and education advancement for career attainment by under represented populations.	Home office is Current District 3, collaborate with school pathways at Poly, McBride, Lakewood, and Jordan High Schools, including students in the pathways.		Expand number of Council seats to have at least one represent young career development and diversity, and one representing Homelessness, and one representing mothers of African American males and female reproductive rights, plus a Council seat dedicated to affordable housing acquisition for next generations in Long Beach.	Council District 3;	Patricia Spratlen Etem	9/29/2021
Lisa A.	Social interaction and local activities.	Belmont Shore/Heights			Council District 3;	Lisa Angelo	9/29/2021
Mark Cole	We value relationships, pride of ownership, privacy, respect, aesthetically pleasing home and shared community spaces.	We are next to the Greek Orthodox Church Bellflower Blvd, Colorado, Pacific Coast Highway, and Loyola Drive.			Council District 3;	Mark Cole	9/29/2021

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Bill	The uniqueness of the homes and the level of care in maintaining our homes, yards, and neighborhood appearance.	Alamitos Heights			Council District 3;	William Smith	9/29/2021
Del Lago	Diversity and acceptance in my community is of high importance. Caring and maintaining communities in the coastal zone as a feature and pride of Long Beach.	Sims pond area, Del Lago between Loynes and Colorado.			Council District 3;	Joseph Villa	9/29/2021
Valerie Penado	anti-racism.	North Long Beach		Kick out the mayor	Council District 3;	Valerie Penado	9/29/2021
Douglas Agatep		Alamitos Hieghts			Council District 3;	Douglas Agatep	9/29/2021
East LB	Educated, high-information voters	Marina Vista Park			Council District 3;	Erica Rose Motamed	9/29/2021
Kendall Ackroyd	I live in Greenbelt Heights. Many of us are in the pedestrian community as we can talk the greenbelts all the way to the Colorado Lagoon.	Greenbelt Heights			Council District 3;	Kendall Ackroyd	9/30/2021
I moved to Long Beach in 1977 and have lived here since then.	I live on the east side of Long Beach, near the Marine Stadium and the Colorado Lagoon. These features and the parks give my neighborhood a special feel and value.	Alamitos Heights		Thank you	Council District 3;	Thomas Curwen	5/24/2021
Lgbt	Shared values.	Belmont heights			Council District 3;	Jackie grass	6/1/2021
Belmont shore	Beach community	Belmont Shore			Council District 3;	Maura Papazian	6/1/2021
Joaquin Perez	Our families, local schools & local businesses	Belmont Heights			Council District 3;	Joaquin Perez	6/9/2021
Vincent Mongin	Property Values	Marine Stadium adjacent		Never met Suzie, heard she’s ambitious... If she can get a curb cut for bikes on the west side lot of Marine Stadium cool, otherwise, whatever	Council District 3;	Vincent Mongin	8/11/2021
Homeowner	An interest in cultural diversity and mutual respect	Belmont Heights			Council District 3;	Frances Johnston	8/16/2021
Belmont Heights Neighborhood	Neighbors in east Long Beach uniting to maintain a safe and desirable community. Looking out for one another. Actively involved in supporting local businesses & schools within our geographic area.	East Long Beach- Belmont Heights, Belmont Shore, Naples, Alamitos Heights			Council District 3;	Diane DeWalsche	8/18/2021
Community by the Bay	Proximity to the Lagoon, Marine Stadium, Bay shore, the Peninsula, Naples and the beach. Lowell and Roger schools. Music at the park by Marine Stadium, Farmers Market in the same area. Activities around the water. The outdoors with 2 golf courses, parks and board walk for biking, running and walking. The community cares about the environment, cleanliness and public safety. Family-oriented community. Responsible zoning to mitigate overwhelming the existing infrastructure and street parking while providing housing options to its residents. It is like a small town in a big city. Most families run around the same circles and have similar interests. Kids know each other and are growing up together.	Somewhat similar to current district 3. Orange County border to the east, PCH to the NE, Big Rec golf course included (Anaheim St border to the North), Park Ave or Ximeno to the west and all the way down to the beach, peninsula and Naples.		Once a draft is completed. It would be nice to seek residents feedback to make some tweaks before finalizing.	Council District 3;	Chi Kallala	8/20/2021
Janine R.	Many of the families in my neighborhood are native or longtime residents of LB. They are involved in the neighborhood and the local community. We share educational and socioeconomic traits and interests. Most vote regularly and pay attention to the issues.	I live in the south east section of town.		Thank you for your service to all of the citizens of LB!	Council District 3;	Janine Ransom	9/3/2021
Alamitos Heights	Mainly single family homes in a demographic are, monthly meetings	East of Colorado lagoon and recreation park golf course		Districts should not be based on politics! Districts should be based on population, not special interest or culture	Council District 3;	Jim Hines	9/15/2021
Los Altos South-East	Our neighborhood embraces a friendly vibe and easy living. Professionals and Artists with young families whose interests in local community, great education, and safe living.	Palo Verde and Atherton (south East)	The quality of enhanced representation can help with funding for localized improvements.		Council District 4	Anna San Paolo	9/23/2021
Angie Dougherty	I don’t know how to answer this, we need something that binds our community. There are no rich people in this community, we often get forgotten.	Junipero and 11th, across from a church.	This district is not founded as equally as other districts, we don’t have the infrastructure, we don’t have the crosswalks and we don’t receive regular maintenance services as others districts in Long Beach. We don’t get street sweepers in the alley or regular tree trimmings on city’s trees.	LBUSD budget	Council District 4	Angie Dougherty	9/23/2021
Angie	We are looking for something to bind our community together, it doesn’t exist at the moment.	Cambodia town	Infrastructure and more programs for community outreach.	This comment is in regards to LBUSD budget. It is unfair to cut the school’s budget, potential cuts can harm our kids’ education. Students already struggle in overcrowded classrooms, they have little to no access to nurses, counselors, and mental health services. Tutoring and special Ed services are very limited, and library services, including access to books, are only available a couple days a week. Decisions like this one can only continue to harm the future of our community. Improvements begin in education, in giving our students the tools they need to succeed and bring the best skills back to their homes. Cutting the district’s budget is not the solution to community empowerment.	Council District 4	Angie Dougherty	9/23/2021

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The Junipero Ave. Corridor	<p>Junipero is a high foot traffic road from Signal Hill all the way to the beach. People bike and walk it from end to end daily. Unfortunately, the infrastructure found along it varies greatly from block to block, district to district. I am very proud to live on Junipero Ave, but am highly distressed by the inequity of city services and council representation that certain blocks receive. While some blocks are afforded maintenance and pedestrian safety, others waste away before our eyes succumbing to dumping, human waste, gang tags, dangerous intersections, streets that remain flooded after every rain, and building structures on the verge of collapse.</p> <p>The Junipero Corridor community is strong. I know many neighbors, from whole families packed into small apartments to homeowners with beautifully restored craftsman homes. But when it comes to infrastructure, the only consistent part of the Junipero Corridor is the inconsistency.</p>	The length of Junipero Ave, South of Signal Hill and North of the beach.	<p>By keeping the entirety of Junipero Ave in a single district, our road would receive the same funding and the same attention throughout. Half a mile south of my home would not function completely differently than half a mile north of it.</p> <p>As it stands, I live on the edge of district 4, just outside of district 6. This is devastating to my neighborhood because I see improvements to my south, north, west, and even some improvements east of me with little to no acknowledgment of my section of district 4 in general. Living on the periphery of of district 4 is like feeling invisible no matter how many reports I make.</p> <p>11th Street at Junipero is utterly forgotten. 11th street is crumbling and Junipero is only getting worse to my north. The only vestige of hope my neighborhood currently has is being so near Rose Park, but not even within it.</p>	<p>I am begging the Commission to please be equitable when deciding which district 11th St at Junipero Ave will reside.</p> <p>Our neighborhood at 11th and Junipero is desperately underfunded and underrepresented as it stands. Please do whatever you can to keep our neighborhood afloat and placed within a district that genuinely cares how we will be affected by future city improvements or lack thereof.</p> <p>Junipero Ave is a lifeline road within this city, please try to see it as a cohesive neighborhood because the people who live here most certainly do.</p>	Council District 4	Patrick	9/23/2021
Global Refugee Awareness Healing Center. is 501 C 3. Organization.	My Organization hope and dream can help the parents and seniors come to the zoom class for child development class,for arents and senors learn topics for 21 weeks,Then invite new parents to zoom classes every Tuesday and Monday.To teach parents and seniors how to help children grow. Then living good healthy and having good schools, good emotions, and good physical care. To make sure they eat good food, We wante to recruit around 200 people for my organization. For the zoom classes, and my organization is working to communicate with parents on the phone, messenger, group,and facebook live,and zoom meeting.	My Community Contact Information is Address is 1355 Redondo Avenue Suite#10 Long Beach CA 90804 Email: grahcoffice16@gmail.com, annvitou@yahoo.com Tel: 562-326-8565 and WWW.GRAHC.ORG.GOV/	Keeping the Community Good environmental and Safe to everyone.	My Community looking for funding long term. For the Promoting the Health, Wellness ad wellbeing for Childrent, Parents, Youth and Seniors Living in Long Beach. and the Cambodian and the people Funding. for releasing Stress, Depression, Anxiety, Anger, Traumatize ,PTSD and Mental Heal	Council District 4;	Ann Toun	9/23/2021
Los Altos central	It has been my home for 15 years and feels right	Clark/Bellflower/Atherton/Stearns/CSULB/Los Alto library	By not dividing neighbors or representatives who have accomplished so much	We do not belong with, or identify with, the Marine Stadium and the high end communities surrounding it	Council District 4;	Barbara Haller	9/23/2021
neighborhood districts	Each neighborhood comprises its own histories, values and interests, including income levels, own vs. rent status, often social/ethnic/racial identities. And many neighborhoods have strong proactive associations.	Existing boundaries as reflected on 'City of Long Beach Neighborhoods' map dated March 2015.	One of my major priorities is to get rid of the 'tail of the whale'. Those living in the El Dorado Park area likely have nothing in common with those living in Central or Sunrise. My redesign achieves this goal and ensures a more compact district for many of those of the Cambodian community.	I'll bring copies of my redesigned map, along with supporting population figures to tonight's District 4 meeting. (Sorry, I tried to work with the online map - but failed rather miserably!) Thanks.	Council District 4;	Teresa Griffith	9/23/2021
Patste	Family oriented based on predominantly single family units with minimal multifamily units. Close to shopping and other services. Good schools important to residents. Good community vibe with lots of interest in local history as well as current activities.	Near CSULB and within L.B. Airport flight paths.	Shared interest in keeping area vibrant and economically sound. Keeping excellent local schools to attract families. Residents have a sense that we're in this together.		Council District 4;		9/23/2021
Friends of Puvungna Community of Interest	<p>Friends of Puvungna Community of Interest is composed of those concerned with preserving the Puvungna Village National Register Site on the campus of CSULB as a Sacred Site accessible to tribal peoples for ceremonial and social gatherings, and as a protected open space where students and community members can commune with nature. Our bonds have been forged through resisting attempts to develop the site without regard for its historic significance, its central role in preserving local tribal culture, or its value as a natural wildlife area. We have become a community by caring for the land together and by protecting this sacred space where we have shared our joys and sorrows and held ceremonies honoring the Ancestors, Peace and Dignity Runners, artisans from the Dine and Seri tribes, and delegations from the Lakota, Maya, and Aboriginal peoples. Gatherings at Puvungna, hosted by Tongva and Acjachemen culture keepers, include all whose homelands are far away, raising the overall awareness of a living culture engaged in preserving its traditions and sacred sites.</p> <p>The Los Altos Neighborhood and CSULB are built on Puvungna, the creation site of the Tongva and Acjachemen peoples, where cultural practices were first taught and observed. Oral and written histories and archaeological records show that the area has been a community site for more than 10,000 years. The residents of Los Altos are actively engaged in celebrating and sharing the tribal history of the neighborhood and frequently visit the Puvungna meadow. Many have graduated from CSULB, others currently study or work on campus. Los Altos newspapers and bloggers report on the activities at Puvungna and the struggles to prevent expanded parking, the dumping of soil and debris, and other disrespectful actions. For more than fifty years, through numerous public meetings, court hearings, and rallies both tribal peoples and community members have exercised our right to have our voices heard when it comes to Puvungna, not as "undeveloped University property" but as our "Gathering Place."</p>	The key landmark for the Friends of Puvungna Community Concern is the twenty-two acre Puvungna Village National Register Site, which the California Native American Heritage Commission has determined to be a Sacred Site that must not be disturbed by digging or other activities that would destroy burials/reburials, or prevent access to tribal peoples for prayer and ceremony. We consider our Community of Concern to include the Los Altos neighborhood and the entire CSULB campus. We are actively engaged in monitoring development in the area and recommend that the appropriate tribal representatives be contacted and the utmost caution and care be taken when engaging in projects that would impact tribal cultural evidence.	The residents of Los Altos living closest to CSULB struggle to engage with CSULB Administration regarding campus decisions and actions that directly affect the neighborhood. The fact that Los Altos is in the Fourth District and CSULB is in the Third District, presents an additional barrier to both Los Altos residents and their City Council representative. Similarly, CSULB does not welcome input from those questioning their actions or plans for Puvungna, unless they are members of the faculty or in-house committees. Whether its students dumping trash or partying, or the Administration trying to build an Alumni House on the Puvungna meadow or along Atherton St, those most impacted deserve to have a voice and it will be stronger if we are together in the Fourth District.	The map we have drawn and submitted separately is titled FOPCOI	Council District 4;	Jan Sampson	9/23/2021
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Renters of Zaferia	We live in the same neighborhood in Long Beach and we (renters) make up the greatest portion of the population of this area.	Between Anaheim and PCH.			Council District 4;	Cody Arnold	9/23/2021
Jena Rodriguez	Small businesses, locally owned restaurants and bars	Zaferia/ east side — at termino and Anaheim intersection			Council District 4;	Jena Rodriguez	9/23/2021

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Mike	<p>Our community is divided by the dangerous streets that cut through our neighborhood. Dangerous drivers on streets like Anaheim and Redondo and PCH separate us from our friends and family and limit where we can go.</p> <p>In the past, street cars linked us to the res of the city but those were removed to let cars drive faster.</p> <p>Here we have more in common with the places to the west like Zaferia than to the East like Los Altos. We're a mixed use, mixed identity community, unlike East Long Beach. The center of power in our district has always been in the wealthier eastern part and it shows by our council members priorities. Allowing us to join our neighbors to the west would give us better representation and help us to solve the problems that we have in common with them.</p>	<p>Our community is bounded by Redondo, Anaheim, PCH and Xemino. But most of the stores and parks that we access are across Redondo which is a dangerous street to cross</p>			Council District 4;	Michael Clemson	9/23/2021
Zaferia.	<p>My community is Historic Zaferia. My home is 99 years old, &amp; inherited. Largely hispanic, and rapidly gentrifying, we are diverse, friendly, &amp; proud of our city. We support our local small businesses, and participate in cleanups. We have nice parks, hikes, bike paths, markets, cafes &amp; cantinas. Within walking distance from my house, I can find authentic Pho, carnitas, vegan donuts, the best hot dogs &amp; beer, and a hipster Tiki Bar.</p>	<p>Anaheim Street between Park and Cherry.</p>		<p>The grounds of the US post office at Temple &amp; Anaheim is unkempt and always strewn with litter and dog feces. This is a disgrace to our community! Businesses should be required to clean up the litter and waste on their grounds.</p>	Council District 4;	Laura Townsen-Austin	9/23/2021
Angelo Logan	<p>My local community includes the following:</p> <p>Working class working poor community of color.</p> <p>Multi generalizational households.</p> <p>Diverse and proud food venders and restaurants.</p> <p>Music and nightlife recreation.</p> <p>Communities in recovery from addiction.</p> <p>LGBTQ+ community and centers.</p>	<p>Near Long Beach Pride on Obispo Ave.</p>		<p>Same or similar demographics is important for a district. If the demographics varies to wide the higher end will demand the attention and leave the lower end with little to no representation.</p>	Council District 4;	Angelo Logan	9/23/2021
Eastside	<p>Common households, single family homes, locally frequented businesses/ stores/ parks. Age and income status</p>	<p>East of Obispo/Redondo, South of PCH</p>			Council District 4;	Andrew Smith	9/23/2021
Michael Despars (he/him)	<p>Various socio economic statuses and cultural identities.</p>	<p>Zaferia District</p>		<p>This is a difficult survey to do by phone. It was texted to me so others may have difficulty as well. The link for the district map is not correct and does not show a district breakdown</p>	Council District 4;	Michael Despars	9/23/2021
Rube	<p>Love of education</p>	<p>Between Community Hospital and CSULB</p>			Council District 4;	Faith Gronquist	9/23/2021
Zefaria	<p>Schools, roads, public safety, restaurants, businesses, ordinances.</p>	<p>Orizaba Park</p>		<p>I would like to see road quality, side wall quality, and other publicly used structures to receive equitable improvements throughout the city. There are clear disparities, in terms of such structures, throughout the city that I would like to see addressed very soon.</p>	Council District 4;	Baron Barrera	9/23/2021
K Stew	<p>Local events, promotions and initiatives to foster small businesses and bring the community together. (e.g. 4th Fridays on 4th Street, WOBA Grants)</p>	<p>Cambodia Town</p>			Council District 4;	Keath Stewart	9/23/2021
Allison	<p>Looking out for each other</p>	<p>Long Beach</p>			Council District 4;	Allison Holman	9/23/2021
Cadence Treu	<p>Through history and shared interests. The park and neighborhood we live in keep us connected</p>	<p>Heartwell park</p>			Council District 4;	Cadence Treu	9/24/2021
Los Altos	<p>We are families- many are original owners - I'm a second generation LBC native. Daryl Supernaw is our councilman and he is proactive in keeping us informed. Crime is low with the help of CSULB PD. I bought in Los Altos when I was 24 and built my dream home. We are not the shore and truly deserve to be represented by someone who lives within our community.</p>	<p>Eldorado golf course and our Nature center to the south- Stearns park- Whaley park - Los Altos park. Tons of excellent schools. Gant- prisk Bixby - heck we have the traffic circle!!! Truly CSULB should be in our area since we are right there!!</p>		<p>Don't strip away a part of LBC that is truly blessed to have had caring and understanding council people who care about us.</p>	Council District 4;	Bruce DD MacRae	9/25/2021
A Kaeser	<p>Common interests. Keeping ppl safe.</p>	<p>Zephyra District/East side</p>			Council District 4;	Amy Kaeser	9/29/2021
Shark	<p>Diversity, an open mind &amp; unity</p>	<p>Browning High School -Obispo Ave-20th St And Redondo</p>			Council District 4;	Shakir Shy	9/29/2021
Monica Williams	<p>Mutual respect and thoughtfulness towards neighbors. Feeling safe and protected by residents. Genuine care for one another.</p>	<p>PCH and Ohio Avenue</p>		<p>We need to do something about the homelessness and trash. It is impacted my feelings of safety in the neighborhood.</p>	Council District 4;	Monica Williams	9/29/2021
Zaferia	<p>Family binds our community together. It is also a diverse community with small businesses in the mix and churches within walking distance that serve as polling locations.</p>	<p>North: PCH East: Redondo South: 10th West: Junipero</p>			Council District 4;	Cayla Barrera	5/19/2021
Zaferia	<p>College students and working class</p>	<p>Between 11th street and Anaheim street.</p>		<p>I believe with redrawing the district comes the need to redraw them with equal populations in each one. Or as close as possible per latest census totals.</p>	Council District 4;	Emily Grace Fine	5/21/2021

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Homeowners concerned with environmental hazards	With goals to reduce carbon emissions through water & energy conservation efforts, not only within our own household but through the community. We are fortunate enough to be able to take on some of these responsibilities ourselves, but want more opportunities for others (solar, water repurposing, appliance incentives, etc) who cannot afford it. Animal welfare also weighs heavy on our minds and a large reason we love long beach is the no-kill policy.	District 4, Cambodia Town			Council District 4;	Chloe Newsom	5/24/2021
Erwin Chow		11th st Alamitos heights			Council District 4;	Erwin chow	5/30/2021
Jfreia2357	We like to crush spiders and frighten small animals	Northeast gotown yo		Studies show random boundaries are more fair and just	Council District 4;	Jose Freia	6/1/2021
Zaferia	Frankly, I have very little interaction with people living in my neighborhood and no little about them and their values. I see a few lawn signs on my morning walks but that's all I know about political leanings for instance. My real community is scattered all over the city and is made up of people who are progressive politically and active in social justice movements.	Based on my previous answer I have to say again that it is scattered all over the city.		While I appreciate the survey I'm not sure that city council districts should be focused on similarities of interests etc. Diversity is important for democracy to function and diversity within a City Council district is not a bad thing. Thank you for the survey.	Council District 4;	dennis korthauer	7/26/2021
Los Altos	Our shares history as a land track. As a community, we share similar beliefs and have similar needs that can differ from others that don't have the same problems. The community is vast in culture and age.	Palos Verdes/Stearns - El Paseo/Knoxville		I'm not sure why you are trying to fix something that isn't broken. It seems that you are looking to make a power grab or disenfranchise the citizens for some unforeseen gain. It was corrupt when you did it without our opinions and more so now with your stupid lame questions. Somebody's getting screwed in this and I'm certain it isn't you and likely your tax paying property owning citizens. Why has the benefits and proposals been brought to the community vs. doing it behind our backs?	Council District 4;	Michael Eads	7/31/2021
East-West side	Single family residence owners	Between 10th street and Anaheim street, between Temple and Cherry		Councilman Darryl Stabinow is doing a good job for us.	Council District 4;	Tina B. Tessina	7/31/2021
New LB	We are looking forward to a future that is built on a more inclusive community which embraces all people, promotes love and tolerance for others and prioritizes being of service.	Bordered by Redondo on the west, Ocean Blvd. on the south, PCH on the east and Anaheim on the north.			Council District 4;	Gary Alvarez	7/31/2021
S samel	Neighbors who share the same values and are interested in looking out for one another.	Zaferia			Council District 4;	Sundina	8/1/2021
Washington	Shared green spaces/safe spaces to gather. Investment in businesses on Pacific	Washington			Council District 4;	Amy	8/3/2021
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JANINE	I AM RELATIVELY NEW TO THIS COMMUNITY; HOWEVER MOST COMMUNITIES ARE BOUND BY NEIGHBORHOOD COURTESY, PROPERTY APPRECIATION AND RESPECT, ACCESS TO ESSENTIALS: MARKETS, BANKS, GAS STATIONS, PARKS, SCHOOLS.	HACKETT AVENUE - BETWEEN WILLOW AND SPRING	PLEASE LEAVE US ALONE -- WE ARE HAPPY -- WE ARE NEIGHBORS -- WE SHARE COMMON HISTORY AND ARE BUILDING A FUTURE TOGETHER -- PLEASE LEAVE US ALONE.	PLEASE LEAVE US ALONE -- APPRECIATE IT!	Council District 5	JANINE JOHNSON	8/4/2021
Michelle Cook RN	I am from the 5th District. We have always had a strong voice in our community, even though the population in our district is smaller than some. We are outspoken and involved. Unfortunately, many of us believe that the redistricting is to break up our voice. Our own council woman Stacy Mungo, will not listen to her own citizens/constituents. This is not representative of us.	I live in the 5th District. Stearns x Studebaker. My backyard is El Dorado Park.	I am from the 5th District. We have always had a strong voice in our community, even though the population in our district is smaller than some. We are outspoken and involved. Unfortunately, many of us believe that the redistricting is to break up our voice. Our own council woman Stacy Mungo, will not listen to her own citizens/constituents. This is not representative of us.		Council District 5	Michelle Cook	8/4/2021



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LeslieMiyahata	High single family dwelling ownership, low number of rental properties, high number of churches and faith-based organizations. We have noticed a decrease in information and impact for district 5 residents. Safe neighborhoods for seniors and children.	Palo Verde to Woodruff, south of Willow.	Continued service by current responding fire and police stations. We are hoping that fire and police presence will only increase.	The City of Long Beach is currently challenged with aging infrastructure - water, lights, street conditions, sidewalks and sewage lines. I do not support high density housing or multiple dwellings as our current infrastructure, including parking, cannot accommodate current conditions. Increased population is not the answer. I am hopeful redistricting will not impact district 5. We have already closed our local responding fire and police stations. I doubt we are adding resources to our area.	Council District 5	Leslie Miyahata	8/20/2021
South of Conant	We have created a neighborhood watch to patrol and monitor our local area. We have noticed an increase in homelessness, theft, loitering, park degradation, an increase in traffic, poor roads, poor tree maintenance, local grocery stores closing, Trash being dumped on roadsides, high local taxes, lack of street lights on our streets, hideous green bike bollards. I live on Marber avenue, we call ourselves the Marbarians. We meet a couple times a month to hang out by a driveway fire and talk about our lives, and our community. We are concerned about overpopulating our district, increased traffic, homelessness, and of coarse this redistricting.	South of St. Cornelius	We will retain our ability to be represented as a community, Our area was designed and conceived to be a neighborhood of single family dwellings where a tight knit community can work together with our councilmember to address the local interests. The idea of building mega apartment unit facilities in our area is not going to fly.	I pay taxes to live in a safe, healthy, well maintained city. It is not wise to expand your reach and let these essential needs go unchecked. Your focus should be local first.	Council District 5	casey lindner	9/3/2021
El Dorado Park South	Common Residence along the boarder of El Dorado Golf Course	Our Neighborhood is South El Dorado Park and we are all on the North Side of Stearns Street. Our Back yard all lie along the southern boarder of El Dorado Golf Course.	Currently the Golf course is not in our district. This give us no representation to issue which may arise between our properties and the golf course. there is no incentive for the city to take any actions in any concern of our homes/property between the golf course and us.	There is also issue with boarder of properties along the power line easement that runs long the East side of Stevely in this same neighborhood. This again should be under the same district so that we have true representation. It doesn't make since to us that it is not, since these areas are not effected by population, why wouldn't they be in the same district. Unless this is deliberate attempted to keep residence having a way to make sure that these areas are maintained as should be. There is certainly a history of this with the Golf Course and their lack of response to maintenance along our boarders.	Council District 5	Michael Twitchell	9/23/2021
El Dorado South Neighborhood		7247 E. Stearns Street in the El Dorado South Neighborhood	We are closed in on all sides by major parks, roads, & Freeways.	My concern is that I have no representation power when dealing with the Golf Course or Power line easement spaces that are adjacent to my property. I am in District 5 But the Golf course and power line easement are currently in District 4. Since my Council person does not control those areas there is no reason to listen to our concerns regarding the care of these areas along our homes.	Council District 5	Michael Twitchell	9/23/2021
Sidney	Our community is primarily a single family residence community with similar values and interests.	5th district - south of Conant	Safe, attractive single neighborhoods with parks and good schools		Council District 5;	Sidney luchsinger	9/23/2021
KJLarson	Same interests	Los Coyotes Diagonal and Willow	Same interests in keeping community intact		Council District 5;	Karen Larson	9/23/2021
South of Conant	The location where we live. Using the same retail outlets, driving the same roads, dealing with the same challenges from neighbors to traffic. There is great deal of diversity with race, age, business interests, and politics. I think the day-to-day is what drives the community unity.	We are called South of Conant, and are need Spring and Bellflower.	I have NO idea what this question is asking. Quality of representation is based on our council member who is driven by our votes. If we want to keep the community intact, we 1) have to vote, and 2) get the right person.		Council District 5;	Suzanne Royston	9/27/2021
All of the various communities in the City be represented by concise Council Districts	The Los Altos and area Just North of it have had huge change in generation of the residents, and somewhat more diverse ethnicity, but still reflects the original race restrictions.	El Dorado Park, Millikan High School, Los Altos Shopping Center, numerous churches	I don't see much change in the community. El Dorado Park and its facilities are huge assets.	The downtown and East LB districts could be more contiguous. Districts 6, 7, 8 need special evaluation in the new criteria. District 4 is a contrast of different communities.	Council District 5;	Ronald (Ron) W. Nelson	9/30/2021
El Dorado Lakes	Our community embraces the nature that is El Dorado Park in a living community. We are the condominiums at the El Dorado Lakes.	Our community borders the 605 freeway and is east of El Dorado Park, and west of the bike path.	The first and most important thing is we were promised a sound wall several years ago and have never received this. The danger and noise coming from the 605 freeway is a risk. Recently a fire started off the freeway and nearly started out carrots on fire. This is the second fire from the freeway this year. We also need to keep the homeless out of the bike path that's directly behind us. We can see all of their tents and living conditions along the back of our complex.	Where is our sound wall? Stacy Mungo said that The funds were accidentally misplaced in another project and then she found out where they were at and was going to have our wall finished that borders the freeway behind our complex. We are begging you to please complete this project.	Council District 5;	Kimberly Franklin	5/27/2021
Neighborhood COI	Areas of residence with common and shared interests in public and political issues - road maintenance, tree-trimming, utilities, school(s), activities and recreation facilities, emergency responses, homeless population and how to respond. We live close together, know each other, and have a HIGH level of concern and dedication to our neighborhoods, to our neighbors, and to how politics directly affects us.	East area of Long Beach - small pockets and cohorts of residential areas.	Keeping our community intact would allow politicians and representatives to address and support our needs in a cohesive, concentrated, focused manner.		Council District 5;	Evelyn Dinnen	7/20/2021

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Imperial Estates Residents	Our community is not recognizable as part of Long Beach on the map. It is a small area sandwiched between Los Alamitos on the south, Hawaiian Gardens on the north, Cypress on east and long beach on the west. Thus, it is often time not well represented. For example, long beach transit does not have services in our area. Our shopping centers (corner of Wardlow and Norwalk) are less scrutinized for cleanliness, attracting high scale businesses (which has left the area), traffic noise, etc.. It is important that our community of interest maintains a representation.	Imperial Estates	See 4		Council District 5;	Annie Vas	8/16/2021
St. Joseph Catholic Church Community	Shared faith tradition and experience	St. Joseph Church	Provide a unified base for responding to needs in community and the city of Long Beach	Difficult process for virtual access for older many adults	Council District 5;	Hugh and Jean Menton	9/3/2021
Lakewood Village	Neighborhood	Lakewood Village	We have common traffic and public service issues		Council District 5;	Katherine Kirchhoff	9/23/2021
Long Beach Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods (Eastside)	The effects of the airport on neighborhoods that abutt to the airport.	On the Eastside of the airport (now district 5) with connection to the other neighborhoods that surround the airport.	Representation on airport matters and decisions needs to be shared among the neighborhoods surrounding the airport.	Our mission is unique in that we desire to share decision making and influence on airport matters with all neighborhoods affected by the airport. We desire to see district boundaries (currently 4,5,7,8) include portions of the airport rather than having the entire airport complex assigned to one district.	Council District 5;	Corliss Lee	9/23/2021
District 5 resident	Suburban R-1 community with continuity of homes, diversity of residents	The current District 5 boundaries		Keep as close to existing as possible	Council District 5;	Joe Marrs	9/23/2021
Julie	The community has changed since moving here in 1990. Too much traffic, helicopter and plane noise, homeless campers and tents bringing property value down, and lawlessness. Renee Rois and a few others in the neighborhood try to get people to work together but now a day people just could care less. We need our Street resurfaced for years.. The trees and roots make a mess every day. It takes an act of God to get rid of one.. North Long Beach is huge so why can't they have better streets. Traffic engineers just make things worse on my street. Do what ever you'll do it anyway.	Longwood			Council District 5;	Julie Gobert	9/23/2021
Juan	I don't know	I'm not sure, but north Long Beach			Council District 5;	Juan Gonzalez	9/23/2021
Lakewood Village	excellent elementary and middle schools, diverse demographics	North of Carson, west of Lakewood, east of Bellflower, south of Del Amo			Council District 5;	Kevin Toy	9/23/2021
Wardlow Park neighborhood	Single family small homes, quiet streets, focused on family, a neighborhood park, school and safety.	Between Bellflower Blvd and wardlow Park, North to Conant and South to Wardlow.			Council District 5;	Christine Carson	9/23/2021
My email address	The diversity of residents in our community	3089 Magnolia Ave ( Wrigley)		Please decrease the speed limit on Magnolia Ave between Willow and Wardlow. We have so many accidents and it is a residential area. People are driving like it is the freeway especially between 7am to 8am and 3 to 5 pm	Council District 5;	Meryl yn Corpuz	9/23/2021
Peter	I'm a married gay millennial working professional living in Wrigley. There are many gay married couples in Wrigley living in the small homes characteristic of the neighborhood.	Wrigley is North of PCH and South of Wardlow, but the LGBT population seems concentrated in the more historic section of South Wrigley (between PCH and Willow, the LA River on the West and Long Beach Blvd on the East)	Wrigley is a close knit community with many active social groups that identify as with Wrigley. It should definitely all be in ONE district. The LGBT community in South Wrigley is currently split into two districts which absolutely makes no sense and dilutes the political power of the community.	Wrigley should fall entirely within ONE council district.	Council District 6	Peter Stark	9/23/2021

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Erik Estrada	I am a new resident to the community having moved in in August 2020. My neighbors have been there for a very long time and I was welcomed to a very tightknit diverse community that watches out for each other.	I live on 16th St. between walnut and Gundry Avenue. 1511 E. 16th St.	Since most of my neighbors have been in their homes for several decades it is important to keep the community intact. The community is made up of older adults, younger adults, Single people, married people, and homes with dogs. Maintaining a level of safety what preserve the sense of community felt throughout the street. Our street is very narrow and would benefit from extra resources like speed bumps to prevent accelerated speeds where children play and pets are walked.		Council District 6	Erik Estrada	9/23/2021
Ms. Odulin	Historic neighborhood of homes	Wrigley	Similar homes		Council District 6;	Onita Dulin	9/23/2021
The Collective Black Community	<p>The Long Beach Black Community has been centered in the Central Area of Long Beach since 1900. The area bounded by 10th Street to Willow and Long Beach Blvd to Walnut Avenue was originally the only area in which Blacks could live and purchase homes. As result of the racism and oppression Blacks settled into the area and claimed it as their own. Today, there remains 15 large Black churches, with the 2nd Baptist established in 1907, being the oldest. Five other Black churches in the area have existed for over 75 years. In recognition of the long time history, and current presence of the Black community in the area, efforts are under way to change the name of the area from Central Area to Heritage Park.</p> <p>In addition to the 15 Black churches, the City and LBUSD have formally recognized the Black heritage in the area by naming four parks: McBride Teen Center, MLK Jr Park, NAACP Park and Rosa Parks Park, Bobbie Smith Elementary and Mary Dell Butler School, and the African American Heritage Society of Long Beach at the Burnett Library. The LB Community Improvement League, founded in 1964, by African Americans still exists at Hill and Olive.</p> <p>The Sixth District demographics estimate the area's Black population at 14 %. However, it should be noted that within the identified area of "Heritage Park", where the Black community is most concentrated that population number is closer to 25%. Additionally, within the target area there is high level of homeowners, many of them Seniors and families who have retained their homes through several generations. Blacks represent 20% of the voting age population in the Sixth District, and continue to be a strong voting block.</p> <p>Finally, and perhaps more importantly, this area continues to be the heart of the Black community and the center from which political action and significant social justice gains have been birthed. Just to name of few of the social and political fights and movements that were led by Blacks within the Central Area:</p> <p>1930-1950s - Battle to combat housing and employment discrimination 1960s- LB Fair Housing Foundation key player in defeating housing deed restrictions in LB and the State 1964 - Founding of the LB Community Improvement League, still remains and is the oldest anti-poverty agency within the City. 1968 - New Hope Homes built by New Hope Church remains the only faith-based senior citizen housing project in LB 1969 - The successful fight by Blacks to create District Wide City Council elections was led by the NAACP and the Central Area Association, and as a result the first Black was elected to the City Council. This change in the City Charter opened the door for each of the people of color who have been elected since 1970. 1984 - The successful fight by Blacks to create District Wide LBUSD elections was again led by the NAACP and the Central Area Association, and as a result the first Black was elected to the the School District. This change in the opened the door for each of the people of color who have been elected.</p>	<p>The Long Beach Black Community has been centered in the Central Area of Long Beach since 1900. The area bounded by 10th Street to Willow and Long Beach Blvd to Walnut Avenue was originally the only area in which Blacks could live and purchase homes. As result of the racism and oppression Blacks settled into the area and claimed it as their own. Today, there remains 15 large Black churches, with the 2nd Baptist established in 1907, being the oldest. Five other Black churches in the area have existed for over 75 years. In recognition of the long time history, and current presence of the Black community in the area, efforts are under way to change the name of the area from Central Area to Heritage Park.</p> <p>In addition to the 15 Black churches, the City and LBUSD have formally recognized the Black heritage in the area by naming four parks: McBride Teen Center, MLK Jr Park, NAACP Park and Rosa Parks Park, Bobbie Smith Elementary and Mary Dell Butler School, and the African American Heritage Society of Long Beach at the Burnett Library. The LB Community Improvement League, founded in 1964, by African Americans still exists at Hill and Olive.</p>	<p>The Sixth District demographics estimate the area's Black population at 14 %. However, it should be noted that within the identified area of "Heritage Park", where the Black community is most concentrated that population number is closer to 25%. Additionally, within the target area there is high level of homeowners, many of them Seniors and families who have retained their homes through several generations. Blacks represent 20% of the voting age population in the Sixth District, and continue to be a strong voting block.</p> <p>Within the 'Heritage Park' area the Voting Age population could be as high as 30%.</p>		Council District 6;	Erroll Parker	9/23/2021
Wrigley	We have a strong sense of community. Neighbors strongly identify themselves as “Wrigley residents” and we are proud of our neighborhood’s history while also embracing modern platforms like social media to connect and help one another.	South of the 405, north of PCH, west of Long Beach Boulevard and east of the 710.		I like my district. I love my councilperson, Suely Saro, and her commitment to make District 6 a better place to live and work.	Council District 6;	Cheistine Cabrera	9/23/2021
District 6	Right now.....nothing!	Nothing! 15th Street across from Long Beach Poly High School		Call me . I have lots to say 5622776585	Council District 6;	Michele Ward	9/23/2021
Buzznguy	West long beach has always had its share of controversy we have low income families and our homelessness seems to be growing at a alarming rste with all the motor home taking most of our parking and polluting the streets and sidewalks with junk and making it unsafe for moms children and especially teens to walk bye afrer school .	West long beach I work at snugtop on harbor ave and pacific coast hwy and live on caspian ave .			Council District 6;	Luis	9/23/2021
Shirley	New houses and low taxes	School Garfield elementary school		No thanks	Council District 6;	Shirley Tolentino	9/23/2021
East Side Long Beach-	Mostly made up of Hispanics, African Americans, Cambodians	Orange/ Alamitos/ Gundry/ PCH			Council District 6;	Desiree Tessier	9/24/2021
Wrigley	Absolutely the drive and potential to improve our beautiful and historic neighborhood and make a name for ourselves along Pacific Ave and Willow.	South Wrigley: Pacific Ave to the 710 Freeway and PCH to Willow.		The Wrigley will NOT improve or benefit from redistricting if Suely Saro loses her portion of the neighborhood. Yes it would be nice to all fall under one representative but that means nothing if we lose the one representative currently in the middle of action plans for this neighborhood.	Council District 6;	Nicolas Gracin	9/24/2021
Garifuna Central American and Caribean Community	The Garifuna community is underserved Indigenous community from Central America and the Caribbean.	The Garífuna community is located throughout the Los Angeles county area with significant population in Los Angelos and Long Beach.			Council District 6;	Rony Figueroa	9/24/2021
Wrigley	Historic District	2121 Eucalyptus Avenue			Council District 6;	Frank Gennaco	9/24/2021



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Poly High	Shared problems affecting the quality of life.	Bordered by Hill Street, Orange, Atlantic Ave., and PCH			Council District 6;	Paul Grella	9/24/2021
Poly	Proud homeowners.	North of Anaheim and east of Atlantic		I applied to be on the redistricting committee, and was not selected. I am a nurse with a 40 year tax paying profession. So now you want my input when I could have been selected on the commission. This City needs to look at the way minority areas are treated versus the white areas.	Council District 6;	Rosie Chaney	9/24/2021
Rebecca	I think it has to do with geography, areas that are spatial close should count as a community.	My community is from the 710 to pacific. South of willow and north of 20th.			Council District 6;	Rebecccajones1156@gmail.com	9/25/2021
Orange/Walnut	Not sure however we need help!!!	We border Walnut Ave, Orange Ave 20th Street. Behind LBCC			Council District 6;	Patricia Maurer	9/26/2021
Steph	Our community has a rich history and the houses in the area express that. We're in an area that takes pride in ownership and keeping our community safe and clean. We thrive by combining ideas and putting those ideas into action.	Wrigley			Council District 6;	Stephanie Cross	9/28/2021
Jeff	Economics	Eastside Long Beach.			Council District 6;	Jeffery Washington	9/29/2021
Artist	Weekly meetings, rehearsals,	Poly High School		Mental health care is ABSOLUTELY crucial to assist with the homelessness challenges oir community faces. In addition to drug and alcohol rehabilitation, these two combined require love, compassion, empathy, support and encouragement, with affirming and empowering options. Not against law enforcement, but in association with law enforcement.	Council District 6;	Gregory Jeffers	9/29/2021
Blanca Romero	Hard working community	Near the LBCC on PCH		Create more recreational activities with the city, parks, schools, libraries for the youth to keep them busy and stay away from trouble. Offer classes such as music , art and robotics in schools or parks, city facilities that are free of charge or low cost to the youth.	Council District 6;	Blanca Romero	9/29/2021
Long Beach	Community history	Myrtle Avenue			Council District 6;	Kathleen Ledbetter	9/29/2021
Wrigley neighborhood	The neighborhood is socioeconomically and racially diverse and has a mix of multifamily (primarily in the southern and eastern portions) and single family (primarily in the western and northern portions) housing. Its population is predominately Latino/a/x, with significant, long-established Black and Asian populations. It is designated as one of the historical communities in Long Beach and has recognized neighborhood associations.	The Wrigley neighborhood comprises a large portion of Western Long Beach. Wrigley spans from Pacific Coast Highway in the south to Interstate 405 in the north, the eastern bank of the LA River to the west and Long Beach Boulevard to the east.			Council District 6;	Christopher Chavez	9/23/2021
Wrigley	We seem to have committed residents; albeit we have been under represented in comparison to Cal Heights, East Long Beach and other areas of the city.	Spring & Cedar			Council District 6;	Elizabeth O'Ryan	5/17/2021
Long Beach Demowise	This is a unique community, Long Beach area that I am in which is Dignal Hill, California Heights, are very political charged. We have great access to down town, theater and We have a diverse community and I love a home town feel. It is the port of ports, never mind we have best view ever. If you want Whale watching, dolphin watching we got you covered, and if you still bored, we have Catalina Island, Museum, the aquarium theater,best little big city any where. Hats off to our mayor and governor, for keeping us safe. If you need med care we have LB Memorial, Lakeeood Regional, the VA hospital, etc; I love our little college family my college LBCC, LBU, CSU, oh come on you gotta come see at least the Queen Mary, well it is obvious I love Long Beach 😊	Long Beach where else 😊		To Al Austin keep going a good job stay present and always make sure we are stay safe	Council District 6;	Diane Johnson	5/25/2021
Gregory Jeffers	Lacking Art, lower income, renters mostly, absentee landlords (both residential and commercial). I doubt the majority of the community has any political engagement	Long Beach, North and West of Poly High School		Increasing cooperation with organizations similar in structure and outcome as Habitat for Humanity would turn these.	Council District 6;		8/9/2021

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Susie	Being a minority (Asian American), we share values such as family, hopes for children’s successes, better opportunities, equality. We’re all just trying to live the “American Dream”.	I’m apart of Grant Neighborhood but I do go to events hosted in East Long Beach (where I grew up at).		Homeless near the bridge is becoming a real big issue...it’s been expanding even from downtown LB to Eastside LB by Poly. Hopefully, they build more shelters or have the people be apart or a program to obtain job skills to get back on their feet.	Council District 6;	Chanlee Susie Keobunta	8/12/2021
David W. Betterton	First of all, that we are a community of MOSTLY single-family dwellings (we’d love to keep it that way); that we are an incredibly multi-cultural/multi-racial/multi-ethnic community; that we are in-or-adjacent-to the historic Wrigley District; and, as it WAS that we were in the 7th District but we got gerrymandered into the 6th under the non-leadership of one scoundrel Dee Andrews. At least he’s gone, thank you . . . And, of course, that we live in Long Beach.	The Wrigley		Do not allow developers to corrupt you. You are there for the people of Long Beach, the taxpayers, your constituency--not developers or any other profit-motive interest group.	Council District 6;	David W. Betterton	8/13/2021
Home owners and renters	Who are you trying to target? What is the purpose and benefits your gquestions? We are all tax paying citizens, trying to survive..	Pacific and Burnet , main Streets between long Beach and Atlantic, Willow major cross street.		Long term home owner. Raised my family of 6 here attended north long Beach district schools, proud long beach resident.	Council District 6;	Barrie Beacham	8/20/2021
Drifter562	Urban and beach culture colliding to form one	It is located in the southern area of LA County		Need more accurate representation from the educated youth that have been living in the area for at least a decade...not just the ones who have been living here longer, but lack education or the ones who have education but lack proper associations with the community.	Council District 6;	Brandon	8/30/2021
Wrigley	Overlooked by city of LB	By 710 and LB Memorial hospital		Ban port trucks from using the 710 fwy and invest in fixing the Alameda corridor ramps for the 405, 91, and 105 fwy. Go to the spot to solve the pollution problem. Cheaper and simpler fix.	Council District 6;	Aaron Valdespino	9/1/2021
Central Area	Long time senior residents of color. Lots of transients, (robustly pedestrian) homeless, children from infants to teens, large Cambodian and Latiino communities that have replaced the blacks of the 50s and 60s multigenerational families, neighborhood predators, lots of religious institutions, POLY HIGH, the jewel of the hood.	7th street to the south, Pine Ave to the west, Junipero to the east, Willow St North excluding parts of Signal Hill		Why redistrict now? How many times has it been done in the past? Who stands to benefit? Is this a move toward gentrification? If it is, how can current residents participate and benefit?	Council District 6;	Ruiz	9/23/2021
Hardknox32	We are near the LA River. Our community is very diverse, it’s hard to name things that are common threads. There are many of us who have been here a while, we have deep ties.	Wrigley.		When we first moved to Wrigley in 1985 it was all one district, much better.	Council District 6;	Carol Clark	9/23/2021
Bearto	Just my opinion "we are all lower-middle-class homeowners trying to maintain our property and lives." I vote and I encourage my neighbors to do so	I believe I am part of the 6th District known as the boot		stop selling the city and no new bond and taxes issue . live within a budget. DAM IT!	Council District 6;	bearto	9/23/2021
McArthur Park	What makes its identity is the shared effort in the community with homeowners and renters having confidence in their safety, welfare and health. Having a shared desire for clean streets, alleys, pride in their community with communicating ideas of success and failures. Common goals in respecting others properties buildings and vehicles. Going to school, working and dining in the same community as we live. Knowing the neighborhoods history and respecting the changes.	Central Long Brach			Council District 6;	Alex Rambo	9/23/2021
Wrigley	History, Architectural character, Retail districts	Long Beach Blvd. PCH, LA River, Wardlow		The Wrigley Association Board prefers to be represented by 2 council members.	Council District 6;Council District 7;	Alan Burks	9/23/2021
Wrigley	Residents value a safe neighborhood to raise their families. I have lived in Wrigley for 60 years. I have neighbors residing here for over 30 years. People value single family homes and quiet blocks to walk their kids and pets and a decent school and park.	Birney Elementary School	This is the weirdest worded question. I doubt Wrigley will get any better quality in our representatives if District 7 doesn't get included in a wealthier district, such as District 8. Long Beach needs to beg to be part of Orange County.	I doubt Wrigley will get any better quality in our representatives if District 7 doesn't get included in a wealthier district, such as District 8. Long Beach needs to beg to be part of Orange County.	Council District 7	Cecilia Burns	9/23/2021
Johnna	Raltively quiet neighborhood with residents who enjoy the tranquility and large lots. Many long time residents of both purchased and rental property. Quiet neighborhood with monthly Community Watch Meetings.	Del Mar Housing Tract: Del Mar Ave to Long Beach Blvd between Spring and Wardlow.	We have a close partnership with district 7 field representatives and West Long Beach LBPd via community watch. Our neighborhood compliments the nearby Bixby Knolls and Cal Heights in vicinity as well as our like minded residents with similar goals for our neighborhood. We help each other and cooperate to make sure it remains well maintained, family friendly and safe.		Council District 7	Johnna Jackson	9/23/2021

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Bixby Knolls and California Heights	Bixby Knolls and California Heights is a very unified neighborhood, a tight community bound together by the Bixby Knolls Business Association. This community enjoys First Fridays together and concerts in the parking lot. We rally around our local business on the Atlantic and Long Beach Blvd corridors. Bixby Road is a unifying location in the neighborhood, not a divide. People from both just north and south of Bixby use the road to walk to the local restaurants to hang out with friends. This neighborhood has no association with anything west of the 710 or south of Wardlow which are both major divides of heavy traffic. We've never thought of these as part of the neighborhood.	West of Cherry, north of Wardlow, South of Del Amo, East of the 710. Key Landmarks include: the Atlantic Business district south of San Antonio & north of wardlow, Somerset Park, Los Cerritos Park, Rancho Los Cerritos, the California Heights Historic area.	This is a close community of people that support our local businesses, know our neighbors, and have a sense of community that does not exist beyond the defined streets.	Our City Council person does not represent our community well. He only has the interest of those that live in his immediate neighborhood which is not representative of the Bixby Knolls/California Heights neighborhood.	Council District 7;	Bixby Knolls/California Heights	9/23/2021
CalHeightsResident	The Bixby Knolls/Cal Heights community is one that values shopping, living, being local. The community supports small business owners and small business owners engage in the community. The Bixby Knolls Business Association has done an incredible job of building the neighborhood and engaging it's citizens.	West of Cherry, north of Wardlow, South of Del Amo, East of the 710. Key Landmarks include: the Atlantic Business district south of San Antonio & north of wardlow, Somerset Park, Los Cerritos Park, Rancho Los Cerritos, the California Heights Historic area.	We want to continue to support local businesses and events.		Council District 7;		9/23/2021
South Wrigley family	We've been in South Wrigley for 20 years, sent our kids to LBUUSD schools, built a pocket park with our neighbors, and cheered the arrival of more Long Beach-based businesses in that time. The overall character of our community is more blue collar than Wrigley proper (north of Willow). We have two access points to the LA River in our neighborhood and many unhoused neighbors living in South Wrigley. Residents of South Wrigley crave more opportunities to walk/bike our neighborhood to access public spaces: safe, decent-sized parks (instead of pocket "scraps" of parks), a library (Have YOU ever walked over the Willow street bridge to Harte library? DANGEROUS!), and buy coffee, tacos, sandwiches, gifts, produce, ice cream...from Long Beach-based businesses. Though I'm interested to learn more, I do not know how South Wrigley currently engages in the political process. Please contact me to let me know how I can get involved to learn and participate more!	South Wrigley is located between Willow and PCH between the LA River and LB Blvd. Our neighborhood includes Wrigley Village on Pacific Avenue, with unique architecture, mature trees, and a medley of (mostly) Mom and Pop businesses.	Not sure, just starting to learn about all this.		Council District 7;	Lorian Steider Brady	9/23/2021
Anavelia Valencia	The community would like to be more involved, but seems to be always neglected or left out. People in the community would like to see change. People enjoy parks and would like to see more green space for our children to play in. We want a safe environment. Our Community would like to see more business open up that are not 99 cents stores or pharmacies.	Wrigley near wrigley green project	Keeping my community would help because who are vested in a neighborhood want their neighborhood to grow and flourish. We need support from our local	We would like some support in our district. People want change. We would like to beautify our district to inspire business to up here. There are so many boarded up businesses. We do not need more pharmacies or 99th cents stores. Something needs to happen about gang activity and grafitti that is relentless. We report it and ticket gets closed and nothing gets done.	Council District 7;	Anavelia Valencia	9/23/2021
District 7 that includes Wrigley and areas around the 90806 zip code.	We see that a community of interest is where Long Beach is going back to segregation that was abolished by law years ago. We are a community of many backgrounds, ethnicity, religious backgrounds. We care about one another. We do not need to introduce segregation and isolation to neighborhoods. Draw the districts along their map lines and stop this craziness about ethnicity, language, etc. It is time that if one is in this country, it is about being an American.	We have churches; we have parks; we have streets; we have stores; we have freedom.	Leave Council District 7 as it is. Districts need to be drawn as one looks at the map of Long Beach, not because of some Council person wanting to control the area.	Council people. Just do your job, not for power and money; but for the people of Long Beach. Stop wasting time and money that doesn't really help the people of Long Beach with redistricting.	Council District 7;	Richard and Marie Van Vooren	9/23/2021
Andrea Testa		Cal Heights and Bixby Knolls	I've been on the BKBIA as a community liaison now for 9 years and that's AFTER being on the Board for 6 years as a business owner on Atlantic Corridor. The BKBIA and Blair Cohn have been working non stop for 13 years to bring our community back to the local businesses and others want to come see what the buzz is about and open in 90807 also. I am proud to have been a tiny part of that buzz and energy, and rarely do we go elsewhere to spend our money. I'm now a Realtor and once i show my buyers 90807, it's the only place they set their mind to purchasing a property. If anything, bring back Los Cerritos into district 8 and I wouldn't be opposed to making Wrigley it's own District! District 7 is way to big and spread out	If anything, bring back Los Cerritos into district 8 and I wouldn't be opposed to making Wrigley it's own District! District 7 is way to big and spread out and not enough attention/representation happens except by Celina Luna	Council District 7;	Andrea Testa	9/23/2021
Elliot Moore	Don't know	Long Beach California Wrigley area South Wrigley			Council District 7;	Elliot Moore	9/23/2021
Wrigley					Council District 7;	Maria Elena O'Connor	9/23/2021

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Wrigley	Shared history of the area and regular communication	Wrigley Neighborhood- Spring to PCH, 710 fwy to Long Beach Blvd		N/A	Council District 7;	Samantha Steinel	9/23/2021
Justin Simon	Our community, Wrigley, is defined by our boundaries. We feel a sense of community from PCH all the way up from to north of Wardlow. There are quite a few Wrigley social media groups and a lot of the community can be seen across the entire swath of the Wrigley designation.	PCH to Wrigley Heights, Long Beach Blvd to the 710.			Council District 7;	Justin Simon	9/23/2021
Westside	Diversity	Silverado Park		Have lived here 39yrs, have seen improvements.	Council District 7;	Arnold Petrie	9/24/2021
Mr. Ocubillo		Silverado Park, John Muir Academy. St. Lucy Church			Council District 7;	Ocubillo	9/24/2021
NA	Most of my neighbors are filipino.	St. Lucy's near by along with CHS, Hudson, AK and garfield.			Council District 7;		9/24/2021
Amanda	The geographical location and businesses it shares. Also neighborhood associations and groups	Wrigley Neighborhood. Willow and Oregon		It seems like Uranga is very absent in representing our community. His assistant is very responsive. But it seems like Suely Saro is just down the street and is way more vocal and active, can we get her to represent all of Wrigley?	Council District 7;	Amanda Woike	9/24/2021
Andrea	Common interests, love for our community's safety and cleanliness. Social interactions for the common good.	Wrigley		We need representation that cares about our people. We need safer avenues to stay as an intact community as our community is currently being taken over by crime and the unhoused. Our trees need water and our kids need clean safe places to play. People of all walks of life live here and we stay intact through open communication. Diversity is great on my block and we should bring back block leaders who hold monthly meetings to keep us safe. Wrigley as a whole is divided. We need to make our streets safer by knowing our neighbors better and supporting an open relationship with police.	Council District 7;	Andrea	9/24/2021
Zu	The well-being of the community	Silverado			Council District 7;	More schools patrolling	9/29/2021
!	Honesty	Wrigley		Deal with the homeless and and don't let illegal immigrants in!!	Council District 7;	Michael	9/29/2021
Upper West Side	Neglect by city government	Upper West Side			Council District 7;	Daniel Dalton	9/30/2021
Stephanie		Wrigley Heights			Council District 7;	Stephanie Dunn	5/21/2021
Wrigley	Wrigley residents are proud to be from the area and the first to roll up their sleeves and help their neighbors. They're quirky and eclectic and extremely diverse.	PCH to Wardlow, East of the 710 to LBB.		We should be district 6 to unify all of Wrigley. As the largest group in Long Beach we should have one unified voice via a dedicated council person.	Council District 7;	Bobbi Cichowski	5/25/2021
Hugh	My community is a working class, diverse and creative neighborhood.	I Live in the Wrigley neighborhood of LB. Just east of the 710 fwy between PCH and Wardlow.		District 7 should be from the 710 to LB Blvd or Atlantic. From PCH on the south and end at the 405 at the north.	Council District 7;	Hugh van der Linden	5/31/2021
Wrigley	It's a diverse community of single family homes. One of the most affordable communities of single family homesin the city. It would be a shame to destroy this treasure with higher density zoning. Love it's location. Feels like I'm in the suburbs with the city amenities. It's a very quiet community and the residents respect each other's diversity. Also feel I'm part of the Bixby Knolls community as I'm above Spring Street. Perhaps anybody North of Spring should be part of Bixby Knolls.	Near Veterans Park and next Block from Birney Elementary School. Corner of Spring and Maine Avenue		Please save our single family home neighborhood. We are close to the Blue Line so I fear many of our beautiful unique Homes could be replaced by 4 plex buildings. Building along the blue line should not go further West then Pacific Avenue.	Council District 7;	Marcia Le Beau	7/23/2021
Wrigley	Location	LA River on west, Long Beach Blvd on east, PCH on south, 405 on north			Council District 7;	Michael Manos	8/10/2021
Wrigley/Westside	People working together to help others and improve our community	Pacific Ave west to Santa Fe; PCH north to Bixby			Council District 7;	Patricia Jackson	8/10/2021

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Darrell	My community engages the political process individually. If a neighbor doesn't share my political beliefs, I do not engage them as I value friendship over politics. My neighborhood is a mix of all races and religions and is a quiet place to live.	My community is located in the Wrigley neighborhood bordered by Willow/Magnolia/LA River/PCH			Council District 7;	Douglas Kinsman	8/12/2021
west side	have no answer i've lived in this house since 1958	Tanaka park			Council District 7;	Frances Sim	8/14/2021
Westside Citizen	Diverse Neighborhood	Silverado Park		I have lived in LB for 42 years all on the Westside and have seen all of the resources go to Downtown and to the mostly White Neighborhoods. We are tired of are tax dollars going to enhance only "certain" parts of the city.	Council District 7;	Laurence Hilliard	8/17/2021
Lifelong Filipino Westside Resident Male.	Multiracial community works hards. New families, new immigrants, plus old timers.	West Long Beach. South of Willow, East of Santa Fe, North of PCH, maybe even Hill Street, and West of 710.			Council District 7;	Ralphie Giron	8/18/2021
Wrigley Area	My community is pretty diverse, the wrigley area has a good mix of apartment residents and homeowners. Both working class and professionals living around me. Lots of families and elderly folk. It does have more PoC than caucasians. Although I've lived in my community for 10+ years a lot of residents have moved out due to increasing housing costs for this area. Not sure how many are politically active as most people i converse with don't vote on a regular basis outside of federal elections.	Wrigley area is pretty good with having access to a lot of important things like grocery stores, restaurants, local businesses, churches and schools. Its a good transition from the density of downtown Long Beach to the more relaxed suburban we parts of Long Beach. Having a hospital and various clinics nearby is always an plus to have. The 710 freeway and Metro Blue Line/LBT bus routes being easily accessible to my community is important to a lot people's commute as well.		Thank you for reading my submission.	Council District 7;	Diego Alejos	8/30/2021
Feminist, Abolitionist, Black Lives Matter supporter, LGBTQIA+, Latine	our events and social gatherings. The resources at the parks, the community gardens, the music, parties, shared love for animals.	West Long Beach			Council District 7;	Terra Gamboa	9/4/2021
Westside o	Diversity	West of the 710 freeway		Have seen community	Council District 7;	Arnold Petrie	9/8/2021
Jane Addams Neighborhood Association (JANA)	JANA is a very diverse neighborhood but we share the same neighborhood issues and attributes that need to be addressed consistently by one representative.	JANA is an established neighborhood recognized by neighborhood services bounded on the north my Market Street, the east by Atlantic Avenue, the south by Del Amo Blvd and the west by Long Beach Blvd.	Given that we have a good, concerned elected representative, we would expect any issues with our neighborhood and our park would be consistently addressed; that chronic crime and parking issues will be addressed with the same urgency and approach. JANA's relationship with the elected representative will provide an consistent voice for the neighborhood to address common issues and concerns. We can support each other as neighbors and support the paths to remedy issues.	We do not expect our neighborhood would be threatened by division but we have seen it before in Los Cerritos, ,at the neighborhood level. We do suffer from split representation by our house representative. Makes getting together as a neighborhood with our elected federal representative challenging and disconcerting.	Council District 8	Laurie Angel	9/23/2021
Los Cerritos or Virginia Country Club	Geography, Los Cerritos Neighborhood Association, Last Friday Odd Month get together, 4th of July parade	West of Long Beach Blvd., North of the 405, South of Virginia Country Club and East of the river	It is a real community with shared interests, community activities, Los Cerritos School, many friendships. It is a great walking community, so we see, say "Hi". then make friends with fellow walkers. It is a true 'community.'		Council District 8	Barbara Shoag	9/23/2021
LOS CERRITOS	WELL-ESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOOD WITH A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (LOS CERRITOS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION) AND A HISTORY OF ACTIVISM AND INVOLVEMENT IN THE GREATER LONG BEACH COMMUNITY.	SOUTH OF VIRGINIA COUNTRY CLUB, NORTH OF WARDLOW, EAST OF LA RIVER AND WEST OF LONG BEACH BLVD.	OUR COMMUNITY WAS SPLIT IN THE LAST REDISTRICTING. WE WOULD LIKE IT REUNITED UNDER ONE DISTRICT, DISTRICT 8.		Council District 8	LAVONNE MILLER	9/23/2021
Walkerdk85		Los Cerritos from Wardlow tothe South to Virginia Coultry Club to the North, from Long Beach Blvd to the East and the Blue Line to the West.	We are already a very active community with the Los Cerritos Neighborhood Association. Please keep us all in one District and not split.		Council District 8	David & Kathy Walker	9/23/2021
Bixby Knolls	A walkable neighborhood that values its history and local businesses	Bixby knolls, Cal Heights and Los Cerritos	Unifying the area and helping us grow		Council District 8;	Denise Berringer-Wood	9/23/2021
Bixby Knolls/CA Heights	Our community is of diverse social economic, racial and cultural backgrounds but we all value our beloved Atlantic Avenue, quiet clean streets and celebrating our safe, not overly crowded neighborhood and homes consistent with the original intent of the neighborhood.	Del Amo to Wardlow, Linden to Cherry	We want to balance the interests of our local businesses, support them, ensure they remain vibrant members of ours community with maintaining a safe, quiet, welcoming place to live.		Council District 8;		9/23/2021
Los Cerritos	Boundaries of neighborhood, school, park and Rancho	Virginia Country Club	Los Cerritos was split into two districts. That was a major mistakes. All Los Cerritos should be in the 8th District	Return all Los Cerritos to the 8th district	Council District 8;	Geraldine Knatz	9/23/2021

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shared vision of the future of a community	Fear of growing income inequality.	North Long Beach	My district includes very affluent (Virginia country Club) as well as my very modest neighborhood of Dominguez Gap. Very different needs. Maybe more unified demographics?		Council District 8;	abigale wool	9/23/2021
Bixby Knolls	A common talking point and interest in keeping the community together. Currently there are contentious issues in the Bixby Knolls and the 7th and 8th district that need to be addressed like racism, economic disparity and housing. Decisions about the future zoning of the area and what this community wants to be, need to be discussed in as TRANSPARENT way as possible!!!!	90807	Significantly. A stronger united community advocates better for education, economic disparity and helps understand of current and future needs the area will experience. Especially as climate change gets worse, knowing your community and what would be required to keep it safe will be KEY!	Updated zoning regulations will change the entire city. Certain areas will fare better than others during climate change and rezoning to make sure the city is balanced and ready to handle an increase in building/population while able to provide opportunities and safety to the entire community will be critical.	Council District 8;	Robert	9/23/2021
Neighborhood	"Dominguez Gap" is a small, modest neighborhood with a Orange County style gated community plopped in the center. The original neighborhood is working class. Multi generational families and older people make up a significany portion of the population. The neighborhood also includes governments housing and a trailer park (at one time it was for 55+ only).	South of Del Amo Boulevard West of Long Beach Boulevard	Prevent developments like Riverdale. Hold off eminent domain.		Council District 8;	Abigale Wool	9/23/2021
Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group (AANG)	Our community is identified by the fact that we all live within the footprint of noise generated by the Long Beach Airport (LBG) that exceeds 55.0 dBA. Members of this community have been politically coordinated and active in the past and will be in the future. Unfortunately our political influence has been severely compromised by the fact that the airport itself resides completely within council District 5. Council resolution of an issue originating in a specific district always defers to the representative of that district. For that reason resolution of issues involving the airport, but that affect multiple districts, have been controlled solely by the District 5 council member and not the council members whose constituents are subjected most often to the worst of the airport noise. Our community members who reside in Districts 4, 7 and 8 want the same council representation to resolve airport issues that affect them as are currently given only to members in District 5.	Our community is defined as all Long Beach residents who’s address falls within the 55.0 dBA noise footprint generated by flights arriving and departing the Long Beach Airport. This area is defined by Maptitude Map “AANG Census Blocks” under user name bjoy21 and includes portions of Districts 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8. We are requesting that the eastern and northern boundaries of Districts 4 and 7 respectively be changed to include some portion of unoccupied Long Beach Airport property so that the council representatives of those districts can be considered responsible for resolution of Long Beach Airport issues that affect our community of interest. Our suggested district boarder changes can be seen in detail in COI input from AANG representatives from Districts 4 and 7.	By altering the boundaries of Districts 4 and 7 to include a portion of the Long Beach Airport property our COI members in those Districts would, for the first time, have a council member who is directly responsible for resolution of airport issues that affect our entire COI.	The area that makes up this COI is too large to be integrated with any single council district, it is meant only to illustrate the broad area and large population of this COI. However all the AANG COI members can be more fairly represented in deciding airport matters if only one or two additional districts can claim airport property within their boarders. AANG COI members in districts 4 and 7 are preparing COI submissions that incorporate small parts of unoccupied airport property within their boarders for that purpose.	Council District 8;	Bob Joy	9/24/2021
Bixby Knolls District 8	The greater Bixby Knolls area is tied together by an eclectic mix of custom and semi custom homes. We are a group of neighborhoods that support local businesses and take pride in our neighborhood. We are a mix of senior citizens and young professionals who value city beautification, traffic improvements and overall improvements to raise our property values and quality of life.	I am located in the neighborhood behind Vons near Bixby Knolls Park.	Keeping the neighborhoods with similar economic demographics together will enrich the quality of life for the residents and give better control for infrastructure improvements like street cleaning, repaving, etc. We won’t have the issues we currently have where the district lines make it very difficult to get street improvements done since the districts don’t always work together. It would also be nice to get Orange Park and the 7-11 across the street cleaned up, which are currently in different districts.	The boundaries of District 8 aka Greater Bixby Knolls should be Del Amo Blvd tothe North, wardlow to the south, cherry to the east and the 710 on the west.	Council District 8;	Daniel Dominguez	9/24/2021
Hazel	Racially diverse.	Dairy Avenue between South street and Market street.	It would be a more peaceful place to live.	People selling homemade foods such as burritos should not be allowed to blow a horn while walking up and down residential streets to sell their homemade food. People should only be allowed to sell their homemade products on retail not residential streets. Hearing such daily noise is very stressful. Not all districts in Long Beach would allow this.	Council District 8;	Hazel	9/24/2021
Maria Nicholson		5465 Lemon Avenue Long beach, CA 90805		Please check each street in Long beach for pot holes routinely. Don’t wait for someone to call. I have to buy new tires more often because of those holes appeared in the street randomly. Thank you.	Council District 8;	Maria Nicholson	9/24/2021



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Northern Crest	Residents who live in the far north end of the 8th District who feel unrepresented by the current council member. The area north of the train tracks to South Street has suffered abandonment from City representatives for at least 20 years because it's neither part of the Bixby Knolls Business Association (District 8) nor the NLB Renaissance (District 9). It's a depressing limbo in need of much attention, with dilapidated commercial buildings; owners not held responsible for the blight because it seems that no one cares. Our neighborhood does not enjoy active City intervention nor basic infrastructure repairs despite the many, multiple improvements in District 8 and around the City of Long Beach. There are no near-by hospitals or emergency rooms in North Long Beach. It's a food desert. The closest farmers market is not close enough. This area is home of a wonderful working-class community that is diverse in every sense and we could benefit from basic concern and representation by our elected officials who come around election time. Children who attend our schools should not walk through depressing streets full of grime, filth and graffiti. Our residents deserve honest and concerned representatives who are willing to walk our streets and look for ways to make improvements that can benefit the whole community.	Del Amo & Long Beach Boulevard to South Street & Paramount Boulevard.		Thank you for the opportunity to make a comment.	Council District 8;	Amelia Ramos	9/24/2021
Jane Doe	I don't identify nor agree with liberal ideology.	Orange and South Street		No more illegals please we have too many already !	Council District 8;	Melody Lavorin	9/25/2021
Ms Davis	Shared religious beliefs. Wanting a clean and safe environment free of dangerous criminals.	52nd Street and Orange Avenue			Council District 8;	Melanie Davis	9/25/2021
North long beach	My block of Eagle North is filled with very friendly neighbors who look out for each other. We are very lucky to have moved into this particular house and on this street!	Eagle North		Let's call it what it truly is. GERRYMANDERING, always stinks of partisan CHEATING!	Council District 8;	Carol	9/27/2021
Dale Stevens	N/a	Across from Shearer Park		We need the Sheriff's depth to patrol, LBPD is worthless	Council District 8;	Dale Stevens	9/29/2021
Roberts Family - Lindbergh Neighborhood	Being good neighbors, taking care of each other, feeding each other, backyard happy hours, ping pong, helping with babies	In between Atlantic & Orange In between South & Market St			Council District 8;	Michelle Roberts	9/29/2021
North L B	I've been here 18 years noticing this neighborhood is neglected when it comes to infrastructure funds.	District 8		I hope that the in the midst of deciding what areas are deserving of more or less please consider the area I live in it's worthy of beautifying.	Council District 8;	Milton Owens	9/29/2021
Jackson Park	North Long Beach was a working class area to grow up in.	North of the tracks			Council District 8;	Susanne Gilmore	9/29/2021
Bixby Knolls	Culture binded, people often grow up and stay here.	Bixby Knolls Atlantic Ave., Hughes middle school, etc			Council District 8;	Maya	9/30/2021
Central north Long Beach	Working/middle class neighborhood.	Center of north Long Beach		This area needs programs to help small businesses into the empty storefronts.	Council District 8;	Tom Widdison	9/30/2021
Anna-Marie Tran		North Long Beach (90805)			Council District 8;	Anna-Marie Tran	8/5/2021
North town pops park	Forgotten area.	Pops davenport park			Council District 8;	Gary Kuepper	8/10/2021
Bixby Knolls	Bixby Knolls is a vibrant neighborhood with residents that have lived here a long time, that shop and dine locally, and that are involved in the democratic process and in the community.	Loosely speaking, its borders are Bixby Rd on the south, Long Beach Blvd on the west, Cherry Ave on the east, and the railway north of Del Amo Blvd on the north.			Council District 8;	Jonathan Falk	8/11/2021
William S.	I have resided in Long Beach, off and on and now permanently since 1959.	On the cusp of Bixby Knolls and N.L.B.		Pay attention to the crumbling roads in this area, especially under the Trestle just west of Atlantic in Del Amo Blvd- it is soon going to collapse.	Council District 8;	William.Smith	8/11/2021
Felice	Similar income, things to do in the neighborhood, political ideology, children.	Working class Bixby Knolls. Dominquez Gap Wetland, boundaries of Paramount Blvd to the 710 Fwy and Market St to Willow.		I do not want to be part of another district!	Council District 8;	Felice Bachrach	8/11/2021
Weezreena		Virginia Village		I am curious to hear where the redevelopment project stands and a summary of what has already been accomplished	Council District 8;	Julie Bergeron	8/12/2021
North Long Beach	A part of Long Beach	Between Market and South street			Council District 8;	Cynthia Perkins	8/18/2021
North long Beach	Food, shopping, political interest	Just north of Del Amo, between Atlantic and long Beach Blvd a few blocks from where Bixby Knolls officially ends		Give us access to better schools	Council District 8;	Katie Perry	9/3/2021
Pops park	Residential rather than the large apartment's on the other side of Paramount Blvd	North of pops davenport park			Council District 8;	Gary Kuepper	9/8/2021
George		56 street/ Lewis Ave		I would like to see the communities above Atlantic and Del Amo be adopted into the 9th district. Our community has and is in shambles. I believe that it will benefit us to be apart of one district, The 9th district as the uptown revitalization begins. Instead of being broken in 2, between the 8th and 9th. We have more in common with our northern neighbors than with Bixby Knolls our southern 8th district neighbors. Thank You	Council District 8;	George	9/23/2021

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Imelda	Born and raised in Long Beach. I grew up in downtown, moved to east, then bixby knolls area, west Long Beach and have been living in north Long Beach for the last five years. Shared identity is that we want to live in a safe environment with respect to our neighbors and our community surroundings.	North Long Beach near Bret Harte elementary school on south st near walnut Ave.		Please look into the increase in more safety measures. Increased in shooting, theft, vandalism, homelessness and cars spending down south street make it unsafe to even take a walk in the community. It's unfortunate that things are not better.	Council District 8;	Imelda	9/23/2021
Anthony Turner					Council District 8;	Anthony Turner	9/23/2021
North Long Beach Jewish Community	A shared religious identity - Judaism.	The area bounded by the airport to the East, I-405 to the south, the LA River to the west, and Del Amo Blvd to the north.		I am concerned that the Community of Interest approach will further segregation. See, for example, this article: <a href="https://calmatters.org/commentary/2021/07/california-has-a-segregation-problem/">https://calmatters.org/commentary/2021/07/california-has-a-segregation-problem/</a>	Council District 8;	Dima Galkin	9/23/2021
All CD Community of Interest	Governance, People, Area of Housing and Climate	In all of Long Beach from the 1st District to the 9th I consider the City of Long Beach all of my city that is why I've been to every boundaries of Long Beach and chose to buy my home here.	It can "Only Make It Better" I saw what re-drawing districts does when certain area in a district are removed take for example a street in a 90805 district that have been drawn Out ! it affects where you may go to school your tax status, health care and overall live-ability.	I want to thank the Redistricting Commission on moving forward with engaging the Residents early on in this process without 2020 Census Data but until you get the actual "Census Count Data" We won't have key information to make the Correct decision on Representation, Funding, Schools, Healthcare, Fire and Policing, any of the quality of life issue until we know how many people are living in Long Beach	Council District 9;	Margaret Dudley	9/23/2021
Nehyam Neighborhood Association	We're a very multi-ethnic neighborhood of houses that mostly are nearly a century old.	We're bordered by major streets -- Orange, Artesia, Paramount and South. Our neighborhood centerpiece is the North Long Beach Victory Garden (the old fire station) at Gundry and 65th.	We're already geographically bordered by major streets, a commitment to our neighbors through various programs, and a respect for the past, hence our name, Nehyam, the Tongva names for "friends."	We very much want to keep this neighborhood intact.	Council District 9;	Jeff Rowe	9/23/2021
Renette Hamilton Neighborhood Association Non-Profit	Our community the Hamilton Neighborhood is unique in many ways our association has been active for decades. Our boundaries are from Artesia to 72nd and Cherry to the riverbed. We have active board members in every quadrant of our neighborhood, to split us up would be devastating in not only the way we work together to improve our neighborhoods but it would create more steps in order to get things done within the city and create multiple point of contacts. The entire neighborhood all work together to create a safe, clean, green, community we build parks, plant trees, have neighborhood wide events map out our resources in the event of an emergency, We (HNA) have solid relationship with Hamilton Middle School & a contract in place for maintenance of the Caltrans right of ways (91 East & West Bound) from the River Bed to Cherry ave. We are currently in the process of negotiations between the City, 9th District, Caltrans, County, State & Metro for building a park space from Cherry to Atlantic on East and West bound 91 Freeway right of way. We are working with Parks & Rec to gain more space with Edison for our community Garden located at Myrtle and 70th. We are a diverse group of people and are primarily single family wholly owned residential houses. Very diverse in population. Our Neighborhood Association is a non profit, although we do not in any way politically back an elected candidate or official, we work well with our elected officials and city agencies to achieve our core goals and values. We are an integral part of the North Long Beach Neighborhood Alliance, all the neighborhood associations within the 9th district have created a strong bond with each other to support our goals, core values & projects. All the neighborhoods and their leaders work together effortlessly and efficiently to achieve our broader district wide goals. With all this being stated, South street seems to be the natural border for the 9th district. Splitting our neighborhoods in half or chopping them up would be devastating in so many ways.	Our boundaries are from Artesia to 72nd and Cherry to the riverbed.	Our Board is equally represented by a person from every quadrant, all community members are involved from every area of our neighborhood. Splitting up our neighborhood would be devastating in so many ways. As stated in #4	South street seems to be the natural border for the 9th district. Splitting our neighborhoods in half or chopping them up would be devastating in so many ways.	Council District 9;	Renette Mazza	9/23/2021
Ashley Demuth	We are a diverse community who have the highest population of children and single family home ownership in LB. We have little to none safe green spaces, lack of healthy and walkable eateries, have huge amounts of homelessness and trash. We have projects to improve this and keep our relationships strong, and by redistricting district 9 you will ruin the hardwork and dedication our community leaders have put into action. We have big projects coming up to beautify NLB district 9, please do not separate us. If you do, you will seriously hurt and create more segregation in our communities by cutting funding and affecting our property taxes.	Hamilton, District 9, Cherry and Artesia south to 72nd and Suzanna to Downy	By keeping district 9 intact, our communities wont lose their resilience and tenacity. We will keep our funding, and community relationships whole and can proceed to move forward in the right direction to beautify and improve NLB and District 9.	Our community the Hamilton Neighborhood is unique in many ways our association has been active for decades. Our boundaries are from Artesia to 72nd and Cherry to the riverbed. We have active board members in every quadrant of our neighborhood, to split us up would be devastating in not only the way we work together to improve our neighborhoods but it would create more steps in order to get things done within the city and create multiple point of contacts. The entire neighborhood all work together to create a safe, clean, green, community we build parks, plant trees, have neighborhood wide events map out our resources in the event of an emergency, We (HNA) have solid relationship with Hamilton Middle School & a contract in place for maintenance of the Caltrans right of ways (91 East & West Bound) from the River Bed to Cherry ave. We are currently in the process of negotiations between the City, 9th District, Caltrans, County, State & Metro for building a park space from Cherry to Atlantic on East and West bound 91 Freeway right of way. We are working with Parks & Rec to gain more space with Edison for our community Garden located at Myrtle and 70th. We are a diverse group of people and are primarily single family wholly owned residential houses. Very diverse in population. Our Neighborhood Association is a non profit, although we do not in any way politically back an elected candidate or official, we work well with our elected officials and city agencies to achieve our core goals and values. We are an integral part of the North Long Beach Neighborhood Alliance, all the neighborhood associations within the 9th district have created a strong bond with each other to support our goals, core values & projects. All the neighborhoods and their leaders work together effortlessly and efficiently to achieve our broader district wide goals. With all this being	Council District 9;	Ashley Demuth	9/23/2021
Coolidge District9	Our working class is largely diverse. Homeowners that have the same needs and desire for a safe and properous neighborhood.	Coolidge Triangle	We have strong advocates		Council District 9;	Linda Kirkwood	9/23/2021
NLBR	We are a community bind together by shared values and interests as well as demographics 90805 is a community of engaged residents and a city government and Councilman that truly listens and engage with the people who elected them and too those in this City as a Whole	my community is located in the 90805 and the 9th District to the Border of Bellflower , Compton, Lakewood	By keeping my community intact it would only enhance an already Engaged Community we chose and voted for our Representatives who have all of its residents at the for front of decision making when it comes to this district and city	I want to make sure the Commissioners understand Me I consider all of Long Beach as a COI but since I can Only consider my community of Interest ! When lines are drawn make sure 90805 totality remines in the 9th District	Council District 9;	90805	9/23/2021



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9th Council District African American minority Religious Identities Transportation School Districts	Religious African Americans Improve Environmental Hazards Need more opportunities More Parks/Rec. More Businesses	Artesia Blvd/Long Beach Blvd	Continue to work together with same goals for improvement	I feel that a mandate should be imposed on a company that has a contract with the City for any work. The mandate should require an equal amount of minority employees on their payroll. This would be fair to the Citizens of Long Beach.	Council District 9;	Joe Peoples	9/23/2021
jlo90805	location and shared interests	North Long Beach Houghton Park	We need a sit down family style restaurant	Why Long Beach don't invest in the North and West side neighborhoods - Don't fix the Queen Mary let it sink	Council District 9;	JENNIE CROOMS	9/23/2021
Jacaranda trees	Location, economics	91 and Cherry	Would show that there IS representation for families w/children	Maybe this comment isn't right for this form, but our street is somewhat depressing. Jacaranda trees are nasty, street needs cement pavement, we need speed bumps on street and alley S of Artesia. Cherry/Artesia area seems to be isolated, not counted or recognized for improvement(s).	Council District 9;	Linda Stephens	9/23/2021
Erick	Newspaper , Mail, Email Parks and Recreation	North Long Beach- Long Beach Deforest Park - Aquarium of the Pacific			Council District 9;	Erick Jimenez	9/23/2021
ADOS - American Descendant Of Slavery		North Long Beach			Council District 9;	Lawrence Alexander	9/23/2021
Bowman	We have been in the same house 26 years. Our neighbors have years here too. When our kids grew up there were 6 families who all have kids the same age. The kids are all grown now but we still have get togethers. Its just a great family area.	5214 e calderwood street. 90815		Your district map doesn't work.	Council District 9;	Michael bowman	9/23/2021
North longbeach	Good neighborhood	Grant			Council District 9;	Darrell bean	9/23/2021
Kelvin J McAdory	Awareness of what's going on in the community.	District 9		I like my current representative Rex Richardson	Council District 9;	Kelvin J McAdory	9/23/2021
North Long Beach	Everyone residing or working in North Long Beach	North Long Beach			Council District 9;	Tim Sargent	9/23/2021
Veldalynn		North Long Beach (grant area) by artesia and cherry ave			Council District 9;	Veldalynn	9/23/2021
Hamilton	Diversity, gardening	The area surrounding Jordan High school, and Houghton park all the way north to Paramount.			Council District 9;	Diana Dorwin	9/23/2021
Edward	Mayor Robert Garcia and ViceMayor RexRichardson are incompetent City Politicians in LongBeach.  I HOPE BobFoster and ValLerch return as MAYOR/VICEMAYOR 2022!	District 9 is horrible with Sex Trafficking, illegal Car racing, and crimes. Not ENOUGH POLICE Security or Patrolling. If LBPOLICE doesn't have enough manpower, Please have the SHERIFFS Officers patrol our district 9!!!!		Have ViceMayor Rex Richardson call me at (562) 743-0884 or else next year's 2022 Long Beach elections , I'll be voting for Republican Party. BTW, Mayor Bob Foster and ViceMayor Val Lerch were better City of Long Beach Politicians. I hope BobFoster comes BACK!	Council District 9;	Edward Sarinana	9/23/2021
Downey Ave/Ramona Park/St Francis Neighborhood	this area has more in common with lakewood than with the rest of District 9 and is the highest income per capita of this district. we feel alienated over here and disconnected from the city and shop and frequent more businesses in lakewood. we get almost no services.. median grass is brown and dying.. streets haven't been repaired in decades. we are subjected to high traffic from the surrounding commercial areas.	we are single family homes along the Downey Ave corridor between Artesia blvd and South St. most of these homes were track built.. and borders cities Bellflower and Lakewood. <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/xdu6bNroW3oPvp1P7">https://goo.gl/maps/xdu6bNroW3oPvp1P7</a>			Council District 9;	melissa	9/23/2021
District 9	Very Happy with my Councilman Rex Richardson. He has made "Uptown" a priority and made some great improvements in the district. Looking forward to continuing to see the future of our district under his leadership	It's called Grant. I'm off of South and Walnut Ave		As a homeowner in our great city, I don't want to be forced into District 8. District 9 needs to stay intact the way it is drawn now.	Council District 9;	Richard Brown	9/23/2021
North Long Beach	Working class black and brown community	Long Beach Blvd to , Artesia to paramount to Del Amo Blvd			Council District 9;	Laura Zavala	9/23/2021
Nathan					Council District 9;	Nathan Kamikubo	9/23/2021
Brbrbrbtb	Ndnrbrbr	Jrjrjrhr		Jdjdjir	Council District 9;	Emerson perez	9/24/2021
Northeast Long Beach	A desire for a Safe Neighborhood and Safe Parks for our Children to grow up, play, and befriend peers.	Near Ramona Park		We think Rex Richardson is doing a great job! Keep our District INTACT!	Council District 9;	Melita Steward	9/24/2021
Robert	Middle class families that take pride in our community and city. Mostly conservatives live on the block and we take care of one another.	Grant area		Stop adding more housing onto single family residence property. This will bring more trash, less parking and more disputes	Council District 9;	Robert Yanez	9/24/2021
Jeannette B.	My immediate community is shared with several families and retired individuals. Most families in my neighborhood are retired, and have lived in this area for 10+ years. We have bonded with each other through watching our children and grandchildren grow up, as well as neighborhood social gatherings. We are a ethnically diverse neighborhood, and share similar economic, religious and ethnic backgrounds. Recently, a new shopping center was designed and built on the corner of Atlantic and Artesia, in Long Beach, CA.	Atlantic and Artesia to 68th Street and Atlantic.			Council District 9;	Jeannette Bell	9/24/2021
Shamaka AG	Knowing your neighbors and looking out for them	North Long Beach 90805			Council District 9;	Shamaka AugustGonzalez	9/24/2021
North Long Beach	My community has a strong neighborhood association that keeps the residents engaged and informed. In years past, local law enforcement and city council reps have been present at the meetings. When I moved here 21 years ago, I was the youngest person on the block. I am now watching younger families move into the neighborhood. The pandemic has impacted community activities, but we still have groups of walkers around and through the Coolidge Triangle.	Coolidge Park			Council District 9;	Arlene Jackson	9/24/2021

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North Long Beach	We're all part of the same race... the human race. Because of that, there are many things I identify with in others.	344 E Cummings Lane		Please stop with the "culture" or "ethnicity" or "race" topics... those are not helpful. That only creates sides... differences... them vs us...! We are all human and ultimately part of the same history and origins. We are all more similar than we are different. Stop feeding the differences between one another and focus on the similarities. Grateful.	Council District 9;	DamonB	9/25/2021
Kristin Morrison	Middle class working families that enjoy and embrace the diversity of cultures found here in Long Beach.	Houghton Park			Council District 9;	Kristin Morrison	9/26/2021
Julissa	Political views are all alike within this community. Based of of general kindness and mutual respect for one another. There is no prejudice views amongst the community here. Everyone here looks out for one another. The respect is mutual.	Very close to Harding and Cherry Avenue. On John Avenue and 61st street is the community I refer to.		Long beach is not a bad place. Drug addiction as well as unfortunate happenings has contributed to the ever growing population of homeless who roam the streets aimlessly looting, assaulting, and damaging the reputation of these historic communities.	Council District 9;	Julissa Gutierrez	9/26/2021
NLB	Geographical area of NLB and the hardworking lower income homeowners and others who live here. I have lived here in NLB 56 years. This is my home.	South and Cherry Brett Harte community			Council District 9;	Cynthia Cuevas	9/29/2021
Rhonda	This area is being neglected. I've lived in this neighborhood since 1993. The area is being neglected. Complaints are ignored.	From Market Street to Artesia Ave., Cherry to Atlantic. It is being neglected. The city moved the mobile trailers that where parking on Artesia and Paramount so the new where houses could be built. The trailers moved on to Cherry Ave and nothing has been done about it. I've compliant.		The area in the 9th district is deteriorating. trailer homes are allowed to park on main streets without moving and they are not being ticketed....Cherry Ave north between south and Artesia. No one cares.	Council District 9;	Rhonda Cleveland	9/29/2021
Mrs.Ramos	We are a community mainly Hispanics and Black.	Uptown			Council District 9;	Leticia Ramos	9/29/2021
North Long Beach Resident	We like to help protect one another in terms of Neightborhood Watch, Covid-19 and vaccinating.	North-East corner Cherry Ave and Artesia Street			Council District 9;	James Dok	9/29/2021
Community	Our community is based on family. We care about the area that our families live in. Currently we live near Compton, a predominantly African American population. There is a lot of stigma surrounding Compton about the population being low income families. Since we live right near the edge, our district is treated with the same stigma. All I see are families who want the best for their children. Parks that aren't breaking apart. Streets that aren't falling apart. Homeless tents randomly popping up.	My community is located near the exit of the 91 freeway of Long Beach Blvd.		North Long Beach has long been treated as the “ghetto” of Long Beach for bearing many low-income families. Let me tell you that is the furthest from the truth. Families live here, and deserve the same environment to raise healthy children just like any one else no matter the income levels. When you invest into communities of color, you’re investing into the children’s experiences. Their experiences in life shape how they view themselves and how far in life they can go. If you repeatedly tell them from their circumstances you’re not worth it, then that’s all these kids will have subconsciously.	Council District 9;	Alison	9/29/2021
David	We live here because that is a much as we could afford.. we have no other connection to this area	61st and Atlantic		Fix the god damn homeless incursion on COLB .. Get those people help and in one area so help and services can get to them. Clean up the streets of campers and RVs and clean up the garbage.. It's enough already !	Council District 9;	David	9/30/2021
Over taxed	Small government less government control	Grant		Keep it simple stupid	Council District 9;	Michael anderson	5/17/2021
By gretchenhutchins@gmail.com	we are mostly working class and retired peop6	North long Beach off of longbeach Blvd			Council District 9;	Gretchen Hutchins	5/19/2021
Coolidge park area	Lots of families here over 30 years	Colin Powell school		Do something about all the illegal fireworks and homeless encampments that are coming to this area	Council District 9;	Katrinka	5/21/2021
Patty Alba	Once your in 90805, you never wanna leave!	Hamilton neighborhood			Council District 9;	Patricia Alba	5/21/2021
Downtown homeless and crime	Church school stores hospital shopping center school buses and trainj	School church hospital			Council District 9;	Minnie	9/23/2021

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North Long Beach	Strong neighbors, families with children, grandchildren, pets and gardens. Strong faith based community, racially diverse working class families, small business owners who own businesses in our area district 9. Concerned for our elders and low income families. Strongly oppose fireworks in support of our many Veterans. Strong localized support for our Police and Firefighters and their families; engaged in the community process thru monthly neighborhood association meetings and activities. Founding member of north Long Beach crop-swap and victory garden and active in gardening classes and bicycle safety. Local key stores such as Target, Food for Less off Cherry and 91 small food stores such as Prince Market on Cherry and local car wash, small eateries such as shomin noodles amd main chick on Artesia and Atlantic.	Houghton Park is our main park, Jordan High School, Grant Elementary, local boundaries 91/710/South/Cherry. The amazing new industrial and office park on Artesia which took the blighted and defunct refinery down. Also the Los Angeles river project which is on such need of upgrading. The safety there is nonexistent and it's an absolute tragedy that so much work amd dollars have gone into this with community working so hard and it is virtually unusable because of the crime , open sexual solicitation, trash and health hazards. The poor wildlife can not even habitate from the trash in the water.		The string leadership thru Councilman Richards we have had the last 7 years we have lived here and bought our house has been a blessing for sure. But we do need key business developers who have pledged support on Artesia and Atlantic to step up. We deserve Art Galleries, amd kid friendly local restaurants. A large and safe community pool for the summer and for seniors, continued professional development thru our Brother Keepers and renewed support for girls in STEM activity. We have several ties to new companies such as Virgin, Spaceex, so so many companies that could be drawn I. To satellite classes at Michelle OBama Library or even the possibility of community college annex up here. It's time to give our North Long Beach citizens the full blessing and participation of what Long. Each has to offer instead of having to fight for things like a farmers market, a Co-op grocery store or even a local coffee shop. However the zoning process works out, please know that we as one family here speaking out represent at least 50 who we know personally who feel very much the same. We appreciate and are grateful for all the work our council and our city government and planning commission do. Especially the sustainability and health departments in their tireless work to stay engaged. We so much appreciate the work	Council District 9;	Michelle Engelman Berns	9/23/2021
Email	Secureness with neighborhood safety. And protection in safety to street bendoors from hate crime	North long beach		Concerns of military who are base in Ghana Africa... Irregular imigration borders from panama central America borders of mexico and the us mostly return to Mexico after depirtation the economic depression is to Mexico	Council District 9;	Luz Laguna	9/23/2021
Kat from north Long Beach		Houghton park, keo market, grant elementary, Michelle Obama library			Council District 9;		9/23/2021
Kristin Morrison	This is a solid middle class working neighborhood with shared values and concerns.	By Gethsemane Baptist Church, Houghton Park area		Accurate representation is crucial, gerrymandering should not even be considered at local levels.	Council District 9;	Kristin Morrison	9/23/2021
Safety					Council District 9;	Connie	9/23/2021
North Long Beach	We are a community of hard working individuals who happen to live in the most neglected part of Long Beach.	Houghton Park			Council District 9;	Irene Lobato	9/5/2021
North Long Beach	Seems to be forgotten or last on the list of community improvements that the City of LB affiliates are not prioritizing? We all pay tax & deserves what other communities are getting in terms of community services; development & safety.	Grant Neighborhood - Falcon Avenue and 61st. Street		Please make sure that each community gets a fair representation in terms of improvements; services & infrastructure. Thank you!	Council District 9;	Rosana Brickey	9/23/2021
Wilmore	The history of this district city hall	City hall the courthouse police station I live at 834 Magnolia Avenue, Long Beach CALIFORNIA 90813			Council District 9;	Rick Haley	9/23/2021
North Long Beach	Good schools, places to eat, all cultures welcomed. Accomplishments of our NLB residents	68th street, Grant Elementary, Hamilton Middle School, Target shopping area, New Artesia/ Atlantic shopping area and Super Mex !		It would be nice whoever is a new representative for our district actually come out to a local venue and introduce themselves to the residents.	Council District 9;	Elaine Casarrubias	9/23/2021
North Long Beach	North Long Beach feels forgotten.	71st Way and Orange Ave.		Unfortunately, at least once a month if not more, the street sweeper fails to pass. When it does, it speeds down the street soo fast it just pushes the dirt/trash up onto the curb. I've seen other cities where the street sweeper goes slower and it makes all the difference. Cars parked on the sidewalk and sticking out the driveways, so when I go for walk I am the one that has to go into the street to go around them. NO PARKING ENFORCEMENT! North Long Beach has been forgotten, yet when it comes to charging us for the less than mediocre service we get, we're charged full price.	Don't know what district I belong to (71st Way/Orange Ave., N.L.B.);	Ofelia Munoz	9/23/2021

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Long Beach	Well in Long Beach what binds it’s community are drug dealers an gangsters Long Beach sucks an re drawings lines won’t help	West long beach		Long Beach sucks	Don’t know;	Stephen	9/23/2021
Martin F	Diversity and Love	East Bay		I don't live in Long Beach, but my Mom does. I currently living in East Bay.	East Bay;	Martin Flores Jr	9/23/2021
Connie	Safety	North Long Beach		This survey should have been double checked before being sent out, lots of errors	Error in district map;	Connie	9/25/2021
Rafael	Politics is a bit spooky, just normalize it on campus/school. Give them room to work on something and breath. Target a demographic tech, athletes, let them conviene autonomously.	Cabrillo		West side has been improved immensely the last 5 years, light system, bus routes connecting to LA, park restoration and a little more local high school culture. Students display their school logos without second thought compared to 2010 ;)	Ex LB resident;	Rafael Vasquez	9/24/2021
Bixby	Ethnic & cultural diversity, gender and sexual diversity, walkable, bike paths and biking culture, skateboarding and roller skating, friendly neighbors, vegan food, safe neighborhood, dog friendly neighborhood, clean beach, trees, neighborhood park is loved and cared for, farmers market, inclusive culture, clean streets	Bixby park		Living close to oil extraction and refineries increases mortality rates and declines in cognition. Our refineries near a greater responsibility to the health and welfare of our communities. (See the influential ethnography that exposes this phenomenon: Flammable: Environmental Suffering in an Argentine Shantytown). Also, a 5-year ethnographic study of homeless community in San Francisco reveals that most people who live on the streets grew up in the very neighborhoods where they now live in allies and overpasses and in cars at parks. I suspect that our unhoused neighbors might be in the same situation. (See the beautifully chronicled ethnography Riteous Dopefeind by UCLA prof Felipe Borguios). My neighbors need easily accessible healthcare that treats the immediate pain of addiction plus treatment for the effects of homelessness AS WELL AS safe places to live. Thank you for caring!	I don’t know: 134 Hermosa, 90802;	Kristine	9/23/2021
Lydia	Downtown Long Beach is international, with a large port and ships from all over the world. We can promote our international image and compete with showcase high rise buildings that rival with the most advanced in the world. Please review the inspiring videos.  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=opYiuj2i-K8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=opYiuj2i-K8</a>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tr2yaVbznaQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tr2yaVbznaQ</a>  Long Beach can become the most advance, the most futuristic city in the the U.S.	Downtown Long Beach - Ocean Blvd to 10th St. Golden to Alamitos		<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=43gwfg68aCI">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=43gwfg68aCI</a> Rapid transit Public transportation	Long Beach property owner/manager;	Lydia	9/24/2021
Human	Human	Bixby park		City government need to be more responsive to crime and quality of life issues. In the vacuum created by city government may residents have taken it upon them selves to correct these issues.  This includes things like pepper spraying homeless, Vandalizing illegally parked cars, and physically beating people can't committing property crimes.	Not sure your map isn’t working properly ;	Jeffrey	9/23/2021
Indiana resident totally confused by getting this text.		Indiana		Clean up your list area code 317 is not in Long Beach	Out of state;	Laura Sexson	7/19/2021

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Deforest Park	Just purchased a home in the deforest park area. Only know our councilmen Rex Richardson is in our district.	DeforestPark			Rex Richardson;	Lenora CofieldMarks	9/5/2021
Ms. Taylor	I currently reside in the rose park district 10th and Redondo, this community needs guidance, residential and business development and major improvements, concerns with environmental hazards, racial equality and most of all structural redevelopment with homes and business a beautifulation program and infrastructure improvement and development.	ROSE PARK DISTRICT 10TH REDONDO NEEDS REDEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS			Rose park 10th Redondo ;	Trina taylor	9/23/2021
Rachel	Systematic Racism and PTSD Trauma Responses	The WESTSIDE of Long Beach		Do better!! Most people believe because they are not racist they are good people we forget that you don't have to be racist to discriminate against people based on prejudice on social and economic choices how people choose to live their lives as we all have the common right to pursue happiness without breaking the laws of the land	Sadly I can't even remember in this moment ;	Rachel	9/23/2021
Miss Rose	Long Beach College. Education.	Atlantic and Harding by park		Women And Elderly more protected. Young folks disrespect alot. I'm starting to work out. I pray also never been n prison.	Send information;	Miss Rose Davis	9/23/2021
Sarah South Wrigley	My community is diverse and beautiful!! We care greatly for our neighbors! When we build each other up and help one another. When I post on our Wrigley Facebook group and need help for my students (I teach students with disabilities at Poly), I know my community will step up and help me!! Seeing familiar people on evening walks with their family. I am pretty active on our Wrigley Neighborhood page on Facebook and I see many others that are active. It works well for me because I can check it anytime, get assistance when I need it, find out why there's a police presence or pretty much anything else I need!	South Wrigley			South Wrigley ;	Sarah	9/23/2021
E La Jara	We are on the cusp of Lakewood in Long Beach but votes go to Paramount. All my neighbors feel the same as me and that's this doesn't make sense	Off Downey between South and Artesia on E La Jara			The link doesn't give the number;	Deborah Paige	9/23/2021
Toni Maiques	I have lived in LB less than a year. I moved here on a temporary basis and currently rent an apartment. So I don't have any history with my community. And will most likely be moving out if the area within 6 months.	Clark Ave/PCH		Since I am a temporary resident, I doubt redistricting will affect me.	The map does not provide District numbers. So I can't ID my district. ;	Antoinette Maiques	9/23/2021
Sydney T	People of Color, Liberal	Rose Parks, Eastside, North Alamitos			Unknown;	Sydney	9/23/2021
Equality	Family friendly, home owners and long term renters, liberal, accepting	Zaferia		Community of interest is way too vague a term. Who is running this thing? Hire an organizational psychologist. I was a 25 year resident, just moved out of state for more affordable living.	Your map was useless. Recently moved out of state;	Callista Lee	9/23/2021
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Cambodia Town	Population, culture, Temples and language.	Cambodia Town	It would preserve the culture and give comfort to many survivors of the Khmer Rouge Genocide.	It is essential that the redistricting effort begin with a demographic analysis to see if population shifts have altered the manner in which District lines should be drawn to preserve communities of interest.		Alex J. Norman	9/23/2021
Lydia	Downtown Long Beach Area for development of high rise building - apartments, condominiums and commercial Vision for the future of Long Beach	Ocean Blvd to 10th St. Golden to Alamitos	Future of downtown Long Beach with high rise buildings that would benefit from ocean views, beach and marina. Showcase architecture with design that is environmentally conscious with ground space for walkways, shopping, restaurants and cafes. Ambiance Expanded public transportation Arts and Entertainment District - East Village and Queen Mary Globe Village Model architectural design equivalent to San Diego, Shanghai Long Beach as 'world' city - world renowned	Encourage high rise development, similar to the successful high rise developments on the oceanfront in downtown San Diego. Metro that links downtown Long Beach to downtown Los Angeles Efficient public transportation to LAX and Long Beach Airport		Lydia	9/23/2021
Antonio		People		Thank you very much and have a blessed day		Antonio flake	9/23/2021
Pissed off citizen	I value a community that has a government smart enough to realize that I don't even live in your state.	Far from yours		Please stop violating federal law and stop sending this stupidity.		Fuck you	9/23/2021

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What is the political motivation behind the redrawing and who benefits ? I don't trust that you have your citizens best interest at heart							9/23/2021
We have moved from Long Beach.				We have moved from Long Beach.		James King	9/24/2021
freddy	multicultural	north long beach		please clean the alleys!! callejones		freddy a lovato	9/24/2021
Davelb	The diversity of race and sexual orientation.	Acrose the street from Bixby park.		Get rid of homeless.		David straus	9/24/2021
Pam	Dog poop and idiot race drivers. Garbage. Rent too high. NO PARKING	4th street between Maine and Daisy. Smells of dog crap. Too many low lifers among us decent. Car spin outs and gun fire. Too high rent with no parking. Fix this crap.		Clean up this filthy place		Pamela Hagedorn	9/24/2021
Lakewood Village	Quiet. Private	Carson and Bellflower		That attachment for map was useless to determine my district. Stacy Mungo is my representative and she has done fine.		Mark Greenwald	9/24/2021
E. Ocean Blvd mid-rise	Each other's families, quality of life (lack thereof) in our area on beach (Alamitos Beach/Bay?), maintenance of building and grounds.	1500 E. Ocean Blvd		No district numbers are coming up on the map. Our district has a new councilwoman who replaced Councilman Fox. We are very upset about the declining quality of life in Long Beach and have begun looking for a different city/area to live in. The noise level has easily doubled since we moved in eight years ago, especially since pandemic began and motorcyclists and drivers actually race on our stretch of Ocean Blvd, especially after midnight. We no longer see police cars checking speeding etc nor electronic signs warning that noise levels are monitored. Since we moved here there have been four fatalities beneath our kitchen window from car crashes and pedestrians killed IN the crosswalk. The noise of un-muffled motorcycles and modified cars constantly sets off multiple car alarms day and night. We have looked into replacing our double-glazed windows and sliding doors with TRIPLE-glazed but that's in excess of \$10k. Gritty dirt covers every horizontal surface and balconies must be hosed off daily. Re: the harbor: little oily brown blobs appear on our windows, balconies, railings, etc. presumably coming from the trucks and ships in harbor. My mild asthma has deteriorated into COPD since moving here and we have to run AC constantly to filter the air. The view of the water which largely prompted our moving here is now a view of filthy cargo ships, "parked" from this side of the breakwater to far into the distance, well beyond the breakwater. We do hear of the mayor's great pride in the increased ship traffic using our harbor and the \$500k+ in taxes and fees that are generated. Homeless people sleep in our bushes, using the planters as toilets and cutting the wires linked to landscaping lights to access the sockets to charge cellphones (how is that even possible?). We are regularly burglarized despite consultations with LBDP and alterations to our walls and gates, cameras and alarms. Yes, we do employ Nordic security guards. I believe four units in our building have been sold in the past two weeks and more are being put on the market. More and more of our residents are just f---king exhausted and fed up with life in Long Beach. Mayor Garcia seems oblivious to our problems, judging by his proud emails about issues and achievements that don't apply to us.		Lesley Donovan	9/24/2021
North Bixby Knolls	Bixby knolls	Atlantic ave (I live at 401 elm st which is considered north Long Beach but it's definitely more connected to bixby knolls)				Marci Flores	9/24/2021
zakk	for one im transgender (ftm) redrawing district lines is solely for the purpose of money being allocated to which lower strata neighborhoods get thrown to the bulls and then people like me get stuck sending their kids to just horrible horrible schools- yes long beach has really shitty schools- its sad and screwed at the same time because its not cheap to live in long beach. more importantly yiu have money grubbing slum lords that dont fix stuff in the residence because its money then you have these really shitty schools where my sons girlfriends was almost abducted and raped in broad daylight.... so you tell me what binds us together because at the end of the day im marginalized where politicians decide my fate oppression etc and my kids suffer the consequences because the city ordinance rather hire people to redraw district lines rather than invest of the leaders of tomorrow. what i say really doesn't matter nor will it until every parent and constituent speaks up.	anaheim and gaviota		see the above atrocities where people like to focus rather than focusing on the real problem and solving the core problem rather than putting a band aid on it.		zanetta chichester	9/24/2021
Rose Bluff	Beautiful old homes lovingly restored . Diversity of people with shared values. South Rose Park, Bluff Heights, Carol Park all blend and flow together wonderful place to eat and shop . Live music and culture .	South Rose Park, Carol Park, Bluff Heights		Doing a good job overall but we have a problem with homeless and crime. Lots of young homeless addicts preying on the neighborhood . We are all tired of it .		Craig	9/25/2021
Peden Sager	I'm not sure I'm currently a part of a community in Long Beach - we're new to the area. But we love it!	Rose Park				Peden Fitzhugh Sager	9/25/2021
Ashonte Burley	Specifically I am literally and officially live on the border line of Lakewood and Long Beach. My next door neighbor home is Lakewood. Living on the borderline affords me certain amenities such as Lakewood community gardens which is a association that is exclusive to local property owners who live in close proximity to the community facility.	I'm located two minutes from the Lakewood mall. I shop In Lakewood and frequent Mayfair park as it is two minutes from my home.		Please pull the school district in to reassign the school that is in my back yard to Long Beach USD. Paramount is mostly a Latino district and non Latino students are marginalized in the district. My African American kids are not attending the school in my backyard due to that reason. All the paramount USD board members are all Latinos which speaks to non Latino students having lack representation. So Long Beach needs to take back the schools that are located in Long Beach. Especially in my area which is a diverse population of families.		Ashonte Burley	9/25/2021
Zaferia	Geographic proximity	Near Traffic Circle and Recreation Park				Jeff weil	9/26/2021



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Black Bird	I don't even know most of my neighbors names.	Between PCH and Anaheim, zip code 90804.		Need to rewrite question in a more simplistic way. One shouldn't have to ponder the question being asked. Personally, I have no idea of the objective if this survey.		Judy	9/28/2021
Linda Deruise	Safety. Being able to move around the city without being concerned. Care about Seniors. I am one.	Long Beach — across from Jordan High School				Linda Deruise	9/29/2021
Long horn	Good food, family acceptance	North Long Beach		Help take care our youth with jobs and resources fair food, Free educational class hiring youth to take care community clean up		Diana Hamilton	9/29/2021
Belmont Heights		Park Avenue 6 & 7th streets				Minna Neumaier	9/29/2021
Antonio				California and Long Beach are worthless sold my houses a few years back the city and state were nice are went to hell		Antonio flores	9/29/2021
Concerned	I am a senior citizen and have lived in Long Beach all my life. I am not a political person but don't want to be taken for granted.	I live in Senior Arts Colony located at 200 E Anaheim St L.B., CA		I am not about the district		David Martin	9/30/2021
None of your business	None of your business	None of your business		None of your business		None of your business	9/30/2021
Wrigley				The City Counsel does not have a good reputation for the well-being of LB. your actions are very suspect. Just don't do any gerrymandering ! We're trying to live decently. Don't destroy our neighborhood		Alfredo Ovalle	9/24/2021
Student	Long beach college	Harding park		More family outings		Rose Davis	9/24/2021
LBCr1999	Mostly shared interests	Downtown				Margaret Venneri	9/25/2021
1234	Melanin	Everywhere		I don't know		La Shawn Richards	9/26/2021
By mail	No	Church		None		Sovann Eiv	9/30/2021
g. alvear	proximity	Zaferia		None		gloriaalvear	9/26/2021
Public safety, public parks and recreation and access to good shops and restaurants.	I live in the 3rd district which encompasses Belmont Heights. The historic district is a neighborhood of Belmont Heights. The majority of the population is white with a sprinkling of Hispanic, Blacks and Asian. People participates actively in the political process through neighborhood association and City Council meetings. Belmont Heights is a very old neighborhood with a huge population of senior citizens compared to ofther parts of the city.	Belmont Heights Historic District		I believe the 3rd district needs to be more open to change and expands its borders. I don't believe many people will like that. Like the saying goes "not in my backyard".		Victoria Fullerton	9/29/2021
Another po black Brother= APBB	Police Hated needs to stop! P.A.L they took it away on North Side crimes went up! More Parks & Recreation involved with all sports	J-Town 90805 North Side 91/710fwy connect!		Need more things for Teenagers and Young Adults to Do besides getting harassed by the POLICE!		Frank Laird	9/29/2021
Why fix something that's not broken						Cece	9/29/2021
garryfresh	Common values and principals.	I live in downtown long beach on Pine ave.		we should institute a community composting program. the top level of downtown parking garages would be ideal.		Garry Fresh	9/29/2021
Zaferia	Streets	South of pch north of anaheim east of redondo west of traffic circle				Will heusser	9/29/2021
Walnut Village	I don't feel myself and my community share identities. I'm a Black woman and sometimes I feel out of place.					Carolyn	9/30/2021
Peter Eneliko.	NEXT.	Southeast corner of 32nd and MLK. Border with Signal Hill.		Make sure all politicians are honest, not those who lie and cheat their Communities."		Peter Eneliko.	9/30/2021

## eComments Report for Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission Meeting Agenda of January 6, 2021

Item	Name	E-mail	Address	Comment	Received
4. (21-004RC) Recommendation to receive and file a report on the draft work plan for the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission.	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		<p>This work plan is quite ambitious, but manageable.</p> <p>Front-loading much of the mapping and technical and legal training for Commissioners this month is obviously a good first step.</p> <p>Developing a robust plan for outreach and public participation is a good next step.</p> <p>Looking forward to the Mapitude Online Redistricting Software public training by March 2021.</p> <p>Would like to recommend a minimum of two (2) meetings in each existing council district - at least 18 meetings total - from March through September.</p> <p>Need a focus study-session on best practices for fairly creating an entirely new district.</p> <p>Also would like to see more public information on community of interest testimony.</p> <p>The final map creation looks really back-loaded at the end of the year</p>	1/6/2021

**From:** William Stapleton [<mailto:williamstapleton38@yahoo.com>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 19, 2021 8:19 PM

**To:** CityClerk <[CityClerk@longbeach.gov](mailto:CityClerk@longbeach.gov)>

**Subject:** Redistricting 6th District

**-EXTERNAL-**

Dear Sir,

Please pass this suggestion on to Kelly Nihm and Alejandra Gutierrez, regarding the redistricting which will be performed in the 6th district. The current borders do not reflect, what those who live in this area, would define as "Our Neighborhood".

- 1.) The Eastern border to Signal Hill is fine, and should stay as such.
- 2.) The Western border should extend to the L.A. River (not split down Magnolia Ave)
- 3.) The Northern border should extend to Wardlow,

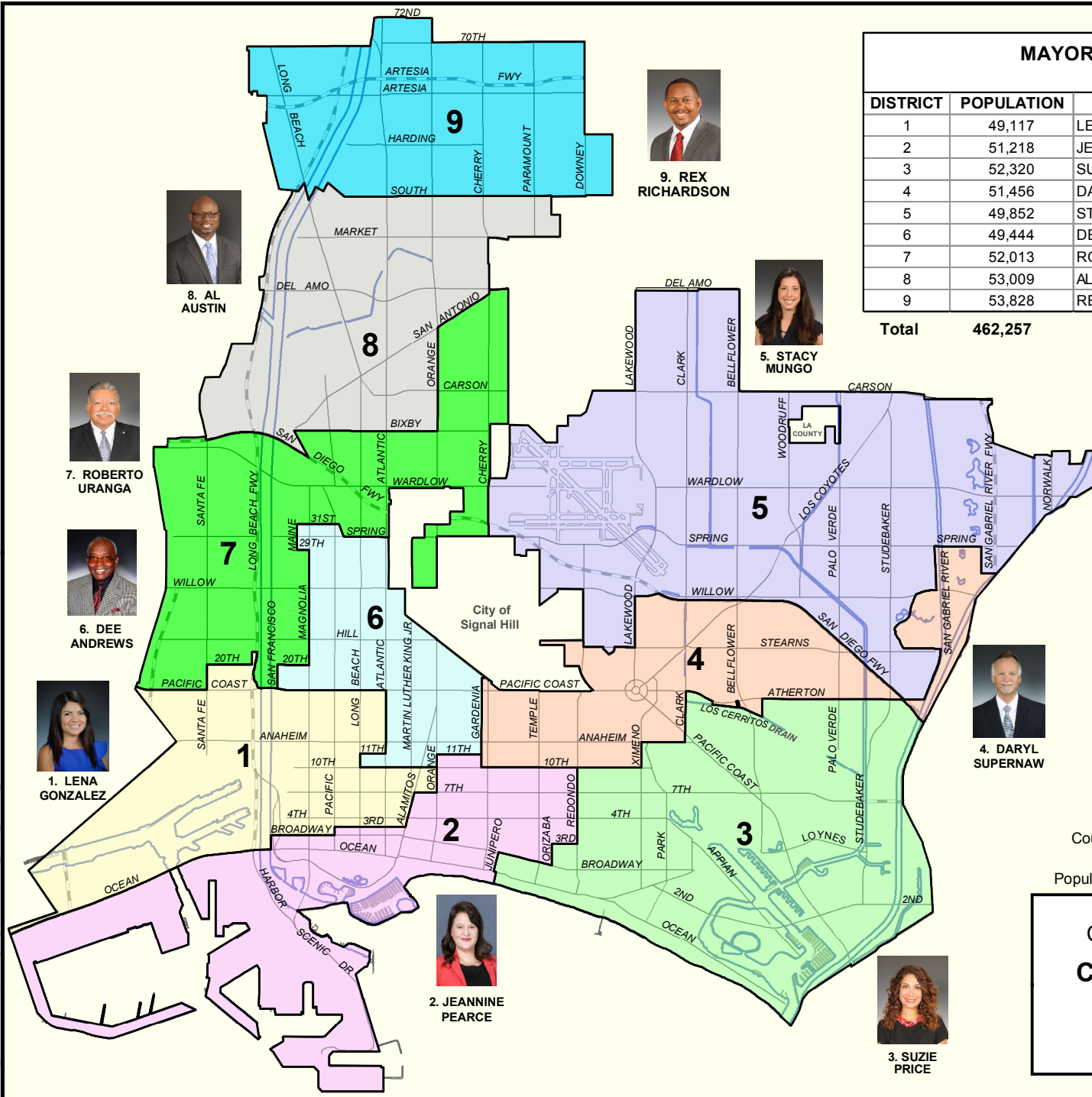
The boundary may even encompass the area north of Wardlow, west of Pacific Ave, with it's northern border at the 405 frwy and it's western border at the L.A. River. (which would offset the area lost, south of P.C.H.)

- 4.) The Southern border should go no further south than Pacific Coast Highway.

I feel this is a more realistic representation of "MY Neighborhood"

If you, our either of the two representatives would like further clarification of my position on this matter, I can be reached at [williamstapleton38@yahoo.com](mailto:williamstapleton38@yahoo.com)

Sincerely,  
William Stapleton



1. LENA GONZALEZ



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9. REX RICHARDSON



5. STACY MUNGO



4. DARYL SUPERNAW



3. SUZIE PRICE



2. JEANNINE PEARCE

## MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA 570-6801

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5	49,852	STACY MUNGO	570-5555
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Total 462,257



MAYOR  
ROBERT GARCIA

Council District Boundaries Amended: 08-02-11  
by ORDINANCE ORD-11-0015

Population values are based upon 2010 Census Data

## City of Long Beach, California COUNCIL DISTRICT MAP

Technology and Innovation  
Department - GIS

Map Revised 8-1-18



**ALEX PADILLA**  
CALIFORNIA SECRETARY OF STATE

January 27, 2021

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San Francisco Redistricting Taskforce  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

San Diego County Independent Redistricting Commission  
1600 Pacific Highway  
Fourth Floor, Room 402  
San Diego, California 92101

Dear City Clerks and County officials overseeing redistricting,

I respectfully urge the LGBTQ community be identified as a community of interest in the redistricting process. In 2011, California made steps in the right direction when the LGBTQ community was identified as a community of interest. For the first time, in 2021 same-sex marriage data will be available to better design and draw districts that are centered around the LGBTQ population.

According to a 2016 report by The Williams Institute, UCLA School of Law, LGBT women tend to face bigger socioeconomic obstacles like poverty and income, compared to their male counterparts. As we undergo the current recession amid the pandemic, we must ensure the LGBTQ community has the political representation it deserves.

The Fair Maps Act requires the protection of communities of interest. I would advocate for the recognition of the LGBTQ populations as "a population that shares common social or economic interests" and recognize that these populations have faced discrimination in employment, health, education and the workplace, have been subject to state and local policymaking that has infringed upon their rights, and, as a result, they necessitate additional protections from vote dilution that could occur in the redistricting process.

Further, within the Act's requirements, I would recommend that Commissions work with LGBTQ centers, organizations and local leadership in order to fulfil their charge to outreach "through good government, civil rights, civic engagement, or community groups or organizations" as you inform the public about redistricting in your community.

Finally, I advocate that Commissioners work with available datasets to identify same-sex heads of households in the US Census, and, where available, utilize data that is made available from organizations or members of the public as to the areas of greatest LGBTQ concentrated community of interest, and how to protect these communities through the redistricting process. A request to recognize the LGBTQ community as a community of interest has also been sent to the director of the United States Census.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James Schwab', with a stylized, flowing script.

James Schwab  
Acting Secretary of State



**From:** Taylor, Derric <[derric.taylor@crc.ca.gov](mailto:derric.taylor@crc.ca.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 25, 2021 1:13 PM  
**To:** CityClerk <[CityClerk@longbeach.gov](mailto:CityClerk@longbeach.gov)>  
**Cc:** Isra Ahmad <[Isra.ahmad@crc.ca.gov](mailto:Isra.ahmad@crc.ca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Redistricting

**-EXTERNAL-**

Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission  
411 West Ocean Boulevard  
Long Beach, California 90802  
C/O: Long Beach City Clerk

Greetings,

First, I would like to extend much-deserved appreciation to the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission and your efforts towards drawing equitable district lines to achieve fair representation for the people of Long Beach. This task speaks to the very foundation of our democracy and seeks to empower residents within your districts. A truly patriotic undertaking.

Second, a brief introduction is in order. My name is Derric Taylor, a Commissioner on the California Citizens Redistricting Commission along with my colleague Commissioner Isra Ahmad. Together, we are charged with facilitating outreach efforts related to redistricting matters on a State level to Los Angeles County. The full commission has a broader purview of ensuring outreach to the entire State. As we are sure you are aware, redistricting occurs on multiple scales within similar timeframes throughout the State. Because we have a similar mission, we thought it prudent to reach out to our redistricting partners in order to be most effective in your city within Los Angeles County.

We believe the redistricting commissions that are in existence, specifically the California Citizens Redistricting Commission and the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission, are bound together by their shared purpose. Commissioner Ahmad and I believe the California Citizens Redistricting Commission and the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission can work together to ensure that each commission's purpose is achieved. During these upcoming months especially, our commissions will be working to spread the word and activate the population to participate in the redistricting process, and we hold that it may be mutually beneficial for both of our commissions to work in concert.

Commissioner Ahmad and I welcome the opportunity to have a conversation, work together in messaging and purpose, and support our mutual effort to further the value of the redistricting process to achieve maximum participation from Californians. We hope this correspondence is welcomed and the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission agrees with our premise. We anticipate being of use and value to your commission and look forward to all responses. Please feel free to contact either of us at the below-indicated information.

Derric Taylor  
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Isra Ahmad  
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WeDrawTheLinesCA.org

Yours in Service,

Derric and Isra

Derric Taylor | Commissioner  
California Citizens Redistricting Commission  
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# eComments Report for Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission Meeting Agenda of May 19, 2021

Item	Name	E-mail	Address	Comment	Received
PUBLIC COMMENT	Laurie Angel	lcangel2012@gmail.com		It is critical that every effort is made to keep entire neighborhoods together as you look at redistricting. Los Cerritos was split in half, including the park to intentionally favor a handpicked candidate to run in the 8th council district eliminating opposition from an intended candidate who then ended up in the 7th. The division to the neighborhood is still palpable to this day. Be fair, Keep neighborhoods together. Thank you.	5/19/2021

## Kyle J. Smith

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**From:** Michael Buitron <michaelbuitron@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 4:37 PM  
**To:** Redistricting  
**Subject:** Independent Redistricting Commission (Council District 2) Meeting on Wednesday, June 23, 2021

**-EXTERNAL-**

Greetings, Independent Redistricting Commission Members,

I would like to submit eComments in advance of your Second District meeting. Thank you for taking my experience into consideration.

My name is Michael Buitron and I have been a resident of the 2<sup>nd</sup> city council district for the past twenty-eight years. For more than twenty of those years I've worked in Long Beach for CSULB and on the campus of St Mary Medical Center, biking to work for a majority of the time. I'm a homeowner, taxpayer, and voter. I've spoken with the mayor and my councilperson on the issues that are important to me. I've attended a city council meeting and stayed past midnight so I speak at a council meeting. I've worked out of the Health Department, not as an employee, but as a researcher. I've even spent a couple of nights in your jail. I even have a library card—and I use it.

I live on Minerva Park, the first historic street in Long Beach, which is located in the relatively new-named neighborhood called AOC7. From the street corner near my home, I can walk in three directions and cross into three other council districts, all in my neighborhood. I would have to walk or drive through another district to reach the main part of the 2<sup>nd</sup> council district.

Currently my neighborhood designation of AOC7 was created when the city made an effort to give every part of the city a neighborhood name. The things that would bring the community together: houses of worship, parks, schools, etc., don't exist in AOC7, so it's nothing I ascribe to or identify with. AOC7 feels like an identity the city foisted on the neighborhood, not one it came to organically.

When asked, I usually tell people I live in Little Cambodia, where there is shopping, parks, and a library. The borders of my community includes the neighborhood that runs on either side of the Anaheim retail corridor. The more gentrified Rose Park, to the east, is not part of my neighborhood; historically, my community is a community of immigrants and working class people which are increasingly priced out of the city.

The dearth of city services that are available in Khmer and Spanish speak to the historic underrepresentation of my community on the City Council. So does the lack of affordable housing for those that live on a lower working class income. Certainly in the past five years, nothing affordable has been built that falls between the low-income subsidized housing and the high end stuff. I feel that a district along the Anaheim corridor—an expanded version of Cambodia Town—would give voice to the immigrant, low-income, and service workers who are essential to the diversity and labor needs of the city.

For the most part, my street feels gerrymandered into the second district. I love visiting the restaurants and bars of the 2<sup>nd</sup> district and have friends who live below 4<sup>th</sup> Street, but most of the District 2 residents are

centered around the establishments of the East Village and Alamitos Beach, which we affectionately called the gay ghetto.

I also don't identify with the industrial harbor or the PoLB, which also occupies the Second District. If anything, the port should be beholden to the residents along the 710/103 corridor. They are the ones who have to breathe the port pollution. They are the residents that suffer the highest rates of cancer and pulmonary disorders from the diesel trucks and ships, the adjacent refineries and the toxic pollution coming from the light industries in the area.

Did you know that coal trains coming into the harbor don't have to be covered, and that each uncovered train car puts five hundred pounds of coal dust into the air? LB City Council wouldn't have unanimously voted to renew the Koch brothers twenty-year lease for their toxic coal facility if westside residents had a voice, at least in my view.

Thank you for taking the time to read my comments on the second district, my neighborhood, and my divided and silenced local community.

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Michael Buitrón

**From:** [Thomas Reynolds](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting](#)  
**Subject:** District 3  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 15, 2021 9:08:07 AM

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-EXTERNAL-

Hello,

I would like the boundaries of my council district to remain largely unchanged. I see little reason to change them since the district boundary was legally drawn and it encompasses a geographically unified district with shared interests.

Thomas Reynolds

Sent from my iPhone





**Date:** June 16, 2021  
**To:** Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission  
**CC:** Long Beach City Attorney's Office  
**From:** Dan Vicuna, Common Cause national redistricting manager  
**RE:** April 15, 2021 Memo from the Long Beach City Attorney and Olson Remcho titled "Use of Current Council Districts in the Redistricting Process"

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In response to the memo from the office of the Long Beach City Attorney and the law firm of Olson Remcho regarding the use of existing City Council districts as a starting point for new districts, California Common Cause, a drafter and co-sponsor of Measure DDD, writes to inform the City of Long Beach and the Independent Redistricting Commission that the memo is incorrect and represents a significant departure from the plain language and spirit of Measure DDD:

1. The findings in the City Attorney's memo are inaccurate and inconsistent with the plain language, purpose, and intent of Measure DDD. As redistricting commissioners, you have no obligation to give any deference to existing district boundaries or to use them as a starting point. In fact, we discourage the use of existing districts as a starting point for the creation of Long Beach's new City Council districts.
2. Common Cause staff are democracy experts who have helped craft independent redistricting legislation for multiple states and numerous counties and cities. When drafting Measure DDD, we explicitly omitted criteria for maintaining the cores of previous districts because it conflicts with the independence of the Commission and its mandate to draw district lines absent undue political and legislative influence.
3. Despite the implications in the City Attorney's memo, ignoring the cores of previous districts *would* be given significant judicial deference and is consistent with the purpose of the Commission's creation. Measure DDD clearly outlines the Commission's legal obligations along with ranked criteria that the Commission must abide by when establishing district lines. Maintenance of existing districts is resolutely not one of the criteria or legal mandates of the Commission. The City Attorney's memo is incorrect in stating so and the memo's citations of case law to support its conclusion are outdated, erroneously applied, and incorrectly interpreted.
4. The memo incorrectly translates the legislative intent of the Measure's commission formation criteria. Counter to the City Attorney's memo, the Commission is partially composed of residents from the City's current nine districts to ensure geographic diversity and fair spatial representation across the City, *not* to mandate or even imply

that current districts should be maintained. If our intent, as framers, was to have the Commission use existing districts as a starting point for redistricting, the measure would explicitly state so. It intentionally does not.

In sum, the framers of Measure DDD, including California Common Cause, intentionally drafted the measure to comport with modern redistricting reforms that place maximum distance between sitting elected officials and the drawing of districts they will contest as candidates. Starting the process of drawing Long Beach City Council districts with boundaries drawn by elected officials with a clear conflict of interest would represent a significant departure from the intent of the Measure, the modern trajectory of democracy reform, and the underlying philosophy of community-led redistricting, which is to prioritize fair representation for the public over the political interests of elected officials.

The memo poses larger concerns about the City Attorney's office providing legal guidance to a commission that was formed to lead a redistricting process independent of political and incumbent interests. The Commission should discuss hiring independent legal counsel to examine this issue and future legal questions the Commission might encounter, to eliminate any possibility, either real or perceived, that the City Attorney's office is trying to influence the redistricting process. If hiring independent legal counsel is not feasible at this stage of the redistricting process, we urge the City Attorney to issue a new legal analysis on this matter, taking into account the concerns outlined in the attached memo, to affirm the plain language and spirit of Measure DDD. Finally, and most importantly, we urge the Commission to center the redistricting process on communities by giving no deference to existing district boundaries and to update its redistricting criteria.

Please see our attached memo for further details and feel free to contact me at [dvicuna@commoncause.org](mailto:dvicuna@commoncause.org) or (571) 218-6135 if you have any questions. We look forward to your response.

## **Introduction**

We are writing in response to the April 15, 2021 memo to the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission from the office of the Long Beach City Attorney and the law firm of Olson Remcho concerning the use of existing City Council districts as a starting point for new districts. In this memo, the City Attorney's office argues that the framers of Measure DDD intended to tie the hands of the Commission by including districting criteria that "requires that the Commission attempt to preserve the core of existing districts." As a framer of this

measure and co-signer of the ballot argument in favor of Measure DDD,<sup>1</sup> Common Cause is writing to inform the Commission that this argument is incorrect and represents a significant departure from the plain language and clear spirit of this historic democracy reform. As redistricting commissioners, you have no obligation to give any deference to existing district boundaries or to use them as a starting point. In fact, we strongly discourage the use of existing districts as a starting point for the creation of Long Beach's new City Council districts.

### **Common Cause and Equity for Cambodians were lead drafters of Measure DDD**

In the summer of 2018, Common Cause and Equity for Cambodians began working closely with Mayor Garcia's office on the drafting of a city charter amendment to empower a community-led redistricting commission to draw Long Beach City Council districts. The earliest version of Measure DDD, which the mayor proposed at a City Council meeting on June 12, 2018, differed significantly from the final ballot measure language that was approved by voters, due to its lack of any criteria for commissioners to follow when drawing districts and giving the City Council veto power over the maps.<sup>2</sup>

After looking at sample criteria from several California cities whose redistricting law Common Cause helped to draft, our organizations recommended giving an independent commission control of the process with no City Council interference and explicitly rejected a criterion for maintaining the cores of previous districts. For example, we modeled several of Long Beach's provisions concerning commissioner selection and screening on Sacramento's 2016 ballot measure creating an independent redistricting commission. We also discussed Sacramento's mapping criterion requiring the preservation of the cores of previous districts and concluded it would undermine the purpose of the community-driven process we sought to create. These changes to the initial draft of Measure DDD are reflected in the final version of Measure DDD the City Council approved on July 17, 2018 and that voters approved with 60 percent of the vote on November 6, 2018.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The ballot argument in favor of Measure DDD and signed by Common Cause is available here: <https://www.longbeach.gov/globalassets/city-clerk/media-library/documents/elections/2018/redistricting-argument-in-favor>.

<sup>2</sup> See the original version of Measure DDD here: <https://longbeach.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=6353536&GUID=945E4C79-7FCF-45D0-A722-8488F2676F89>.

<sup>3</sup> Letters from Common Cause and Equity for Cambodians as well as the June 12 and July 17 versions of Measure DDD are available at <https://longbeach.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3548736&GUID=6546FD08-3B15-413C-A1D5-7A19861BAC61&Options=&Search=>.

As a framer of Measure DDD, our omission of the cores provision was no accident. Common Cause’s staff are democracy experts who have drafted measures creating independent redistricting commissions in states across the country and in cities throughout California. We are well aware of the existence of an option for including a cores provision and rejected its inclusion in the Long Beach City Charter. Omitting this criterion was an intentional drafting decision made to free Long Beach commissioners from the constraints of previous districts drawn by incumbent elected officials and to more effectively center the needs of Long Beach residents in the redistricting process from the start.

### **Preserving the cores of previous districts violates the plain language of Measure DDD**

The City Attorney’s April 15 memo asks you to disregard the plain language of the Long Beach City Charter. The Charter requires the Commission to abide by three provisions regarding population equality, adherence to federal and state law, and contiguity, and eight ordered criteria that heavily prioritize keeping identifiable communities and neighborhoods in the same district.<sup>4</sup> A separate subsection from the districting criteria prohibits consideration of the residence of any individual, includes a numbering convention, and prohibits partisan gerrymandering.<sup>5</sup> City Charter section 2506, in which all mapping criteria can be found, intentionally omits any mention of preserving the cores of previous districts.<sup>6</sup>

The City Attorney’s memo concedes that the list of mapping criteria “does not include respecting existing district boundaries,” but nonetheless asks you to ignore this fact and give deference to districts drawn by city council members 10 years ago. It argues that a mere numbering convention that was intentionally omitted from the section of the city charter that lists boundary placement criteria is, in fact, a boundary placement criterion. The relevant section the City Attorney’s memo cites as evidence for its argument, subsection 2506(d), requires that “[t]he Commission shall number each Council district such that, for as many residents as possible, the number of the Council district they reside in remains the same.” This section was drafted as guidance for numbering the districts after the districts were drawn, however, the memo from Olson Remcho argues that this provision suggests that the Commission should prioritize making minimal changes to the current district maps. The argument made in the memo is incorrect on its face and undermines the intent of Measure DDD, which was to create new community-led district maps that center and empower communities.

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<sup>4</sup> Long Beach City Charter § 2506(a)-(b).

<sup>5</sup> Id. at § 2506(c)-(e).

<sup>6</sup> Id. at § 2506.

The City Attorney's argument begs an important question. Assume, for the moment, that a lawmaker was asked to draft language for the Long Beach City Charter designed to be a numbering convention to be applied after boundaries have already been drawn and not a mandate to preserve the cores of existing districts. Would the lawmaker's version of this provision differ in any substantive way from the existing version of section 2506(d)? The drafter would almost certainly exclude that provision from the subsection of the City Charter stating that "the Commission shall consider the following criteria when drawing the final map, in order of priority." The drafter would omit any language referring to preserving the cores of districts or even boundaries at all. The first verb in the sentence would very likely be "number" and the drafter might even repeat the word as a noun to establish that the sole purpose of the provision is to ensure that already-drawn districts are *numbered* in a certain way. In summary, to intentionally limit the impact of a provision to how districts are numbered and not how they are drawn, the drafter would very likely write a City Charter provision that looks identical or nearly identical to the existing version of section 2506(d).

The City Attorney's memo defends its curious twisting of unambiguous legislative intent by placing unreasonable importance on the fact that the first nine of the 13 commissioners selected for service on the Long Beach Redistricting Commission must reside in different city council districts. Provisions designed to ensure geographic diversity on redistricting commissions are a common feature of contemporary reforms.<sup>7</sup> These requirements simply provide a specific mechanism for implementing a general requirement for diverse geographic representation on the commission. By dividing the city into nine different sections of equal population, existing city council districts provide an efficient method for achieving that objective by ensuring that one neighborhood or community cannot dominate commission deliberations. If a numbering convention conclusively sanctioned the use of existing districts as a starting point for new districts by itself, a separate provision mandating consideration of the cores of previous districts would be unnecessary. However, Sacramento provides an example of a city charter that explicitly requires consideration of the cores of previous districts despite also requiring the first eight redistricting commissioners to reside in the city's eight existing city council districts.<sup>8</sup> A reading of the plain language of section

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<sup>7</sup> See Oakland City Charter, Art. II, § 220(J)(3)(a): "The appointed Commissioners and Alternates shall be selected in an open and public process and as the most Qualified to perform the duties of the commission and reflective of the geographic, racial, ethnic and economic diversity of the City of Oakland, including at least one Commissioner from each district."

<sup>8</sup> Sacramento City Charter § 174(h): "Immediately after the subpool has been created, and at that same public meeting, the chair of the screening panel shall randomly select eight names – one from each existing council district – from the subpool. These eight individuals shall serve as commissioners on the commission." Id. at § 175(b)(6): "In addition to following the requirements of subsection (a), the commission shall consider the following criteria when drawing the final map, in order of priority...Preservation of population cores that have consistently been associated with each council district"

2506(d), the clear intent of the framers to establish a redistricting process that avoids the conflict of interest inherent in City Council members drawing their own districts, and the absence of a cores provision point to the obvious conclusion that this commission should give no deference to existing districts drawn by City Council members.

**Starting with a blank slate and prioritizing community input would be given significant judicial deference and is consistent with the purpose of the commission's creation**

The City Attorney's argument that courts will give "significant judicial deference" to districts the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission draws is irrelevant to the question of whether the commission should start with the cores of existing districts. Such deference would apply equally to a decision by this commission to follow the clear intent of the framers of Measure DDD by ignoring districts Long Beach City Council members drew 10 years ago and starting anew. None of the cases the memo cites in its judicial deference section mandates or even demonstrates a preference for maintaining the cores of previous districts. The memo incorrectly narrows judicial deference to the use of existing districts without clarifying that deference is a standard "applicable to constitutional challenges generally."<sup>9</sup> Judicial deference is not limited to the City Attorney's argument and the court's respect for the separation of powers would equally apply to the commission's decision to ignore existing districts. It is telling that the City Attorney's argument concerning judicial deference includes no references to redistricting case law from the last 13 years, when California developed the citizens redistricting commission, which is the gold standard model for redistricting reform.

In 2008, California voters approved the creation of the state's Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission. This landmark reform demonstrates the clear trajectory toward greater limitations on the role of elected officials in redistricting.<sup>10</sup> For example, redistricting commissions created in Hawaii and Pennsylvania in 1968 allowed sitting legislators to draw districts while only limiting partisanship by requiring an equal number of Democrats and Republicans to serve as commissioners.<sup>11</sup> Later commissions created between 1972 and 1994 in Idaho, Montana, and Washington maintained a partisan balance requirement but also prohibited sitting legislators from serving.<sup>12</sup> However, those three states allowed legislators to make direct appointments to their commissions. In 2000, Arizona passed a ballot initiative

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<sup>9</sup> *Nadler v. Schwarzenegger*, 137 Cal.App.4th 1327, 1339 (2006).

<sup>10</sup> For a detailed history of redistricting reforms, see the amicus brief of Common Cause, the Leadership Now Project, Issue One, Equal Citizens Foundation, the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress, and Represent US in *Daunt v. Benson* and *Michigan Republican Party v. Benson*. This is available at <https://www.commoncause.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/CA6-Daunt-Amicus-final-1.pdf>.

<sup>11</sup> Haw. Const. Art. IV, § 2; Pa. Const. Art. II, § 17(b).

<sup>12</sup> Idaho Const. Art. III, § 2(2); Mont. Const. art. V, § 14; Wash. Const. Art. II, § 43.



that kept partisan balance, prohibited a longer list of individuals from service, and allowed legislators to directly appoint commissioners.<sup>13</sup> However, Arizona only allowed legislators to appoint commissioners from a list of applicants that had been pre-screened by a nonpartisan state agency. California went further in 2008 by mandating partisan balance, prohibiting a much longer list of individuals with conflicts of interest from serving as commissioners, and further minimizing legislators' influence by giving them only a limited number of strikes – but no direct appointments – from a list of commissioner candidates that had already been pre-screened by a nonpartisan state agency.<sup>14</sup> In 2018, a year in which voters in Long Beach and a record five states approved ballot measures designed to curb gerrymandering, Michigan created an independent redistricting commission closely modeled on California's. However, Michigan's ballot measure required commissioner applicants to be selected randomly from a pre-screened list and denied legislators the power even to strike candidates.<sup>15</sup>

The drafters of Measure DDD recognized that the drawing of district lines is susceptible to “manipulation . . . by politicians.” *Ariz. State Legislature v. Ariz. Indep. Redistricting Comm’n*, 135 S. Ct. 2652, 2672 (2015). In fact, this manipulation by political insiders is nothing short of election-rigging, and it is deeply “incompatible with democratic principles.” *Id.* at 2658. The framers of Measure DDD intentionally drafted it to comport with modern redistricting reforms that place maximum distance between sitting elected officials and the drawing of districts that they will contest as candidates. Starting the process of drawing Long Beach City Council districts with boundaries drawn by elected officials with a clear conflict of interest would represent a significant departure from the intent of the measure, the modern trajectory of democracy reform, and the underlying philosophy of community-led redistricting: to prioritize fair representation for the public over the political interests of elected officials. We urge you to center the redistricting process on communities by giving no deference to existing district boundaries.

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<sup>13</sup> *Ariz. Const.*, art. IV, pt. 2, § 1(3).

<sup>14</sup> *Cal. Gov't Code* § 8252(a)(2).

<sup>15</sup> *Mich. Const. Art. IV*, § 6.

## **EQUITY FOR CAMBODIANS**

June 16, 2021

Honorable Members of the  
Independent Redistricting Commission

**Re: Long Beach City Attorney's Memorandum dated April 15, 2021**

Dear Members:

In the Fall of 2017, a group of about 20 Cambodian elders came to a weekly class on Civics, Organizing and Government ("COG") provided by the MAYE Center. The class, led by Center Director Laura Som, former UCLA professor Dr. Alex Norman and civil rights attorney Marc Coleman, covered an array of topics about Federal, State and Local government and the rights and responsibilities of citizens in America.

Learning about how changes in government come about and the rise to political power of ethnic organizing raised many questions in this group of primarily women who had survived the killing fields of the Khmer Rouge. One such woman was Vy Sron.

Vy Sron got up at 5:00 a.m. each morning to work in a donut store in Orange County. She took three buses from her home in Long Beach seven days a week so she could work for 4 hours and then return to Long Beach where she came to the MAYE Center for class before going home to get ready for the next day. She had a question, "Why don't we (Cambodian Americans) have the same political power as other groups?"

The 2011 City of Long Beach Redistricting process left the Cambodian community, centered in and around Cambodia Town, split between four Council districts, the First, Second, Fourth and Sixth. This resulted in an already fragmented community feeling disenfranchised and disadvantaged in City politics.<sup>1</sup> I responded to Ms. Sron's question, "Because your community's political power has been diluted."

She asked the next question, "what can we do to obtain the same kind of political power as others?" This question propelled the drafting of a petition to the City Council to immediately act to correct the historical wrong done to Cambodians by redrawing the Council's boundaries in

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<sup>1</sup> The election of Long Beach's first Cambodian City Council representative, Dr. Suely Saro, in 2020, demonstrated that, notwithstanding the obstacles to electing a Cambodian, an effective campaign and a multi-ethnic approach could and did overcome the barriers.

time for the 2020 election. The COG class created a petition and then a multi-organization structure of various Cambodian groups and leadership called Equity for Cambodians which began the drive to amend the City Charter to fix the boundaries and correct the historical division of the Cambodian community. A copy of the March 13, 2018 article by Crystal Niebla of Voicewaves covering the beginnings of the redistricting effort is attached as Exhibit A.

While that process was underway, in early 2018, Mayor Garcia approached Equity for Cambodia leadership and requested that, rather than do a piecemeal redistricting process, we join with his attempt to remove the City Council from the redistricting process and institute an Independent Redistricting Commission comprised of citizens without allegiance to protecting the turf of current City Council members as happens historically. The City initially drafted the ordinance, but, in a public hearing, Equity for Cambodians and Common Cause heavily criticized the draft as fatally flawed, in part because the City retained control over the results. The Mayor proposed that Common Cause and Equity for Cambodians draft the initiative which we did. These two organizations and their attorneys were the drafters of the initiative which later became Measure DDD when the Council placed it on the ballot.

The purpose of the Independent Redistricting Commission was two-fold: first, to remove political influence from the redistricting process and second, to create criteria for redistricting that best reflected the diverse characteristics of Long Beach in ways that respected ethnic and racial enclaves and other relevant factors. Proposition DDD passed overwhelmingly and we were all proud to see the creation of the Independent Redistricting Commission with marching orders imbedded in Article XXV of the Long Beach City Charter.

We are disheartened to see the City<sup>2</sup>, despite the voters' clear intent, attempting to sabotage the initiative. The redistricting criteria are very clear and they are set forth in a specific rank order that means something. The April 15, 2021 City Attorney memo to the Redistricting Commission and its supporting memorandum from Olson/Remcho ("the memo") distort the spirit and letter of Article XXV of the Long Beach City Charter found at Section 2500 - 2510. For reference, a copy of the Long Beach City Charter Article XXV is attached as Exhibit B.

This history is not separate from your work. It is the basis of your work. The City, through the City Attorney's office, can only speculate what the framers of DDD intended because they have never asked us. This is not a situation where the drafters are long gone and attorneys must speculate about what was intended. If the City Attorney's office or the Commission has any questions about what was intended in the framing of Measure DDD, ask us.

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<sup>2</sup> Although the memo comes from the City Attorney's office and its subcontracted law firm, this is simply another branch of City government.

We are around and available for questions. Both Common Cause and Equity for Cambodians are deeply critical of any interpretation of the City Charter that circumvents the commitment to equity and diversity which the framers had in mind.

As the Independent Redistricting Commission, you have the ability to reject the City's analysis and follow the law as written. In the interests of our community, we respectfully ask you to do so.

### ANALYSIS

#### 1. **What Measure DDD requires.**

The City starts out with the correct premise stated at page 1 of the Memorandum by Olson/Remcho:

“Section 2506 of the City Charter now requires the Commission to draw districts as nearly equal as practicable in total population, in compliance with all federal and state laws (including the federal Voting Rights Act), and that are geographically contiguous. Once those criteria are met, the Commission ‘shall consider’ **in order of priority** a list of eight criteria set forth in subdivision (b), including: (1) neighborhoods; (2) communities of interest; (3) neighborhoods and communities sharing a common language, history, culture and identity; (4) topography and geographic features; (5) natural and artificial barriers for boundary lines; (6) compactness; (7) maintaining whole census blocks; and (8) any other criteria the Commission approves that do not conflict with the other requirements.” (emphasis added)

Olson/Remcho goes on to note that the list **does not** include respecting existing district boundaries. (Memo at 1).

This omission in the drafting was deliberate. Indeed the very point of Measure DDD was to change existing boundaries to reflect the criteria set forth in Section 2506. To use existing Council boundaries as a starting point is a slap in the face to the people of the City of Long Beach who overwhelmingly wanted different criteria than those previously used and, perforce, different results. Using existing Council boundaries as a starting point unjustifiably prejudices the process in favor of what we already have. Nothing in the plain language of Article XXV supports this interpretation while everything else discourages it.

**2. To arrive at its position, the City goes to illogical and absurd results.**

Nothing in Article XXV requires the use of existing boundaries, either as a starting point or a criteria. Instead the City Attorney's office contorts the language to arrive at its conclusion that Article XXV "requires the core of existing districts (whatever that means) to be preserved." Memo at p.2. Simply stated, nothing requires this.

Section 2506 sets forth the redistricting requirements and criteria through an itemized list stated in a priority which the Commission shall follow. As the City's memo correctly observes, the use of the term "shall" in a legal document means that that term is "mandatory in nature" as opposed to being optional or simply a possibility. Moreover, the use of the term "shall" and the specific requirement that the criteria be followed in the order in which they are stated means that the Commission, in order to properly do its work, must adhere to the ranking set forth in Section 2506.

The City, to make its point, ignores the mandatory language of the order of consideration that is specified in the Article and the absence of any mention of preserving existing boundaries. In a self-serving twist of logic and language, the City-contracted law firm, Olson/Remcho states:

"In fact, the requirement in subdivision (d) is arguably as important as the criteria set forth in subdivision (b) of Section 2506, since it is mandatory in nature ("shall") as opposed to being lumped together with the eight criteria in subdivision (b) that the City "shall consider."

This is an obvious contortion of the statutory language to make the City's argument and contrary to the plain language of the statute which places the eight factors in 2506(b) as mandatory considerations for the Redistricting Commission in order of priority.

Had the framers wanted to do as the City suggested and use existing Council boundaries as a starting point for drawing the redistricting maps, they would have said so. It is disingenuous for the City to surmise what the framers wanted when the framers are still around and could have easily weighed in as they do now. In no way, shape or suggestion did the framers want to elevate existing Council boundaries and residents currently within those boundaries, over the judgment of the Redistricting Commission in following redistricting criteria.

The logical extension of the City's argument for keeping as many residents as possible in existing Council districts rather than allow the Commission to independently draw the districts following the 2506(b) criteria would be to leave all the district boundaries exactly the way they are since that would completely comply with 2506(d). Such a result is absurd.

**3. Existing council district boundaries are the problem, not the solution:**

The City then makes the leap that since 2506 supposedly does not “establish any rule” for how the Commission should start its work nor identifying any particular “architecture” as a starting point, “the existing districts provide an obvious starting point for drawing the new plan.” Wrong. The existing boundaries are the problem, not the solution. It simply defies logic and the legislative intent and letter of 2506 to use existing districts to start the process. The process needs to start where the Commission uses the criteria, including a demographic and topographic approach to redistricting and creates boundaries that most accurately reflect, the criteria “in rank order” as stated. To do otherwise prejudices the process in favor of the City retaining its own boundaries and perpetrating the very injustice which DDD sought to remedy.

**4. The legislative history does not support the conclusion that “the Commission must consider preservation of existing districts while adjusting boundaries”(Memo at p.2)**

First, the Impartial Analysis in the Voting Guide is not the same thing as the intent of the framers. The framers of Measure DDD – Common Cause and Equity – had no input into the Impartial Analysis used for the Voter’s Guide. Nor is the term “preservation of population cores” found anywhere in the text of Measure DDD.

To harmonize the language of the Impartial Analysis with Measure DDD, a requirement of statutory construction, the correct understanding is that after the Commission does its job, and following the application of criteria in 2506(b), the resulting Council Districts shall be numbered so that as many residents as possible keep their current Council District numbers.

**5. The District Boundaries were challenged in 2011 by the Cambodian community.**

The memo is also inaccurate as to the history of the Council’s redistricting work in 2011. Specifically the recently elected City Councilwoman for the Sixth District, Dr. Saro testified regarding the drawing of boundaries which divide the Cambodian community. Councilwoman Saro, then Executive Director of Khmer Girls in Action (KGA), gave testimony to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission in April 2011 and cautioned against dividing Cambodia Town and the surrounding community among four districts. However, she was unable to convince the Commission.

“Because the neighborhoods have specific needs and interests unique to the Cambodian community, we ask that you do not divide Cambodian neighborhoods in the redistricting process,” Saro testified.

Second, the term “preservation of population cores that have consistently been associated with each council district” does not say what the City thinks it does. That is not synonymous with keeping Council boundaries, especially in areas like Cambodia Town, where the existing neighborhoods, and communities of interest, are divided into different districts. Measure DDD would have been pointless if the net effect is to preserve the populations that already inhabit each Council district.

**6. The City’s memo confirms that the Commission has the power and duty to change council districts as required by the criteria.**

The last sentence of paragraph 3 in the memo is telling,

“However, it is important to keep in mind that the Commission must also adhere to the hierarchy of priority set out in Section 2506, and if adhering to current boundaries conflicts with one of the other criteria, it may have to give way and the boundary may have to be adjusted.”

Thus, everyone acknowledges that the work of the Independent Redistricting Commission is to create Council Districts that serve the people using specifically ranked criteria. The City thus concedes that Section 2506(d) must yield to the broader intent of Measure DDD and the ranked criteria in Section 2506(b).

**7. Most likely the City is pushing the use of existing boundaries to avoid having to do the harder work of demographic and topographic analyses that meets the requirements of the criteria.**

We suspect that all the so-called legal analysis is simply a smoke screen for the City’s attempt to avoid work. Certainly it is more work to perform a full demographic and topographic analysis of Long Beach without regard to the existing council boundaries. However, once this is properly done by this Redistricting commission, presumably subsequent Redistricting Commissions can use the new boundaries much the way the City wants to use the old boundaries based on a faulted, politically motivated process. The City’s desire to save money and time has nothing to do with what is at stake here. The voters approved Measure DDD overwhelmingly. They want the job done correctly and the fact that the city can save a few dollars by avoiding the kind of analysis, research and exploration needed is no reason why the Commission should be restricted from performing its full function.



**8. When in doubt ask the drafters about the issue.**

We are here and willing to serve. Please invite us to a meeting(s) and we will be happy to participate.

**9. The Independent Redistricting Commission needs independent counsel.**

This attempt by the City to manipulate the IRC into using the existing questionable boundaries, as a starting point and the twisted logic that somehow Measure DDD “requires the core of existing distrust (whatever that means) to be preserved” clearly runs counter to plain meaning and unmistakable intent of DDD.

We recommend that the IRC hire its own independent attorney. We will be happy to suggest law firms for your consideration.

Sincerely,

EQUITY FOR CAMBODIANS

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By /s/ Charles Song  
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By /s/ Marc Coleman  
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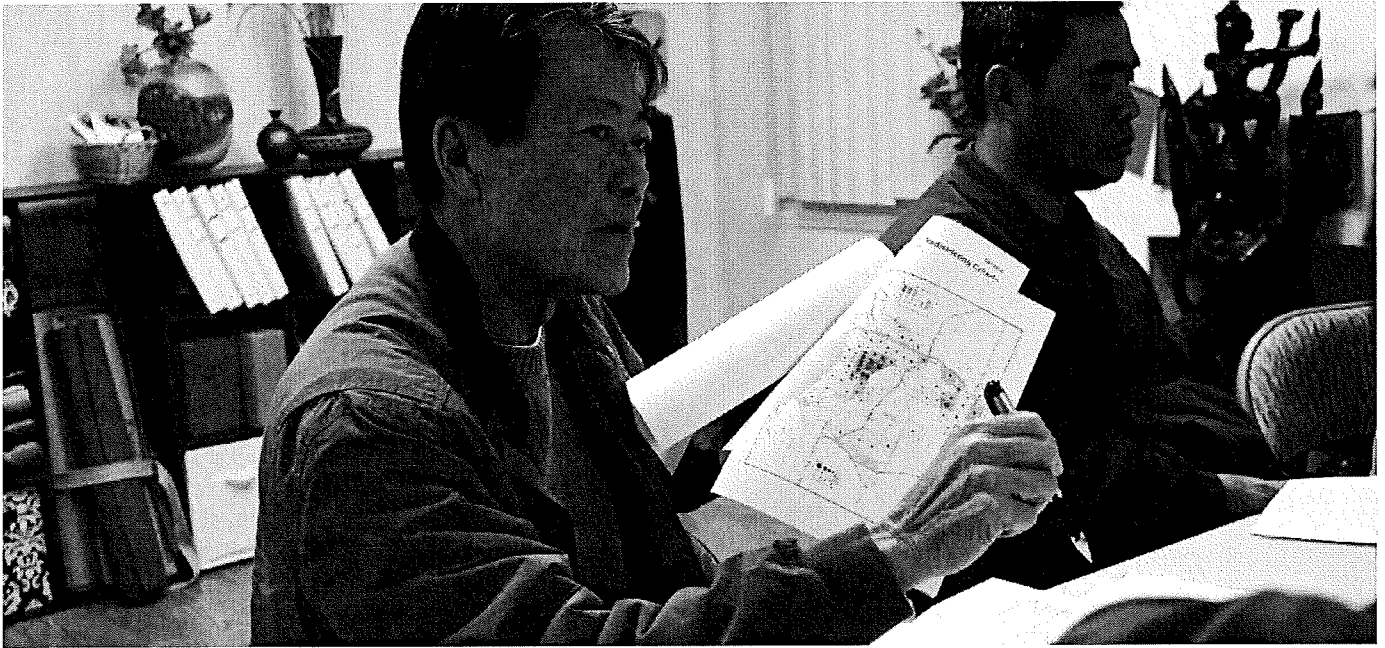
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EXHIBIT A

## AFTER DECADES OF DIVISION, LONG BEACH CAMBODIANS WANT REDISTRICTING

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MAR. 13, 2018 / BY CRYSTAL NIEBLA ([HTTPS://VOICEWAVES.ORG/AUTHOR/CRYSTAL-NIEBLA/](https://voicewaves.org/author/crystal-niebla/))



*Above, an elder discusses district mapping at the MAYE Center, a healing and organizing space based in Long Beach's Cambodia Town. (Photos by Crystal Niebla)*

*This story was updated on March 27, 2018.*

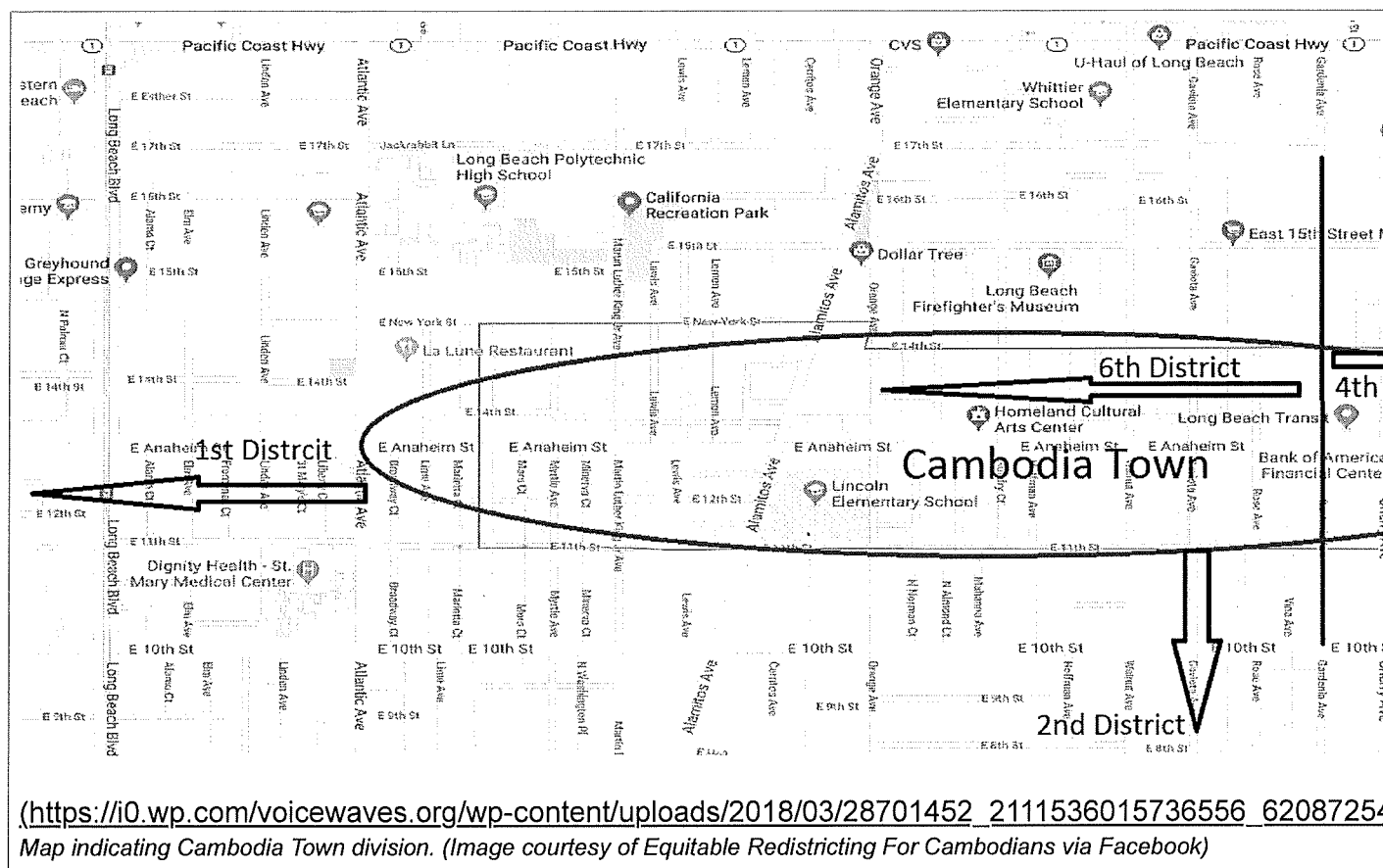
On Wednesday nights, about 20 Khmer Rouge (<https://voicewaves.org/2016/04/survivors-recognized-on-cambodian-genocide-remembrance-day/>) refugees attend a government and community organizing class at the MAYE Center, a trauma-healing space often used by Cambodian elders.

After 13 weeks of learning the ins and outs of Long Beach city politics, there was one question that left student Vy Sron perplexed.

"How do we organize our community for more political power?" Sron asked her teacher, Marc Coleman, a Long Beach organizer and attorney.

"You're limited because your community is diluted," Coleman responded.

The class was at a quagmire. Since the '70s, the Cambodia Town area has been divvied up among various districts — currently districts 1, 2, 4 and 6 — and, for them, the answer explained why they had such little say in city affairs and no ethnic representation on city council.



Now, leaders and allies of Long Beach's Cambodian community say they want more political power.

Sron's question manifested into Equitable Redistricting for Cambodian Community, an initiative by Equity for Cambodians, a [collective](https://www.facebook.com/Equitable-Redistricting-For-Cambodians-2108953489328142/) (<https://www.facebook.com/Equitable-Redistricting-For-Cambodians-2108953489328142/>) of Long Beach residents and 14 organizations that aims to redistrict Cambodia Town and the surrounding community for absorption into the 4th or 6th district, likely the farther east and south parts.

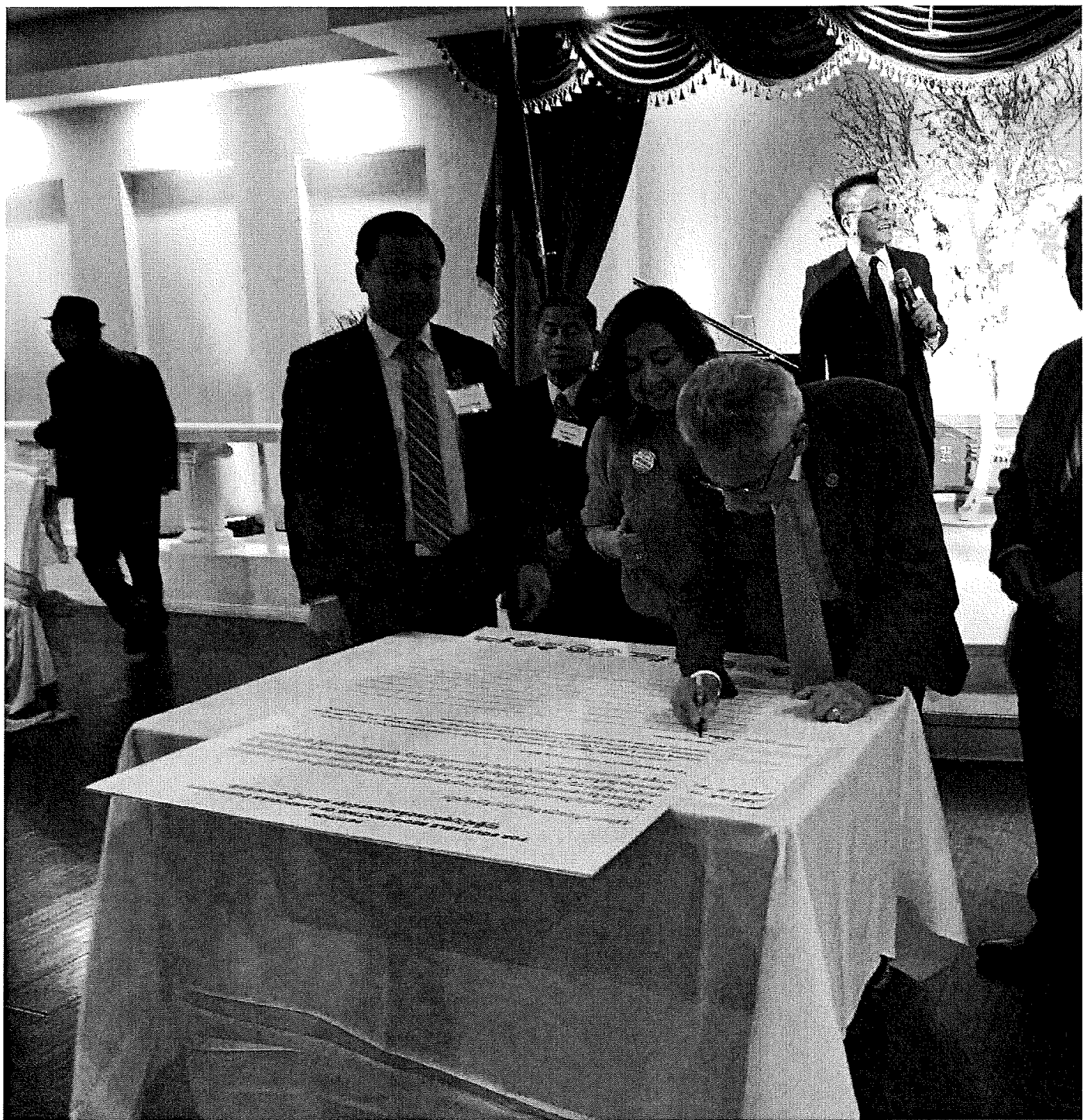
"We don't have a voice to dictate resources in Long Beach," said Laura Som, director at the MAYE Center. "Money is being spent, but no one represents us."

Instead of taking the issue to the ballot this year, Equitable Redistricting for Cambodian Community will entered a petition process to educate people about redistricting and political power.

The collective threw a campaign launch party on March 18, having Rep. Alan Lowenthal (D-Long Beach) be the first to sign the petition. District 7 Councilman Roberto Uranga and field representative Suely Saro on behalf of State Sen. Ricardo Lara (D-Bell Gardens) also signed the petition.

"This is a very important step that they're going through," Lowenthal said, adding that he's willing to help the campaign in any way.

"If they want me to go before the council, I will go before the council," he said.



(<https://i1.wp.com/voicewaves.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Alan-Lowenthal-signs-petition> Courtesy of Congressman Alan Lowenthal (CA-47) is the first to sign a petition supporting Long Beach redistricting that would absorb the Cambodian Thmey on March 18, 2018. (Photo courtesy of Andrea Donado)

Organizers hope to gather between 1,000 and 10,000 signatures to present to the city council sometime before local elections in April. "Residents and friends" of the district are eligible to sign a paper or online petition (<https://www.change.org/p/equity-for-cambodians>). There are no age or geographic limitations to sign either.

"We want young people to be involved because this is their future," Coleman said. "That is a huge force... It'll be something they've never seen before."

Advocates hope better representation can mean more access, for example, with language assistance in applying to the city's affordable housing for elders or low-income residents.

"I do not want people to experience what it means to be divided and alone because I was all by myself," Sron said via a Khmer translator, referring to when she arrived to the U.S. without friends or family.



*After finally being able to pay taxes, Vy Sron, 68, said she wants her community's voice to be heard.*

"I'm constantly worried about not being represented, not being able to express myself, with many language barriers," Sron said in Khmer.

In March 2011, Long Beach adopted a [redistricting criteria](http://www.longbeach.gov/globalassets/city-manager/media-library/documents/memos-to-the-mayor-tabbed-file-list-folders/2016/november-29--2016---mid-decade-redistricting-process) (<http://www.longbeach.gov/globalassets/city-manager/media-library/documents/memos-to-the-mayor-tabbed-file-list-folders/2016/november-29--2016---mid-decade-redistricting-process>) indicating that "splits in neighborhoods, ethnic communities and other groups having a clear identity should be avoided."

Members of Equitable Redistricting for Cambodian Community argue that the city violated one of its own redistricting guidelines, and it hasn't been the first time local Cambodians sounded the alarm.

Suely Saro, a then-executive director of [Khmer Girls in Action](http://kgalb.org/) (<http://kgalb.org/>), gave a [testimony](http://wedrawthelines.ca.gov/downloads/meeting_handouts_apr2011/handout_20110427_public_input_long_beach_02.pdf) ([http://wedrawthelines.ca.gov/downloads/meeting\\_handouts\\_apr2011/handout\\_20110427\\_public\\_input\\_long\\_beach\\_02.pdf](http://wedrawthelines.ca.gov/downloads/meeting_handouts_apr2011/handout_20110427_public_input_long_beach_02.pdf)) to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission in April 2011 cautioning against the redistricting of Cambodia Town and the surrounding community among four districts. However, she was unable to convince the commission.

"Because the neighborhoods have specific needs and interests unique to the Cambodian community, we ask that you do not divide either Cambodian neighborhoods in the redistricting process," Saro testified.

"In the last Redistricting in 2011, the City Council direction was to have the minimal changes required to each district to rebalance the population," said Kevin Lee, a public affairs officer for the city, earlier this month via email.

"In March 2017, the City Council made a determine (sic) not to redistrict, based primarily on the fact that reliable data was not available," Lee said.

"Reliable data" continues to be the obstacle for Cambodian community redistricting efforts now, and has been an issue since Long Beach received Khmer Rouge refugees in the 1970s.

Exhibit A

**City of Long Beach: Redistricting Criteria**  
*Adopted, March 22, 2011*

The Long Beach City Council adopted redistricting criteria applicable to Long Beach City Council districts for the 2011 redistricting process on Tuesday, March 22, 2011. The criteria are presented below and have been numbered for identification purposes only.

1. Transparency and public information should be of the highest priority;
2. Staff will receive input from many sources, but formal direction will come from the City Council in open session;
3. Direction to staff on adjustments shall occur in public session of the City Council;
4. Requested information will be shared publicly with all members of the City Council and the community;
5. Staff will provide the City Council with several options, and request direction until consensus is reached;
6. Deviations from mean population should be as small as possible, but not greater than +/- 5%;
7. Splits in neighborhoods, ethnic communities and other groups having a clear identity should be avoided;
8. Districts should be as compact as possible, avoiding gerrymandering;
9. Residences of Councilpersons should remain within their respective districts;
10. Boundaries should, wherever practicable, follow major roads and other readily identifiable features;
11. Preservation of communities of interest, where possible;
12. Boundary adjustments should generally consist of easily identifiable blocks/areas;
13. Use Census tract boundaries wherever possible. Redistricting shall avoid splitting Census blocks whenever possible;
14. Preservation of population cores which have consistently been associated with particular districts;
15. Avoidance of large scale dislocations of district populations;
16. Recognition of inevitable and historical topographic and geographic limitations on district boundaries; and
17. Redistricting should focus on areas of population, and not on areas of non-population (parks, businesses, etc.).

*Redistricting Criteria adopted in March 2011.*

Jack Humphrey, a former advance planning officer for the city between 1992 and 2002, cites that the 1990 federal census was “seriously undercounted” because many Cambodian refugees refused to participate due to trauma (during the Khmer Rouge genocide, the Cambodian government used their census data to find and kill citizens).

Although a case can be made that the division was racially discriminatory, a small Cambodian census number translated into “minimal interest” in that community since city council members cared more about voter turnout, Humphrey said. Cambodians were deemed too poor and too new for this investment, he added.

“The city council was not unaware that they were splitting up the Cambodian community up [then] three ways,” he said.

Since the city’s charter bases redistricting data on the decennial census, which will be recorded again in 2020, the next opportunity to redistrict would be in 2021, Lee said. But members of Equitable Redistricting for Cambodian Community are hoping for a win by 2020 because council seats will be up for election then.

“In 2021, should the number warrant a redistricting, the City Council would have a chance to look at the redistricting criteria and provide direction on what they would want to achieve as part of the process,” Lee added.





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Laura Som, director of the MAYE Center, helps lead a planning committee meeting on Jan. 31, 2018.

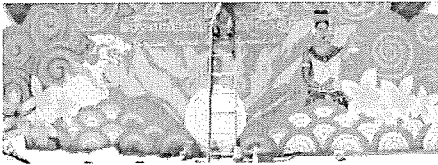
Now, as the city enters a new generation, Long Beach Cambodians are pushing harder to make their voices heard politically and want to see their community reunited under one voting district.

"If it happens in my generation, I would be so grateful to live among my own people with the desire to work hard in this community and build this community," Sron said in Khmer.

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**EXHIBIT B**

## ARTICLE XXV. - COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS AND REDISTRICTING

## Section 2500. - COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS.

The City shall be divided, for electoral purposes, into nine (9) Councilmanic Districts approximately equal in population.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

## Sec. 2501. - LONG BEACH INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION.

- (a) The exclusive authority to redraw Council district boundaries is vested in the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission.
- (b) The Commission shall:
  - (1) Be independent of Mayor and City Council control;
  - (2) Conduct an open and transparent process enabling full public consideration of and comment on the drawing of Council district boundaries;
  - (3) Comply with the provisions in this article; and
  - (4) Conduct itself with integrity and fairness.
- (c) The Commission may:
  - (1) Adopt for itself rules of procedure not in conflict with this article; and
  - (2) Adopt rules and regulations for the interpretation and implementation of this article.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

## Sec. 2502. - POWER AND DUTY OF COMMISSION TO ADOPT COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARY MAP.

- (a) Within six (6) months after census-block-level population data from a regular United States decennial census is made available to the public, the Commission shall adopt a final map establishing new Council district boundaries and a final report explaining its decision. The final map shall include a precise map and written description of the boundaries of each Council district. In the final report, the Commission shall explain the rationale for the Council district boundaries, including, at a minimum, an explanation of how the final map complies with the redistricting requirements and criteria in Section 2506 of this Charter and a reasonable justification for any Council district boundary that does not comply with any redistricting criterion.
- (b) A Commission-adopted final map has the force and effect of law and is effective immediately upon adoption, unless on the date of adoption there are less than six (6) months until the next primary

City election, in which case the final map shall go into effect after that election and any applicable run-off election.

- (c) If the Commission does not adopt a final map by the deadline in subsection (a), the City Attorney shall immediately petition the Superior Court for an order prescribing new Council district boundaries in accordance with the redistricting criteria and requirements set forth in Section 2506. The boundaries prescribed by the Superior Court shall be used for all City Council elections that take place more than six (6) months from the date of the Superior Court's order and shall last until a final map is adopted by the Commission to replace it.
- (d) The Commission shall redraw Council district boundaries once per decade and at such other times as may be required, as provided in subsection (a), unless the Commission is reconvened by a vote of two-thirds of the City Council to address significant population changes, legal challenges, or other issues, or is ordered to do so by a court.
- (e) Any territory that is annexed, consolidated, or otherwise attached to the City shall be allocated to a Council district pursuant to this subsection, effective upon the completion of such annexation, consolidation, or other proceedings. The City Clerk shall update the final map accordingly.
  - (1) If the territory's boundary is contiguous to the boundary of not more than one (1) Council district, the territory shall be allocated to that Council district.
  - (2) If the territory's boundary is contiguous to the boundaries of two (2) or more Council districts, the territory shall be allocated to the council district with which it shares the longest boundary.
  - (3) If the territory's boundary is not contiguous with the boundary of any Council district, the territory shall be allocated to the closest Council district.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2503. - COMMISSION ORGANIZATION.

- (a) The Commission shall consist of 13 commissioners and 2 alternates. Alternates may fully participate in commission deliberations but may not vote and may not be counted towards the establishment of a quorum. Alternates are subject to the same terms of office, qualifications, restrictions, and standards of conduct as other commissioners under this article.
- (b) The term of office of each commissioner begins on December 1 of a year ending in zero, and expires on January 1 of the next year ending in zero. Sixty (60) days after a final map has been adopted, the Commission shall cease to meet, unless reconvened by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or by the City Attorney to consider settlement options if the final map is legally challenged or by the City Council as provided by Section 2502(a) above.
- (c) Nine (9) commissioners constitute a quorum. The removal of a Commissioner or alternate; the approval of additional redistricting criteria; and the approval of a proposed final map, final map, and

final report require the affirmative votes of nine (9) commissioners. All other Commission actions require the affirmative vote of a majority of commissioners present.

- (d) At its first meeting, the Commission shall select one (1) commissioner to serve as Chair and one (1) to serve as Vice Chair. The Commission may designate other officers from its membership, and may establish subcommittees. Subcommittees shall report on their actions at the next meeting of the Commission.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

Sec. 2504. - COMMISSIONER QUALIFICATIONS, REQUIREMENTS AND POST-SERVICE RESTRICTIONS.

- (a) Each commissioner must be a registered voter of the City and must either:
  - (1) Have voted in the City election immediately preceding his or her application to be on the Commission; or
  - (2) Have been a resident of the City for at least one (1) year immediately preceding his or her application to be on the Commission.
- (b) The following persons are not eligible to be a commissioner:
  - (1) A person who, or whose spouse, registered domestic partner, or child, within the eight (8) years immediately preceding their date of application to be on the Commission, has contributed to a candidate for City elective office, in a single year, more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250).
  - (2) A person who, or whose spouse, registered domestic partner, or child - is or has been, within the four (4) years immediately preceding their date of application to be on the Commission, any of the following:
    - i. A paid employee of the City, including those employed by an elected official;
    - ii. A registered City lobbyist, or someone who was required to be a registered City lobbyist; or
    - iii. A paid employee of any redistricting contractor or consultant.
  - (3) A person who, or whose spouse, registered domestic partner, parent, sibling, or child - has been, within eight (8) years immediately preceding their date of application to be on the Commission, any of the following:
    - i. Elected to or appointed to, or been a candidate for, City elective office;
    - ii. An officer, employee of, or paid consultant or contractor to a campaign committee or a candidate for City elective office;
    - iii. A staff member, paid employee of, a consultant to, or someone under contract with any City elected official; or
    - iv. A principal officer of an active campaign committee domiciled in the County of Los Angeles that has made expenditures on candidate elections for a City elective office.

- (c) Within 30 days of appointment, a commissioner shall file with the City Clerk a statement of economic interest, or similar financial disclosure statement, as required under the City's conflict of interest code, and shall agree to the City's Code of Ethics and written ethics pledge.
- (d) A commissioner shall be ineligible, for a period of ten years beginning from the date of their appointment, to hold City elective office. A commissioner shall be ineligible, for a period of four (4) years beginning from the date of their appointment, to be appointed to another City commission, to serve as paid staff for or as a paid consultant to any City elected official or candidate for City elective office, to receive a non-competitively bid contract with the City, or to register as a City lobbyist.
- (e) While serving on the Commission, a commissioner shall not endorse, work for, volunteer for, or contribute to any candidate campaign for City elective office. Commissioners choosing to engage in such activity may resign at any time, including after the approval of a final map to ensure that the commissioner no longer serves if the Commission is reconvened to redraw districts

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2505. - COMMISSIONER SELECTION AND REMOVAL.

- (a) The commissioner selection process is designed to produce a Commission that is independent and that reasonably reflects the diversity of the City.
- (b) The City Clerk shall, beginning in 2020, and in each year ending in the number zero thereafter, initiate and widely publicize an application process, open to all City registered voters who meet the requirements of Section 953, in a manner that promotes a qualified commissioner applicant pool that is large and reflective of the diversity of the City. The application period shall remain open for at least three (3) months.
- (c) The City Clerk shall create an application available in English, Spanish, Khmer and Tagalog and as may be required under the City's Language Access Policy for prospective commissioners, and seek assistance from a broad range of community-based organizations in outreach efforts. Applicants shall attest on the application, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided is true.
- (d) Approximately one (1) month prior to the close of the application period, the City Clerk shall report to the City Council and Mayor on applications received up to that point and any additional outreach that is being undertaken or planned to ensure that the applicant pool has a sufficient number of qualified applicants and reasonably reflects the City's diversity.
- (e) After the close of the application period, the City Clerk shall review and remove individuals who are disqualified under Section 2504 of this Charter from among the commission applicants. The City Clerk shall maintain a public record of the disqualifications that apply to each person whose application is removed from the applicant pool. If the resulting applicant pool does not have at least



35 qualified applicants, including 3 qualified applicants from each existing City Council district, the City Clerk shall reopen the application period for one (1) month and conduct additional outreach to ensure that the pool meets these requirements.

- (f) After removing ineligible applicants, the City Clerk shall publish and transmit to a screening panel a list with the names of all qualified applicants. For purposes of this section, "screening panel" means:
- (1) The City's Ethics Commission, if that Commission is established by ordinance or under this Charter; or
  - (2) If an ethics commission matching the description in subsection (1) does not exist, a panel of Long Beach residents consisting of: one (1) retired judge; one (1) law, government, or public policy professor teaching at an accredited institution; and one (1) member of the governing board of a non-profit organization qualified under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3) that has history of advocating for good government reform in the city. The panelists shall be selected by the Mayor from a pool of qualified applicants. Panelists shall meet the same qualifications required of commissioners in Section 2504. The Mayor shall recruit a pool of applicants to serve on the screening panel; or
  - (3) If an ethics commission matching the description in subsection (1) does not exist, and there are insufficient qualified applicants to form a panel pursuant to paragraph (2), a panel consisting of the City Attorney, the City Clerk, and the City Auditor.
- (g) From this eligible commissioner applicant pool, the screening panel shall, no later than November 1, 2020, and by November 1 in each year ending in the number zero thereafter, create a subpool of not less than 20 nor more than 30 applicants most qualified to perform the duties of the Commission, including at least two (2) applicants from each existing Council district. The screening panel, exercising its independent judgment, shall make these assignments at a publicly noticed meeting after the public has had the opportunity to provide written and oral comment. The screening panel may ask additional questions of commissioner applicants at that meeting. The screening panel shall make each assignment to the subpool on the basis of the applicant's relevant analytical skills, familiarity with the city's neighborhoods and communities, ability to be impartial, and apparent ability to work cooperatively with other potential commissioners. The subpool should reasonably reflect the City's diversity; provided that, other than the requirement of geographic diversity in this subsection, no quotas, formulas, or ratios may be applied for this purpose.
- (h) Immediately after the subpool has been created, and at that same public meeting, the chair of the screening panel shall randomly select nine (9) names - one (1) from each existing council district - from the subpool. These nine (9) individuals shall serve as commissioners on the Commission.
- (i) The commissioners selected pursuant to subsection (h) shall select four (4) commissioners and two (2) alternates from the remaining applicants in the subpool. Each selection requires six (6)

affirmative votes from among the nine (9) commissioners, and the selection must be made at a publicly noticed meeting after the public has had the opportunity to provide written and oral comment. The commissioners shall make each selection on the basis of the applicant's relevant analytical skills, familiarity with the city's neighborhoods and communities, ability to be impartial, and apparent ability to work cooperatively with other commissioners. The Commission should reasonably reflect the City's diversity; provided that no quotas, formulas, or ratios may be applied for this purpose.

- (j) The Commission shall be fully established no later than December 1, 2020, and thereafter no later than December 1 in each year ending in the number zero. To meet this deadline, the City Clerk may establish other deadlines for the commissioner application and selection process described in this Section.
- (k) The Commission may remove a commissioner for substantial neglect of duty, gross misconduct in office, or inability to discharge the duties of office, but only after providing the subject commissioner written notice and an opportunity for a response at a public meeting.
- (l) If a commissioner resigns or is removed from the Commission, the Chair of the Commission shall randomly select one (1) of the alternates to fill the vacancy as a voting commissioner. If the Commission is unable to act because there are fewer than nine (9) active commissioners, the City Clerk shall, within one (1) month of making this determination, recruit a pool of qualified applicants to fill the vacancies. The remaining commissioners shall, within two (2) weeks of the pool being constituted, appoint replacement commissioners from this pool by a two-thirds vote.
- (m) For purposes of this section, "diversity" includes, but is not limited to, racial, ethnic, gender, and sexual orientation diversity.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2506. - REDISTRICTING REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIA.

- (a) The Commission shall draw its final map so that:
  - (1) Council districts are as nearly equal as practicable in total population;
  - (2) The final map complies with the U.S. Constitution; the Federal Voting Rights Act, the California Constitution; and any other requirement of federal or state law applicable to charter cities; and
  - (3) Each Council district is geographically contiguous, to the extent practicable, and has a clearly defined boundary.
- (b) In addition to following the requirements of subsection (a), the Commission shall consider the following criteria when drawing the final map, in order of priority:
  - (1) The geographic integrity of a neighborhood should be respected in a manner that minimizes its division.

- (2) Communities of interest. The geographic integrity of a community of interest should be respected in a manner that minimizes its division. A community of interest is a contiguous population that shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation;
  - (3) Neighborhoods and communities sharing a common language, history, culture and identity should not be divided so as to dilute their voting power;
  - (4) Geography and topography: Districts should respect major topographic and geographic features of the City;
  - (5) District boundaries should be easily identifiable and understandable by voters. Districts should be bounded by natural and artificial barriers, by street lines, and/or by City boundary lines;
  - (6) Districts should be geographically compact such that nearby areas of population are not bypassed for more distant population;
  - (7) All lines must correspond to census blocks in order to preserve the validity of data and avoid arbitrary boundaries; and
  - (8) Other Commission may adopt other criteria that do not conflict with the other requirements and criteria listed in this section or with state or federal law.
- (c) The Commission shall not consider place of residence of any individual, including any incumbent or political candidate, in the creation of a map.
  - (d) The Commission shall number each Council district such that, for as many residents as possible, the number of the Council district they reside in remains the same.
  - (e) The Commission shall not draw districts for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2507. - PUBLIC MEETINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT.

- (a) The Commission shall establish and implement an open meeting process for public input and deliberation that is promoted through an outreach program to solicit broad public participation in the redistricting process. The Commission shall comply with all applicable State and City requirements for open meetings.
- (b) Prior to adopting a final map, the Commission shall hold at least nine (9) public meetings, including one (1) public meeting in each existing Council district. A final map may not be adopted unless a proposed final map with substantially similar Council district boundaries has been adopted at least seven (7) days earlier at a prior public meeting.
- (c) The Commission shall establish and implement a process for accepting written public comment,

including the submission of draft maps and draft partial maps for the Commission's consideration.

- (d) Commission members and staff may not communicate with or receive communications about redistricting matters from anyone except at a public meeting or through the process established for accepting written public comment. This subsection does not prohibit:
  - (1) communication between Commission members, staff, legal counsel, and consultants retained by the Commission that is otherwise permitted by State and City open meeting requirements; or
  - (2) commissioners, staff, legal counsel, or consultants from engaging in public education and outreach, including explaining how the Commission functions and encouraging public participation in the redistricting process.
- (e) Any person who is compensated for communicating with the Commission or any commissioner, other than a reimbursement of reasonable travel expenses, shall identify the party compensating them in such communication.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2508. - RECORDS AND DATA.

- (a) The Commission shall comply with the California Public Records Act, commencing with section 6250 of the California Government Code, or its successor, and any City laws regarding public records, to the degree they require greater disclosure and retention of Commission records than is provided in this article.
- (b) The Commission and its subcommittees shall keep minutes of all discussion and actions taken at public meetings. The minutes should be adopted at the next public meeting of that body. To the greatest extent practicable, all public meetings of the Commission and its subcommittees shall be video recorded.
- (c) To the greatest extent practicable, the Commission shall make available to the public a free electronic mapping tool, loaded with relevant population and demographic data, which tool can be used to create draft maps and draft partial maps.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2509. - ADMINISTRATION.

- (a) The City Council shall appropriate sufficient funds to recruit commissioners, meet the operational needs of the Commission, and conduct any outreach program to solicit broad public participation in the redistricting process.
- (b) The City Manager, City Clerk, and City Attorney shall assign sufficient staff to support the Commission. The Commission shall be staffed by no less than three (3) City employees: the City

Manager, the City Clerk, and the City Attorney, or their respective representatives. The City Attorney's, or his/her respective representative's, only client on matters relating to redistricting is the Commission.

- (c) The City Clerk and the City Attorney, or their respective representatives, shall, no later than March 1, 2021, and thereafter by March 1 in every year ending in one, train the commissioners on the requirements of this article, federal and state law regarding redistricting, open meeting requirements, and general rules of parliamentary procedure.
- (d) The City Manager and the City Clerk shall, by January 1, 2020, and thereafter by January 1 in every year ending in zero, provide a report to the Mayor and City Council that explains, at minimum, plans for: recruiting a qualified applicant pool that reflects the City's diversity; assigning sufficient staff to support the Commission's activities; training commissioners; providing work space and relevant technology to support the Commission's activities; facilitating an open selection process to hire redistricting consultants; identifying and reserving meeting spaces suitable for holding public meetings in each Council district; creating a website for the Commission; and encouraging public participation in the redistricting process.
- (e) Within 60 days after the adoption of a final map, the Commission shall transmit a report to the Mayor and City Council recommending any changes, including amendments to this article, that could improve the redistricting process in future years. The City Council may, by two-thirds vote, adopt by ordinance changes to time limits and deadlines imposed by this article that are specifically recommended by the Commission.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2510. - LEGAL CHALLENGE.

- (a) Any registered voter in the City may file a petition for a writ of mandate or writ of prohibition within ninety (90) days after the Commission has adopted a final map, to bar the implementation of all or a portion of the new Council district boundaries on the grounds that the final map violates this article. No legal challenge may be brought against the final map under this article after the 90-day period has expired.
- (b) If a legal challenge is successfully brought against the final map, the Court may correct the violation by court order adjusting Council district boundaries consistent with the redistricting requirements and criteria of Section 2506; alternatively, if the Court finds the final map requires significant revisions or must be entirely redrawn, the Court may order the Commission to reconvene to adjust or adopt new Council district boundaries.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

**Date:** June 29, 2021

**To:** Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission (LBIRC)

**From:** Sean McMorris, Policy and Organizing Consultant

**Re:** June 23, 2021, LBIRC Meeting and discussion about clarity regarding the Commission's use of existing district cores as a starting point for the line-drawing process

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Honorable Members of the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission,

I am writing on behalf of California Common Cause, a co-author of Measure DDD. I would first like to thank all of you for your commitment to the Commission and the seriousness you have displayed as stewards of a fair citizen-led redistricting process in Long Beach. As commissioners you have asked hard questions and inquired often about past injustices inflicted on certain communities through the redistricting process. You have also displayed compassion for residents and a desire to draw district lines that are fair and that prevent community disenfranchisement. Thank you for your diligent efforts.

We are aware that you have received California Common Cause's memo outlining our concerns with the [Long Beach City Attorney's Office and Olsen & Remcho's joint-memo](#) that promotes the use of current district cores as a starting point for your redistricting work. As you know, California Common Cause and Equity for Cambodians reject the City Attorney's and Olsen & Remcho's interpretation of charter language pertaining to the use of district cores. This matter was again discussed in light of California Common Cause's and Equity for Cambodians' memos at the [June 23, 2021, Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission \(LBIRC\) meeting](#). A viewing of that meeting appears to show that a majority of the Commission has rejected the idea of using current district cores as a starting point for the drawing of new district lines. At that meeting, City staff also argued that the Commission's April 21, 2021 no consensus vote concerning "criteria in addition to the City Charter requirements" in [Item 2 of the meeting Agenda](#) means that [City Hall's eleventh proposed criteria](#) to preserve the cores of existing districts would no longer be operative. As a result, the Commission is currently only beholden to criteria in the City Charter. Despite the appearance of a degree of resolution on this matter, California Common Cause still has concerns that can only be alleviated by certain actions by the City Attorney's Office or the Commission, which could include:

1. The City Attorney's Office rescinding its April 15, 2021 joint-memo with Olsen & Remcho,
2. The City Attorney's Office revising its memo to adequately address the arguments made by the framers of Measure DDD concerning the original intent of the mapping criteria,

3. Further action by the Commission in the form of a formal rejection via Commission vote of the joint City-Olsen & Remcho memo and its legal interpretation of Measure DDD as it pertains to district cores, and/or
4. An agendized revisiting of the matter by the Commission in an open meeting to affirm by Commission vote that the Commission will not use existing district cores as a starting point for the creation of new districts.

Such action is important not only for clarity for this Commission and City residents, but for future Commissions, in Long Beach and elsewhere, to prevent undue — city-hall-sanctioned — political intervention that undermines the integrity of independent redistricting commissions.

Short of City Hall action in the form of rescinding or a thorough revising of its joint-memo, we request that the Commission take action to prevent lingering concern about the potentially harmful implications of the City's memo upon this and future independent redistricting commissions.

If the Commission has any questions about our June 16, 2021, memo or about California Common Cause's intent in co-drafting Measure DDD, please do not hesitate to reach out to us [[lacc@commoncause.org](mailto:lacc@commoncause.org) or [dvicuna@commoncause.org](mailto:dvicuna@commoncause.org)]. Thank you for your consideration and your commitment to a fair and independent redistricting process.

Sincerely,  
Sean McMorris  
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## Community of interest COI

### 1. Name

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### 3. In order to access your comments in the future, we need to attach a name to your community of interest. How would you like it to be identified?

Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group-California Heights

### 4.What binds your community together or creates its shared identity? An identity can include the types of shared histories, values, and interests, as well as others. You may include demographic data about the residents of the community, information about the community's history, and how this community currently engages with the political process.

Los Angeles County and the City of Long Beach is home to California Heights. This historic district is located in the 7<sup>th</sup> District with its boundaries being Bixby Rd to the north, Wardlow Rd. to the south, and Gardenia Ave to the east, and Lime Ave to the west. The values that unite the neighborhood are like many others and include safety, the environment, good schools, clean and safe streets and much more. The neighborhood association sponsors many activities including annual garden tours, tree plantings, street clean-ups, historic lamppost restoration, and monthly newsletters. Residents of California Heights consider themselves “stewards of history” and work together to preserve the unique architectural qualities of their homes and the neighborhood at large.

This community goes above and beyond as a community of interest.

The Long Beach Airport affects the quality of life in the California Heights residential neighborhood on an hourly basis 365 days a year. Takeoffs and landings of both commercial, private and flight school aircraft impact noise and air quality. A noise map of the Long Beach Airport shows approximately 10,000 District 7 residents in its path while the 5th District shows significantly less (approximately 1000). Looking at the noise complaints in the monthly commission reports for the past 2 years you can clearly see that D7 is the most affected neighborhood (90807) of any in the city yet District 7 is not adjacent since it is buffered by the area just west of the airport and considered part of District 5.

We also have nearby schools, Longfellow Elementary and Hughes Middle School that are affected by the airport noise and pollution.

Council decisions always defer to the council member in whose district an issue arises and as a resident in the Airport Adjacent Neighborhood Group of California Heights we would like to see the boundary of District 7 moved east to connect with the Long Beach Airport in order to give the District 7 council member and its residents more a balanced voice in Long Beach Airport issues.

Perhaps equally important, the new Globemaster Corridor Specific Plan (GCSP) which is currently under development and exists in this same gap between the airport's western boundary and the residential area just west of Cherry Avenue is currently in the 5th District. In no way does this project affect the residents of the 5th District to any great degree. All the negative impacts of noise, traffic, pollution, etc., will be borne by the residents of a District 7, ***not District 5.***

Just prior to the final approvals of the GCSP, we had an issue with the city and the owner of the old Boeing property there when they were allowing the property to be used as an illegal shipping container storage yard-with containers stacked six high and operating 24 hour a day. Upon investigation, council members themselves seemed confused as in what district this problem existed which made it more difficult for residents who were being negatively affected to remedy the situation and have the illegal yard removed. It is vital that this area be included in District 7 and removed from District 5 so adjacent affected residents can be represented by their own Council Member on issues in this project area!

Since we first drafted this COI statement, the city has announced that the Globemaster facility has a new lessee- Relativity Space- that will build a facility there housing very large 3D printers for building space rockets and employee 2000 at that site. District 7 will be affected by the traffic in and out by employees of that facility. We're not even sure if a separate EIR will be required for this facility or if the city will allow it to be developed under the Program EIR but we on the eastern side of the seventh district will bear the brunt of all the negative environmental issues (I.E. air quality, construction and traffic). *We need our councilmember to have a direct say and represent the affected residents in this area.*

**5. Where is your community located? You can define it by neighborhoods, streets, addresses, key landmarks such as a park, a City facility, school, church, or other boundaries.**

California Heights Neighborhood, neighborhoods west of LGB (Cherry Ave) , north of Wardlow, south of Carson, and east of Atlantic Ave. California Heights is the largest neighborhood Historic District in the City of Long Beach.

**6. By keeping your community intact in new district maps, in what ways would it enhance the quality of its representation?**

Expanding the District 7 boundary to join the Airport boundary on the Airport's west side will give affected residents a better voice at Council when issues arise both with Airport and Globemaster Corridor Specific Plan decisions and issues. Additionally, since this area is a mix of industrial place types and does not include residing voters, it will be unlikely to have any impact on populations of the district.

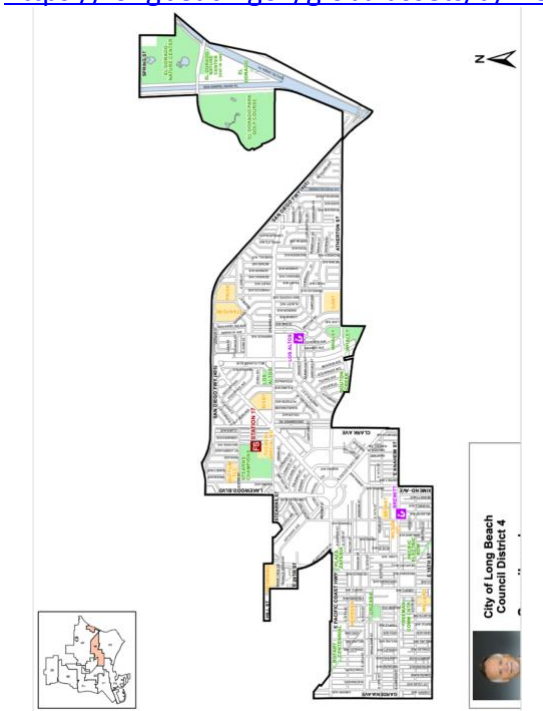
**7. In which Council District do you currently reside?**

**8.If you wish to include additional comments for consideration by the Commission, please add them here:**

I am concerned about resident involvement (or lack thereof) in light of the incorrect meeting dates that were sent to residents in their utility bills. I am concerned about resident involvement when the online link to sign up for public comment went to a non-functional "Opps-try again" page for the D7 meeting. I am concerned about resident involvement when Council members in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> district did not even mention the RD meeting in their newsletters or social media nor did they call in to note their presence or interest in the process during meetings directed at their own districts. I am concerned about resident involvement when the mapping tool is difficult to use even for computer literate residents. I am concerned about the process.

Please see our EVIDENCE below-attached maps, links and other documents related tour requested district boundary change request.

Example of political non- contiguous district lines in a historical map of District 4. The changes we seek in district 7 are contiguous. <https://longbeach.gov/globalassets/ti/media-library/documents/gis/map-catalog/cd4-small>  
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## **Globemaster Corridor Specific Plan (GCSP):**

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<p><b>1.8 CEQA/NEPA</b></p> <p>The Specific Plan will be adopted in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), California Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.). Pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq.) and the Council of Environmental Quality's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Guidance (Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 5, Section 1500 et seq.), the City prepared an Initial Study/Environmental (IS/EA) Assessment and Notice of Preparation and made these documents available to responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and interested parties for a 30-day public review period. Through the IS/EA, the City determined that implementation of the GCSP could result in potentially significant environmental impacts and that the preparation of a programmatic-level environmental impact report (EIR)/environmental impact statement (EIS) was required.</p> <p>The GCSP EIR/EIS is a program EIR/EIS. As provided in Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines, a Program EIR may be prepared on a series of actions that may be characterized as one large project. The GCSP establishes an overall development program that can be characterized as one large project, but its implementation will require a series of future ministerial or discretionary actions (approvals of specific projects) by the City. The GCSP Program EIR/EIS is intended to serve as the primary environmental document for all future entitlements (future developments) associated with implementation of the GCSP, including all</p>	<p>discretionary approvals requested or required to implement the project.</p> <p>Pursuant to Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines, future development under the Specific Plan development program must be examined in light of the Specific Plan Program EIR/EIS to determine whether additional environmental documentation must be prepared and whether tiering would be appropriate. Each future development will be assessed through a CEQA compliance checklist by the City to determine if the activity is within the scope of the GCSP Program EIR/EIS. Because these future developments are not new projects as defined by CEQA, compliance for each impact category is narrowed to a determination as to whether the activity would result in: (1) no substantial change from the previous analysis; (2) a more severe impact; or (3) a new significant impact. Based on the results of this CEQA compliance checklist, the City will determine which of the following actions is applicable to the future development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The future development is a component of and consistent with the GCSP and has been previously analyzed as a part of the GCSP Program EIR/EIS and findings certified pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines. No additional CEQA documentation is required (CEQA Guidelines Section 15168).</li><li>• The future development is a component of the GCSP and has been previously analyzed as a part of the GCSP Program EIR/EIS and findings certified pursuant to the state CEQA Guidelines; however, minor technical changes or additions are needed to make the previous documentation</li></ul>	<p>adequate to cover the project. An Addendum to the Specific Plan Program EIR/EIS is required (CEQA Guidelines Section 15164).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The future development is either not a component of the GCSP or has not been previously analyzed as part of the GCSP Program EIR/EIS, in which case an initial study and additional environmental review under CEQA will be required unless the future development is exempt under CEQA.</li></ul> <p>In addition, future development projects within the Specific Plan area may be eligible for streamlining under CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.3, effective January 1, 2013. To be eligible, a project must</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be located in an urban area on a previously developed site or surrounded by urban uses (75% of perimeter);</li><li>• Satisfy performance standards in CEQA Guidelines Appendix M; and</li><li>• Be consistent with the general use designation, density, building intensity, and applicable policies in the Southern California Association of Governments Sustainable Communities Strategy.</li></ul>
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**Long Beach Airport Noise reports:**

Specifically look at the noise complaints from 90807 which include the California Heights neighborhood. They are consistently the highest with the largest number of individual reporters.

<https://www.longbeach.gov/lgb/community-information/noise-abatement/monthly-noise-and-activity-reports/>

here is a compilation of two years of noise reports by zip code and council district indicating where most of the affected areas are.

DATE	90802	90803	90804	90805	90806	90807	90808	90814	90815
11/1/17		1		21		34	20	1	2
12/1/18		1		20		15	4		1
1/1/18		1		63	1	41	351		4
2/1/18		1		36		30	13		4
4/1/18				33		43	7	1	6
5/1/18	1		10	40	1	101	31	1	3
7/1/18			1	20		62	3	1	4
8/1/18		1		8		94	23	1	3
9/1/19				8	1	49	2		5
10/1/18				29		36	23		1
12/1/18			1	22		15	2		3
1/1/19	1			16		25	1		1
3/1/19				17		14	5		
4/1/19				11	2	24	4		3
5/1/19		1	1	25	1	22	5	1	6
6/1/19		3		23	1	32	11	1	3
9/1/19				17		38	7	1	1
TOTALS	2	9	13	409	7	675	512	8	50
Council District	D1	D3	D4	D8/D9?	SH	D7	D5	D3?	D4?





The map displays the city of Long Beach, California, divided into nine numbered districts, each with a unique color. District 9 (blue) is located in the northernmost part of the city. District 8 (grey) is situated to the west of District 9. District 7 (green) is to the south of District 8. District 6 (light blue) is to the east of District 7. District 5 (purple) is to the east of District 6. District 4 (orange) is to the south of District 5. District 3 (light green) is to the south of District 4. District 2 (pink) is to the west of District 3. District 1 (yellow) is to the west of District 2. A red circle and arrow highlight the area around the Long Beach Airport, which is located between Districts 7 and 5. The map also shows surrounding cities like Compton, Norwalk, Artesia, and Lakewood, and major highways like the San Diego Freeway and Harbor Freeway.



My comments here focus on districts other than the 7<sup>th</sup>. However, I hope you will have opportunity to add them to your overall input and consider them at some point.

I have two primary goals: One is to preserve the sense of “neighborhood” exemplified in the March, 2015, City of Long Beach Neighborhoods map. This is because each neighborhood is likely to have its own history, values, and interests, including such factors as rent vs. own status and racial/ethnic status – and many neighborhoods have strong, proactive associations, to boot. My second goal concerns the current “whale with a tail” shape of District 4, a shape that makes no geographic sense. I thus posit altering the geographic axis separating Districts 4 and 5 from a north-south axis to an east-west axis. This result encompasses the following:

- ★ District 4 would comprise some eight neighborhoods: Lakewood Village, Plaza West, Los Altos North and South, Stearns Park, Traffic Circle, Park Estates, and Bryant.
- ★ District 5 would comprise a range of neighborhoods, some of which are very small: Plaza East, the four El Dorado (Park) areas, Rancho Estates, Palo Verde, College Parks Estates, Bixby Hill, CSULB (perhaps), University Park Estates, Alamitos Heights, Belmont Park, Naples, Peninsula, and the nine neighborhoods surrounding SEADIP.

Consequences of this redistribution:

- ✓ Both Districts 4 and 5 would have reasonable geographic shapes.
- ✓ As far as I can tell, the populations of the two districts would remain close to the 2010 Census results: District 4 adds to some 51,000, District 5 to some 48,000.
- ✓ Much of the area designated as “Cambodia Town” could form part of a newly redistributed District 6, comprising (for example) the SE Wrigley, Sunrise, Central, Zaferia, and Memorial Heights neighborhoods.
- ✓ The western boundary of District 3 would move to the east, as some of its “historical” neighborhoods would be redistributed into District 5. But this is only likely to decrease its population to a level closer to that of the redistributed Districts 4 and 5.
- ✓ Other current Districts could also be redistributed:
  - move Saint Francis from District 9 into District 8, while leaving existing neighborhoods in District 9 as current;
  - District 8 would then comprise Saint Francis, Dairy, Lindbergh, Paramount, Addams, Carmelitos, and Bixby Knolls;
  - District 7 would comprise California Heights, Wrigley Heights, Arlington, Upper Westside, North Wrigley, Sutter, Westside, and Los Cerritos.
  - District 3 would comprise Recreation Park, Bluff Heights, Belmont Shore, Belmont Heights, Rose Park, Carroll Park, and Bluff Park.
  - District 2 would comprise West and East Village, Downtown, Franklin, Bixby Park, and east part of Hellman.

- District 1 would comprise South Wrigley, Willmore, Saint Mary's, Lower Westside, Westside South, Magnolia District, Washington School, and the west part of Hellman.

Of course, the 2015 map of the city's neighborhoods might be relevant no longer. Moreover, I realize that redistricting is accomplished via Census Tracts, rather than by neighborhoods, so certainly fine-tuning would be mandatory. Also, I cannot forecast what the population results of the 2020 Census will bring; yet I posit the redistribution proposed here would result in a deviation from mean district population not greater than  $\pm 5\%$ . What this redistribution does do is to obviate the "whale with a tail" shape of District 4's current geography while retaining neighborhood districts as much as possible – and these were my original goals.

I appreciate the opportunity to submit my two-cents worth and thank you for reading my remarks all the way through!

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**From:** Wrigley Alliance [mailto:wrigleyalliance@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 13, 2021 2:05 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Agenda Item 21-068RC: Comment Regarding 7th Council District Boundaries

**-EXTERNAL-**

**July 13, 2021 (Agenda Item 2)**

The historic Wrigley Community is bounded on the North by the I-405 Freeway; on the South by Pacific Coast Highway; on the East by Long Beach Boulevard and on the West by the Los Angeles River. Our Community has been gerrymander and split into as many as three Council Districts. Our Community should no longer be split between the 6th and 7th Council Districts. We are a Community with a connected, socially and economically diverse population. Both the Pacific Avenue and Willow Street Business corridors, and our need for Parks and Open Space have been neglected far too long. Both Council Offices have focused their attention on the needs of other communities, *e.g.*, Central Long Beach and Bixby Knolls.

Furthermore, the Wrigley District and West Long Beach have a demonstrated track record of being connected both socially and economically. Our Community leaders have joined together and worked diligently on common concerns since 1988, *e.g.*, Public Safety, Flood Protection, Revitalization of the Los Angeles River, I-710 Freeway Improvements and Air Quality advocacy.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Best regards,  
Joan Greenwood, President (7th District)  
Jim Trout, Vice President (7th District)  
Patricia Arndt, Secretary (6th District)  
Nancy Risch, Treasurer (6th District)  
Gloria Bolanos, Director (7th District)  
Jill Hill, Director (7th District)  
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Timothy Risch (6th District)  
Josephine Villasenor (6th District)

# EQUITABLE REDISTRICTING FOR THE CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY

March 16, 2018

This paper discusses the circumstances and principles involved in the current effort to redistrict the City of Long Beach so that the greater Cambodian community, located principally along the Anaheim Corridor area, is in one council district.

## CITY OF LONG BEACH

The City of Long Beach is a charter city meaning that it is governed by the City Charter. Section 103 of the Long Beach City Charter requires that the City be divided, for electoral purposes, into nine (9) councilmatic districts that are of approximately equal population. Council districts are determined based on population, not registered voters.

With a population of roughly 460,000 people, each district has approximately 51,000 people.<sup>1</sup> The current Long Beach Council District map per the last redistricting is set forth in Exhibit 1.

## THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS

Section 103 of the Long Beach City Charter provides that the opportunity for redistricting in Long Beach happens every five years or at any other time the City Council directs. Thus the Council can consider redistricting at any time. Section 103 of the Charter also directs that, upon City Council direction, the Planning Commission shall ascertain the population residing in each council district and report its findings to the City Council. If the council districts are not “approximately equal” the City Council must redistrict. Yet the Charter does not limit redistricting to only this circumstance nor does it indicate under what circumstances the Council may redistrict. Additionally, in the past, the City has amended its prior redistricting as needed. See discussion infra.

## THE CAMBODIAN POPULATION LIVING IN LONG BEACH

As a direct result of the Khmer Rouge genocide, many Cambodians immigrated to Long Beach. Consequently, Long Beach has the largest population of Cambodians outside of Cambodia itself.

Within Long Beach, the majority of Cambodians settled in the Anaheim Corridor area. Much of this area was designated by the City in 2007 as Cambodia Town.

Over the years, this population has somewhat shifted. Today, many Cambodians live in North Long Beach although the majority still reside in the Anaheim Corridor area. Exhibit 2 is the 2012 breakout by census tract of Cambodians residing in Long Beach.

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<sup>1</sup> When the Council redistricted last, in 2011, the number of residents was 462,257.

## 2011 REDISTRICTING

As part of that the 2011 redistricting, the Council adopted its “City of Long Beach: Redistricting Criteria,” on March 22, 2011. A copy of the Redistricting Criteria is Exhibit 3.

Item seven (7) of the Redistricting Criteria states: “Splits in neighborhoods, ethnic communities and other groups having a clear identity should be avoided.”

Paragraph eleven (11) states: “Preservation of communities of interest, where possible.” Paragraph fourteen (14) states: “Preservation of population cores which have consistently been associated with particular districts.”

Despite these criteria, the 2011 redistricting divided the greater Cambodian population living on and along the Anaheim Corridor. Most of the area was divided between the Fourth and Sixth districts due to the use of Gardenia Avenue as the North-South dividing line. This division of the Anaheim Corridor does not track or reflect the designation of Cambodia Town by the City. The population maps also show some of the larger Cambodian census tracts in the northern part of the Second Council District and eastern part of the First Council District.

## NOVEMBER 29, 2016 MEMORANDUM FROM CITY MANAGER

On November 29, 2016, Patrick H. West, City Manager, presented the Council with a memorandum prepared by the Director of Development Services which reviewed the possibility of redistricting in 2016. Exhibit 4. That memo looked to whether increases in population of roughly more than 5% above or below the ideal distribution had occurred. At that time, the initial estimates showed that the Seventh District had grown over 3,000 residents putting it 6.7% above the ideal but the Memorandum does not advocate redistricting because there was “no guarantee that a redistricting process would result in an actual population that is closer to the ideal ....” The Memorandum also referred to the federal Voting Rights Act and state California Election Code requirements that redistricting plans not discriminate on the basis of race, color or membership in language minority groups. Lastly, the Memorandum points out that the Census Bureau will be releasing the latest population estimates, ACS 2015, on December 8, 2016 and cites as this as “most suitable option for population estimates data if mid-decade redistricting is conducted.”

## AMENDING REDISTRICTING

While the City Charter requires redistricting when population shifts create district populations that fall outside the ideal number, to a plus or minus 5%, the Council has, in the past, redistricted partially to amend Council boundaries when necessary. Probably the most well-known example occurred following the redistricting in 1991. During that redistricting, the boundaries for the Second Council District were changed so that then Council candidate Alan Lowenthal was redistricted out of his own district, being moved from the Second District to the Third District. Following his election in 1992, the City Council amended its redistricting to move the boundary of the Second Council District sufficiently to include Councilmember Lowenthal’s longtime residence. This was reportedly done to fix a “political wrong” created by the 1991 redistricting. See LA Times, July 23, 1992. This redistricting fix was done without

the procedure set forth in the City Charter for the Planning Commission to evaluate the need to redistrict, etc. There may be other examples of this as well.

## PROPOSED INCLUSIVE AREA

Rethinking Long Beach, a Long Beach based think tank, reviewed the U. S. Census data for 2016 and prepared a map showing the contiguous concentration of Cambodians living in and around the Anaheim Corridor (Exhibit 5). This map shows the 13 census tracts needed for unification of the Cambodian population in the Anaheim Corridor area. This would include 52% of the Cambodian population, about 9,312 Cambodians, of the total population estimated at 17,641.<sup>2</sup>

## NEW DATA

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the population estimated for the City of Long Beach as of July 1, 2016 was 470,130 persons which represents a population increase of about 8,000 people since 2011. The population estimate for July 1, 2017 is not yet available. Probably this results in additional Council Districts being outside the plus/minus 5%.

## THE CALL TO REDISTRICT NOW

The Cambodian population is one of the most traumatized populations in the world resulting from the Khmer Rouge genocide from 1975 to 1979. The MAYE Center works with Cambodian survivors to build their residency and develop their self-healing. As a natural progression of self-healing, about 20 Cambodian survivors began a 20 week class on Civics, Organizing and Government (COG). After gaining their footing in the nature of federal, state and local governments, one student Vy Sron asked “how do we organize our community for more political power?” This led to a study, in detail, of Long Beach City Government including the current Council Districts, current population maps and the ability to alter Council Districts so that the greater Cambodian population in Long Beach could be united in one Council District. The class believes that such a move will promote the power of the Cambodian community to achieve equity, bring resources to bear on the Cambodian community as such, and lay the groundwork for voter registration and greater participation in the democratic process.

In December 2017, the COG class put out a call to all community leaders and individuals in the Cambodian community as far as they could reach. As a result, during an initial meeting in January, about 40 community members came together to learn what the COG class had learned and to evaluate whether something could be done. The concept of a petition was presented. Redistricting in time for the 2020 election cycle was sought because even numbered council districts vote in 2020.

The MAYE Center’s COG class opened the process up to democratic and transparent participation by everyone who wants to participate. As a result, those at the larger meeting were

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<sup>2</sup> Commentators have noted that this probably is an undercount of the true number due to distrust of government and lack of participation in the census process.

invited to participate in a Planning Committee, charged with making all decisions related to the initiative. The Planning Committee decided upon a petition to Long Beach City Council. Charles Song and Laura Som were selected as co-chairs and these individuals along with Ms. Vy Sron were elected as spokespeople. The petition was created by the Planning Committee which is chaired by the consultants to the group Marc Coleman and Dr. Alex Norman and all decisions are made democratically by the Planning Committee.

## THE PETITION DRIVE

The Committee believes that the best way to educate the community about both the current division of the Cambodian population and the ability to change this condition is through a petition campaign. Moreover, coming from a country and a time where one could be killed for speaking out, the act of petitioning in pursuit of justice and equity has tremendous repercussions for the Cambodian community. Not only do they seek a just result but they seek a just process wherein they exercise their democratic right under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution to petition and receive a hearing. The petition is open to people of all races, nationalities, ages and ethnic groups to sign. The Planning Committee has specifically encouraged other groups to participate, collect signatures and join in one voice to promote redistricting that unites the Cambodian community. A copy of the Petition is attached as Exhibit 6.

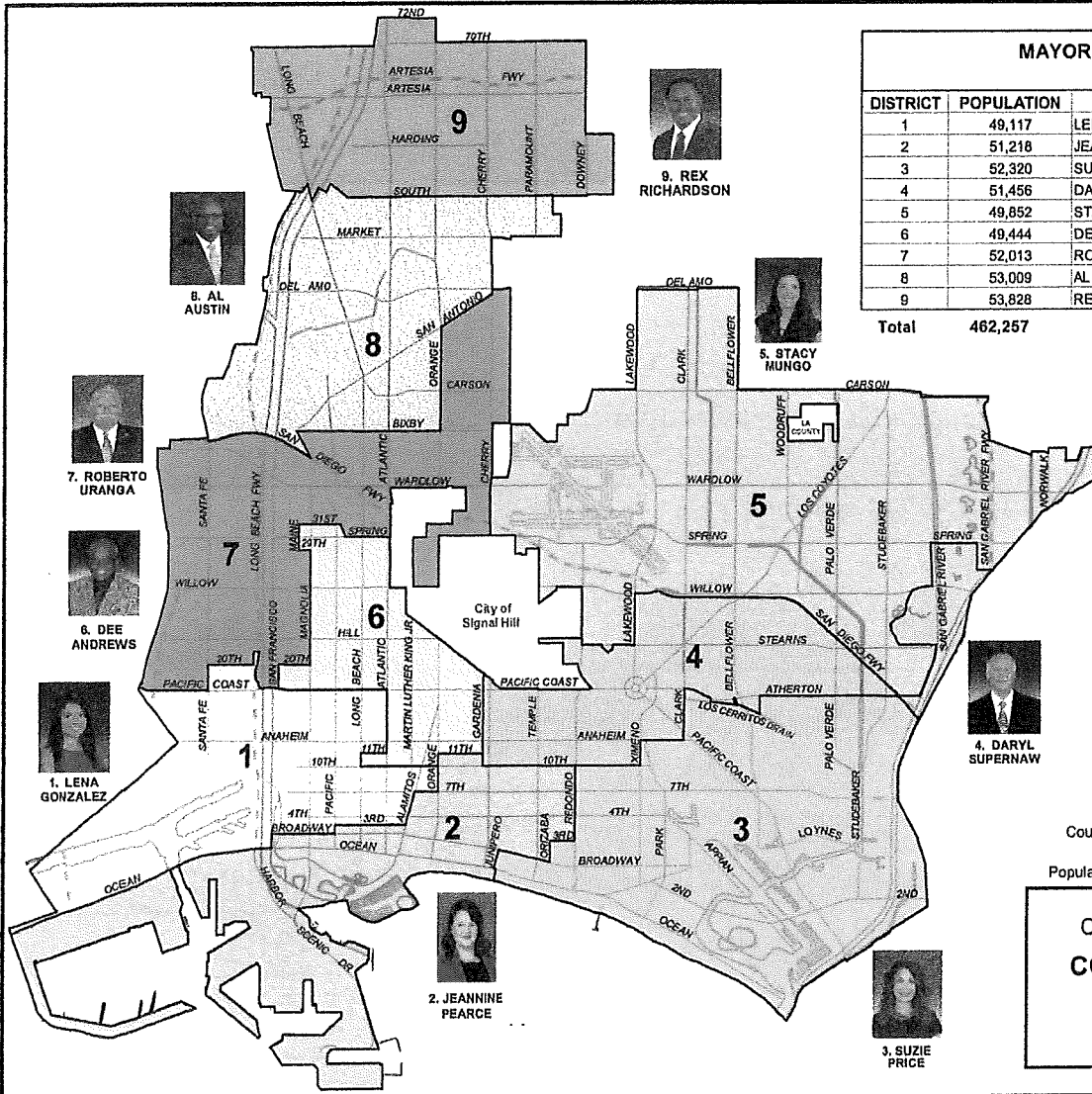
The educational rewards to the greater Cambodian community and its supporters through the petitioning effort is great. The ability to work both within and without the Cambodian community to maximize its voting potential and achieve equity for Cambodian immigrants bodes well for the future.

This effort is supported by many diverse individuals and the following organizations: Cambodian Veterans Association, Khmer American Civic Engagement Committee, the MAYE Center, Cambodian Health Professionals Association, Cambodian Advocacy Collaborative, Cambodia Town Film Festival, Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation, Mietophoum National Library and Cultural Center, and Khmer Arts Academy.

END OF MEMO



*Exhibit 1”*



MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA 570-6801			
DISTRICT	POPULATION	REPRESENTATIVE	PHONE
1	49,117	LENA GONZALEZ	570-6919
2	51,218	JEANNINE PEARCE	570-6684
3	52,320	SUZIE PRICE	570-6300
4	51,456	DARYL SUPERNAW	570-4444
5	49,852	STACY MUNGO	570-5555
6	49,444	DEE ANDREWS	570-6816
7	52,013	ROBERTO URANGA	570-7777
8	53,009	AL AUSTIN	570-6685
9	53,828	REX RICHARDSON, VICE MAYOR	570-6137

Total 462,257



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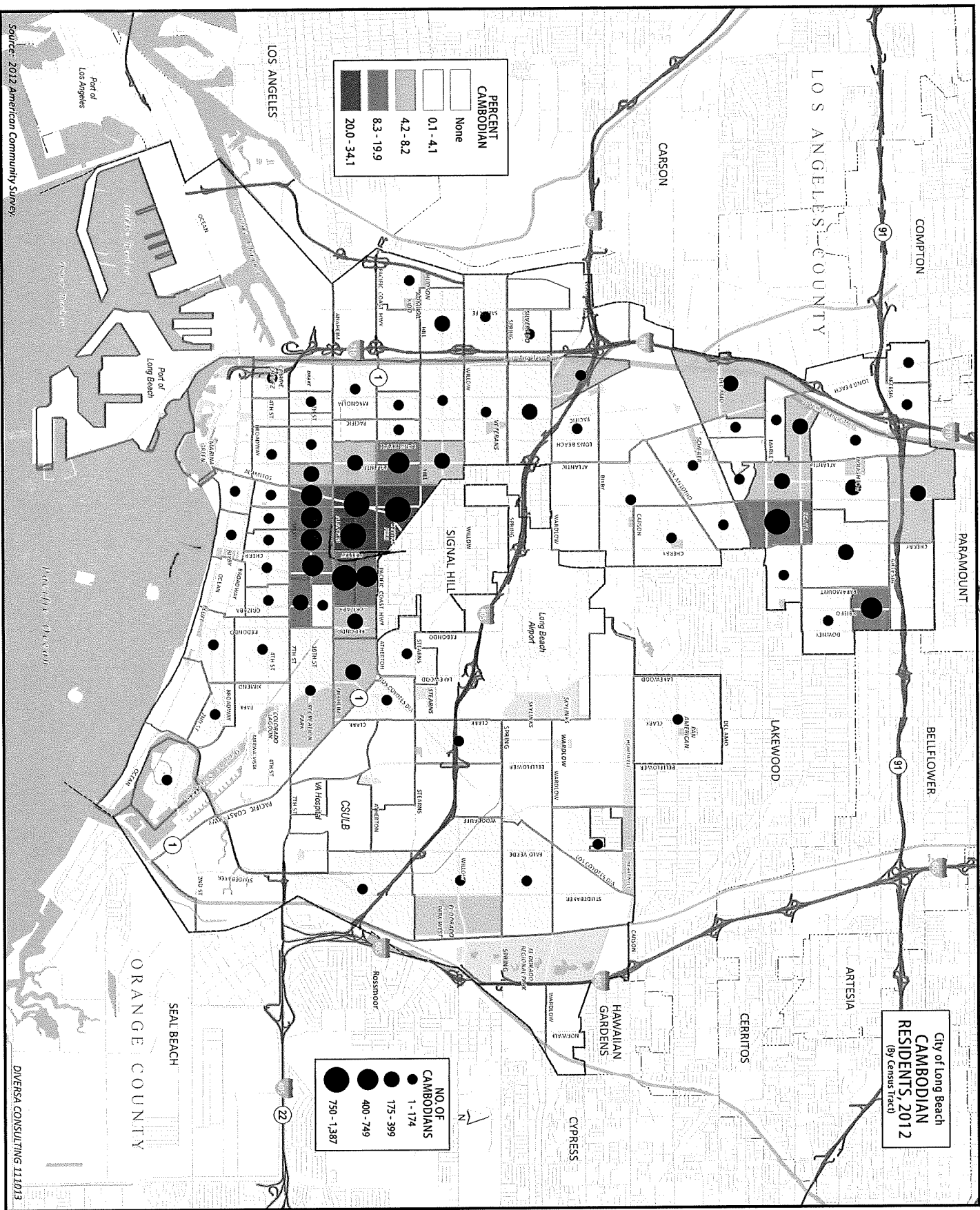
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Population values are based upon 2010 Census Data

## City of Long Beach, California COUNCIL DISTRICT MAP

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Department - GIS

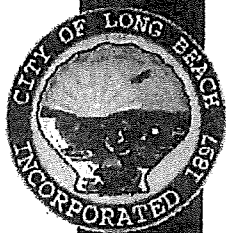
Map Revised 01-30-17

*Exhibit 2"*



Source: 2012 American Community Survey.

*Exhibit 3"*



# City of Long Beach: Redistricting Criteria

*Adopted, March 22, 2011*

The Long Beach City Council adopted redistricting criteria applicable to Long Beach City Council districts for the 2011 redistricting process on Tuesday, March 22, 2011. The criteria are presented below and have been numbered for identification purposes only.

1. Transparency and public information should be of the highest priority;
2. Staff will receive input from many sources, but formal direction will come from the City Council in open session;
3. Direction to staff on adjustments shall occur in public session of the City Council;
4. Requested information will be shared publicly with all members of the City Council and the community;
5. Staff will provide the City Council with several options, and request direction until consensus is reached;
6. Deviations from mean population should be as small as possible, but not greater than +/- 5%;
7. Splits in neighborhoods, ethnic communities and other groups having a clear identity should be avoided;
8. Districts should be as compact as possible, avoiding gerrymandering;
9. Residences of Councilpersons should remain within their respective districts;
10. Boundaries should, wherever practicable, follow major roads and other readily identifiable features;
11. Preservation of communities of interest, where possible;
12. Boundary adjustments should generally consist of easily identifiable blocks/areas;
13. Use Census tract boundaries wherever possible; Redistricting shall avoid splitting Census blocks whenever possible;
14. Preservation of population cores which have consistently been associated with particular districts;
15. Avoidance of large scale dislocations of district populations;
16. Recognition of inevitable and historical topographic and geographic limitations on district boundaries; and
17. Redistricting should focus on areas of population, and not on areas of non-population (parks, businesses, etc.).

*Exhibit 4”*





**City of Long Beach**  
*Working Together to Serve*

**Memorandum**

Date: November 29, 2016

To: Patrick H. West, City Manager *T.H.W.*

From: Andy J. Bodek, Director of Development Services *AJB*

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **Mid-Decade Redistricting Process**

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**Introduction**

On December 7, 2015, the Elections Oversight Committee held a meeting to discuss the redistricting process in Long Beach, and requested additional information from staff on the process, the timelines, the potential for a Citizen Redistricting Advisory Commission, and whether the City needs to redistrict. This memo will provide a brief overview of the mid-decade redistricting process, including the existing criteria, roles of the City Council and staff, estimated costs, deadlines, and planned redistricting methodology.

The Elections Oversight Committee further recommended that the City Council receive a report regarding the redistricting process, and the necessary steps to begin that process. This report will serve as the information necessary to begin the process.

**Charter Requirements**

Section 103 of the Long Beach City Charter requires that the City be divided, for electoral purposes, into nine (9) Councilmanic Districts that are approximately equal in population. The opportunity for redistricting in Long Beach happens every five years, or at any other time the City Council directs. The last major redistricting was in 2011. Prior to that, in 2006, the City Council made a finding that redistricting was not necessary. Section 103 also directs that the Planning Commission shall ascertain the number of inhabitants in each Councilmanic District and report its findings to the City Council. If the report shows that the Districts are not approximately equal in number of inhabitants, the City Council will redistrict by ordinance.

**Redistricting Criteria**

During the 2011 redistricting, the City Council adopted criteria prior to the start of the process to guide staff through the redistricting process. These criteria are important to ensure a smooth process, provide transparency in the process, allow for meaningful public input, provide direction to staff as they bring options back to the City Council, and ensure a legally defensible outcome. The previously adopted criteria would serve as a basis for developing an updated set of criteria for the 2016 redistricting process. A copy of the adopted 2011 Redistricting Criteria can be found in Attachment A.

### **Roles of City Council and Staff**

The City Council, City staff, and the Long Beach community play key roles in guiding the redistricting process. The following is a brief description of the role each of the key stakeholders will play during redistricting.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Role</b>
City Council	Provides direction to staff, adopts final redistricting ordinance
City Manager	Acts as staff support for the redistricting process and coordinates department staff
City Clerk	Transmits final ordinance to County, verifies the maps with the County, oversees election process, consolidates precincts and voting centers within the new District boundaries, reports any reconciliations necessary prior to next election, assists voters with finding their Districts leading up to Election Day
City Attorney	Legal oversight; coordination with outside counsel
Technology & Innovation Dept., Development Services Dept.	GIS mapping of District boundaries and technical support for census data and population estimates
Planning Commission	Certification of population and District boundary data and recommendation of the need for redistricting to City Council
County of Los Angeles	Provides guidance on the District submission process; implements new boundary lines; voter outreach
Community	Provides public input during redistricting process

### **Estimate of the Need for Redistricting**

Typically, cities redistrict by ordinance every decade, one year after the decennial census data is released. The Charter states that the City Council can choose to redistrict every five years, or whenever it is determined to be necessary. Mid-decade redistricting is possible, though it requires additional levels of population estimation in order to extrapolate from the available data.

For the mid-decade update, the only population estimates available from the U.S. Census Bureau are the American Community Survey (ACS) five-year survey estimates for Census Block Groups. This data can be problematic for redistricting. For example, many block groups are split by two or more Council Districts and, therefore, do not provide a reliable means to calculate the population per Council District. The level of uncertainty is further compounded by the fact that current Council District boundaries split census block group lines. While staff made appropriate assumptions to break up those block groups and speculatively estimate population, the results are not statistically accurate.

As a general rule, Council Districts should be within 5 percent above or below the ideal population (1/9 of the total population). The initial estimates show that eight of nine Council Districts are within the 5 percent margin. Council District 7 shows a growth of over 3,000 residents in the 2010-2014 time period, putting it 6.7 percent above the ideal. This divergence, however, is within the statistical margin of error within the data itself. There is no guarantee that a redistricting process would result in an actual population that is closer to the ideal or whether the various sampling and estimating errors could in fact counterbalance any attempt to bring the District boundaries toward the ideal population. See Attachment B for the mid-decade methodology utilized to estimate the Council District populations, and the challenges with using the data for redistricting.

#### **Timeline for Redistricting**

Since the last Election Oversight Committee meeting, staff has been reviewing information relevant to the mid-decade redistricting process, including accurate data options, mapping and analysis tools, and applicable laws and regulations. Staff has also examined available data sources and issues regarding overcrowding and vacancy. If redistricting occurs mid-decade, staff will do additional research in order to provide the most accurate estimates, despite the issues with using population estimates instead of decennial census counts.

In order to be certified for the 2018 election cycle, new District maps must be adopted by the City Council, and verified and approved by the Los Angeles County Registrar, by November 2017.

The Census Bureau will be releasing the latest population estimates, ACS 2015, on December 8, 2016. This would be the most suitable option for population estimates data if mid-decade redistricting is conducted. Once this data is released, staff will do a revised analysis of the estimated population by Council District and determine which Districts are within the 5 percent margin. Again, this analysis is based on population estimates, not actual counts, which is why the redistricting efforts after a decennial census produces the most accurate results.

After the revised data analysis, staff will bring the information to the Planning Commission in early spring 2017. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council regarding the population distribution by Council District. Subsequently, the City Council will review the Planning Commission's recommendation, the revised population estimates by Council District, and other pertinent information, and decide whether or not to redistrict mid-decade or wait until 2021 when the decennial census data will be used.

Before adjusting the boundaries of a District, a minimum of two City Council meetings would be required.

#### **Community Outreach Process**

Throughout the redistricting process, public input is one of the most important components that influence redistricting results. In the past, the City created a very robust public input process, designed to solicit feedback on proposed maps and ensure that the final maps are the result of community engagement. Previous efforts included community meetings, mapping workshops, City Council study sessions, Planning Commission meetings, website feedback, and transparency of all redistricting related data. Should the City Council wish to proceed with mid-decade redistricting, staff would continue to employ these techniques, as well as consider other avenues to encourage public engagement in the redistricting process.

#### **Follow-up from Elections Oversight Committee**

On December 7, 2015, Common Cause presented the Long Beach Elections Oversight Committee with a PowerPoint presentation on the merits of developing a Citizen Redistricting Advisory Commission comprised of Long Beach residents. This section of the memo follows up on additional items of interest that arose during the December 7, 2015 presentation.

The amount of time necessary to establish a citizens' commission for redistricting depends on a number of factors. The Elections Oversight Committee and the City Council must determine a set of criteria for selecting commissioners or task force members, approve the criteria, and then appoint the commissioners, who then go through the City's onboarding process. In a recent example, the Medical Cannabis Task Force was created by the City Council on February 10, 2015, and held their first meeting on April 1, 2015. It took six weeks to get all task force members cleared to serve on the task force. This task force was facilitated by an outside consultant, involved numerous staff at multiple meetings, and cost approximately \$75,000. The Queen Mary Land Development Task Force met ten times, from January 2016 through August 2016, and was staffed by two City employees in addition to support and research by several other staff members and a design consultant. That effort cost approximately \$60,000. Management of task forces or advisory committees require a high level of staff commitment and financial resources, and do not necessarily result in additional community input.

Staff estimates that a citizens' commission for redistricting would require at least two full-time staff members, including a GIS expert, technical staff to ensure that online maps are frequently updated for public viewing, an assigned City Clerk staff member to coordinate meeting minutes and agendas, and a project manager to shepherd the process. In-house costs are estimated to be approximately \$150,000-\$200,000 for eight to nine months of a redistricting process. This higher cost estimate is due to the complexity and involvement of staff in preparing detailed population estimates and maps every time a suggestion for a boundary change is made.

A citizens' commission would be a process to vet information and gather public comments; however, the commission would be advisory to the City Council who has the final decision

authority on redistricting pursuant to the City Charter. Staff believes that the City can achieve the same benefits of a commission in a shorter time period and at lower cost through staff efforts and the planned robust public outreach.

#### **Redistricting Requirements**

The purpose of redistricting is to ensure that the nine Councilmanic Districts have an approximate equal population. In addition to Article 1, Section 103 of the City Charter, redistricting must conform to other legal guidelines and regulations. Specifically, the federal Voting Rights Act and the State California Elections Code are applicable to redistricting at the local level, even for a charter city. The Voting Rights Act prohibits redistricting plans that discriminate on the basis of race, color, or membership in a language minority group. California Elections Code Section 21620 stipulates that the City Council may consider the following factors in establishing the boundaries of the Council Districts: (1) topography; (2) geography; (3) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory; and (4) community of interest of the Districts.

These requirements are meant to ensure that all votes count equally and to prevent gerrymandering. During the redistricting process, the City Council cannot redraw the District lines in order to deliberately increase the likelihood of a particular political result. For example, a particular community could not be divided by District boundaries in order to diminish the voting power of a community with common social, cultural, or economic concerns; nor can the District lines be redrawn to intentionally stack a District to achieve a particular result.

For further information on the redistricting process, please contact Tom Modica, Assistant City Manager, at 562-570-5091, or Amy Bodek, Director of Development Services, at 562-570-6428. Thank you.

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ATTACHMENT A – 2011 REDISTRICTING CRITERIA  
ATTACHMENT B – POPULATION ESTIMATES

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# City of Long Beach: Redistricting Criteria

*Adopted, March 22, 2011*

The Long Beach City Council adopted redistricting criteria applicable to Long Beach City Council districts for the 2011 redistricting process on Tuesday, March 22, 2011. The criteria are presented below and have been numbered for identification purposes only.

1. Transparency and public information should be of the highest priority;
2. Staff will receive input from many sources, but formal direction will come from the City Council in open session;
3. Direction to staff on adjustments shall occur in public session of the City Council;
4. Requested information will be shared publicly with all members of the City Council and the community;
5. Staff will provide the City Council with several options, and request direction until consensus is reached;
6. Deviations from mean population should be as small as possible, but not greater than +/- 5%;
7. Splits in neighborhoods, ethnic communities and other groups having a clear identity should be avoided;
8. Districts should be as compact as possible, avoiding gerrymandering;
9. Residences of Councilpersons should remain within their respective districts;
10. Boundaries should, wherever practicable, follow major roads and other readily identifiable features;
11. Preservation of communities of interest, where possible;
12. Boundary adjustments should generally consist of easily identifiable blocks/areas;
13. Use Census tract boundaries wherever possible; Redistricting shall avoid splitting Census blocks whenever possible;
14. Preservation of population cores which have consistently been associated with particular districts;
15. Avoidance of large scale dislocations of district populations;
16. Recognition of inevitable and historical topographic and geographic limitations on district boundaries; and
17. Redistricting should focus on areas of population, and not on areas of non-population (parks, businesses, etc.).

## Attachment B Population Estimates

The current Council Districts were drawn using data from the 2010 decennial census. That data set includes 100 percent certain data down to the block level and contains less than 1 percent margin of error.

For the mid-decade update, the only population estimates available from the Census Bureau are the American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year survey estimates for Census Block Groups. Unfortunately, many block groups overlap or are split by two or more Council Districts and, therefore, do not provide a reliable means to calculate the population per Council District. Using the ACS 2014 5-year survey estimates for Census Block Groups, we determined the percentage of difference in population from 2010 for each block group.

### Population Change Equation

$$\% \text{ Difference} = \frac{2014 \text{ Estimated Population} - 2010 \text{ Census Population}}{2010 \text{ Census Population}}$$

This block group change percentage was then used to estimate the 2014 population for each block within the block group. We then tallied the new estimated population for each Council District using block estimates.

Unlike the data in the decennial census, the ACS data is an estimate based on a rolling 5-year set of household surveys. The Census bureau mails questionnaires to between 0.5% and 10% of households in a given census tract. Non-responding households are contacted by phone, but unlike the decennial census, there are no serious consequences for a resident who chooses not to respond. Beginning in 2013, the Census Bureau also began supplementing its data collection with an internet-based survey.

In the ACS data, survey response rates, sampling, weighting, and statistical adjustments vary by census tract. The ACS data, therefore, does not have a standard margin of error the way the decennial census does. For analysis over a broad area, such as measuring the population of the State of California, the overall error remains low. However, for the task of local redistricting, which requires the use of census blocks to accurately determine District population, the error balloons to as high as 20 percent in some block groups. ACS 2015 data will be released in December 2016, which may provide us with more current data should we choose to redevelop estimates at that time, but will still have the same sampling and statistical limitations.

The level of uncertainty is further compounded by the fact that current Council District boundaries split census block group lines. While staff made appropriate assumptions to break up those block groups and speculatively estimate population, the results are not statistically credible.

Staff continues to refine the data in order to improve the reliability of the estimates. However, the available data from the U.S. Census limits the accuracy and usefulness of the data. Initial results are shown in the table below. A negative percentage indicates that the District has a smaller population than the ideal distribution; a positive percentage indicates that the District's population is larger than the ideal.

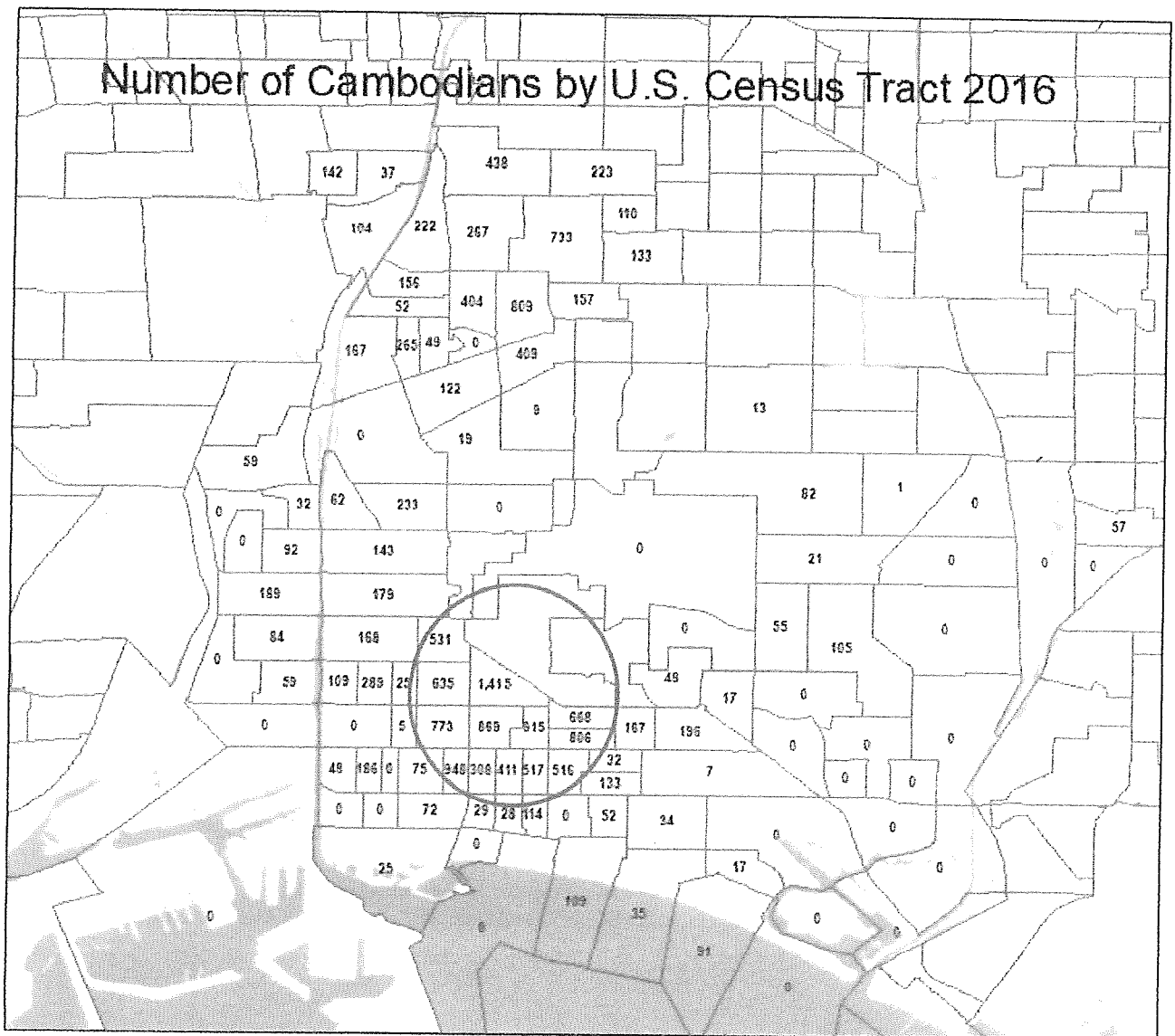
Council District	2010 Population (Census)	Variance from 2010 Ideal	2014 Estimate Total Population	Variance from 2014 Ideal
1	49,117	-4.37%	49,693	-4.73%
2	51,218	-0.28%	51,817	-0.65%
3	52,371	1.96%	51,301	-1.64%
4	51,405	0.08%	52,106	-0.10%
5	49,852	-2.94%	51,067	-2.09%
6	49,444	-3.73%	49,757	-4.60%
7	52,013	1.27%	55,662	6.72%
8	53,009	3.21%	53,353	2.29%
9	53,828	4.80%	54,662	4.80%
Total	462,257		469,418	
Ideal Population	51,362		52,158	
+/- 5% Range	48,794 - 53,930		49,550 – 54,766	

As a general rule, Council Districts should be within 5 percent above or below of the ideal population (1/9 of the total population). The preliminary numbers using ACS 2014 data show that eight out of nine Districts are within this 5 percent. Council District 7 is now overpopulated with a total of 55,662 residents, 6.72 percent more than the 52,158 statistical ideal. This divergence, however, is within the statistical margin of error within the data itself. There is no guarantee that a redistricting process would result in an actual population that is closer to the ideal or whether the various sampling and estimating errors could in fact counterbalance any attempt to bring the District boundaries toward the ideal population.

Alternatively, the City Council can initiate a citywide census instead of relying on census data. This option requires significant investment in terms of time and financial resources. Staff believes that there is enough available data, both internally and externally, to construct a good estimate of the changes in population in each District since 2011, despite the limitations of the available information. As such, staff does not recommend initiating a Citywide census if the City Council determines that a 2016 redistricting process is necessary.



*Exhibit 5"*



Long Beach Population 469,793

Cambodian Population Total	17,641
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Percent Long Beach	4%
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Cambodian in Circled Area	9,312
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Percent of Cambodian Population 52%

*Exhibit 6"*

**PETITION**  
**FOR EQUITABLE REDISTRICTING OF CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY**  
**ពាក្យសុំប្រែក្រមដែនអធិសហគមន៍ខ្មែរ សារជាថ្មីដោយសមរម្យ**

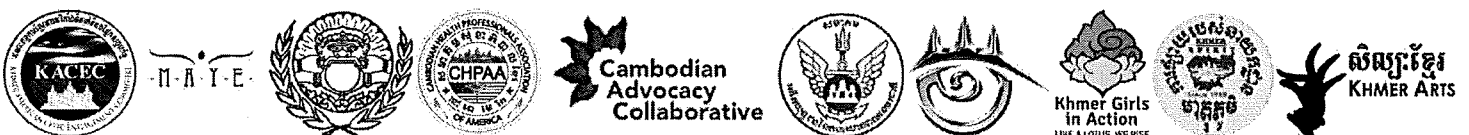
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To the Mayor and City Council of Long Beach:

Currently Cambodia Town and the surrounding community are divided between four Council Districts including District 6, District 4, District 2 and District 1. This division dilutes our voting power. We, the undersigned residents and friends of the Cambodian community, hereby demand that Cambodia Town and the surrounding community be made part of one Council District in time for the 2020 Election.

1. First/Last Name( នាម/ត្រកូល ) \_\_\_\_\_ Date( ខែ/ថ្ងៃទី/ឆ្នាំ ) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
 Signature( ហត្ថលេខា ) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone( លេខទូរស័ព្ទ ) ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Boundaries:** (Approximate depending on 2020 Census)

West: Long Beach Blvd. from Willow St to Anaheim

South: Anaheim from Long Beach Blvd to Atlantic Ave.

West: Atlantic Ave from Anaheim St. to 7<sup>th</sup> St.

South: 7<sup>th</sup> St. from Atlantic Ave to Stanley Ave.

East: Stanley Ave. from 7<sup>th</sup> St to 10<sup>th</sup> St.

South: 10<sup>th</sup> St. from Stanley Ave to Molino Ave.

East: Molino Ave from 10<sup>th</sup> St. to Anaheim St.

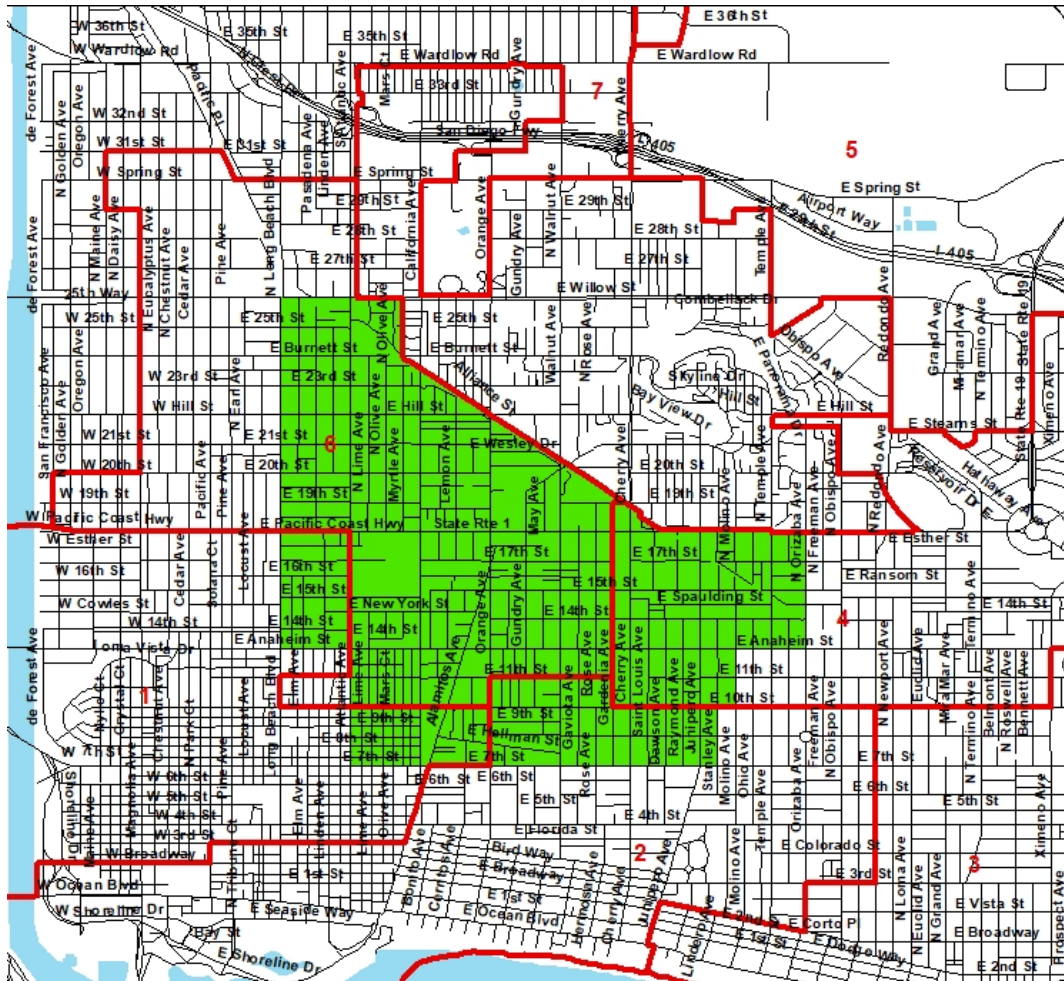
South: Anaheim St from Molino Ave. to Orizaba Ave.

East: Orizaba Ave from Anaheim St. to Pacific Coast Hwy.

North: Pacific Coast Hwy. from Orizaba Ave. to Alliance St.

North East: Alliance St. from Pacific Coast Hwy to Willow St.

North Willow St. from Alliance St to Long Beach Blvd.



1. High number of Cambodians.
2. Census tracts continues. Therefore, those in North Long Beach not included.



In 2016 the Circled Area (Cambodian Town) contains 9,313 Cambodians or 52% of all Cambodians in Long Beach and 14% of the total population in the Circled Area.



**MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA**  
CITY OF LONG BEACH

June 18, 2021

Charles Song, Co-Chair  
Equity for Cambodians  
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Laura Som, Co-Chair  
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**Re: Cambodian Community and Redistricting in Long Beach**

Ms. Som and Mr. Song:

I believe strongly in the strength of the Cambodian community in Long Beach and in the redistricting process that lies ahead, I'd like to reiterate the public position that I took in 2018 in support of the Cambodian effort to unify the Long Beach Cambodian community into one City Council District.

The Cambodian and Cambodian-American community in Long Beach has long been a crucial part of our city's cultural and economic life. For many years, Cambodian residents have been advocating for redistricting that would unify much of their community into a single district. With their shared, unique history and close-knit connections, their needs and interests should always be prominent in policy decisions and resource allocations. We should be looking for ways to keep the Cambodian community together.

The Redistricting Commission has an opportunity to support increased equity and justice for our Cambodian residents. The Long Beach Cambodian-American community deserves to have its voice heard, to be fairly represented, and to fully participate in the City's political life.

As Mayor, I support a redistricting process that unifies the majority of our Cambodian residents in one district to achieve true representation for this community.

Thank you for your service to our City.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Garcia", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Mayor Robert Garcia  
City of Long Beach

## eComments Report for Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission Meeting Agenda of July 21, 2021

Item	Name	E-mail	Address	Comment	Received
<p>3. (21-072RC) Recommendation to receive and file a presentation on the 2021 City of Long Beach redistricting process, requirements, timeline, and schedule; and</p> <p>Receive and file testimony from members of the public on Communities of Interest, a connected population that shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single City Council district, with a focus on Council District 6.</p>	Padric Gleason Gonzales	padric.gleason@gmail.com		Although the U.S. has at least 320,000 Cambodian-American citizens, they are not historically concentrated or politically organized like Chinese or Korean populations. But here in Long Beach, we are home to the largest and oldest Cambodian community in the country with at least 20,000 people. Rather than dilute their political influence by slicing their neighborhoods into distinct city council districts, we should spotlight their unique contributions to our city and acknowledge their unique history and perspective. They are one of the most identifiable communities of interest within our city. District 6 should center around Cambodia Town and seek to empower those families.	7/17/2021
PUBLIC COMMENT	Padric Gleason Gonzales	padric.gleason@gmail.com		It's not widely known, but Long Beach actually has more residents born in the Philippines than in Cambodia. Part of this is their lack of political organization. The West Side of Long Beach has always been sliced across 4 different city council districts. Despite being routinely labeled "Asthma Alley" and a "Diesel Death Zone", the people who live along the 710 carry on as minorities in their own city council districts. Little Manila should be unified as a single city council district representing the hardworking people of West Long Beach. Stop diluting the West Side's voice by joining it with other neighborhoods east of the LA River. They deserve a single political representative to address the unique problems and opportunities West of the LA River.	7/17/2021



**From:** BOB JOY [mailto:bob.joy@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 28, 2021 3:05 PM  
**To:** JT Nagayama <Jonathan.Nagayama@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Bob Joy Presentation Material

**-EXTERNAL-**

My name is Bob Joy, I'm a resident of the 8th District. My presentation material was sent via email to Long Beach Redistricting City Clerk Staff liaison and that material is provided in physical form to this meetings attendees.

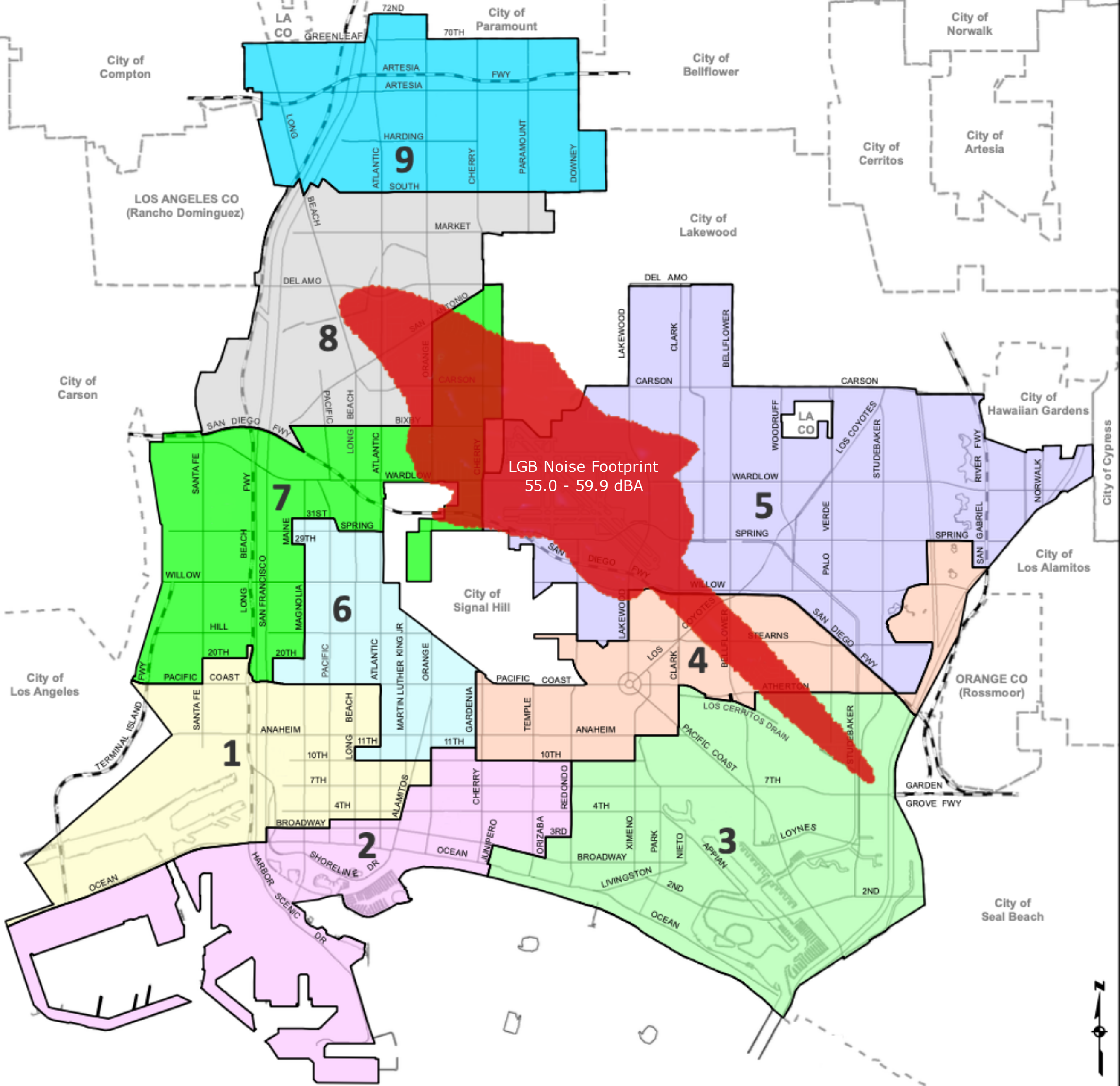
Although I live in District 8 I am here representing all the Communities Of Interest that are part of the Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group (AANG). The first page of my presentation material is a map of the Long Beach Airport Noise footprint taken from the National Transportation Noise Map as of 2018. It shows the area of most intense noise overlaid on the Long Beach Council districts.

The Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group are Communities Of Interest in the districts that are subjected to this noise level. As others describe in this meeting the AANG Communities Of Interest are proposing a subdivision of portions of the Airport property to include districts 4 & 7 in addition to district 5 which currently encompasses the whole airport.

The second page of the presentation material is a color coded map showing this proposed subdivision of the airport property. New borders are defined with a dotted line with new area defined in a different color shade. Unfortunately, because the airport constitutes an uninhabited census tract the Maptitude application The Census Bureau provides for re-defining district borders does not allow for subdivision of areas designated as uninhabited.

I am here to formally request that the Redistricting Commission make clear to participants in the Communities Of Interest definition process that inclusion of uninhabited areas in a Communitie Of Interest is accepted and make clear how a Communities Of Interest can define such an area.

Thank You





This map illustrates the Los Alamitos area, highlighting the boundaries of several cities and counties. The map includes the following cities and counties:

- City of Lakewood
- City of Hawaiian Gardens
- City of Los Alamitos
- Orange County (Rossmore)
- City of Los Alamitos

Major roads shown include I-405 and I-605. The map also features various landmarks and parks, such as Long Beach City College, El Dorado Park, and the San Gabriel River. A large number '5' is overlaid on the map, indicating a specific area of interest.



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**Subject:** redistricting

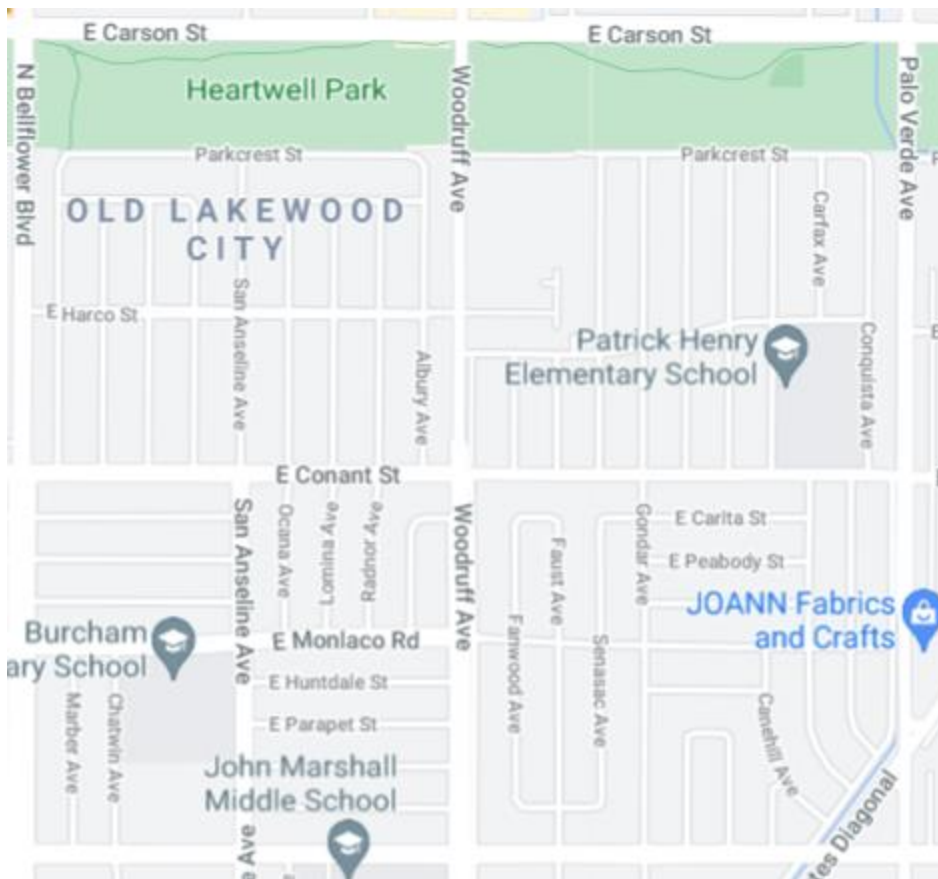
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To best address the Commission, it is recommended you identify the following:

1. Your name and where you live; Sam; Harco and Lomina
2. The location that is the subject of your public comment; and see screen shot below
3. If you have submitted any maps or a Community of Interest ("COI") form, provide the name of your community (on the COI form) and/or map code (each map submitted is assigned a code).

To best describe your community during the public testimony portion of the Community of Interest Outreach meetings:

this area needs to be all in one district as the homes and residents are all similar. wardlow is the southern border



What are the streets or boundaries that mark your community's borders?  
 What are the significant landmarks: rivers, parks, shopping areas, historic sites, etc.?

What are your community's shared interests?

What brings your community together? we all have similar homes and neighborhoods

What is important to your community? not being broken into other districts

Are there nearby areas you want to be in a district with? not clear what that means

Are there important places where people come together, like community centers, churches, temples, neighborhood associations, or parks? mostly parks

Are there nearby areas you don't want to be in a district with? Why? we don't really have any connection with the people west of Bellflower Bl

Has your community come together to advocate for important services, better schools, roads, or health centers in your neighborhood? yes

roads/sidewalks/trees

Do the current Council District boundaries divide your community? Or do they keep your community together? current dist is fine

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TO: REDISTRICTING COMMISSIONERS

JULY 28, 2021

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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> districts most, 5<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> district (landing aircraft) and the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> districts (takeoff). The 5<sup>th</sup> district is not under the flight path unless air traffic has been re-directed to a 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> district residents don't have a voice in who is chosen as the 5<sup>th</sup> district council member. They don't have a relationship with the 5<sup>th</sup> district council office.

**GLOBEMASTER AREA** (affects westside of the airport, currently 7<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> district.

### **SOUTHSIDE OF THE AIRPORT**

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

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

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

### **EL DORADO PARK**

5<sup>th</sup> district residents favor having the entire park, which is where El Dorado West and the Nature Center is sited - in the 5<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> district (the Nature Center) that I know of. However, it does “organically” belong in the 5<sup>th</sup>.

The benefit to leaving it in the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 (8<sup>th</sup> district focus session) but will most certainly have it ready for next week at McBride.

Respectfully,

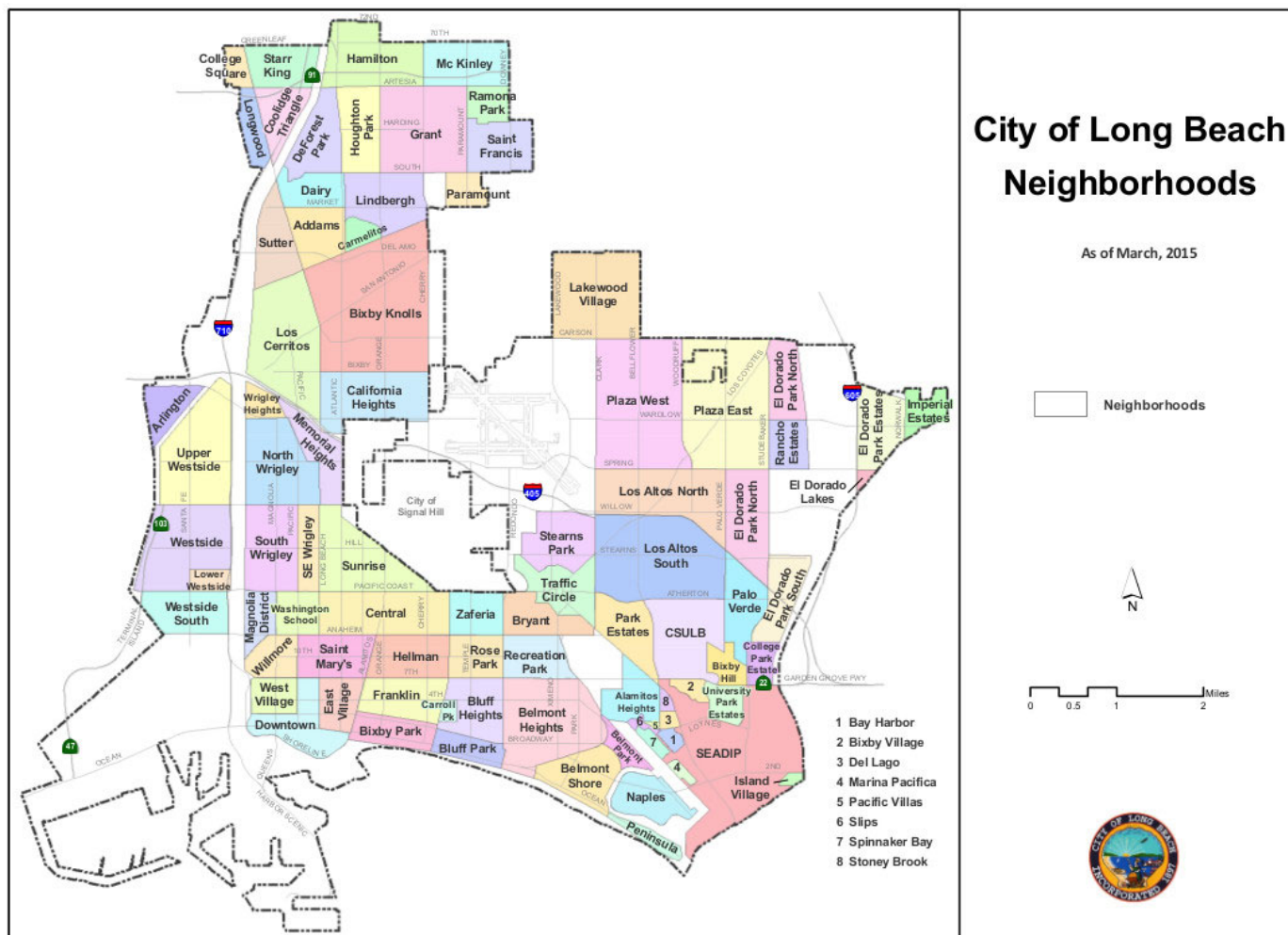
Corliss Lee

Member, Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group

### **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  
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- 4) LGB Transparent Noise Footprint.pdf





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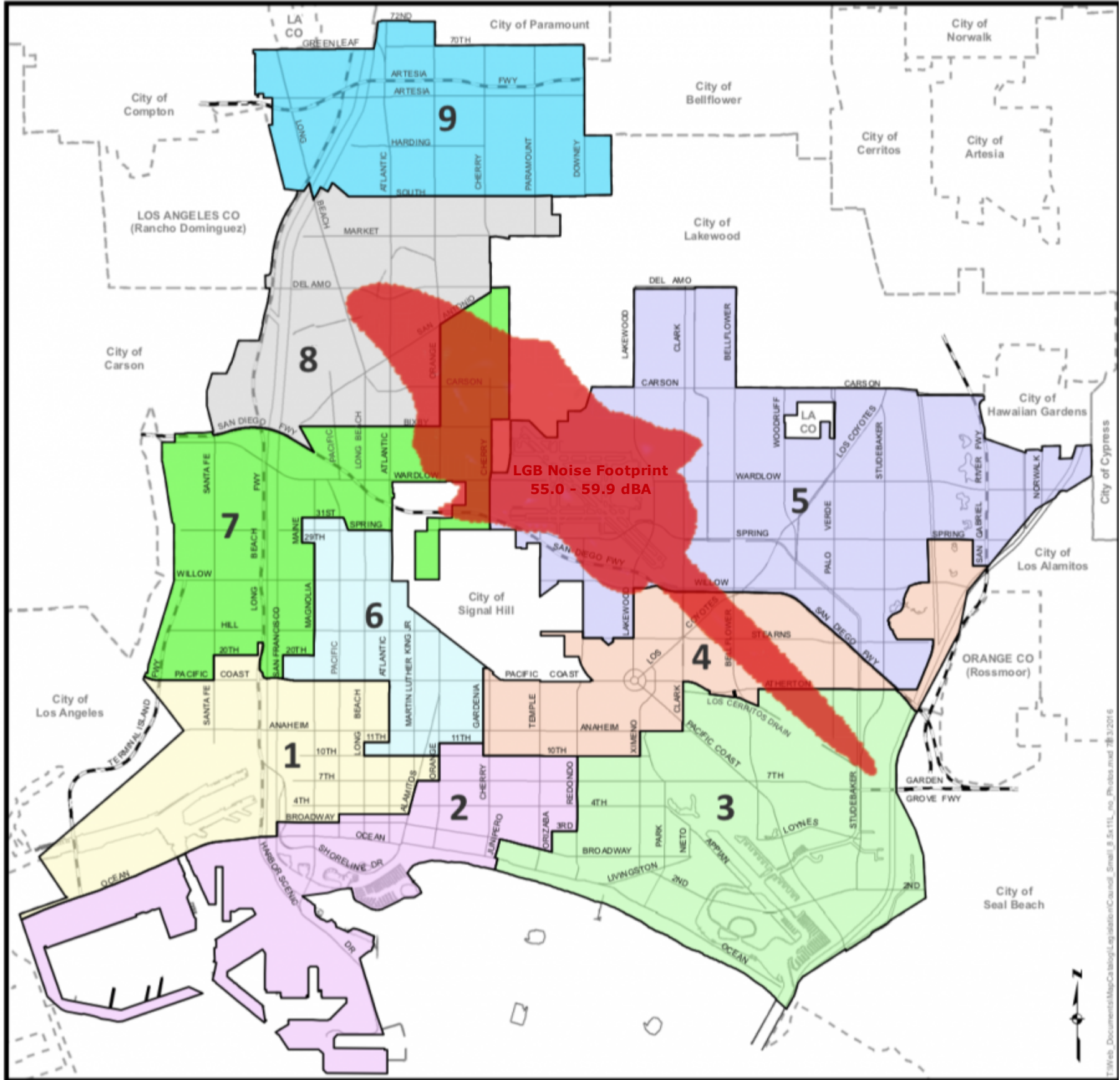
## Neighborhoods of Long Beach, California

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.

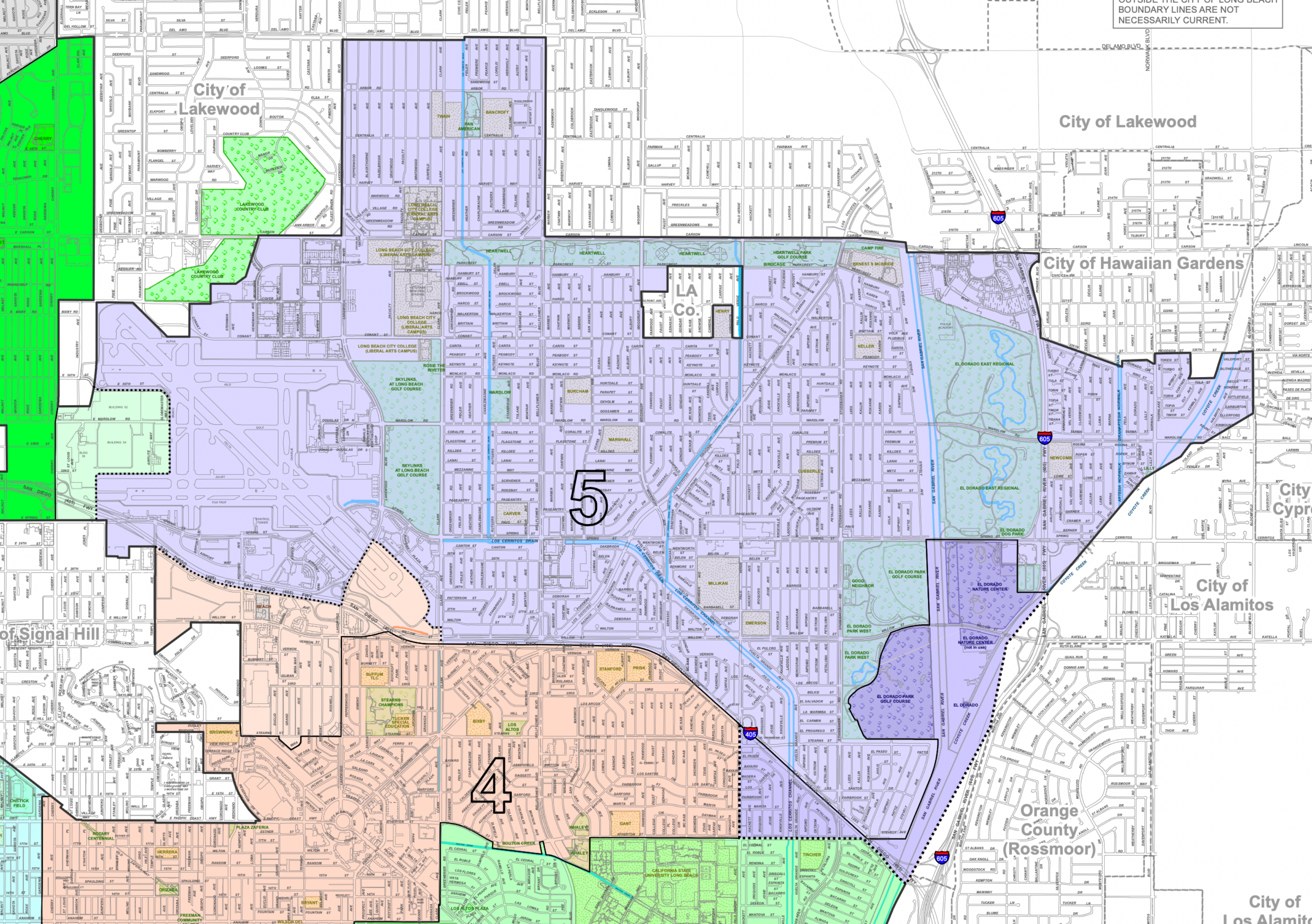
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**From:** David Walker <[dwalker@lshf.org](mailto:dwalker@lshf.org)>

**Date:** Friday, July 23, 2021 at 2:30 PM

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**Subject:** RE: Invitation from LB Independent Redistricting Commission to Make Sure Your Community is Part of the Redistricting Conversation -- Wed., July 28, 2021 6:30 p.m. @ Longfellow Elementary School or Zoom

**-EXTERNAL-**

I am sorry that I will be out of town for this meeting.

However, I would greatly appreciate the commission considering including all of Los Cerritos in one council district vs part in 7 and 8.

We are a tight knit community and it will help us with our communications and services desired!

Thank you

David Walker  
Director of Development

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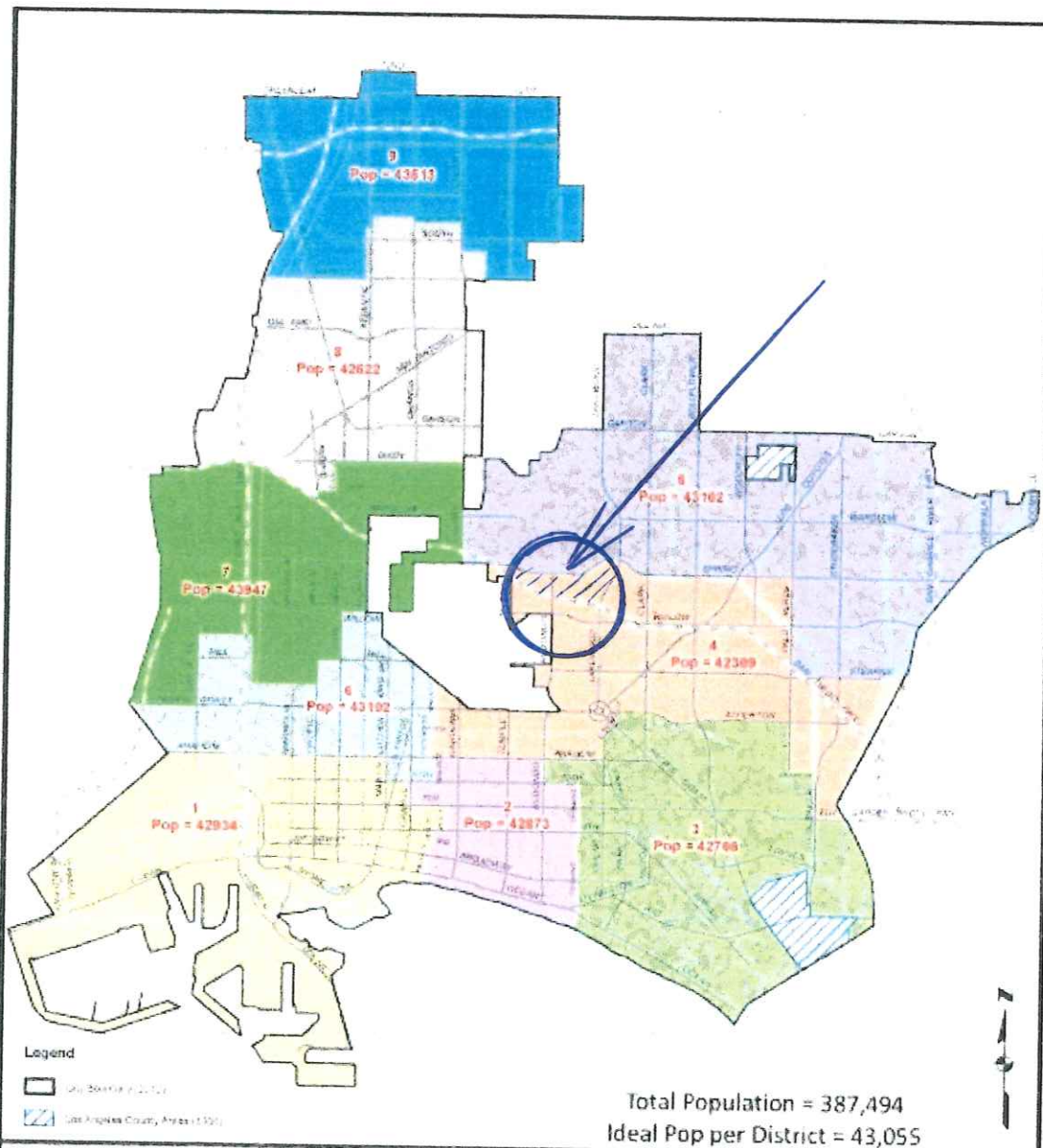


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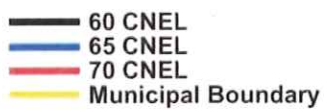
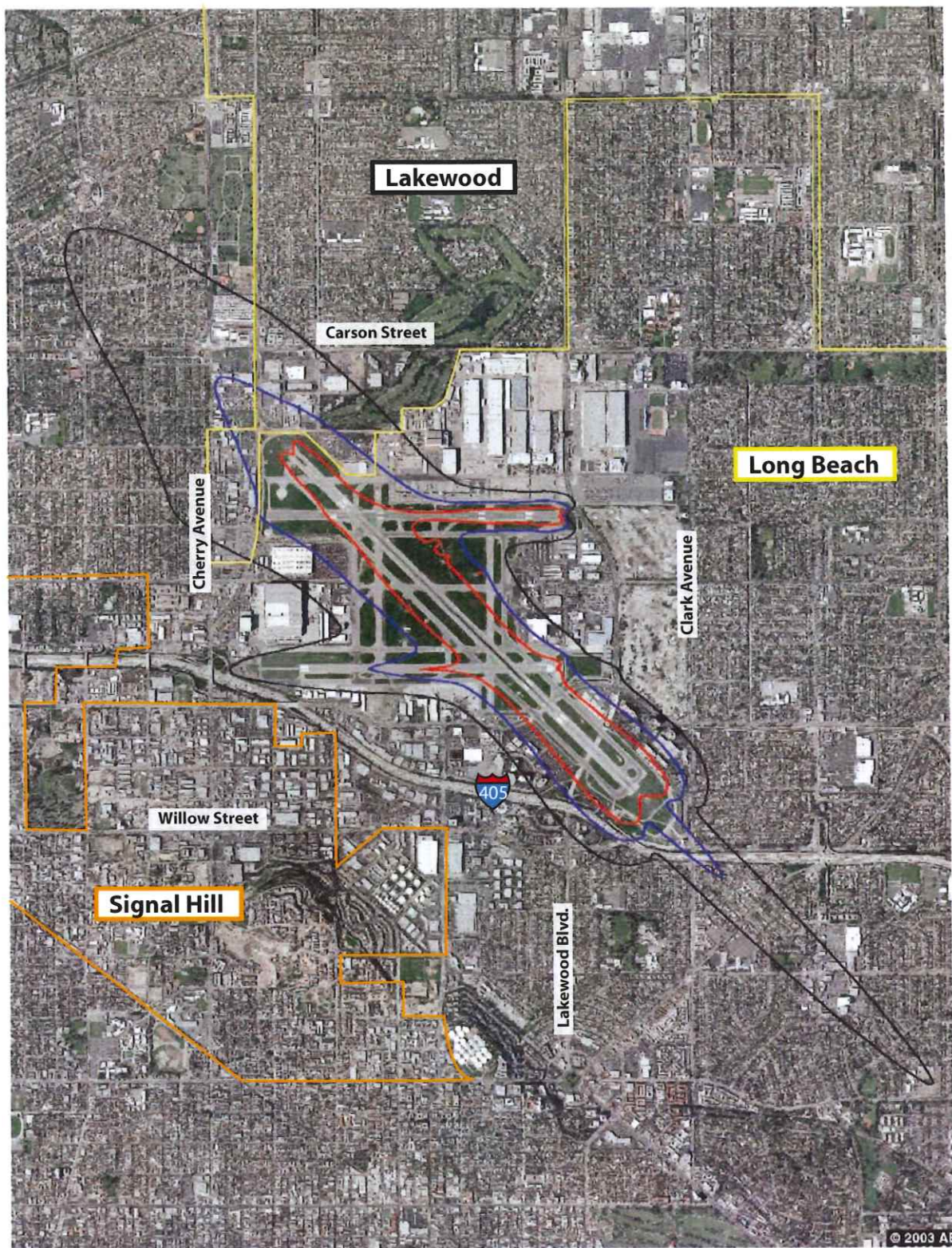
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# 1986 Council Redistricting

As of January 1986





# Year 2004 CNEL Contours With 11 Additional Air Carrier and 25 Additional Commuter Flights

Exhibit 3.6-14

*Long Beach Airport Terminal Area Improvement Project*

Source: Mestre Greve Associates, 2005

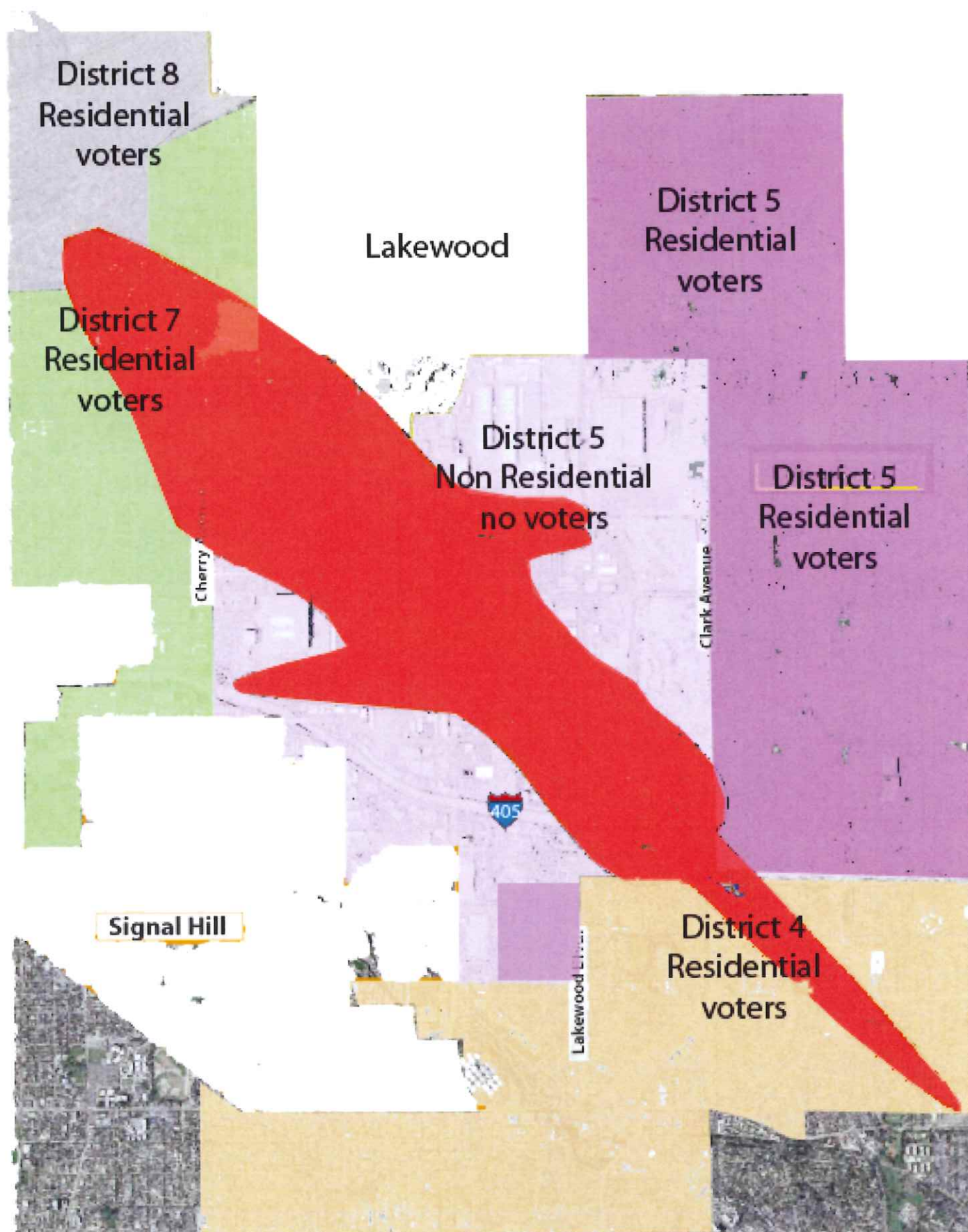
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## PROBLEM

The current District 5 boundaries give all the representation for the airport to residents who are unaffected. The residents affected by airport noise living in Districts 4, 7 and 9 need boundaries redrawn for meaningful representation.



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# **Let your voice be heard!**

## **Council Vote takes place July 5th.**

Contact the Mayor and Councilmembers.

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## **7/28/21 Meeting Agenda regarding Neighborhood Maps**

The Redistricting Partners Paul Mitchell's statement at the end of the LBCIRC had some concerning information on the City of Long Beach neighborhood maps for the Los Altos neighborhood.

In particular the fact that the maps were generated for reports about split neighborhoods to meet the legal minimization of splitting neighborhood.

The problem with that information is that in East Long Beach's 3 Corners area, the city map unites 4 different neighborhoods to create the illusion of two split neighborhoods.

1. It creates a whole new neighborhood called Palo Verde by uniting two district neighborhoods in two different Council Districts to create a new "split" neighborhood:
  - The map splits the X-100 area of Los Altos from Los Altos in the 4<sup>th</sup> District and unites it with the La Marina in the 3<sup>rd</sup> District
  - It takes the Los Altos neighborhood leader and 4<sup>th</sup> District Councilman Daryl Supernaw out of Los Altos and puts him in this new "split" district. Thus potentially setting him up to be redistrict out of his own district.
2. It unites the 5<sup>th</sup> District South El Dorado Park neighborhood with the 3<sup>rd</sup> District neighborhood directly south on the other side of the 405 freeway again creating a newly defined "split" neighborhood.

## **Transcript of Redistricting Partners Paul Mitchell's statement to the Long Beach Independent Citizen's Redistricting Commission 7/28/21 meeting**

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*"Yes, this is Brad, City Manager's Office. So umm, I want to pass it over to Redistricting Partners to kind of, umm, explain a little bit more about the neighborhood map. The way that it is designed.*

*Thanks Bradley, this is Paul Mitchell with Redistricting Partners.*

*Early on in the work with the Commission and with the staff, we identified an issue with regards to the fact that the Commission requirements and the State law requirements are to minimize the divisions of neighborhoods.*

*And so it has been our intention to provide the Commission with reports based on the census geography of how many divisions there are of neighborhoods, both from existing lines and any and all proposed maps.*

*Umm, so in order to do that, we had to undergo a process of taking the neighborhood lines and adjusting them to the census geography. So we worked with the city staff to adjust any census boundaries to make sure they were most appropriately drawn with the census geography.*

*And then in some areas of the city where there wasn't a identified neighborhood to try and identify the most adjacent neighborhood that could be applied to that area that was undefined.*

*So through that process we got to a point where now every census block in the city is in an identified neighborhood. But this is just for the purposes of producing reports that will tell the Commission in an objective way how many neighborhoods that are split, and in those neighborhoods that are split, how many times they are split. If a neighborhood is split just once or twice, that will be in those reports.*

*The neighborhood boundaries that are being utilized for this process don't have any bearing going forward outside of the redistricting. These are not official or going to be official city neighborhoods for other purposes. They are simply a way to affix those neighborhood lines to a census geography and be able to help the public understand how the new district lines were complying with that requirement to minimize the division of existing neighborhoods."*



# COMMUNITY OF INTEREST MAPPING ACTIVITY

## INSTRUCTIONS

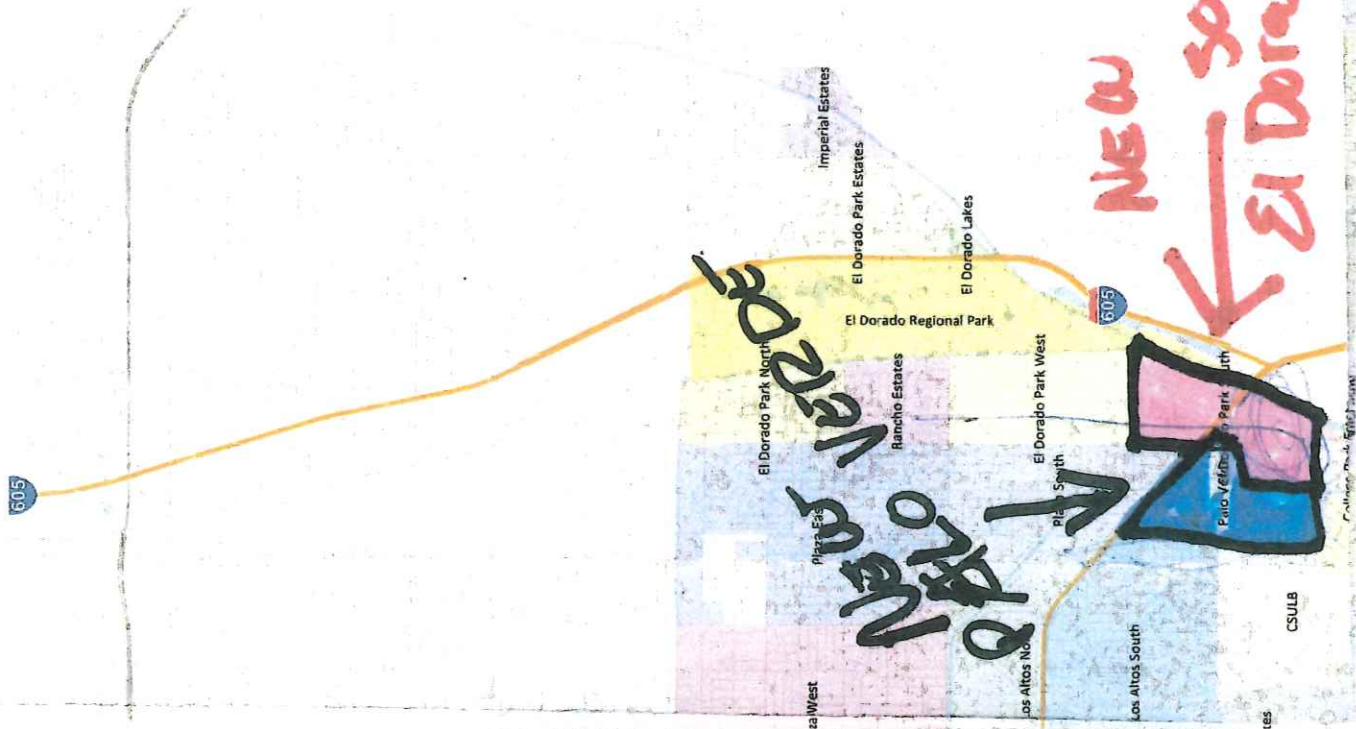
Please use this map as a way to draw your community of interest. It is important to know about communities so that the district lines can amplify the voices of residents.

Examples of communities can include neighborhoods or planning zones, areas where many residents speak the same language, or even areas where the residents use the same city facilities.

To start, please include a name for your community, your name and email address, and a description of your community. Then draw your community on the map.

COMMUNITY NAME

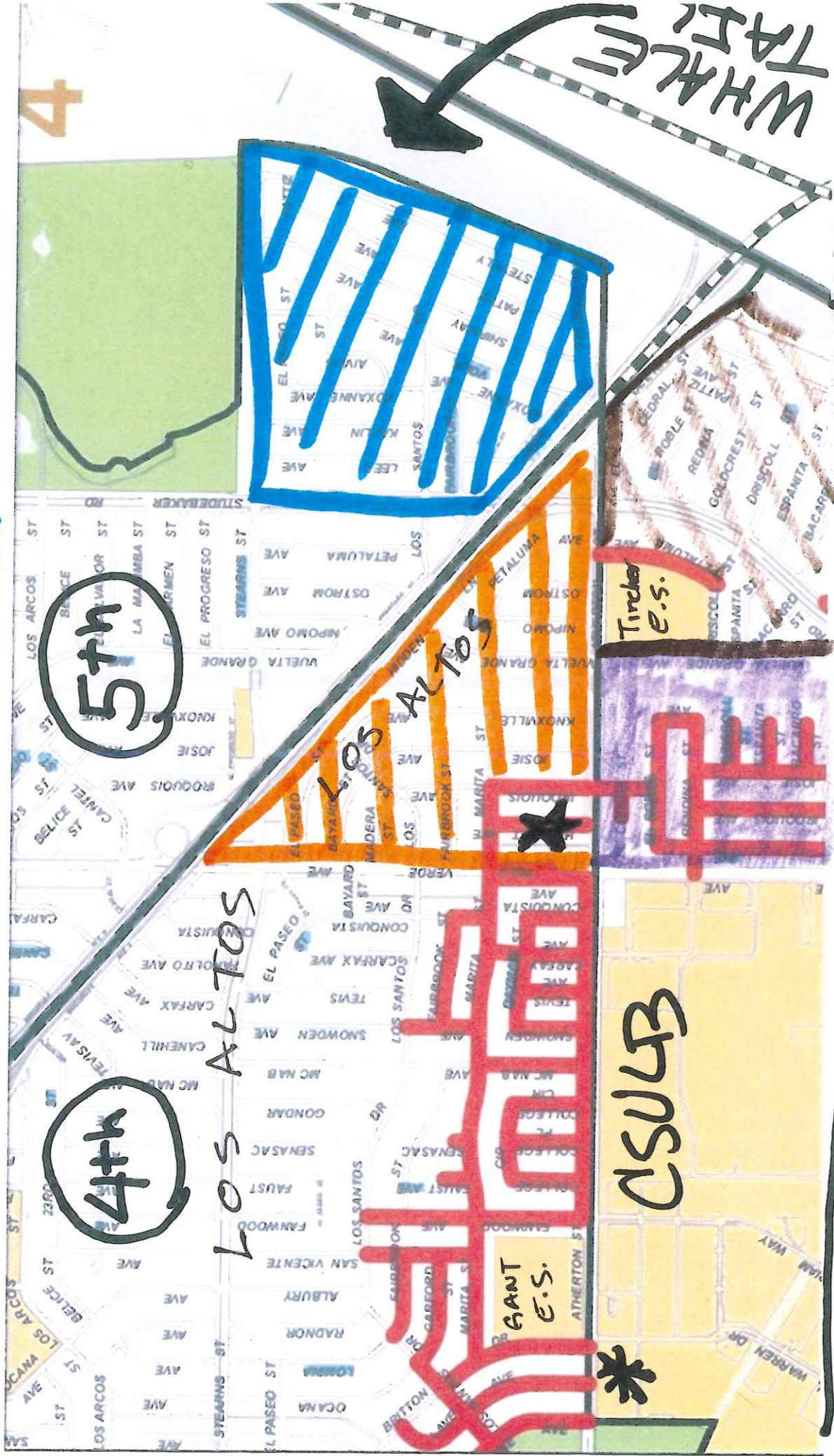
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# 3 Corners Map

- LOS ALTOS X 10015
- LA MACENA Estates
- South El Dorado Park



- \* NEW Dorms CSULB
- \* Councilman Supernaw
- 3RD DISTRICT
- RESTRICTED NEIGHBORHOOD PARKING DISTRICTS

4th WHALE TAIL

5th

4th

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## La Marina Estates in the news

La Marina Estates is a well know community in East Long Beach. Built in 1953 as part of what is known as the X-100's development, the southern portion of the X-100's below Atherton St. was a mixture of track homes and custom homes on lots as big as 4000 sq.feet.

One of La Marina's most famous son's is Tom Grobaty who often writes about his childhood growing up in La Marina Estates.

More recently, Development Services was involved in La Marina Estates over a housing conversion of a single family home into an 11 bedroom, 11 bath "home" geared to housing CSULB students. The neighborhood fight made the local news.

Here are some portions of articles that include La Marina Estates. The **bold emphasis** of the name "La Marina Estates" was added for this packet. We welcome you to Google "La Marina Estates".

### REAL ESTATE

A trick question: Do you know where you live?

Tim Grobaty LB Post NOV 4 2019 6:00 AM

Do you know where you live? Yes, of course you live in the United States, or California, or Long Beach. But if you drill down deeper into the name bestowed on your own niche of the city it becomes a more dicey question.

-Especially familiar with their neighborhood's name are those who reside in the city's larger and geographically delineated or enclosed areas, like the Alamitos Peninsula, or more modern developments like Marina Pacifica, Bixby Hills and Spinnaker Cove. Then there are people who say with confidence that they live in, say, Bixby Knolls. But, do they? Are they sure they don't live in Bixby Highlands or Bixby Terrace, or New Bixby?

And people who live by the Traffic Circle may say they live in the Traffic Circle area. Well, which Traffic Circle area? North of the Traffic Circle is the Artcraft Manor neighborhood, and moving clockwise from there you'll find the neighborhoods called The Circle Web, Historic Zaferia Village South, Historic Zaferia Village Northeast and then you're on the hill in the Signal Hill Southeast neighborhood.

The areas north of Marine Stadium, which used to be limited pretty much to Alamitos Heights, now includes the newer areas of Village on the Green and the high-dollar-spelled 'hoods of Bay Harbour and Windward Pointe.

North Long Beach neighborhoods tend to attach their names to schools in their area: Addams, Grant, Hamilton and Madison are just a few Northtown neighborhoods.

I was well into adulthood before I discovered I had squandered much of my boyhood years in **La Marina Estates**. For me it was "just east of Cal State Long Beach" or the somewhat wrong-side-of-the-tracks-sounding "foot of Bixby Hill." ...

## **East Long Beach home to expand to include 11 bedrooms — and neighbors are concerned**

By **HARRY SALTZGAVER** | [hsalt@gazettes.com](mailto:hsalt@gazettes.com) | Press-Telegram

PUBLISHED: September 10, 2020 at 1:18 p.m. | UPDATED: September 10, 2020 at 1:21 p.m.

A single-family home in East Long Beach with four bedrooms could soon expand to include 11 bedrooms, 11 bathrooms and two kitchens on the property — and neighbors are worried about the impact it could have in quiet **La Marina Estates**.

The property, at 6481 E. El Roble St., is about a half-mile from the Cal State Long Beach campus, and neighbors have raised alarms the property will turn into a fraternity house or student boarding house. They have asked Third District Councilwoman Suzie Price to get involved, and she scheduled a meeting for Thursday night, Sept. 10, to discuss it.

But both Price and city staff have said there's likely nothing that can be done.

"The permits are in plan review now," planning officer Alexis Oropeza said Friday, Sept. 4. She said the plans — which would expand the house to seven bedrooms and add a four-bedroom accessory dwelling unit (ADU) — would be allowed under the current regulations.

"One reason is that this is a much larger lot size than most single family homes," she added. "It is 7,800 square feet as opposed to 4,500 to 4,800 typically. Essentially, the city's hands are tied."

The house is on a corner lot, intersecting with Iroquois Avenue. Its four bedrooms are currently rented to four CSULB students, according to the property management company, High Point Real Estate. The property owner, Daniel Lewin, said that he was providing needed housing under the state's new housing laws.

"A fraternity or sorority is not in our game plan," Lewin said in a phone call from his home in Long Beach. "But I will rent to anyone interested and qualified. My wife actually lived in that house while she was attending Cal State Long Beach, and when it went on the market, I took the opportunity.

"We're not here to be a bad neighbor," he added. "We do not want to be an issue.

"At the same time," he said, "there is a housing crisis and I am providing housing, which is a necessary thing."

Price said she has been working with the neighbors for the last three weeks. She also said the expansion plans appear legal, and blamed the state for loosened regulations.

"Students live there, but the use could be expanded in the future," Price said. "The state ADU proposition, AB68, preempts the ordinance we passed, particularly in regards to parking. Under the city's law, this would require additional parking. Under the state, no additional parking is required."

There is a two-car garage on the property, and it will remain a garage, according to the plans, Oropeza said. The state law says that when new housing is within a half-mile of adequate public transportation, no additional parking is needed.

Parking impacts are only one issue, neighbors said.

"The students who live there now told us about it," said Jenny Landefeld, who lives next door. "I was shocked. This is communal housing. We started by emailing Suzie Price to see if we could have an emergency municipal code passed.

"That's when we found out it's really a state issue, taking power away from the city," Landefeld said. "We are going to seek legal counsel." ...



## Developer's Response to Controversy Over 11 Bed, 11 Bath Being Built in East Long Beach

John Grossi 908 Magazine Dec 15, 2020 7 min read

After the interest shown in last week's article explaining resident's concerns over the proposed development project at 6481 El Roble which can be viewed [here](#), we decided it was only fair to cover both sides of the story. Here is a Q&A with Dan Lewin, Long Beach resident and 6481 El Roble St. Developer:

*How long have you owned the property at 6481 El Roble and when did you first realize it could become an investment opportunity?*

We bought it in 2019 always with the idea in mind to develop it. When California made new powerful changes to ADU laws last year to combat the housing crisis, we realized this was a great opportunity. This is not our only property that we're doing this - it's one of about 12 so far we're completing in multiple cities. We have one in Silicon Valley, a few in Whittier, Redondo Beach, Downtown Long Beach, a couple by Cal State Long Beach, and a couple by Chapman University.

*With this law being so new, how did you even become a part of this? How did you decide you wanted to pioneer ADU investing?*

My background is as a real estate broker. I went to USC and then started at Long Beach's own Marcus and Millichap firm, whose office is in downtown Long Beach.

Since beginning my career, my niche has always been specializing in student housing, specifically around USC. I'm currently the most active real estate agent around the USC Campus.

I've seen over the course of the last several years, how the market plays out when it comes to developing student housing around college campuses. I've worked a lot with buyers and sellers there, and have made many home sellers, and investment buyers realize what a massive value a home has in the neighborhoods surrounding USC, if it's developed as a student-housing investment property as opposed to a single-family home.

With the passage of these ADU laws I realized there was an opportunity to create similar investment strategies near other Universities who have not developed adequate student housing near their campuses. Long Beach State is a prime example.

*A lot of the neighbors in La Marina Estates here in Long Beach are furious over your proposed development. What is your side of the story you don't feel they understand?*

We are solving a market need here. Look, I am a for-profit investor. That's my job. My first responsibility is to do what's in the best interest of my clients who I'm working very hard for. That's what got me into this market.

However, I have come to realize how much of a need there is for affordable student housing. Student housing belongs near campuses. It's that simple. It makes sense for the environment, for traffic, and it is the most fair practice for young people to have the best possible learning environment while they attend a University and try to better their lives.

I came to realize that there's this debate behind the scenes in our society that frankly I was not really aware of but I realized, you can slice it a lot of different ways, you can put a lot of different spins on it, but the affordable housing crisis in California is an easy concept to understand. We've got too much demand and not enough supply. We're three million houses short in California and that's why these powerful new ADU laws were put in place to help solve that shortage in supply of affordable housing.

*Do you think that La Marina Estates being a traditionally family neighborhood that people have worked hard to buy into changes the argument? Do you think the El Roble situation is an unintended consequence of the law?*

No, I think what the ADU laws were designed for exactly is this type of situation. The state realized that local governance and policy is a failed operation when it comes to our housing crisis because local controls allow local interests to fight it, and so it's become very hard to find homes. This is a perfect example of a "NIMBY" group fighting against more housing which is why we're in this situation in the first place.

Why do we define family neighborhood as exclusively residential, one home on a lot development? There's nothing inherently traditional about this, look at the older neighborhoods of Long Beach and elsewhere, where duplexes and apartments are mixed in with single family. Are these not family neighborhoods? This mindset has allowed single family homeowners to exercise veto power over land use regulation for years...

**From:** BOB JOY [mailto:bob.joy@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 4, 2021 6:01 PM  
**To:** JT Nagayama <Jonathan.Nagayama@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Bob Joy Presentation for 8/4/21 Forum

**-EXTERNAL-**

Jonathan,  
Here is the material for my presentation this evening. I will bring 9 hard copies of the presentation to be handed out to the Commission members physically present. My text is below followed by 3 maps.

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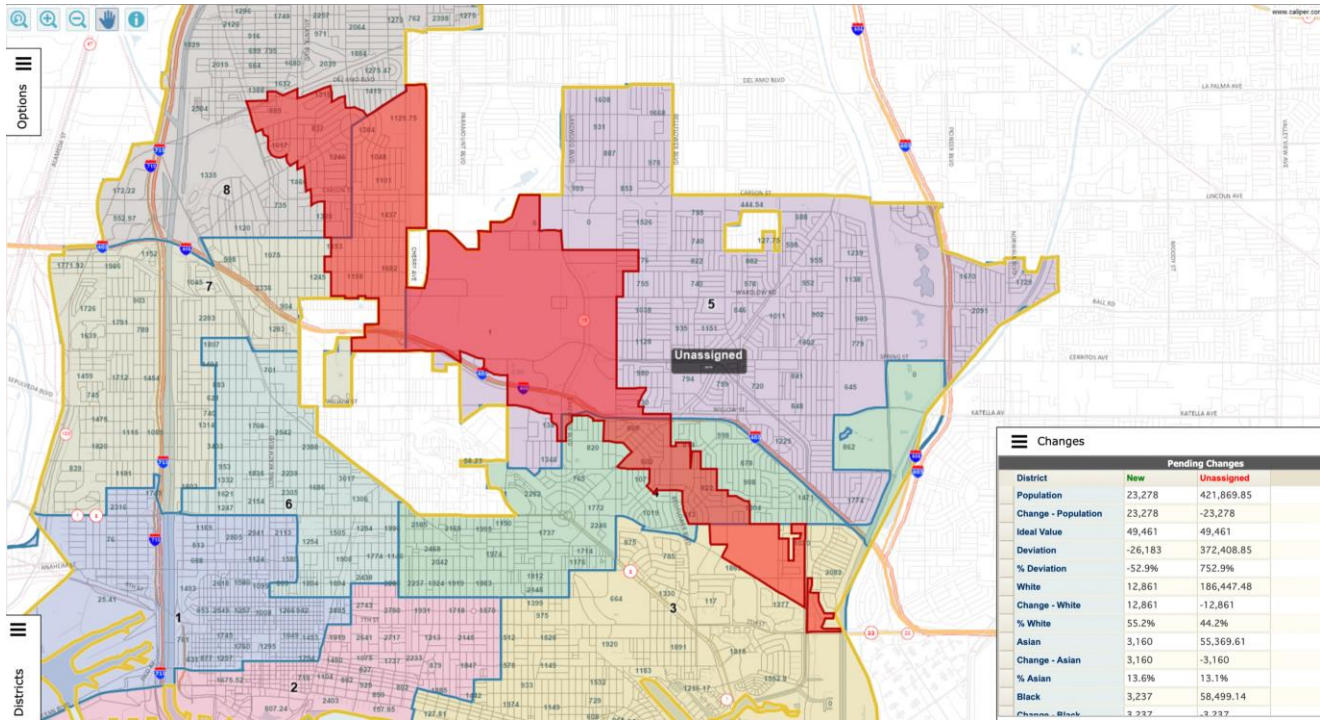
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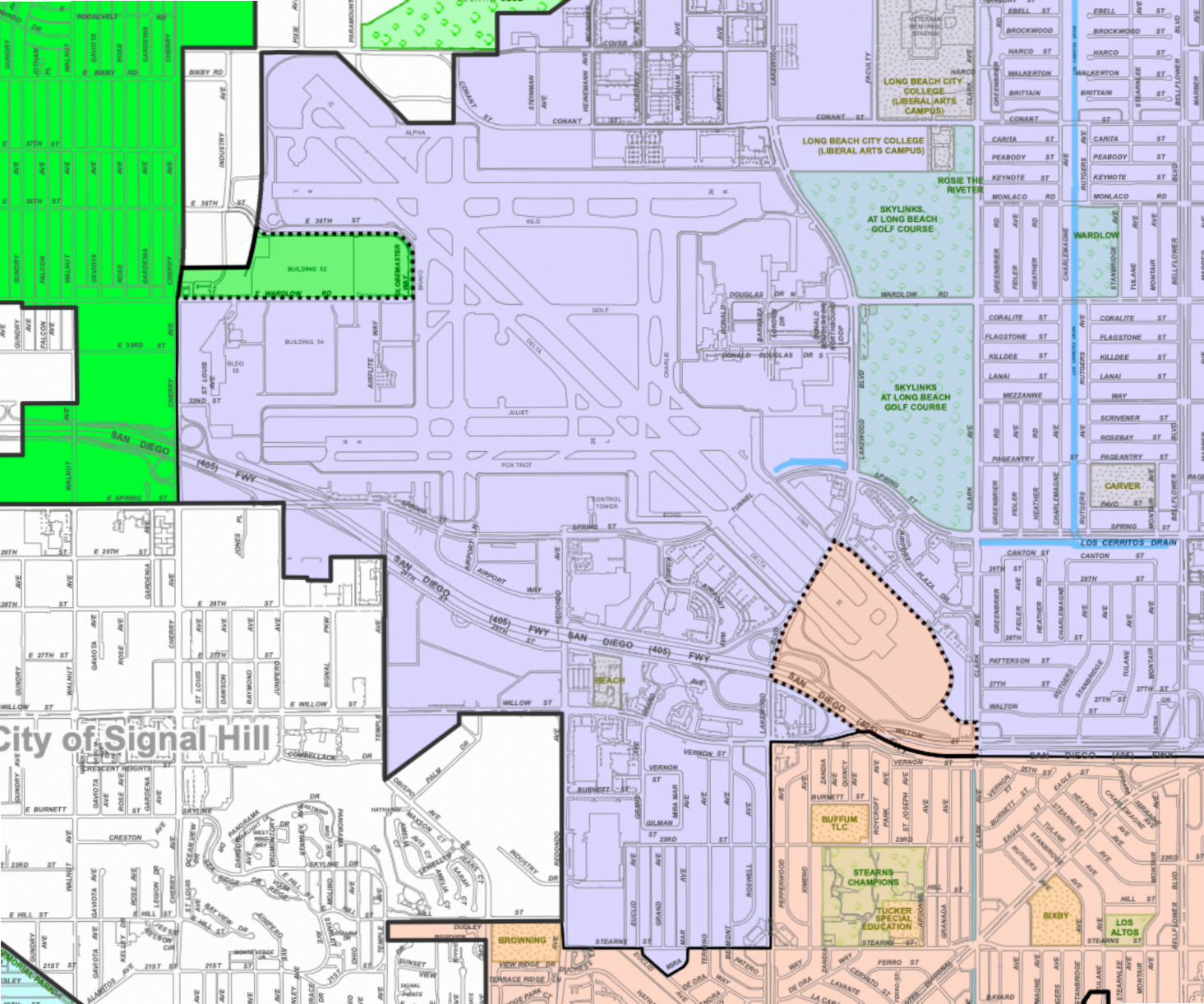
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## **VOTERS--As a CityWide Community of Interest**

prepared by Christine Elia

Aug. 4, 2021

VOTERS should be considered a community of interest and be treated more equitably across the city. According to data found at the registrar of voters, we have a vastly different number of voters in each current council district with a low of under 14,000 voters up to 33,000 voters. In a minute, I will show you how our voting rights are consistently diminished when a small slice of voters in certain parts of the city has the same electoral power to choose a councilperson as a much larger group of voters in other parts of the city. This is not only unfair to voters, but also for the candidates running for office.

Fewer candidates are willing and able to run for office when there are fewer voters in a council district. If there are only two candidates in a race, of course one of them will have the majority of the vote in a primary election and then will not need to have a run-off election. Their campaign expenses in running can therefore be less. Candidates in districts that have more voters will have more competition, and have higher mailing, signage, and phone call expenses since they have to reach out to more voters. If they have candidate debates, they have less speaking time as the time needs to be split up among more speakers. This alone is detrimental to a voter who wants to know about a candidate and how they think on various issues.

It is unlikely that redistricting lines can be drawn such that each council district has the approximately the same number of people AND of voters, but the prevalence or lack of voters should at least be taken into account when district lines are drawn.

In the attached table, the number of votes each candidate received in past elections is shown (without candidate names). Please observe that frequently a losing candidate in a high-voter district frequently receives more votes than the winning candidate in a low-voter council district. This inequity in votes can be lessened by drawing redistricting lines in a way to better balance the number of registered voters in each district.

# VOTERS--As a CityWide Community of Interest

		CD1	CD2	CD3	CD4	CD5	CD6	CD7	CD8	CD9
Total Voter Registrations per Council District:										
	06/02/1998	11,366	20,651	33,023	19,068	32,281	10,479	19,852	21,826	18,427
	06/06/2006	13,012	22,603	33,765	22,575	31,056	14,445	22,234	20,812	17,323
	11/04/2008	13,843	22,610	33,504	21,693	32,129	15,331	24,074	21,561	18,990
	11/03/2020	273,849	(total city-wide)							
KEY:	winner		loser	Numbers below indicate the number of votes per candidate						
Data from:	<a href="https://www.longbeach.gov/cityclerk/elections/election-results/">https://www.longbeach.gov/cityclerk/elections/election-results/</a>									
Primary	04/11/2006	1,248		4,395		2,426		3,149		1,490
		411		2,044		1,623		2,275		1,358
				2,010		1,336				
				1,036		853				
				752		555				
						280				
						77				
Primary	04/08/2008		unopposed		unopposed		1,743		unopposed	
							430			
Primary	04/13/2010	1,168		5,367		4,980		2,442		1,694
		466		1,556		2,827		1,662		852
				1,800				971		492
								327		174
								24		
Primary	04/10/2012		1,530		1,217		unopposed		2,183	
			741		1,183				1,669	
			203		1,168				76	
Primary	04/08/2014	1,106		5,649		3,893		2,950		2,909
		728		1,349		3,286		1,428		743
		377		1,169		2,397		1,039		
		193		1,077		762		379		
				998						
General	06/03/2014	1,668				6,212				
		1,078				5,184				

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			1,652				556		1,314	
			876				285		667	
							204			
Primary	04/10/2018	unopposed		7,058		4,391		2,797		1,938
				1,164		2,692		1,904		490
				790		1,917		959		
						363		198		
								60		
Data from: <a href="https://lavote.net/home/voting-elections/current-elections/election-results/past-election-results">https://lavote.net/home/voting-elections/current-elections/election-results/past-election-results</a>										
General	06/05/2018					8,390		4,733		
						6,720		4,166		
General	11/03/2020		11,448				7,799		10,839	
			9,928				5,246		8,253	

It is recommended that a new layer be added to the mapping tool showing voting precinct boundaries and that the number of registered voters in each precinct be loaded into the mapping tool. In addition, it would help to have an automatic tally of voters be made available just as it is for population.



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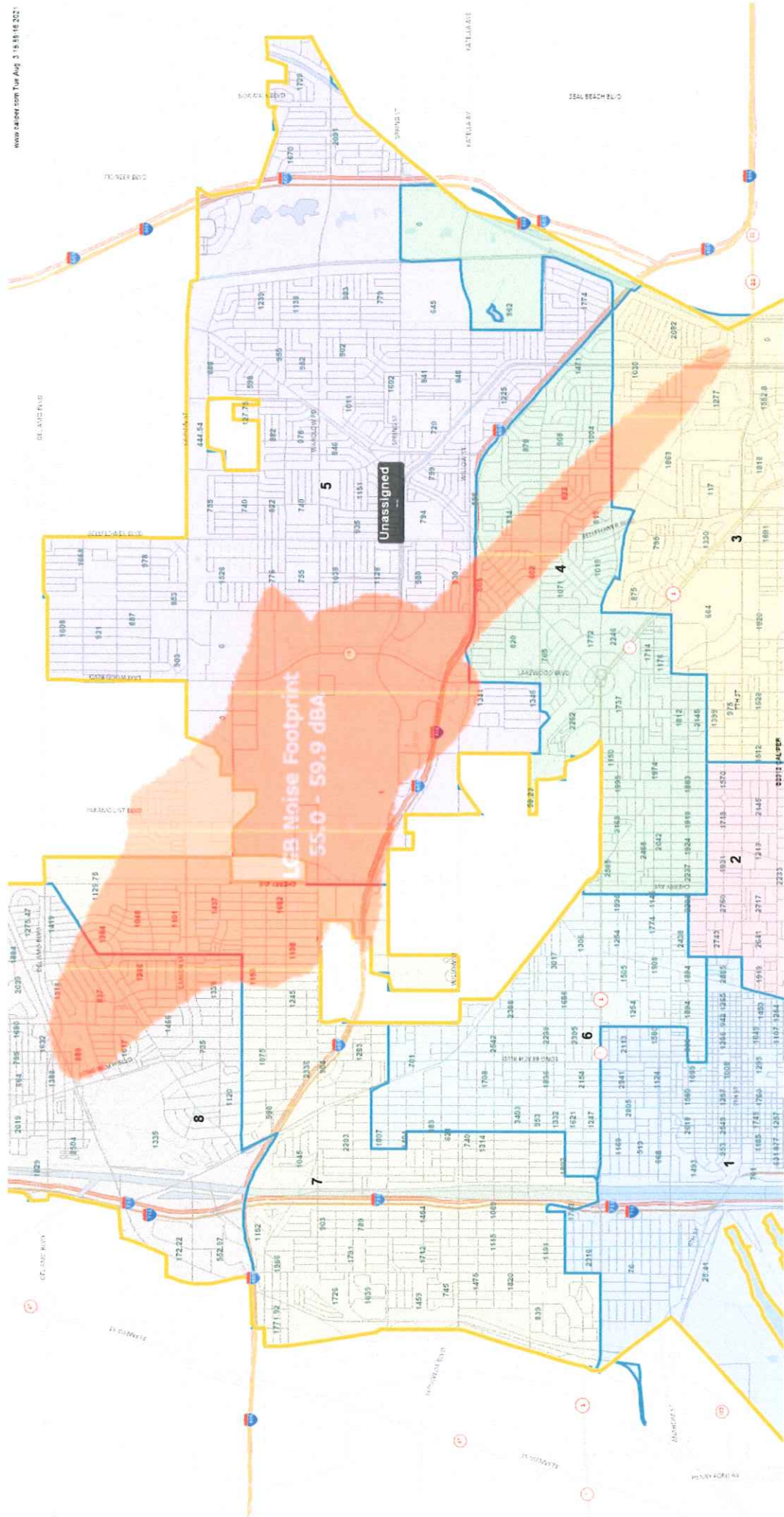
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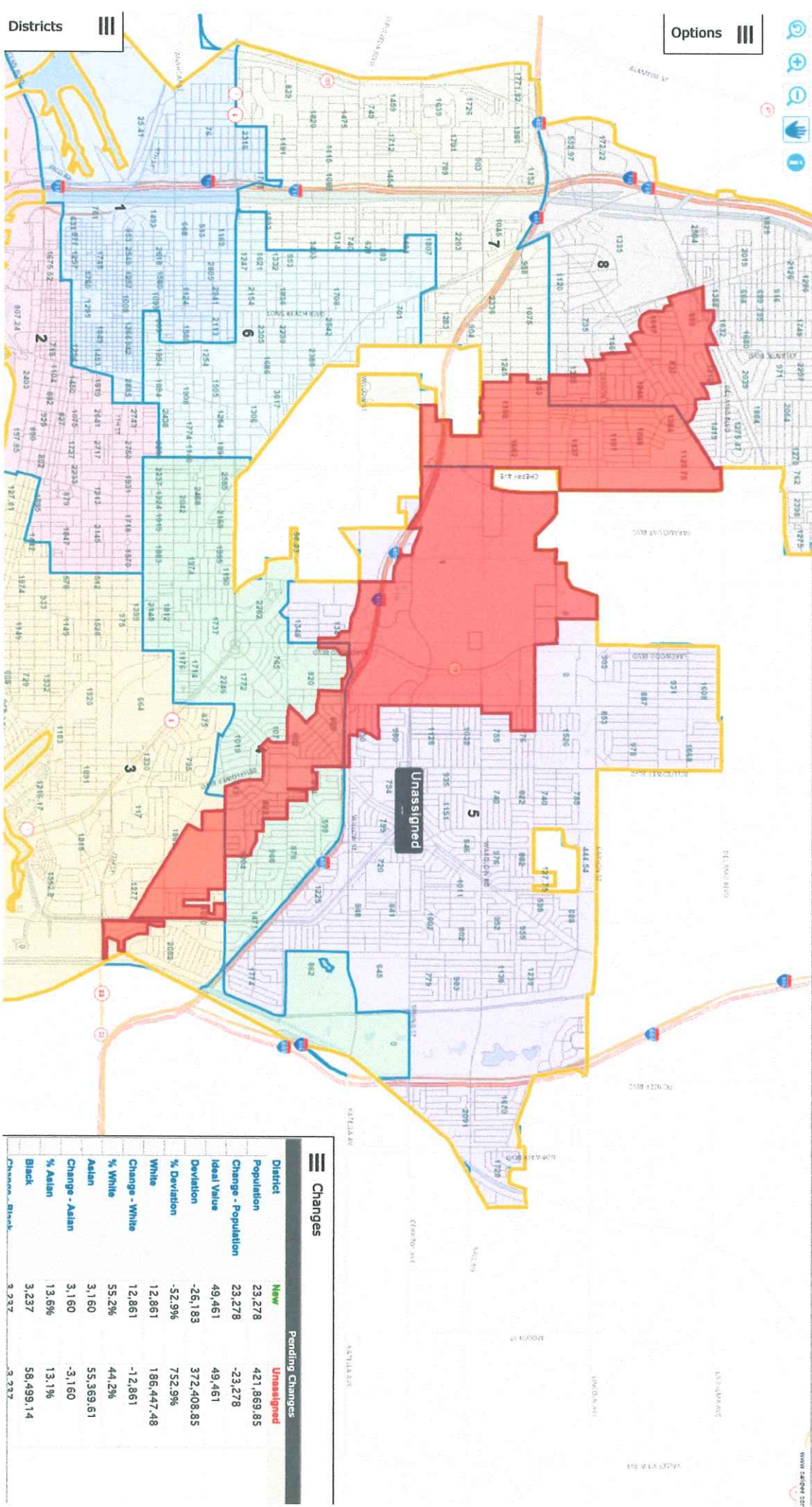
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Unassigned

LCB Noise Footprint  
55.0 - 59.9 dBA

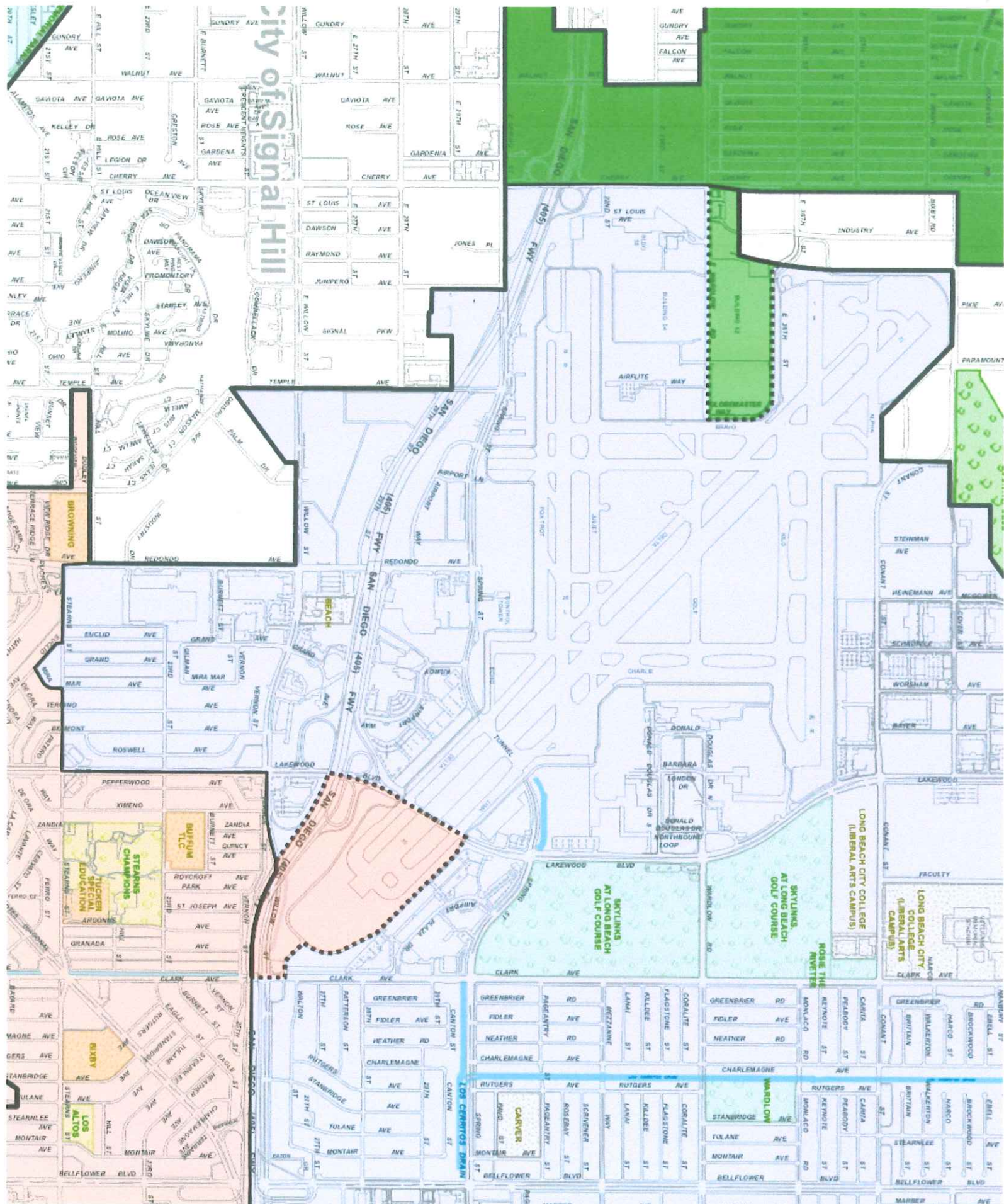




### Changes

District	New	Pending Changes	Unassigned
Population	23,278	421,869.85	
Change - Population	23,278	-23,278	
Ideal Value	49,461	49,461	
Deviation	-26,183	372,408.85	
% Deviation	-52.9%	752.9%	
White	12,861	186,447.48	
Change - White	12,861	-12,861	
% White	55.2%	44.2%	
Asian	3,160	55,369.61	
Change - Asian	3,160	-3,160	
% Asian	13.6%	13.1%	
Black	3,237	58,499.14	
Change - Black	3,237	-3,237	





# Redistricting Council District 5

AIRPORT AREAS – DISCUSSION WITH AIRPORT ADJACENT NEIGHBORHOODS  
GROUP (AANG COI)

5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT OTHER AREAS – CORLISS LEE WITH INPUT FROM SOME CITIZENS  
AUGUST 4 2021



# AIRPORT IMPACT ON THE 5TH

- **AIRPORT BUSINESS IMPACTS**

- The 5<sup>th</sup> has all the business impacts of the terminal and airport businesses as well as hotels.

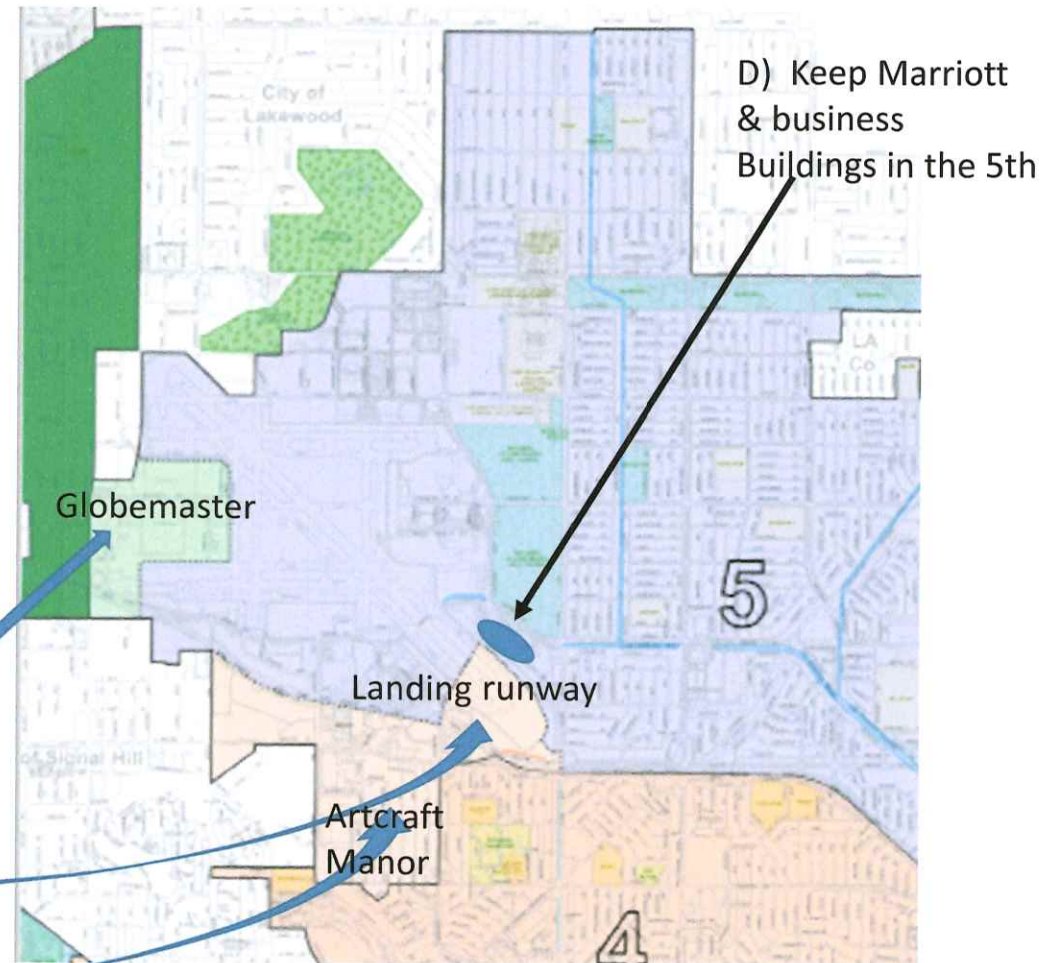
- **NOISE**

- Airport noise detectors do not seem to measure runways other than main runway (??)
- When the two back-up runways are used, neighborhoods in the 5<sup>th</sup> district are impacted.
  - Several months last year north runway was used while main runway was being refurbished
  - At night, flights are often redirected to the north runway (wakes my 93 year old mother up and she complains bitterly)
- The 5<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> are impacted by airport noise as well as the 4<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> but to a much lesser extent.

GOAL: INCLUSION AND PARTICIPATION BY  
COMMUNITIES and DISTRICTS THAT  
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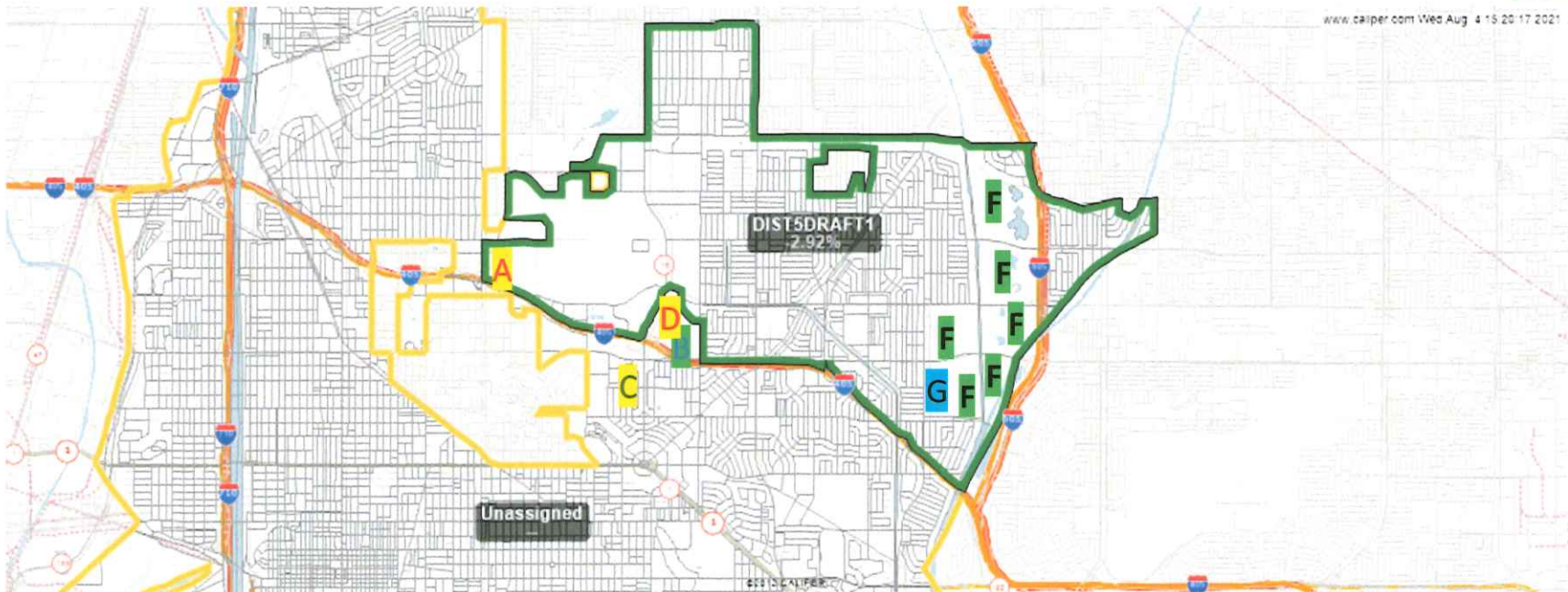
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# 5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT MAP IN MAPTITUDE

Now 48,018  
Was 49,852  
Down 2.92%



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- C) Move Artcraft Manor neighborhood to the 4th district
- D) Keep Marriott and business buildings on Spring St in the 5th
- E) Use 405 fwy as natural southern boundary
- F) Keep all El Dorado Park in the 5<sup>th</sup>
- G) If 4<sup>th</sup> wants part of ELDO, give them Eldo West South of Willow

Note: A,B,D could not be shown using MapTitude. These areas have no residents so should be able to split them.<sup>4</sup>

*Careen Lee*

# Drawn out of Long Beach's 8th District, candidate isn't giving up

By **GREG MELLEN** | Press telegram

PUBLISHED: July 7, 2011 at 12:00 a.m. | UPDATED: September 1, 2017 at 5:15 a.m.

LONG BEACH — The City Council that he wants to join may have cut him out, but real estate agent and community activist Mike Kowal vows to fight on.

A resident of the 8th District, at least for now, Kowal was the first to announce his intent to run for city office in 2012 as a successor to outgoing Councilwoman Rae Gabelich.

However, Kowal found himself "redistricted" into the 7th District on Tuesday, when the council, on a 7-2 vote, scrapped one controversial redrawing of district lines for another. Of course, the council must vote twice more on the new borders and send the plan to the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder before the changes become official.

Into the void comes long-time local politico Al Austin, who filed forms this week declaring his intent to become a candidate in the 8th District as well. Austin ran for the 6th District seat in a 2007 special election but lost to now-Councilman Dee Andrews.

Austin was unavailable for comment Thursday.

Retired police sergeant John Watkins, in the 4th District, is the only other person to form a campaign committee so far for next April's election.

Although Kowal didn't like being "gerrymandered," as he called it, from one district to another, he felt the end result could be positive.

"I'm fired up. This is wonderful," Kowal said, predicting an upswell in citizen involvement and response against what he sees as a purely political move.

"I don't see how you could call it anything else," Kowal said.

Johnson scoffed at the suggestion of politics being the issue.

"This is not about Mike Kowal or any other fringe issues," Johnson said Thursday.

Rather, he said, it was about following the guidelines the council agreed on to do its best to create districts that follow major thoroughfares, keep neighborhoods and census tracts together and create like-sized districts.

Johnson suggests those who have vilified him have put the target on the wrong back.

"I don't think (their) real beef is with me, it's with the U.S. Constitution," Johnson said. "Some people don't want to see change in any area."

The redrawing of Long Beach's council district lines is required by population changes and shifts recorded in the 2010 U.S. Census. It has also quickly become a huge political hot potato and fertile ground for intrigue and conspiracy theories.

Gabelich, whose district the 7th cut into, has been a critic of the redrawn maps. Her proposed map never reached a vote.



"This was crafted in such a way that is beyond disturbing," Gabelich said. "I see this as the political machine at its best."

Gabelich has been an outspoken member of the council who often questions the majority's decisions. She and Kowal have close political ties, having once been part of the same anti-airport noise activist group.

Critics also say the new map leaves Johnson's 7th District with 900 more residents than are needed.

Johnson says that's a false claim and that even if the new lines are approved, the 8th District will still be larger than the 7th.

Johnson says anyone who looks at the differences between his proposed map and Gabelich's can draw their conclusions.

His map cuts straight across Bixby Road, moving areas south of it into the 7th. Gabelich's map had more of a jigsaw puzzle look, but kept the number of residents who would be moved to a new district to a minimum.

"Take a look for yourself and decide what looks like a gerrymander," Johnson said.

The proposed maps are available online at [www.longbeach.gov/redistricting](http://www.longbeach.gov/redistricting). As for his future course, Kowal says he and his supporters will look into the legalities of the council's redistricting decisions. He added that he might become more active in a recall effort that has been launched against Johnson, who had proposed both controversial boundary changes.

Initially, Johnson had proposed a plan that would have split the Bixby Knolls area along Atlantic Avenue.

In the face of withering criticism from the community, Johnson backed a plan that left Bixby Knolls intact but in the process enveloped Kowal's Los Cerritos neighborhood.

The website [recalljohnson.com](http://recalljohnson.com) was formed by disaffected residents who are seeking to build support to oust the first-term councilman.

If those efforts fall short, Kowal said he might move into the new 8th District and run.

"All of those possibilities are on the table," Kowal said.

He would likely step aside, however, if Gabelich, who is termed-out next year, decides to run a write-in campaign.

The incumbent said she would only run again, and reluctantly, if there is an outpouring of requests.

"I'm tired," Gabelich said. "It's been one battle after another." About her future, Gabelich said: "I'd rather regroup, gather energy and run for mayor."

Kowal said he simply wants to see a return to a council that listens to the people.

"The important thing at the end of the day is that we get a responsive City Council that will listen to its constituents," Kowal said.

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## **UPDATE: Map of New Redistricting Plan Posted; New Plan Pushes 8th District Candidate Mike Kowal Out of District**

**LB Post Allison Jean Eaton JUL 7 2011 6:28 PM**

**UPDATE Thursday, July 7, 5:29pm** | The official map of the redistricting plan approved this week by the City Council is now available. [Click here to view it from the city's website.](#)

UPDATE Wednesday, July 6, 5:15pm | Mike Kowal has released the following statement regarding last night's action by the City Council approving 7-2 an augmented redistricting plan that would effectively bar Kowal from continuing to run for office in the Eighth District by moving his neighborhood into the Seventh.

Following the Long Beach City Council majority's appalling conduct on Tuesday, July 5, I have been contacted by many 8th District residents expressing disappointment and outrage at being denied the opportunity to vote for me as their next 8th district Council representative.

I intend to take all necessary steps to ensure that the current Council majority doesn't deprive 8th district residents of the opportunity to elect a candidate of their choice. I plan to take all necessary steps to ensure that I am a legally qualified 8th Council district candidate. I have been an 8th district resident for years and will not let a Council majority exclude me by drawing their district line less than half a block from my current residence. We cannot let our neighborhoods and businesses be subject to political shenanigans. We must have a principled and unified council if we care about the future of our city.

UPDATE Wednesday, July 6, 11:45am | The Long Beach City Council Tuesday night voted 7-2 to accept an augmented version of Councilman James Johnson's proposed redistricting plan that keeps Bixby Knolls and its prosperous business corridor in the Eighth District but moves an already declared Eighth District candidate out of the district. Mike Kowal, a well-known Long Beach real estate broker and community activist, resides in the Los Cerritos neighborhood. He announced that he would be running for office in the Eighth District back in late April after filing all of the appropriate documentation.

His campaign could come to an abrupt stop, however, should the Council approve on July 19 and Aug. 2 the plan selected by the Council Tuesday night. The substitute motion made by Johnson shifts the lines of his original plan so as to move into the Seventh District only the areas south of Bixby Road and west of Atlantic Avenue. Those areas include the Los Cerritos neighborhood, which is widely known to be where Kowal resides.

The Council voted 7-2 to approve the new plan despite it moving more than 1,000 residents over and above the number needed to bring the Seventh District into compliance with the city attorney's 5 percent recommendation.

A similar plan offered up by Councilwoman Rae Gabelich, who represents the Eighth District, would have moved just more than 100 people over and above the number needed, but it fell to Johnson's new plan after only Councilwoman Gerrie Schipske backed it.

*More to come...*

# eComments Report for Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission Meeting Agenda of August 4, 2021

Item	Name	E-mail	Address	Comment	Received
PUBLIC COMMENT	Padric Gleason Gonzales	padric.gleason@gmail.com		<p>I'm writing to advocate on behalf of two historically disadvantaged communities in Long Beach:</p> <p>1) Little Manila. Despite being one of the largest communities of Filipino-Americans in the country, West Long Beach is divided across 3 separate city council districts, making representative government nearly impossible. The result? An ageing community squeezed between the 710 Freeway to the East and diesel train routes to the West. No wonder it's called a "diesel death zone" and "asthma alley". This is a community of immigrants that our City segregated into polluted neighborhoods. This commission should unify the Westside into a single compact and contiguous district, bounded by the natural and artificial barriers that separate it from the rest of Long Beach.</p> <p>2) Cambodia Town. Y'all know it's not right that Cambodia Town is divided across 3 council districts. It's another vulnerable minority community of ageing refugees and immigrants. They deserve a district centered in their neighborhood</p>	7/31/2021

## **LB Post FB/ Zoom interview on Redistricting 8/9/21**

Featuring LB Citizen's Independent Redistricting Commission Chair  
Alejandra Gutierrez

Link: [https://fb.watch/7hG7Kkl\\_t3/](https://fb.watch/7hG7Kkl_t3/)

### **Transcripts of Chair Gutierrez's first answer**

**TIMESTAMP 9:18 – 10:27** (emphasis and highlighting added)

“So yea, it's very important to us that we hear from community of interests and that they inform us of communities that we might not be aware of.

So something like you said, I can't go into depth about all the different [interrupted by host] – that we receive, but there is definitely some reoccurring ones like the Airport Affected Community. Right? A community that has been very vocal.

*We have the Cambodian population that has been pretty vocal as well, and others that you know have pointed out to us that the neighborhoods that have been identified by the city do not match the neighborhoods name or location they feel are more accurate.*

So it is important to get that feedback from our residents and people that you know are boots on the ground and know what's going on and know the different communities that we should be keeping in mind. You know that we might not as a Commission or as City Staff and so it is very, very important we hear from them...”

**From:** Carla Dillon [mailto:carladdillon@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 8, 2021 5:19 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Cc:** Council District 5 <District5@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** District 5 boundary

**-EXTERNAL-**

I was unable to attend the District 5 meeting, but I have a concern that I would like to see addressed. District 4 has a carve out in District 5 covering El Dorado Park Golf Course and the Nature Center. I live along Stearns and about the Golf Course.

Activity on the Golf as well as the San Gabriel River channel has significant impact on the El Dorado Park South neighborhood, all of which is in District 5. If there are concerns with homelessness, crime, upkeep, litter, the council member from District 4 has no voting residents/constituents in El Dorado Park South nor in El Dorado Park Golf Course, the Nature Center, nor the San Gabriel River channel. Therefore, they have no incentive to help with issues in the area of District 4. For these reasons, I request these areas all be in the same District. It appears that prior to 2001, they were in the same District.

Thank you,

Carla Dillon

**From:** chrise365@earthlink.net [mailto:chrise365@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 10, 2021 12:27 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Historic Districts as a COI

**-EXTERNAL-**

## Historic Districts

I request that each Historic District recognized by the city be considered a Community of Interest (there are at least 16 of them). "Historic preservation is important because various styles of architecture from our past tell a story about the cultures and values that serve as the building blocks of our City today." Each one has a set of restrictions on what can be done in their neighborhood and homeowners need to get permission from the Cultural Heritage Commission before they make changes to their properties.

I suggest not leaving any district with under 1,000 people by itself in a council district if it can have more impact being grouped in a different council district with other historic neighborhoods.

(The map hosted online by the planning department shows more detail than the generic "neighborhood map" distributed at the outreach meetings.)

<https://www.longbeach.gov/lbds/planning/preservation/>

You should be able to pull the shape maps from:

<https://www.arcgis.com/home/item.html?id=824148ffca4b485aafbaf9cf3a1ef>

then click on the picture.

Here's more background info on Historic Districts:

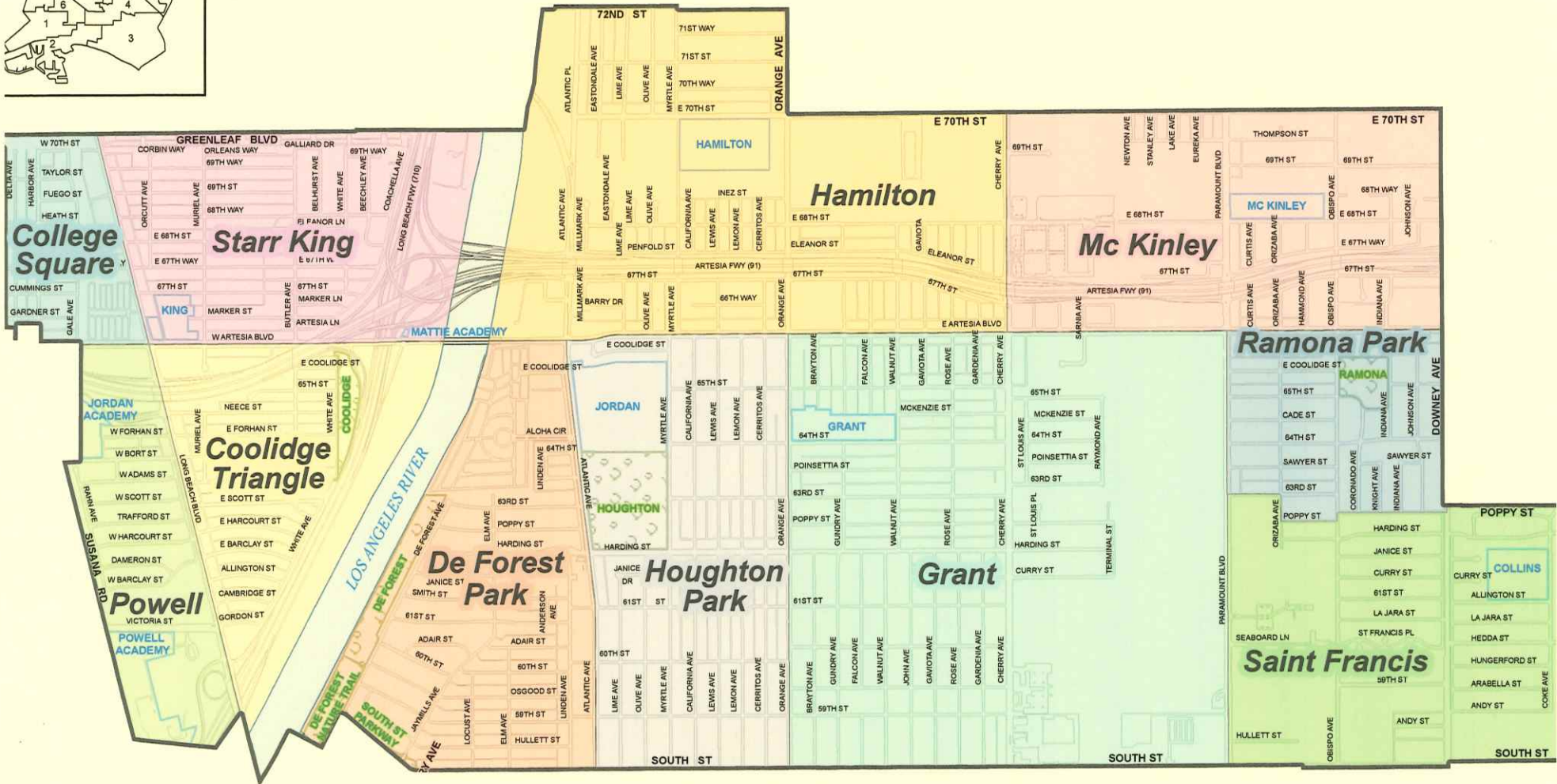
<http://www.mikenorton.com/long-beach-historic-districts/>

In addition, another page on the same website suggests that Villa Riviera should also be a historic district:

<http://www.mikenorton.com/neighborhood-spotlight-5-historic-districts-that-make-long-beach/>

Christine Elia





City of Long Beach, California

# Council District 9 Neighborhood Map

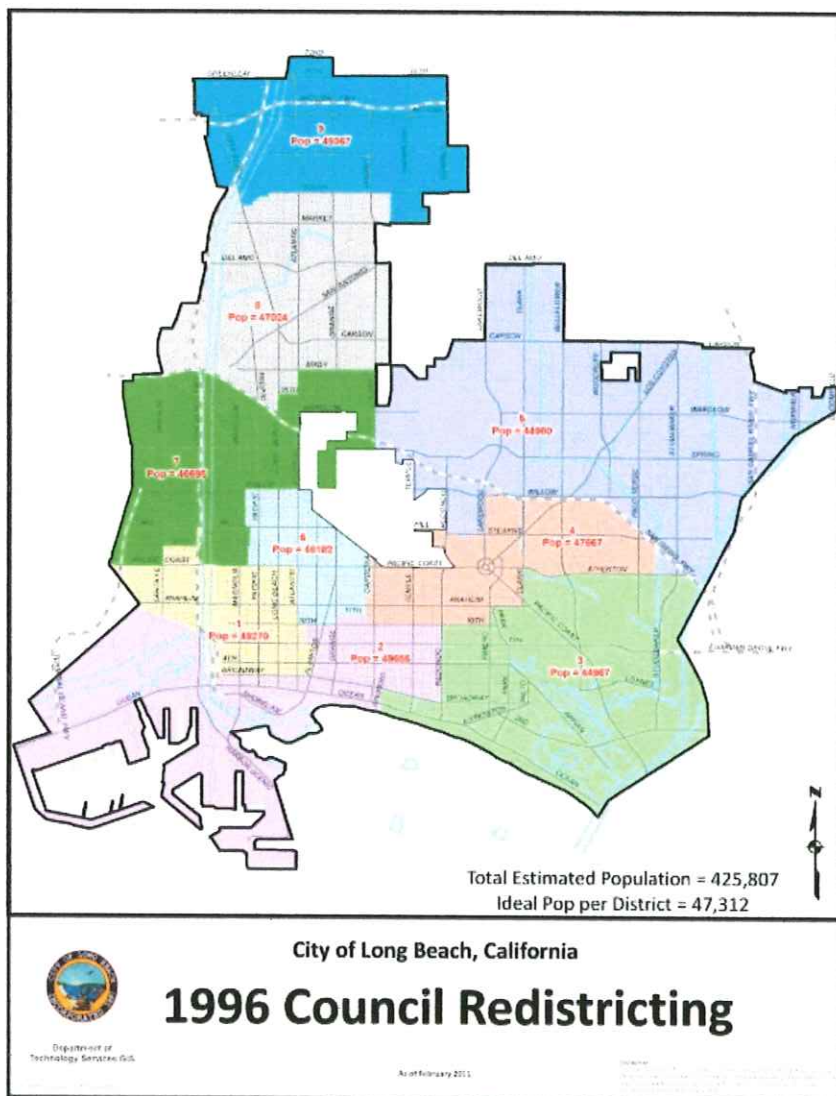
As of September 2011



Department of  
Technology Services GIS

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## 1996 District Map



## 1991 District Map

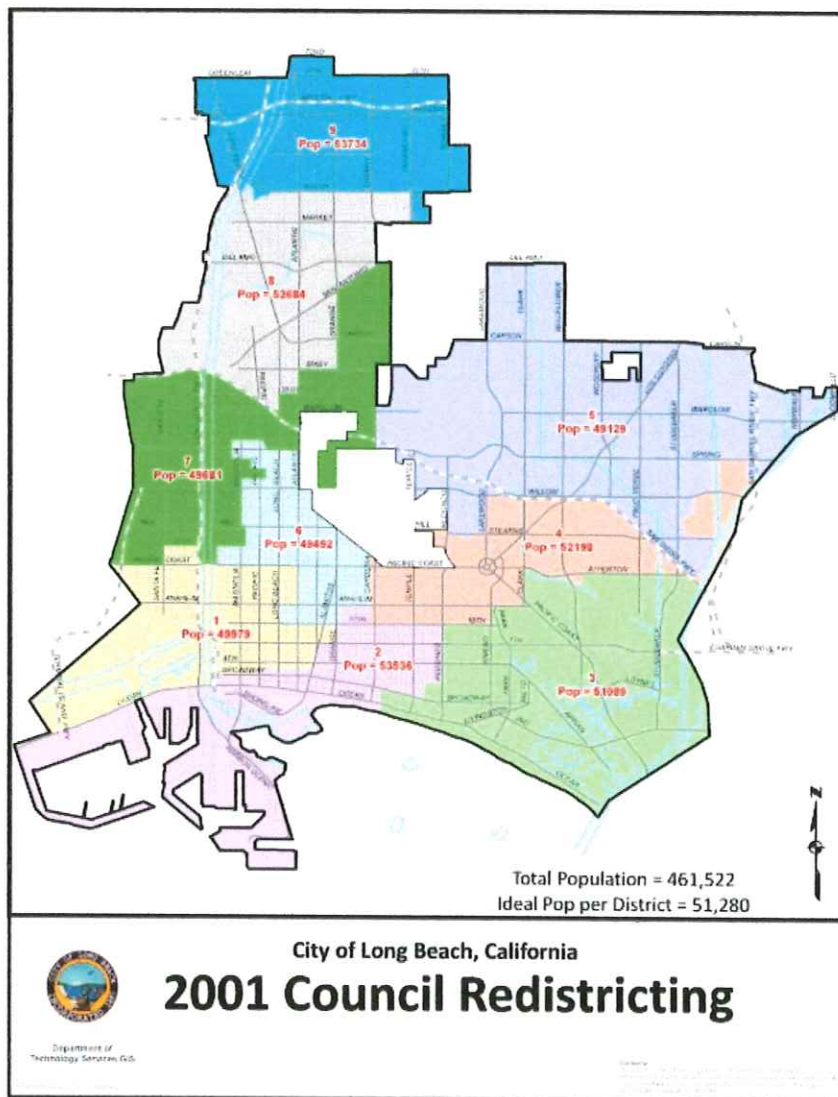


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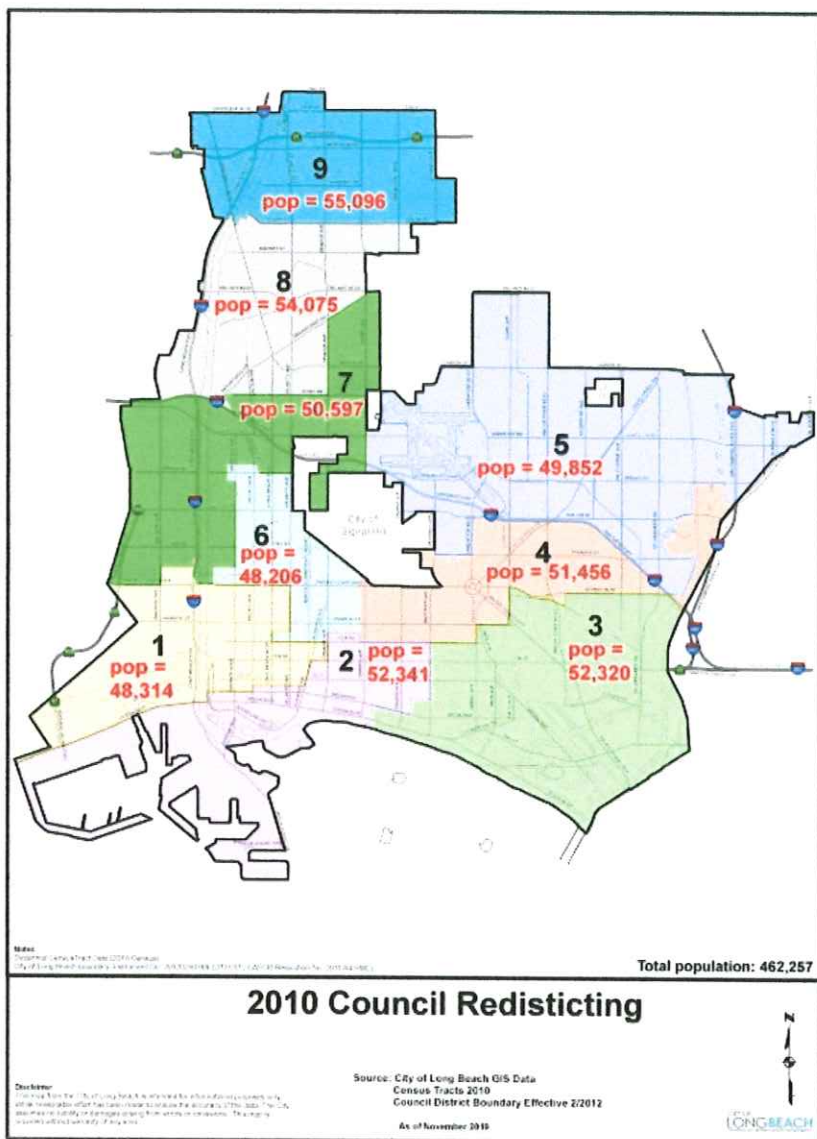
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## HISTORIC MAPS

### 2001 District Map



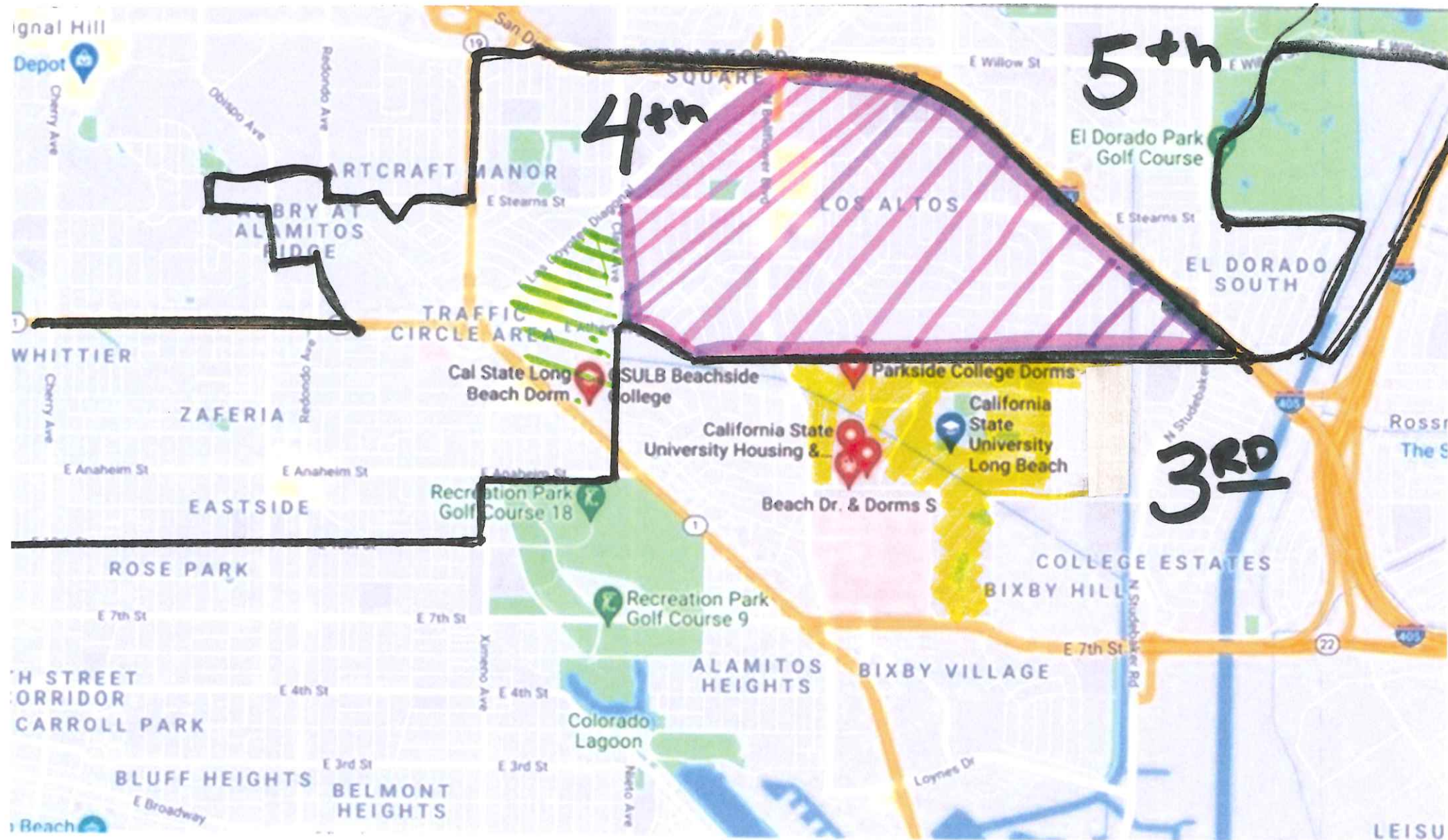




[Small Map](#) | [Large Map](#)

District 1

- Slanted Pink //// = Los Altos
- CSULB campus (3<sup>rd</sup> District) = **Yellow Highlights**
- Slanted Green //// = (4<sup>th</sup> District) Apartment community for students
- **CSULB DORMS** 4<sup>th</sup>: Beachside College( 700 students); 3<sup>rd</sup> District Parkside North(472 students)/Parkside (115 students); Hillside (appox 500 students)





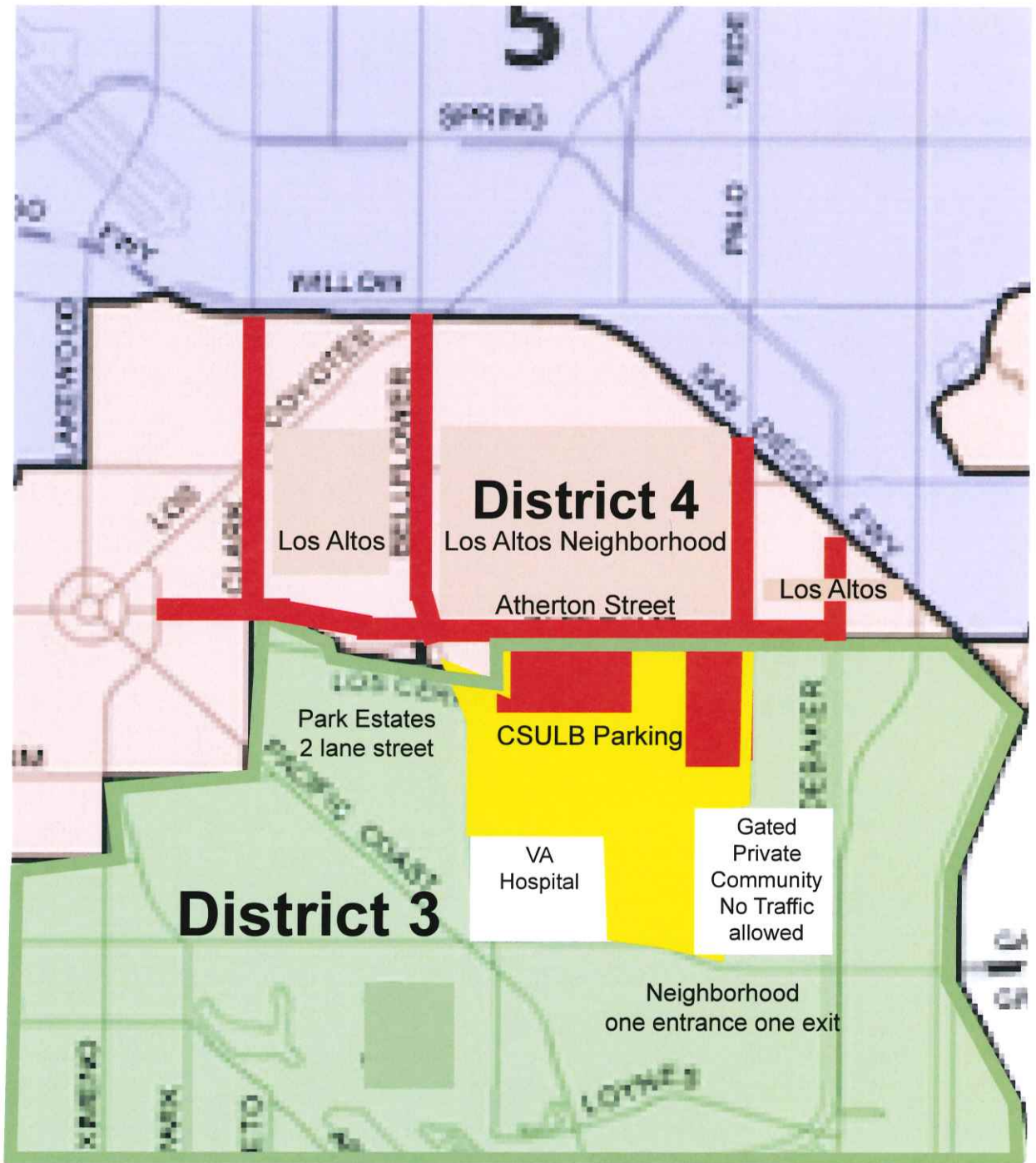


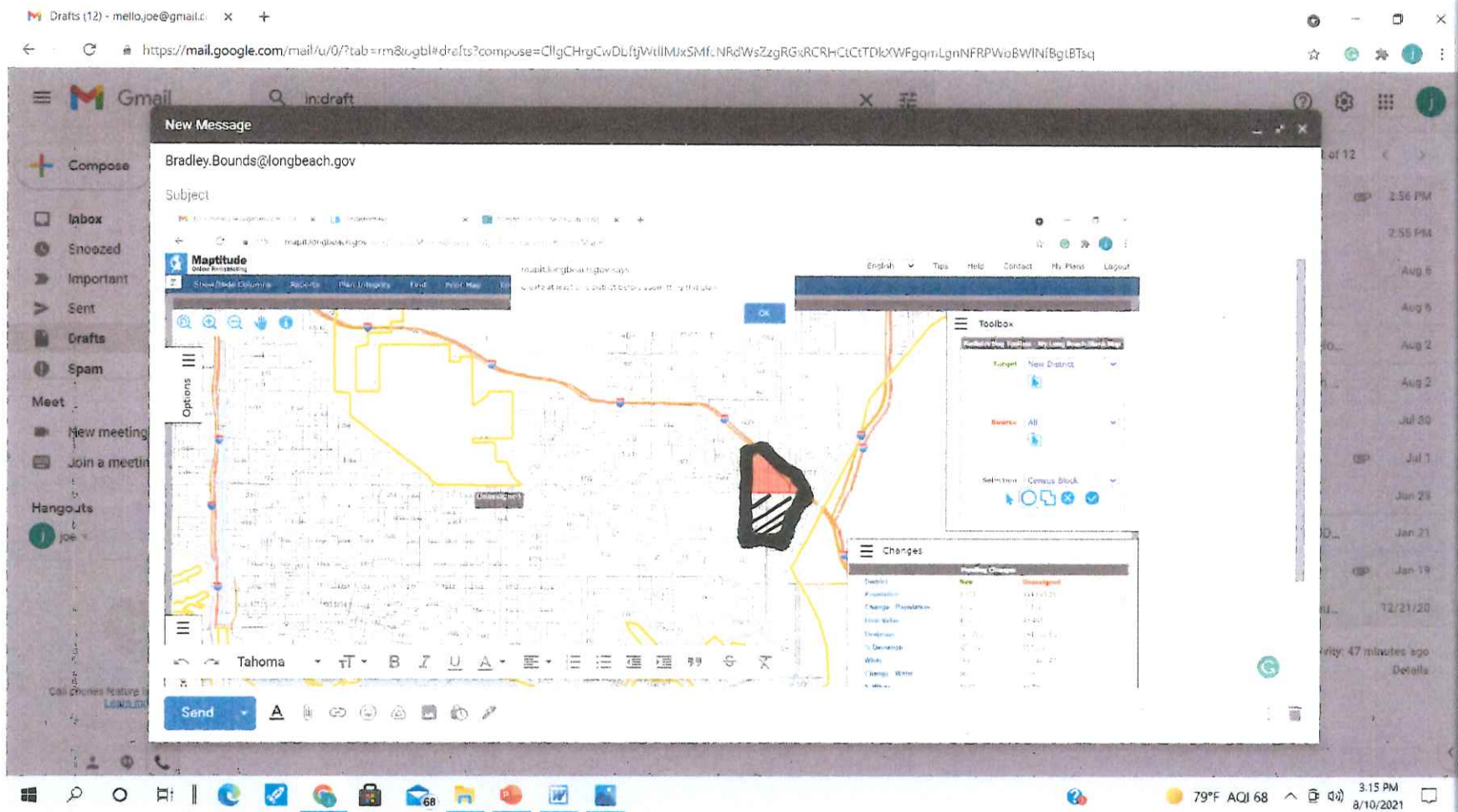
## Los Altos CSULB Adjacent Neighborhood Community of Interest

California State University  
Long Beach, which has no census  
population, needs to be *shared*  
between District 4 and District 3.

The Campus has a  
significant impact in the District 4  
neighborhoods bordering the campus.  
District 4 has no representation.

-  Footprint  
California State University  
Long Beach
-  Campus major traffic arteries,  
student and faculty parking lots  
including parking structures





The Commission's Maptitude tool shows that the Los Altos X-100 neighborhood (above shaded in red by Maptitude) does not have "overlapping" census blocks with any other nearby neighborhood.

Key

Red shaded area by Maptitude = 4<sup>th</sup> District's Los Altos X100's portion

Black stripe area = 3<sup>rd</sup> District's La Marina neighborhood

Bold line is Fake "Palo Verde neighborhood" = 

**From:** Danielle Bowden [mailto:rbowden48@verizon.net]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 2:42 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Redistricting Los Altos

**-EXTERNAL-**

To Whom it may Concern:

I am opposed to the redistricting of Los Altos.

I believe the proposed redistricting will impact my city council representation in a negative way.

There is no neighborhood in Long Beach described as 'Palo Verde'.

I ask that the proposed redistricting cease to proceed.

Sincerely,  
Danielle Bowden

From: James Bearns [mailto:[jonosdad@gmail.com](mailto:jonosdad@gmail.com)]  
Sent: Thursday, August 12, 2021 3:04 PM  
To: Redistricting <[Redistricting@longbeach.gov](mailto:Redistricting@longbeach.gov)>  
Subject: Pali. Verde

-EXTERNAL-

Absolutely do not redistrict La Marina Estates for your political agenda. The downtown politicians do not govern those of us on the Eastside.

James Bearns

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Cynthia Tiniakos [mailto:cynthiatiniakos@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 3:29 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** There is no such neighborhood as Palo Verde

**-EXTERNAL-**

How dare you redistrict behind our backs!!!

We will fight this!

Cynthia Tiniakos



**From:** Sobie Magana [mailto:maanmags@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 3:40 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Breakup of Los Altos!!! No!!!!!!

**-EXTERNAL-**

I just found out that you people who supposed to do right by the residents of Los Altos District 4 are trying redistrict it into PALOS VERDES!!!

STOP IT!!!! STOP BEING LIKE THAT FORMER ASS "TRAMP"! And yes I call him that because he is. Stop being so underhanded.

Remember, one can always be "voted" out like that former council woman....Jerry what's her name.

Sobhna Magana  
Art Craft Manor

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

**From:** richl3060@aol.com [mailto:richl3060@aol.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 3:42 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** NO to PALO VERDE!!!!

**-EXTERNAL-**

Taking the Los Altos area and connecting it to the 3rd district is not acceptable. I will be at the redistricting meeting !

I have lived in the eastern and western part of the 4TH for 60 years, but this change is NOT ACCEPTABLE!

RICHARD LINDEMANN

**From:** Sonia Preiser [mailto:soniapreiser@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 3:46 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Keep Los Altos

**-EXTERNAL-**

Why break something that is good. We're happy as Los Altos.and with Supernaw. . Please don't merge us. What would be the purpose? Certainly not to get rid of Supernaw, right? I haven't heard that he's done anything wrong and Los Altos is lovely just as it is. Sonia Preiser

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

**From:** Michael Robinson [mailto:msr411@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 4:44 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** No on 'Palo Verde' Redistricting.

**-EXTERNAL-**

I want to express my resistance to breaking up Los Altos as we know, and as it has been for sixt years.

Thanks,

**Michael Robinson**

President, Broadmoor Realty, Inc.

Call or Text (562) 857-9 | [msr411@gmail.com](mailto:msr411@gmail.com)

5500 East Atherton Street #304 Long Beach CA 90815

DRE 00597913 and 01250963

From: Chet Chebegia [mailto:chebemaker@gmail.com]  
Sent: Thursday, August 12, 2021 4:49 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Redistricting Lo Altos.

-EXTERNAL-

We the residents of Los Altos should have a say in these kinds of decisions. It is our neighborhood. We pay the taxes and elect the representatives! How dare u hide these decisions from us. We don't live in Russia. Stop this dictatorial nonsense.

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** Pamela Kahm [mailto:pamela.kahm@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 6:02 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** 4th District

**-EXTERNAL-**

I live in an area known as the X100s which is a small triangle bordered by Atherton, Palo Verde, 405 freeway and the channel. This is part of the Los Altos neighborhood; your map has designated this as the Palo Verde neighborhood. In my 38 years in my home, no one has ever used that term for this neighborhood. and, as I understand, may move to the 3rd or 5th district. I consider myself a part of Los Alos - I shop in Los Altos. CSULB students are starting to park in the neighborhood; being part of District 4, which includes the homes along Atherton, would provide better representation for my interests.

**From:** dorothy777@gmail.com Hill [mailto:dorothyh777@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 7:16 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Fourth

**-EXTERNAL-**

AN. UNDERHANDED PLAN TO CHANGE DIST. 4. I THOUGHT MOST COUNCIL MEMBERS HONEST AND LOVED OUR,CITY. DO NOT CHANGE OUR FOURTH DISTRICT...WHO PROPOSED THIS,CHANGE TO THE,COMMITTEE?? SO IS,ON THE COMMITTEE...WHO. PAYED THEM!!!?

From: P L <[fuzzytail93@gmail.com](mailto:fuzzytail93@gmail.com)>  
Date: Thu, Aug 12, 2021, 9:42 PM  
Subject: Fwd: LOS ALTOS ALERT  
To: Council District 4 <[district4@longbeach.gov](mailto:district4@longbeach.gov)>

Please keep our district (4) intact. We like it as is and do not want to belong to a different district. We also like our council person and do not want to change to a different district's council person. Thank you for your efforts in this matter.

Pat & Steve Haines

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **LosAltos LB** <[lblateflights@gmail.com](mailto:lblateflights@gmail.com)>  
Date: Thu, Aug 12, 2021, 3:23 PM  
Subject: LOS ALTOS ALERT  
To:

Without Our Consent and Without Our Knowledge, part of Los Altos the heart of the 4th Council District has been quietly reassigned to another "made-up" neighborhood by the City of Long Beach

The city has taken part of Los Altos and merged it with the 3rd District Council neighborhood of La Marina Estates to form a new neighborhood the downtown bureaucrats have named "Palo Verde".

This move by the City could result in Councilman Supernaw's residence being moved into the 3rd or 5th Council Districts during the Redistricting Process. This would effectively remove him from the City Council.

WHAT CAN YOU DO? Speak Up and Just Say No!!!

YOU DO HAVE A VOICE

If you oppose this move to Break Up Los Altos you need to email the Long Beach Independent Citizen's Redistricting Commission and/or attend the August 18th Redistricting Commission meeting for the 4th District.

EMAIL

Email the LB Redistricting Commission and tell them NOT to break up Los Altos! Tell them there is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde". Here is the email address:  
[redistricting@longbeach.gov](mailto:redistricting@longbeach.gov)

SHOW UP IN PERSON; Attend the LB Redistricting Commission meeting at the 4th Districts' Browning H.S. 2180 Obispo Ave, Long Beach, CA 90804 and tell them NOT to Break-up Los Altos!

**From:** Sharon Pearson [mailto:sharonpea@outlook.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 10:25 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Redistricting of Los Altos

**-EXTERNAL-**

I strongly object to redistricting of our area. There is no such neighborhood as Palo Verde. There are other things to focus on...this isn't one of them!

Sharon Pearson

**From:** lacofd122@gmail.com [mailto:lacofd122@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 13, 2021 8:36 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Cc:** Council District 4 <District4@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Redistricting the 4th District - Opposition

**-EXTERNAL-**

I am completely opposed to the proposed redistricting of the 4<sup>th</sup> District into the already overworked 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> District.

My wife and I have been really impressed with Councilman Supernaw's diligent work within the 4<sup>th</sup> district. I have witnessed this first hand.

What is the motivation in making a change to proven districting system that is functioning as designed? This will a huge mistake for the City of Long Beach if implemented.

Mr. Robert S. Thomas (Retired Los Angeles County Firefighter)



From: Toni Napier [mailto:tnapier25@gmail.com]  
Sent: Friday, August 13, 2021 9:28 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Do not break up Los Altos

-EXTERNAL-

As residents Los Altos for 41 years, my husband and I vehemently oppose the break up of Los Altos for the "Palo Verde" district. Our councilman is a strong advocate for our district and continues to represent our interests as a thriving neighborhood community. Do NOT destroy an economically, socially and politically thriving neighborhood by chopping it up.  
Kent and Antoinette Napier

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** joe mello [mailto:mello.joe@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 13, 2021 11:18 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Cc:** Jason Trainor <jtrainor76@icloud.com>; Bradley Bounds <Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Grant Announcement from LBCF -- Airport Noise Ordinance Grants -- \$4K-\$15K to Benefit Communities Impacted by Airplane Noise -- Deadline: Wed., Aug. 26. 2021 @ 5 p.m.

**-EXTERNAL-**

JT and Bradley,  
Please distribute this to the Commission. The forwarded email below is from the Long Beach Neighborhood Resource Center. It is announcing grant opportunities to the AIRPORT IMPACTED neighborhoods. The grants are funded by the City Prosecutor's Consent Decrees. Please note the link the city has provided in the email. That link goes to a photo of the airport with the noise contours showing the affected neighborhoods eligible for the grants. As clearly shown, the Los Altos Community of Interest is part of the airport impacted area, while no neighborhood in the 5th District which represents the airport can apply for the grants.  
Joe Mello  
Chair  
Los Altos Center Adjacent Neighborhoods

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** **Neighborhood Resource Center** <[Neighborhood\\_Resource\\_Center@longbeach.gov](mailto:Neighborhood_Resource_Center@longbeach.gov)>  
**Date:** Wed, Aug 11, 2021 at 4:36 PM  
**Subject:** Grant Announcement from LBCF -- Airport Noise Ordinance Grants -- \$4K-\$15K to Benefit Communities Impacted by Airplane Noise -- Deadline: Wed., Aug. 26. 2021 @ 5 p.m.  
**To:** Neighborhood Resource Center <[Neighborhood\\_Resource\\_Center@longbeach.gov](mailto:Neighborhood_Resource_Center@longbeach.gov)>  
**Cc:** [issis@longbeachcf.org](mailto:issis@longbeachcf.org) <[issis@longbeachcf.org](mailto:issis@longbeachcf.org)>, Stacey Morrison <[stacey@longbeachcf.org](mailto:stacey@longbeachcf.org)>

**From:** Stacey Morrison [mailto:[stacey@longbeachcf.org](mailto:stacey@longbeachcf.org)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 11, 2021 11:46 AM

**Subject:** Airport Noise Ordinance Grant

# AIRPORT NOISE ORDINANCE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPACT FUND

Open Application: July 15, 2021  
Deadline: August 26, 2021

**Apply**  
**at** <https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=longbeachcf>

**GRANT PURPOSE**

The Airport Noise Ordinance Neighborhood Impact Fund was created with fines paid by certain airlines who have violated noise restrictions at the Long Beach Airport. These charitable dollars can be used to fund projects that improve or benefit communities impacted by airplane noise from the Long Beach Airport. The Airport Noise Ordinance Neighborhood Impact Fund was funded with fines paid by certain airlines who have violated flight path noise restrictions at the Long Beach Airport. These charitable dollars can be used to fund projects that improve or benefit residents under the flight paths who are most impacted.

The borders of the flight path are meant to serve as a guide to show the most impacted areas. See map here: <https://longbeachcf.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/EIR-Noise-Contour-MAP.pdf>

**DEADLINE**

To be considered, the below application must be completed, with all supporting documentation by Thursday, August 26, 2021, at 5 p.m PST.

**GRANT SUGGESTIONS**

Please submit your application as clearly and succinctly as possible. Don't assume that we know the details of your program or project. Be specific when writing about the impact and sustainability of your project.

Examples of worthy projects include public area improvements that benefit the impacted residents, community gatherings, neighborhood festivals, and nonprofit programming benefiting residents within the flight path, just to

name a few. The more people benefitting in an area under the flight path, the better. Projects that work to gather people together to encourage neighborliness are prioritized.

#### **AWARDING GRANTS**

Grants will be awarded based on the program qualifications outlined in the application and selected by the Board-appointed Grants Selection Committee. The Committee will review submitted applications, select successful candidates, and make recommendations for funding. Successful candidates whose application is highly aligned with the grant purpose *may* be asked to submit additional information or schedule an interview. Grants are made to US-based, 501(C)(3) nonprofits, educational institutions, and government entities serving Long Beach who are in good standing with the IRS. Fiscal sponsors may be considered. If you have a question about your organization's status, please contact us.

#### **AWARD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The expected announcement of awards will be made on September 27, 2021.

All applicants will receive an automated reply *“Thank you for submitting your application. It has been received and we will reach back out to you at a later date”* immediately upon submitting their application. This is the acknowledgment that your application has been received.

#### **FUNDING AMOUNT**

Award amount between \$4,000 and \$15,000.

#### **REPORTING**

Reporting is required for every grant received. Reports consist of a one-page account of how the funds were spent, the impact of the program, who was

served by the program, and the overall success of the program. Additionally, LBCF requests a testimonial from someone served by your program or recognition on social media. Please tag LBCF in any social media posts, using @LBCommunityFdn on Facebook, Instagram, and/or Twitter.

#### **QUESTIONS?**

Contact Issis Vargas at 562 435-9033 or [issis@longbeachcf.org](mailto:issis@longbeachcf.org) with questions. Learn more about all grant opportunities at <https://longbeachcf.org/grants/>.



**From:** Lisa Noble [mailto:[lisanobleconsults@gmail.com](mailto:lisanobleconsults@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 13, 2021 2:18 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <[Redistricting@longbeach.gov](mailto:Redistricting@longbeach.gov)>  
**Subject:** Shared Assets

**-EXTERNAL-**

Hi:

I live in the 5th district and attended a recent meeting that was held there. I really enjoyed the meeting and think you guys are doing a GREAT job!.

During the meeting I was moved by the statements of the people from the 4th and 7th district and how they are more affected by the airport than we are in the 5th district.

It seems like you could develop a list of "shared assets" that might be held by two or three of the districts. One shared asset could be the airport and another one could be CSULB.

There may be other assets in the rest of the city as well.

I realize that there are many, many rules you are dealing with, and it might not be possible, but thought I would share.

Thanks,

Lisa

Lisa L Noble  
[LisaNobleConsults@gmail.com](mailto:LisaNobleConsults@gmail.com)

From: Linda Steele [mailto:lsteel562@gmail.com]  
Sent: Friday, August 13, 2021 3:39 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Redistricting Los Altos

-EXTERNAL-

I am requesting that you do not change anything about the Los Altos district 4. Leave it be. We like our council member and want to continue to keep our area in tact. It serves no purpose to create a Palo Verde district.

Thank you.  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** David Alpern [mailto:[alpern@hotmail.com](mailto:alpern@hotmail.com)]

**Sent:** Friday, August 13, 2021 5:11 PM

**To:** Redistricting <[Redistricting@longbeach.gov](mailto:Redistricting@longbeach.gov)>

**Subject:** Concerned about proposed redistricting's affect on Los Altos and Councilman Supernaw

**-EXTERNAL-**

The refashioning of Long Beach's nine districts is a difficult task, and I recognize that the effort this cycle is to have less gerrymandered council districts. As a resident of the 4<sup>th</sup> district, also known as the whale, I am party to one of the affected council districts from the last effort to apportion the city. However, I hear that this go around a proposal of yours would have the impact of leaving our most excellent councilman Daryl Supernaw without a district to represent.

If this move could indeed result in Councilman Supernaw's residence being moved into the 3rd or 5th Council Districts during the redistricting process effectively removing him from the City Council, that would be unacceptable.

I implore the Long Beach Independent Citizen's Redistricting Commission to recognize the Los Altos neighborhood of East Long Beach has a unified spirit and geographic character as well as an excellent councilman who should not be removed from office solely due to this process.

Respectfully,

**David Alpern**

Long Beach 90815

[alpern@hotmail.com](mailto:alpern@hotmail.com)

**From:** Surf Hag [mailto:surfhag@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 13, 2021 9:46 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** We oppose redistricting 4th district

**-EXTERNAL-**

My husband and as well as our 25 year old daughter all oppose the new redistricting of the 4th district.  
Mark and Susan and Bridget Starr

From: Ashley Richardson [mailto:ajrichardsonsdcr@icloud.com]  
Sent: Saturday, August 14, 2021 10:04 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: District 4 to include CSULB

-EXTERNAL-

Dear Redistricting:

As a long time resident of district 4, I own 2 homes in the district and have worked with Council Member Supernaw on countless occasions.

We live directly across the street from CSULB and feel that the redistricting lines should Include CSULB to be within the fourth district to benefit its neighbors who are often underrepresented and uninformed when it comes to impacts to our neighborhoods.

Things like events, construction, parking and traffic are all items we as living within 1/8 of a mile from the campus should be informed or asked about.

Thank you,

Ashley J. Richardson



From: Lurlie Edgecomb [mailto:lurlie@zero3nine.com]  
Sent: Saturday, August 14, 2021 9:19 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Parking near CSULB

-EXTERNAL-

Even though I live on Stearns between Faust and Senesac on the south side of the street, we have student parkers who either drive up with a bike on a rack or take a skate board out of their vehicle and off he goes. Yes, I've only seen males doing this and it started after the restricted parking was implemented north of Atherton. It is not a huge problem; it is noticeable. The parking fees need to be decreased and made part of tuition fees. I wonder how many out-of-towners park at the Los Altos Shopping Center and then make their way to the campus?

We, the neighbors attending the meeting about two years ago, were told the new dorm was for freshmen who were not to bring cars to campus. We were also told the building was to have a 35 foot setback. As I drive by, I don't see 35 feet before I see building/structure. Maybe I'm wrong. Think I'll go measure it.

Lurlie Edgecomb

**From:** Doreen Beasley [mailto:beazdo@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 15, 2021 10:09 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Redistributing

**-EXTERNAL-**

Doreen Beasley

Do not break up Los Altos and keep district 4!  
[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad](#)

**From:** Therese Romano [mailto:tmro57@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 15, 2021 12:22 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Redistricting for District 4  
**Importance:** High

**-EXTERNAL-**

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows  
Long Beach Redistricting Committee:

It has come to my attention that La Marina and Los Altos x100's were being combined to represent a neighborhood called Palo Verde. There is no neighborhood called Palo Verde. Do not break-up Los Altos and keep our x100 neighborhood in District 4.

Thank you,

Therese M. Romano

**From:** dorothy777@gmail.com Hill [mailto:dorothyh777@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Sunday, August 15, 2021 3:35 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:**

**-EXTERNAL-**

The triangle called. CAMPUS HOMES MUST STAY IN COUNCIL DIST FOUR!! BELIEVE IT'S AN EVIL.  
UNDERHANDED. MOVE BY THE COM.ITTEE TO RE.MOVE. DARRELL. SUPERNAW. FROM CITY COUNCIL.

**From:** gwintersch@aol.com [mailto:gwintersch@aol.com]

**Sent:** Sunday, August 15, 2021 3:47 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Cc:** gwintersch@aol.com

**Subject:** Redistricting of Los Altos Neighborhood

**-EXTERNAL-**

To whom it may concern,

I am shocked at you are doing with respect to your attempt to merge our neighborhood into District 3. This neighborhood has always been part of Los Altos. There has never been a Palo Verde neighborhood! I do NOT want this neighborhood broken up and I want to keep my neighborhood in District 4. The fact that the City of Long Beach is attempting this without resident or voter approval speaks volumes about the ethical nature of this action. I wonder if a court of law would find this action legal and if not, would it also hold those responsible guilty of circumventing the will of the people. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Gerald Winterscheid  
[gwintersch@aol.com](mailto:gwintersch@aol.com)



From: Jeremy lovejoys [mailto:jeremy.lovejoys@gmail.com]  
Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2021 4:21 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: I Vote NO on redistricting my neighborhood !!

-EXTERNAL-

As a resident and homeowner of The Los Altos x 100 neighborhood I think it's ridiculous to redistrict us into district 3 and therefore removing Supernaw. Please let me know what else I can do to voice my opinion.

Regards ,  
Jeremy Lovejoy

**From:** Janet Hofbauer [mailto:centuryflyr1@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 15, 2021 6:45 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** NO REDISTRICTING 04 STOP IMMEDIATELY

**-EXTERNAL-**

TO: REDISTRICTING OF DISTRICT 04

FROM: JANET HOFBAUER

RE: REDISTRICTING OF DISTRICT 04

TO THE CITY OF LONG BEACH I DO NOT AGREE TO DISTRICT 04 BEING PUT INTO DISTRICT 03. ALL 3 RESIDENTS OF DISTRICT 04 DO NOT AGREE WITH CITY COUNCIL ATTEMPT TO CHANGE THE DISTRICT.

DO NOT BREAK UP DISTRICT 04. I LIVE HERE IN THIS DISTRICT ALONG WITH 2 OTHER ADULTS OVER THE AGE OF 65 YEARS OF AGE AND OPPOSE REDISTRICTING. KEEP DISTRICT 4 THE SAME! DO NOT CHANGE!

LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL WHAT IN THE HECK ARE YOU THINKING? WHY ARE YOU ATTEMPTING TO REMOVE DARYL SUPERNOW? SHOULD THE PUBLIC BE LEFT TO MAKING THE CHOICES THRU THE PROCESS OF A VOTE. HOW MUCH MONEY WOULD DISTRICT 03 GAIN? WHERE IS THE MONEY GOING TO? I HIGHLY RECOMMEND A FORENSIC ACCOUNTING AUDIT, OR ENROLLED AGENT TO GO OVER THE BOOKS AND MONEY EXPENDITURES.

REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE WHOM IS BENEFITING FROM THE PROFITS OF THE REDISTRICTING? WHY WERE THE PEOPLE NOT INFORMED ABOUT YOUR ACTIONS. WHY WERE THE PEOPLE NOT NOTIFIED? WHY HAS THE CITIZENS NOT ABLE TO VOTE?

THERE IS NO PALO VERDE DISTRICT. KEEP THE LOS ALTOS DESIGNATION FOR DISTRICT 04. I REFUSE TO ACCEPT THE DISTRICT 03 AS MY DISTRICT OF LA MARINA ESTATES. WE ARE NOT A GATED COMMUNITY, NOR OR WE BOAT SLIP HOME OWNERS.

I HAVE LIVED HERE ALMOST 55 YEARS OF MY LIFE AND IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN DISTRICT 04, I SEE IT THAT WAY UNTIL MY DEATH IN MY 100s. WHY CHANGE IT! OH I FORGOT ITS ABOUT THE MONEY.

JANET HOFBAUER

**From:** Rocio Corona [mailto:rjascorona@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 15, 2021 7:09 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Cc:** Council District 4 <District4@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Do Not Break-Up Los Altos

**-EXTERNAL-**

Hello, my partner and I are recent residents of Los Altos. We were surprised to hear from our fellow neighbors of the plans to redistrict this community. Every community has specific needs and priorities - we are not the same. In our opinion, combining districts with those of distinct 3 is not in the best interest of the city as it does not facilitate proper usage of resources allocated to the qualified needs of every community/district. We are also concerned as to how this is being done - when was the community notified, what is the need to do this? The behind the scenes work of this is very disturbing and speak volumes of how the city treats our neighborhoods and our distinct needs. Long Beach City can do better.

We have our own community needs and priorities. We are not "Palo Verde" we are Los Altos, do not break-up Los Altos.

Sincerely,  
Rocio Corona and Anthony Perry

**From:** judyweldonj [mailto:judyweldonj@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 15, 2021 9:11 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** 4th council district

**-EXTERNAL-**

We do not wish to be split up.  
Our Council person is one of the best & efficient ones.

Judy Weldon  
4th district

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: Sydnia Wright [mailto:nenadiw@icloud.com]  
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 5:15 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Los Altos

-EXTERNAL-

Hello! I want to let those people making changes to Los Altos neighborhood that I do not agree. There is no such a thing as palos verdes neighborhood. What are the motives and intentions. This is wrong.

Thank you!

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** David Eggie [mailto:egwave@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 7:20 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** 4th district

**-EXTERNAL-**

To the redistricting committee:  
Please move Long Beach State into the 4th district. The college has a severe impact on the neighborhood in the 4th district.

Furthermore, don't redistrict by race and segregation. As you know, segregation has had a detrimental impact on our country.

Sincerely,  
Dave Eggie

**From:** David Eggie [mailto:egwave@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 7:24 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Breaking up Los Altos

**-EXTERNAL-**

To the redistricting commission:  
I have been a resident in Los Altos for 23 years. I don't want to see our district broken up.  
Don't break up Los Altos.

Sincerely,  
Dave Eggie

From: Bustamante [mailto:rbus4u@gmail.com]  
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 8:46 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: "Palo Verde" Neighborhood

-EXTERNAL-

We retired and purchased our new home knowing it is in the Los Altos Neighborhood. There is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde". Please do NOT Break-up Los Altos and keep our neighborhood within District 4.

Thank you.

Edgar Bustamante  
Chad Bustamante  
Remilyn Bustamante

**From:** Renee Monroy [mailto:res0pihx@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 9:58 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** stop the redistricting of the 4th

**-EXTERNAL-**

I am writing to say **NO** on the proposed change in the 4th district by adding a new - until now - non-existent - "Palo Verde".

Both my husband, Christopher Monroy and myself, Renee Monroy - are both registered voters who vote - strongly oppose this motion.

As residents of the 4th district for the past 37 years - we are both very satisfied with the current districting and our Counselman Darryl Supernaw

whom I hope will run for mayor when the current mayors term ends.

I don't know what you guys are up to - but it is not in the best interests of the 4th district residents. Stop it!

We both vote **NO**.

From: redsoxnation.taylor@gmail.com [mailto:redsoxnation.taylor@gmail.com]  
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 10:22 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Redistricting

-EXTERNAL-

My family, the Taylor's reside in the Los Altos community. We were recently made aware of a redistricting plan that would make us part of District 3. We are vehemently against this change and see no reason to break up District 4 that would be beneficial to anyone other than special interest. Councilman Supernaw lives on our street and is a constant source of info and a voice for our neighborhood when issues arise.  
There is no such neighborhood as PALO VERDE. Please do not break up District 4!

David Taylor

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Kathy McGuire [mailto:kdmyoshi@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 11:16 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Palo Verde section of District 4

**-EXTERNAL-**

Please reconsider splitting off the “Palo Verde” section of District 4. The families and friends in this part of Long Beach consider themselves part of Los Altos. In addition district 4 is currently represented by a city council member who fights for us and would be removed from eligibility to represent district 4 by the redistricting process.

Thank you.

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Kathy McGuire



**From:** Diane Weimer [mailto:diaweimer@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 11:19 AM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Los Altos Redistricting.... NO

**-EXTERNAL-**

To Whom It May Concern:

Please leave the Los Altos area in place. Our needs and wishes are different from the La Marina Estates section of Long Beach. We are happy to be in the fourth district and have Daryl Supernaw as our councilman.

DO NOT REDISTRICKT LOS ALTOS

Best regards,

Mrs, Diane Weimer

**From:** Michael Simmons [mailto:msimmons@hbuhsd.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 11:35 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Los Altos

**-EXTERNAL-**

Dear Commission members!  
Please don't break up the Los Altos neighborhood. There is no neighborhood called "Palo Verde" and somebody messed up creating the map which may take our little chunk of Los Altos out of the 4th district and cause a snowballing of other issues that will impact our neighborhood negatively. Thank you.

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***Michael Simmons***

***"you only get back what you put in"***

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From: Rebecca Flores [mailto:floresrebecca@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 12:45 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: DO NOT BREAK UP LOS ALTOS!!!!

-EXTERNAL-

THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS PALO VERDE!! DO NOT BREAK UP LOS ALTOS!!!

**From:** Greg Wilson [mailto:gcmswilson@live.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 3:33 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** DO NOT BREAK UP LOS ALTOS district

**-EXTERNAL-**

Please hear us. DO NOT merge the Los Altos area with the 3<sup>rd</sup> district. My family has lived in Long Beach our whole lives. 3 generations of Wilson HS.  
There is no such neighborhood as the "palo Verde"

I do not see any reason for this. It seems to eliminate our city council representative.

Sincerely-Greg Wilson

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

**From:** BOB JOY [mailto:bob.joy@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 18, 2021 11:51 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Cc:** JT Nagayama <Jonathan.Nagayama@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Revision to Bob Joy Presentation to 8/18 4th District Forum

**-EXTERNAL-**

To all,  
Please find below a significant revision to the text of my presentation this evening to the Redistricting Commission Dist. 4 Forum.

Thank you,

Bob Joy

**8/18/21 Redistricting Commission Presentation (revised)**

My name is Bob Joy, I'm a resident of the 8th District but I am here representing all the Communities Of Interest that are part of the Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group (AANG).

To insure fair representation on the City Council in the resolution of Long Beach airport matters the AANG Communities of Interest are proposing that some unoccupied parts of the airport property be included within Council District 4 and 7 borders. The single adjacent unoccupied Census Block that could add airport property to District 4 contains several businesses which we feel should remain in District 5.

The first illustration in my hand out material shows the Census Block in question as it appears in Maptitude but with a dotted line dividing the block into an upper part that should remain in district 5 and a lower part that should be part of District 4.

We understand and Redistricting Partners has made clear, that alteration of the geometry of a Census Block is not a satisfactory solution for re-defining responsibility for an amenity within that census block but what remains unclear is if a Census Block border is the only acceptable means of defining a Council District border.

We are basing our request to allow a Council District boarder to cross through a Census Block on the fact that it has been done before. The second illustration is taken from the current City of Long Beach Council District Map published Dec. 2020

and shows an unoccupied Census Block in El Dorado park that is divided between the 4th and 5th Districts.

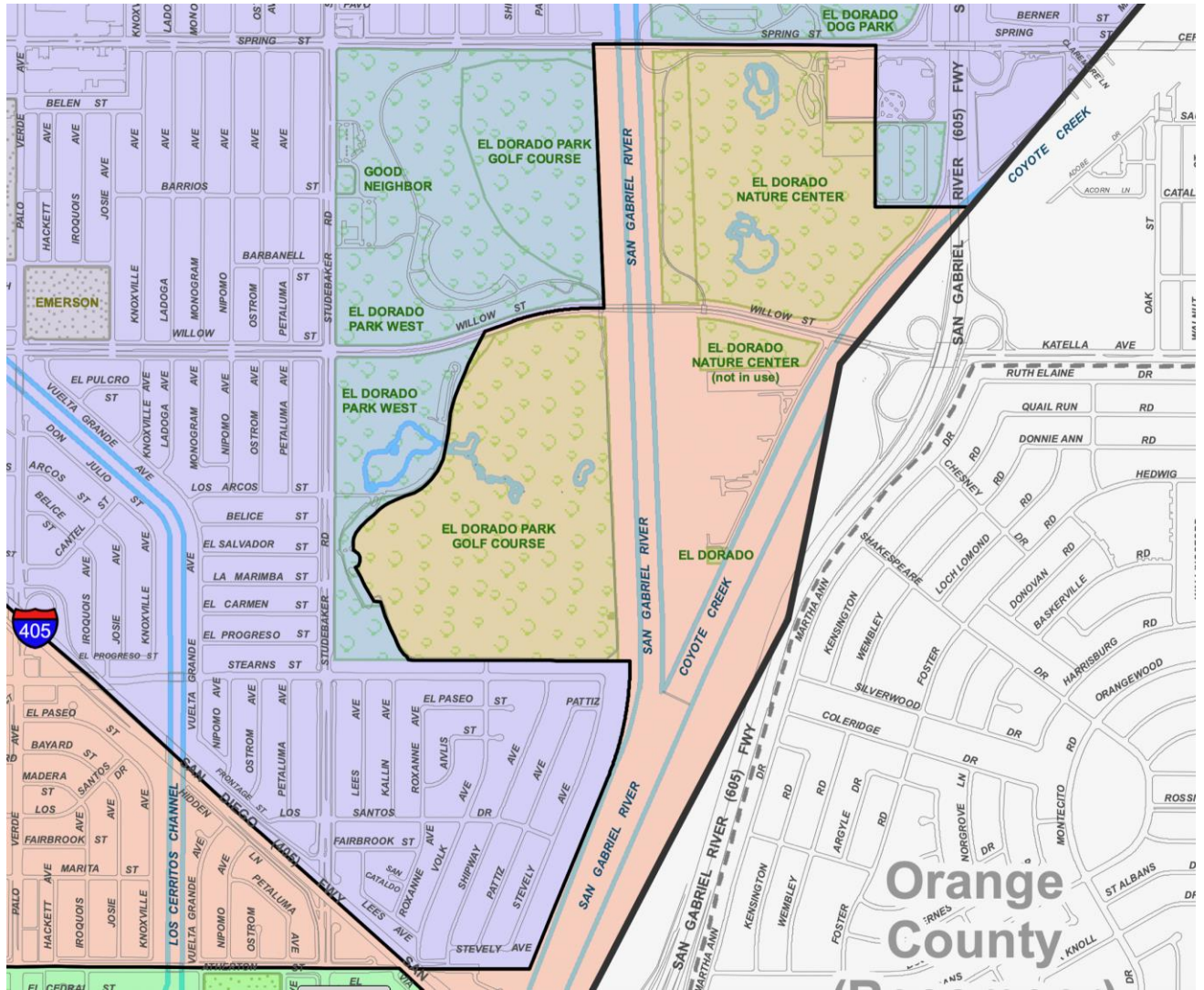
That same single, unoccupied Census Block is also shown in the final illustration as it appears now in Maptitude completely within the 4th District. These two maps disagree on the placement of a council district boarder. Both documents represent current government supported data within the public domain and we have to assume that both can be correct.

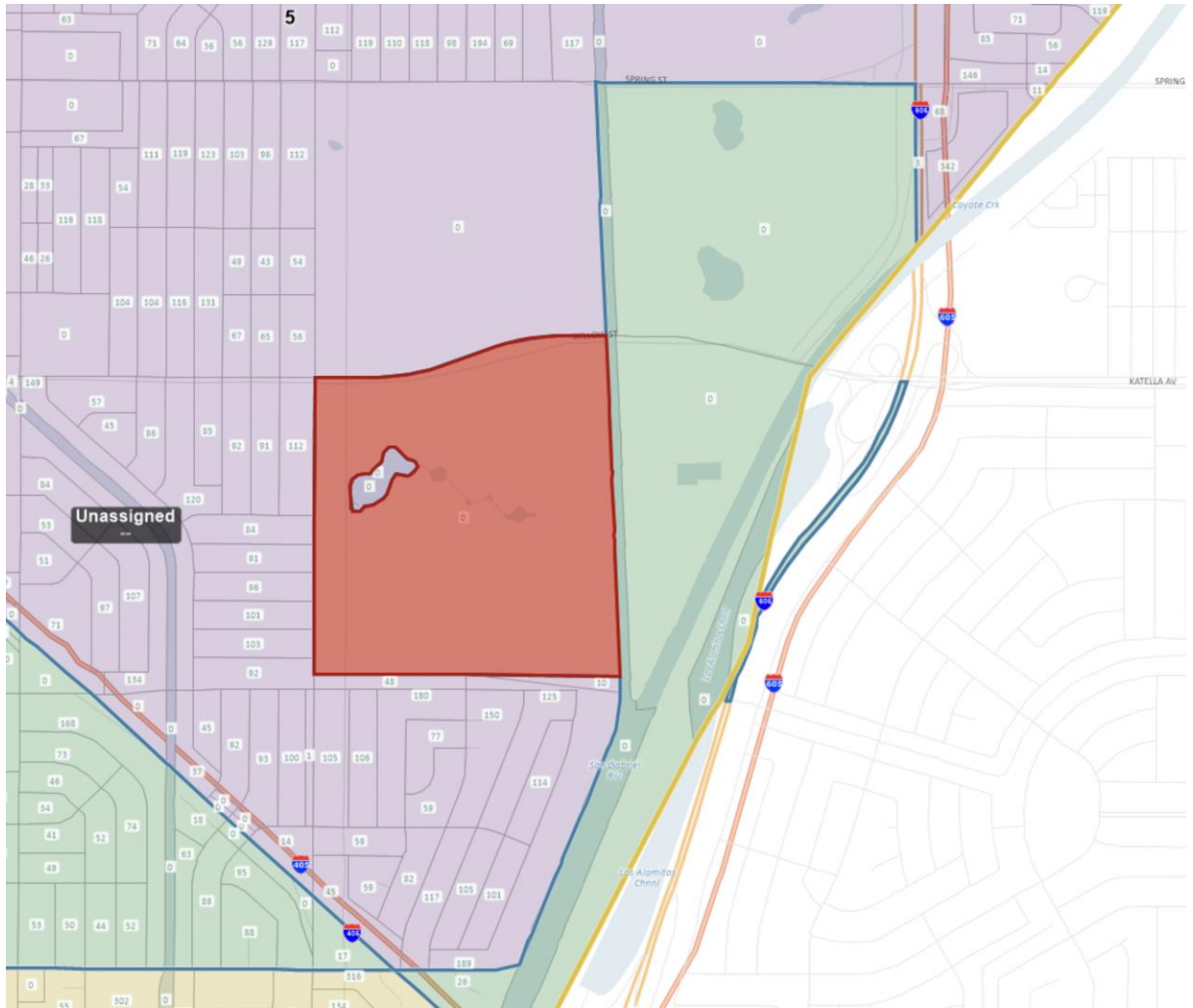
The City Charter Article establishing this commission clearly grants it the authority, with “reasonable justification”, to resolve the dissemination of assets within a census block through the definition of a district boarder.

To assure widespread consensus in sharing responsibility for the airport we think it is critical to minimize disruption of the council district responsibility for assets within the airport census block in question and that this need clearly provides the “reasonable justification” the Charter requires in giving you the power to accomplish that.

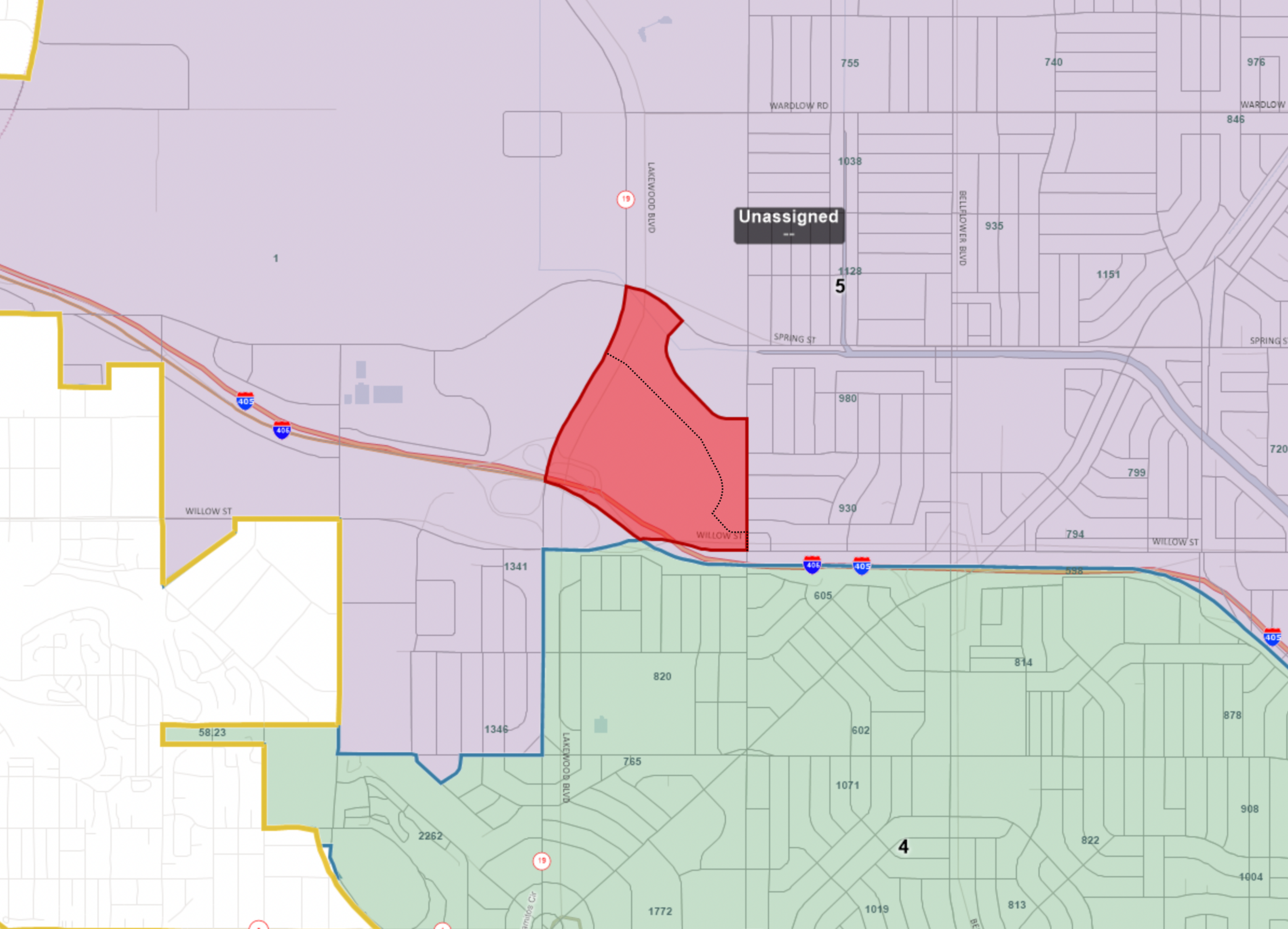
Thank you











**From:** Pamela Hanief [mailto:pamhanief@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 5:26 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Los Altos

**-EXTERNAL-**

As a CSULB graduate and a happy Los Altos home owner since 1980 I oppose this power and land grab. There should never be a move like this without out prior knowledge, and consent of the people who live here.

NO! No! No!

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: Kitten Borgers [mailto:sillysister@me.com]  
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 5:48 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: District 4 change

-EXTERNAL-

I oppose the move by the City to move our neighborhood (North of Atherton, East of Palo Verde, and South of the 405) out of District 4 (where it has always been) and moving it to District 3 (or any other district, for that matter). Don't break up Los Altos. Calling this new area Palo Verde is a dumb idea, too, since Palo Verde Ave. extends WAY beyond even Long Beach. What's up with this? Don't we get a vote or a say or at least an explanation as to why this is an important move? When is this supposed to happen, and was anyone going to tell us? Please let us stay in District 4!

Martha Borgers, long-time resident

From: JACLIN WEISSENBERGER [mailto:eicaj@aol.com]  
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 6:26 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: The 4th

-EXTERNAL-

DO NOT, repeat DO NOT BREAK UP LOS ALTOS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!  
KEEP MY NEIGHBORHOOD IN DISTRICT 4!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

J.&G. Weissenberger

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** lmonsens@verizon.net [mailto:lmonsens@verizon.net]

**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 6:29 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Los Altos Neighborhood - District 4

**-EXTERNAL-**

To: LB Redistricting Commission

Our neighborhood is Los Altos and has always been Los Altos in the 4th District and should be kept in the 4th District.

There is no such neighborhood as Palo Verde in the 4th District.

Do not break break up our Los Altos neighborhood from the Los Altos 4th District neighborhood.

We as homeowners have not had a voice in this matter.

Linda Monsen

**From:** Pamela Kahm [mailto:lunatwos@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 7:31 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** 4th District

**-EXTERNAL-**

There is no such neighborhood as Palo Verde - I have lived in the 4th District area bordered by Atherton, Palo Verde, the channel and the 405 freeway for 37 years. I know my neighborhood as Los Altos. I shop in the 4th district, go to the Los Altos library. My interests and the 4th District issue of student parking encroaching into residential areas and potential development along Palo Verde align with each other.

**From:** m ike [mailto:eikm102001@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 16, 2021 10:04 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Los Altos is not Palo Verde

**-EXTERNAL-**

Not sure who this is going to...but as a resident for 35 years in the area you are calling Palo Verde I can tell you this I have never heard of such a neighborhood.

Our area is part of Los Altos- always was and always will be. Our neighbor Daryl is the councilman- he grew up here in Long Beach- if you can't figure out the names ask him. If you can't figure out neighborhoods that have been around from the 50's how are you going to draw district lines?

Also- we need to have Daryl be able to represent us with the airport and the CSULB. Our issues need to be represented- Price doesn't care about the impacts from the school on us.  
Mike Hernandez from Los Altos

From: Laura Van Andel [mailto:lauravanandel@icloud.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:41 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: I oppose the break-up of Los Altos

-EXTERNAL-

I oppose the move by the city to break up Los Altos!  
Do NOT break up Los Altos! KEEP our neighborhood in District 4. There is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde". I live here and I know.

Laura Van Andel

Sent from my iPhone

From: Mark hollander [mailto:hollanderhomes@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 7:59 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Protest redistricting Los Altos

-EXTERNAL-

8/16/21  
Mark Hollander

I Mark Hollander,

As a resident I oppose the move by the city to break up Los Altos district!  
Do NOT break up Los Altos district! KEEP our neighborhood in District 4. There is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde". I live here and I know.

Thank you,

Mark Hollander  
Hollander Homes/Hollander Kitchens  
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Facebook.com/hollanderhomes

**From:** Michele K [mailto:michelek90815@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:43 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** CSULB part of Los Altos (north of Atherton)

**-EXTERNAL-**

To Whom It May Concern;

It is my contention that the neighborhood bound by Atherton to Stearns and Bellflower to Clark is the tract most impacted by proximity to CSULB.

Please include CSULB within District 4.

Thank you for your consideration.

Warm Regards,

Michele "K" Kreinheder  
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**From:** Bonnie Gasior [mailto:Bonnie.Gasior@csulb.edu]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:47 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** redistricting

**-EXTERNAL-**

Hello,

As a Los Altos resident who is impacted by the airport flight path AND as a CSULB faculty member, I urge you to add part of LGB and CSULB to the 4<sup>th</sup> District so that we have a seat and voice at the table.

Thank you,  
Dr. Bonnie L. Gasior



**Bonnie L. Gasior, Ph.D.**

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**From:** Bill Marshall [mailto:bmarshups98@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:25 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** 4th District

**-EXTERNAL-**

Over 60 year resident of the 4th District. I hope that some consideration would be taken to add portions of CSULB and the Long Beach Airport to the 4th District. It's time to give our council person a voice in matters that concern so many of us.

**From:** Christina Bennett [mailto:cbennett@purcell-law.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:51 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Regarding Expanding the 4th District

**-EXTERNAL-**

Dear the Redistricting Commission:

My home is on Abbeyfield St. in Long Beach. Zip Code is 90815. I am writing to you to request that the Redistricting Commission add part of the airport and CSULB to the 4<sup>th</sup> District to give my neighborhood, Los Altos, a voice regarding these two major entities in our city. The 4<sup>th</sup> District is directly impacted by both entities and we should be directly, through our council person, part of any issues and future planning with regard to them.

My neighborhood is sandwiched between these two important entities. We are in the flight path of the planes landing and taking off – commercial as well as private. Our streets are impacted by the many students who attend and visit CSULB. It is reasonable and can be quite fruitful to give our neighborhood a direct voice with regard to them. It is fair and better representation of the east side of Long Beach.

Sincerely,

Christina Bennett

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**From:** mulli1@verizon.net [mailto:mulli1@verizon.net]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:06 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Gerrymandering District 4

**-EXTERNAL-**

Commissioners,

I am a voter in District 4. I am very concerned with and disappointed at the proposal to break up the Los Altos district by slicing part of it away to create a 'Palo Verde' neighborhood. Not only is this not necessary, it will deprive us of our duly elected councilman, Daryl Supernaw. Stop trying to break up the Los Altos neighborhood.

Sandy Mulligan

**From:** Abbeyfield PM [mailto:abbeyfieldpm@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:44 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** No Such Neighborhood as Palo Verde

**-EXTERNAL-**

I am strictly opposed to a new council district being formed that would remove my City Council member from the council. My VOTE can NOT be subverted in this manner!

I SAY NO!!!

Kirsten Warren

CEO and Los Altos District 4 Resident

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**From:** Richie Brand [mailto:rtrain6@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:45 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Give Los Altos a voice re: CSULB and LGB

**-EXTERNAL-**

Hello - I am a 4th district Los Altos Long Beach resident and board member of both We Love Long Beach and the Los Altos Village Neighbors. I unfortunately cannot attend the meeting at Browning on Wednesday due to a prior engagement, but wanted to voice my influence on redistricting as it pertains to the 4th district and Los Altos.

Two of the biggest daily impacts on Los Altos are the 40,000+ students that attend CSULB and the airplanes that fly over our homes upon landing at LGB. Therefore, I believe that part of CSULB and LGB should be moved to the 4th district so our councilperson and community have a voice in matters related to both. I have young children who have frequently been endangered by CSULB students using our quiet residential street as a shortcut to get from Atherton to Bellflower Blvd. at times of heavy traffic. It seems appropriate that our councilperson and residents have a voice in matters like these that directly affect our lives and neighborhoods. We directly border CSULB and 35+ flights coming into LGB cross above our homes each day, so please do what you can to move all or part of both CSULB and LGB into the 4th district.

Sincerely,  
Richard Brand



**From:** Dave Thompson [mailto:thompsondesign@verizon.net]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 3:01 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Los Altos Village a Voice by vote by including Airport & CSULB impact in our 4th District.

**-EXTERNAL-**

We are greatly impacted by Airplane noise and Student traffic congestion and noise and parking impacts are streets! (The costly stickers for our cars help some...thanks.)

We have rentals of students next door to us now and had a Frat house next to us for 8 years that made our lives quite diminished in peace. Police often had to be called because of late night loud drinking and dope smoking parties.

We are a great loyal Long Beach neighborhood who loves Long Beach but needs much better representation for our Lost Altos Village.

Thank you for considering this!

David Thompson

PS:

I work with a church that donates consistently to many Food Banks of Long Beach whose members are in this 4<sup>th</sup> District. Mayor Garcia has recently been at one of these events along with Laura Doud who is an active and very service oriented member of the Church, as am I. We love Long Beach and will appreciate better representation for our awesome Los Altos neighborhood.

PS: We also hope the re-zoning of our Single-Family dwelling neighborhoods will be brought back to preserve our neighborhoods...we're already overwhelmed with parking problems on our streets and this Will make it much worse. Let's go back to one Granny Flat only for Grandma...for family...that was the original good intent of the idea. Now the possibility is perhaps 4 units!!!!!!!!!!!! That will destroy our neighborhoods and eventually our wonderful City. Please don't do that to us who have loyalty paid property

Taxes through the years and have served in the community in Scouting and Church for over 40 years. I've lived in Long Beach for 67 years.

Thank you and I hope I hear back from an official in Long Beach.

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

**From:** Bob Alen [mailto:bobhallen82@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 3:49 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Subject: part of my district 4 becoming district 3

**-EXTERNAL-**

- 1 - there is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde".
- 2 - please DO NOT break-up Los Altos and keep  
my neighborhood in District 4 where I have  
lived for over 50 years.
- 3 - we all voted for Councilman Daryl Supernaw.  
it's not right to take this action (in secret)  
without the vote of the people!

From: Victoria Velez [mailto:vbusatto@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 6:25 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Cc: Ice Wife Natalie Velez <natalievelez472@hotmail.com>; Ice Diego Busatto Brother <diego.busatto@gmail.com>  
Subject: Adding airport and Csub to the 4th district

-EXTERNAL-

Hello,

My name is Victoria Velez and I live in the 4th district on Britton Dr. I am writing you today to ask that you please add part of the airport and part of Csub to the 4th district so that we have a voice in the two biggest impacts to our quality of life in Los Altos.

In the last few years, both the flight path and the constant traffic and noise from Csub had negatively impacted my family. At one point, our street was one of the last ones to get permitted parking on our street and I had to park 2 blocks away from my house because students had taken over our street. Now I have to pay for permitted parking which is still not a solution because I am only allowed 1 guest!

Thank you for the consideration...

Victoria Velez

**From:** JAYE JOHNSON [mailto:johnson.jaye@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 6:30 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Los Altos

**-EXTERNAL-**

Please add part of the airport and part of CSULB to the 4th District.

I live at [REDACTED]

The address below isy office address.

Janet and Richard Johnson

**From:** P L [mailto:fuzzytail93@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 9:22 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Redistricting

**-EXTERNAL-**

***ADD part of the AIRPORT and CSULB to the 4<sup>th</sup> District to Give Los Altos a VOICE.***

steve & pat

From: Barbara Hawkins [mailto:desalt1@charter.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 3:47 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Cc: Council District 4 <District4@longbeach.gov>; Mayor <Mayor@longbeach.gov>; Editor BeachComber.news <editor@beachcomber.news>; Brian Erdman <Brian.Erdman@longbeach.gov>; Tait & Jerri <taitwilliams@verizon.net>  
Subject: Redistricting Long Beach

-EXTERNAL-

To the Redistricting Committee:

I have owned a home in the Los Altos neighborhood for 40 years. It's always been District 4 with the exception of one time it was 'moved' without notification, to District 5. I only discovered that by calling City Hall to inquire why I hadn't gotten a ballot for a District 4 election many years ago. I gave my address and was told I was in District 5, which I adamantly protested, I was NEVER INFORMED that our neighborhood had been reassigned. I was furious to say the least. The next election cycle, we were back in District 4. Check your records.

I live 1/4 mile from CSULB. I want to be represented in the local neighborhood community by my elected councilman, Daryl Supernaw, who you are also cutting out of his ELECTED position as 4th District councilman, as he also owns a home in this neighborhood. I voted for and support Daryl as my representative. He has been active for years in our little corner of East Long Beach. He was instrumental in filling in the dangerous irrigation ditches that run parallel to Atherton on the north side. I want to continue to have a say in matters concerning issues at CSULB, parking and traffic in my neighborhood, not Belmont Shore, Naples, the Peninsula, Belmont Heights and other District 3 neighborhoods.

City Hall has once before tried to railroad District 4 for their own agenda. They proposed making Atherton connect straight through to the 605 freeway to "ease east and westbound traffic" by taking a large load of traffic off 7th street. This would've destroyed property values in this 4th District Los Altos neighborhood, not to mention the dangers posed by thousands of cars driving through our residential neighborhood. One can only imagine the impact it would've had on CSULB, Tincher and Minnie Gant elementary schools. Fortunately, District 4 banded together and fought to terminate that idea completely.

Sadly, it seems the City is once again ready to manipulate this neighborhood for their own agenda. This is Los Altos, always has been and should remain so. There is no such thing as a "Palo Verde" neighborhood. What City authority secretly came up with that new, unannounced neighborhood name? Removing our small tract in East Los Altos for the convenience of "equalizing" population numbers for another central Long Beach district is ridiculous. Remove a small tract of residences on the west side of District 4 to meet those needs. Our small wedge of Los Altos has been "thrown under the bus" before by the City to meet their needs, with no consideration, notification or votes by those who live in this neighborhood of District 4.

Leave us in District 4 as always, and go find another small neighborhood tract to toss into another council district. We are tired of being moved about to please City Hall agendas.

Sincerely,



Barbara Hawkins  
Los Altos, District 4

"Our prime purpose in this life is to help others, and if you can't help them, at least don't hurt them."  
Dalai Lama

From: Jennifer Morris [mailto:jennnfrank\_33@icloud.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 7:16 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: District 4 Redistricting

-EXTERNAL-

To whom it may concern,

I am just hearing that a slice in the middle of our Los Altos neighborhood in the 4th District has been removed or being removed without our consent.

This entire neighborhood is getting less and less of a voice regarding city matters; specifically policing, CSULB and airport issues, and we are constantly being outnumbered/outvoted by our liberal city council. Our crime and homelessness issues are out of control too.

Los Altos no longer has a voice... and I have to believe there's a ulterior motive for this decision considering our great councilman lives in the affected neighborhood. As a 50+ year resident this makes me furious.

Jennifer Morris

**From:** Tony Renfrew [mailto:tony.renfrew@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 18, 2021 10:51 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Los Altos

**-EXTERNAL-**

Please do not break up Los Altos.  
Tony Renfrew

**From:** John E. Applequist [mailto:jeapplequist@verizon.net]

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 18, 2021 12:58 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Cc:** applequist13@gmail.com

**Subject:** Redistricting 4th District

**-EXTERNAL-**

We appose plans to remove a portion of Los Altos community from the the Fourth District in the City of Long Beach. As you know the Fourth district contains a community called Los Altos which has a unique cohesive identity and shares a variety of issues which unite our community. These include issues related to CSULB and Long Beach Airport.

We would request consideration for a portion of the University be included in the Fourth District. With CSULB with over 40,000 staff and students daily there is a huge impact on our community. As the primary access for the University is through Los Altos neighborhood from the 405 to the parking on the North CSULB side adjacent to the neighborhood of Los Altos, it makes sense that our community should have some say in the planning related the University. This traffic and policies of the University have a major impact our community and the quality of life for the residents.

Also request consideration for a portion of the Long Beach airport be included in the Fourth District. Currently, the 5th district is represented even though the major flight path for landings of commercial and private aircraft is directly over our neighborhoods. We believe our neighborhood should have a say in many of the issues related to the Long Beach Airport.

Please help us retain the unique character of the Los Altos Community and give the local residents a voice in the institutions that have a major impact on the Fourth district.

Thank you,

John E. Applequist

From: Christine Applequist [mailto:applequist13@gmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 3:08 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: 4th District Comment - Oppose Breaking up Los Altos

-EXTERNAL-

I strongly oppose:

1. Redistricting plans to potentially break up the long standing neighborhood of Los Altos so it can more easily be placed in the 3rd district.
2. Renaming a portion a portion of Los Altos historically referred to as "the heart of Los Altos" so it can be aligned with a 3rd District neighborhood.

Los Altos faces at times almost overwhelming issues related to the Long Beach Airport and California State University parking and traffic. We rely on our Los Altos neighbors to speak with a common voice on these issues and protect our quality of life.

Please keep Los Altos whole and consider combining a portion of the Long Beach Airport and California State University Long Beach into our 4th District so we can better address community concerns.

Christine Applequist  
4th District

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Megan Anaya [mailto:megan@centrocha.org]

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 18, 2021 3:40 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Redistricting Statement Letter from Los Amigos de Long Beach for the Meeting 8/18

**-EXTERNAL-**

Hello Redistricting Commission,

On behalf of Los Amigos de Long Beach, we would like the commission to read the attached letter at the final public meeting on August 18th at 6:30 pm.

Please contact me if there are any questions.

Best,  
Megan Anaya

*Megan Anaya*  
***Economic Research Analyst and Data Consultant***  
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From: tagriffi [mailto:tagriffi@uci.edu]  
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 4:25 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Cc: terri griffith <tagriffi@uci.edu>  
Subject: materials for District 4 meeting

-EXTERNAL-

Good afternoon,

I apologize for being so late to the game; it's been a rough couple of weeks! I doubt that I will be able to attend tonight's meeting, but I wanted to add my thoughts to the process.

The attached zip file contains 3 pages: a marked-up map of City neighborhoods (as of March 2015), a description of the changes I'm proposing, and a spreadsheet detailing populations (as of 2015) of each of the re-designed districts.

My overriding reason for proposing the attached (rather than following the communities of interest standard) is to eliminate the 'tail of the whale' - surely an outrageous example of gerrymandering. A straightforward way to achieve my goal is to split current Districts 4 and 5 along the north/south axis in lieu of the current split along the east/west axis. Making this change allows a number of subsequent changes to existing district boundaries; these are outlined in the text and spreadsheet.

I'm of course fully aware I'm outside the protocols established for this purpose, but recent circumstances have simply forced my hand.

I appreciate the opportunity to present my ideas to you.

Thank you.

Teresa Griffith  
[tagriffi@uci.edu](mailto:tagriffi@uci.edu)  
District 4

August 18, 2021

I have two primary goals: One is to preserve the sense of “neighborhood” exemplified in the March, 2015, City of Long Beach Neighborhoods map. This is because each neighborhood is likely to have its own history, values, and interests, including such factors as rent vs. own status and racial/ethnic status – and many neighborhoods have strong, proactive associations, to boot. My second goal concerns the current “whale with a tail” shape of District 4, a shape that makes no geographic sense. I thus posit altering the geographic axis separating Districts 4 and 5 from an east-west axis to a north-south axis. This result encompasses the following:

- ★ District 4 would comprise some eight neighborhoods: Lakewood Village, Plaza West, Los Altos North and South, Stearns Park, Traffic Circle, Park Estates, and Bryant.
- ★ District 5 would comprise a range of neighborhoods, some of which are very small: Plaza East, the four El Dorado (Park) areas, Rancho Estates, Palo Verde, College Parks Estates, Bixby Hill, CSULB (perhaps), University Park Estates, Alamitos Heights, Belmont Park, Naples, Peninsula, and the nine neighborhoods surrounding SEADIP.

Consequences of this redistribution:

- ✓ Both Districts 4 and 5 would have reasonable geographic shapes.
- ✓ As far as I can tell, the populations of the two districts would remain close to the 2010 Census results: District 4 adds to some 51,000, District 5 to some 48,000.
- ✓ Much of the area designated as “Cambodia Town” could form part of a newly redistributed District 6, comprising (for example) the SE Wrigley, Sunrise, Central, Zaferia, and Memorial Heights neighborhoods.
- ✓ The western boundary of District 3 would move to the east, as some of its “historical” neighborhoods would be redistributed into District 5. But this is only likely to decrease its population to a level closer to that of the redistributed Districts 4 and 5.
- ✓ Other current Districts could also be redistributed:
  - move Saint Francis from District 9 into District 8, while leaving existing neighborhoods in District 9 as current;
  - District 8 would then comprise Saint Francis, Dairy, Lindbergh, Paramount, Addams, Carmelitos, and Bixby Knolls;
  - District 7 would comprise California Heights, Wrigley Heights, Arlington, Upper Westside, North Wrigley, Sutter, Westside, and Los Cerritos.
  - District 3 would comprise Recreation Park, Bluff Heights, Belmont Shore, Belmont Heights, Rose Park, Carroll Park, and Bluff Park.
  - District 2 would comprise West and East Village, Downtown, Franklin, Bixby Park, and east part of Hellman.
  - District 1 would comprise South Wrigley, Willmore, Saint Mary’s, Lower Westside, Westside South, Magnolia District, Washington School, and the west part of Hellman.

Of course, the 2015 map of the city's neighborhoods might be relevant no longer. Moreover, I realize that redistricting is accomplished via Census Tracks, rather than by neighborhoods, so certainly fine-tuning would be mandatory. Also, I cannot forecast what the population results of the 2020 Census will bring; yet I posit the redistribution proposed here would result in a deviation from mean district population not greater than  $\pm 5\%$ . What this redistribution does do is to obviate the "whale with a tail" shape of District 4's current geography while retaining neighborhood districts as much as possible – and these were my original goals.

I appreciate the opportunity to submit my two-cents worth and thank you for reading my remarks all the way through!

Teresa Griffith  
[tagriffi@uci.edu](mailto:tagriffi@uci.edu)  
District 4

## Districts by Neighborhood

District 4	
Lakewood Village	7,800
Plaza West	10,400
Los Altos North	4,700
Los Altos South	9,100
Stearns Park	3,400
Traffic Circle	6,300
Park Estates	3,000
Bryant	6,300
	<b>51,000</b>

District 5	
Plaza East	9,200
ElDorado Park North	6,700
Rancho Estates	2,000
ElDorado Lakes	400
ElDorado Park East	3,700
Imperial Estates	1,300
ElDorado Park South	3,200
College Park Estate	700
Palo Verde	2,300
Bixby Hill	800
University Park East	1,100
Alamitos Heights	2,200
Island Village	400
SEADIP	1,700
Del Lago	300
Marina Pacifica	900
Bixby Village	600
Pacific Villas	100
Slips	50
Spinnaker Bay	400
Stoney Brook	700
CSULB	2,300
Bay Harbor	700
Naples	3,400
Peninsula	1,400
Belmont Park	1,300
	<b>47,850</b>

District 9	
College Square	3,000
Starr King	4,800
Longwood	1,300
Coolidge Triangle	2,500
Hamilton	6,700
McKinley	4,000
Ramona Park	4,100
Grant	10,300
DeForest Park	8,400
Houghton Park	5,900
	<b>51,000</b>

District 8	
Dairy	7,300
Lindbergh	9,300
Paramount	4,100
Saint Francis	2,900
Addams	8,700
Carmelitos	2,100
Bixby Knolls	17,100
	<b>51,500</b>

District 7	
California Heights	7,600
Wrigley Heights	1,000
Arlington	2,800
Upper Westside	13,400
North Wrigley	7,300
Sutter	6,300
Westside	8,000
Los Cerritos	4,500
	<b>50,900</b>

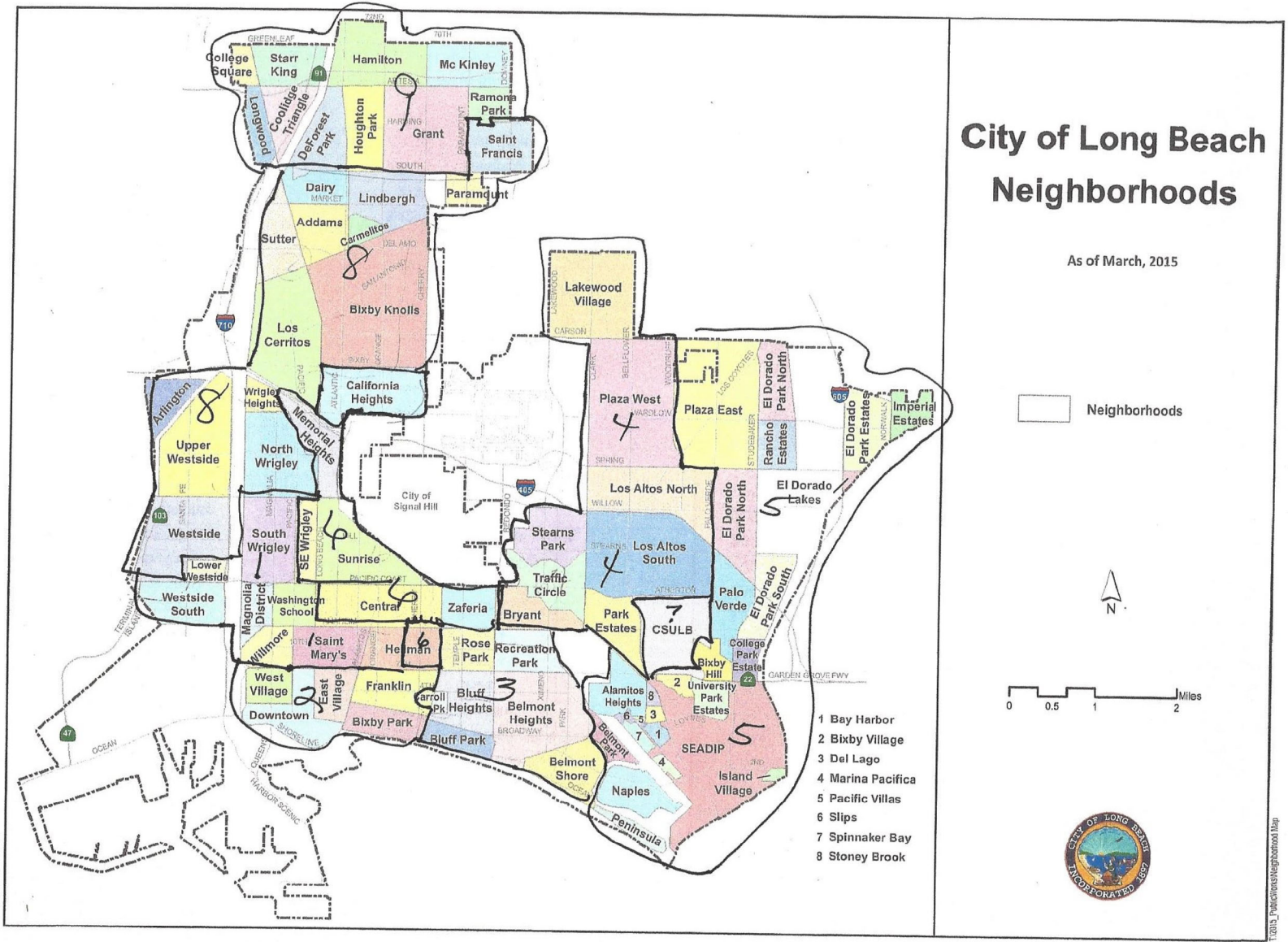
District 6	
Southeast Wrigley	6,700
Sunrise	14,900
Central	19,200
Zaferia	8,000
Memorial Heights	2,800
	<b>51,600</b>

District 3	
Recreation Park	6,600
Bluff Heights	9,200
Belmont Shore	7,600
Belmont Heights	13,700
Rose Park	8,700
Carroll Park	600
Bluff Park	2,500
	<b>48,900</b>

District 2	
West Village	7,400
East Village	7,000
Downtown	4,800
Franklin	14,800
Bixby Park	8,400
Hellman - part	9,800
	<b>52,200</b>

District 1	
South Wrigley	11,400
Willmore	8,900
Saint Mary's	11,800
Lower Westside	3,500
Westside South	100
Magnolia District	200
Washington School	9,000
Hellman - part	7,200
	<b>52,100</b>

Neighborhoods & populations from 3/15 City of LB Neighborhoods map; population rounded to 457,500. I assume no change in neighborhood boundaries, but likely major population changes.



**From:** garyhoover1@aol.com [mailto:garyhoover1@aol.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 18, 2021 4:54 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Redistricting The 4th District

**-EXTERNAL-**

Long Beach Council and/or Redistricting Committee,

Please do not remove my neighborhood from District 4. I live at 1806 Vuelta Grande Ave. on the north side of Atherton Street. We have lived here for 45 years. I understand that from Palo Verde Ave. to Studebaker St., Atherton to the 405 Freeway is to be put in District 3, out of District 4. This would displace our Councilman, Daryl Supernaw, who lives in this area. Do not break up Los Altos, we are not part of Belmont Shore or Belmont Heights.

Thank You,  
Gary and DeLois Hoover



**From:** ladydi021961@aol.com [mailto:ladydi021961@aol.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 18, 2021 4:55 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Los Altos Neighborhood Redistricting

**-EXTERNAL-**

To whom it may concern,

As residents of Councilman Daryl Supernaw's, District 4, we were not notified of the change to redistrict our area of Los Altos and merge with District 3 and the change the area name to Palo Verde, this neighborhood does not exist.

We would like to have a representative from our neighborhood, someone who is aware of the issues that impact our area, such as permitted parking for the area to ensure that CSULB students/faculty do not park in our residential areas.

We oppose this change and feel that as tax paying residents of City of Long Beach, we should be allowed to vote for this change, instead of the redistricting commission to just make this decision without consulting the residents.

Sincerely,

Diane and Joseph Allweiler

From: Jeremy lovejoys [mailto:jeremy.lovejoys@gmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 5:31 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Put CSULB in the 4th district

-EXTERNAL-

Please take my voice to keep Los Altos carpenter center x 100 in the 4th district and also make CSULB part of the 4th so we can have a voice about things happening around campus as we are impacted big time on my street when school is in session and not in a good way.

Thanks  
Jeremy Lovejoy

**From:** D H [mailto:hernandez.s.deborah@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 18, 2021 6:31 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Redistricting

**-EXTERNAL-**

I have just heard about the elimination of district 4 by the city council. There is no neighborhood called "Palo Verde" so why is the council trying to create one? This appears to be a rather underhanded attempt at eliminating Daryl Supernaw. We have been satisfied with his work and cannot imagine what benefit there will be to carry this out. Especially understand that we are a small area but not small enough to ignore

Please rescind your order regarding District 4, this area wants to retain some local control. Thank you.

**From:** erin wilhelm [mailto:erinwilhelm6@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 19, 2021 10:32 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Keep us in district 4!

**-EXTERNAL-**

There is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde"  
Please Do not break up the los altos district!!

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Thanks,  
Erin Wilhelm  
Seaside Bookkeeping

From: Sydney Wilhelm [mailto:syd.wilhelm11@gmail.com]  
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 11:26 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Against new district

-EXTERNAL-

There is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde".  
Please Do not break up the los altos district!!

Sent from my iPhone

8/18/21 (short) Redistricting Commission Presentation (revised)

My name is Bob Joy, speaking here for all the Communities Of Interest that are part of the Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group (AANG).

To insure fair representation on the City Council in the resolution of Long Beach airport matters the AANG Communities of Interest are proposing that some unoccupied parts of the airport property be included within Council District 4 and 7 borders. The single adjacent unoccupied Census Block that could add airport property to District 4 contains businesses which should remain in District 5.

The first illustration in my hand out material shows the Census Block in question in Maptitude but with a dotted line dividing the block into an upper part that should remain in district 5 and a lower part that should be part of District 4.

We understand, and Redistricting Partners has made clear, that alteration of the geometry of a Census Block is not a satisfactory solution for re-defining responsibility for an amenity within that census block but what remains unclear is if a Census Block border is the only acceptable means of defining a Council District border.

We are basing our request to allow a Council District boarder to cross through a Census Block on the fact that it has been done before. The second illustration is taken from the current City of Long Beach Council District Map published Dec. 2020 and shows an unoccupied Census Block in El Dorado park that is divided between the 4th and 5th Districts.

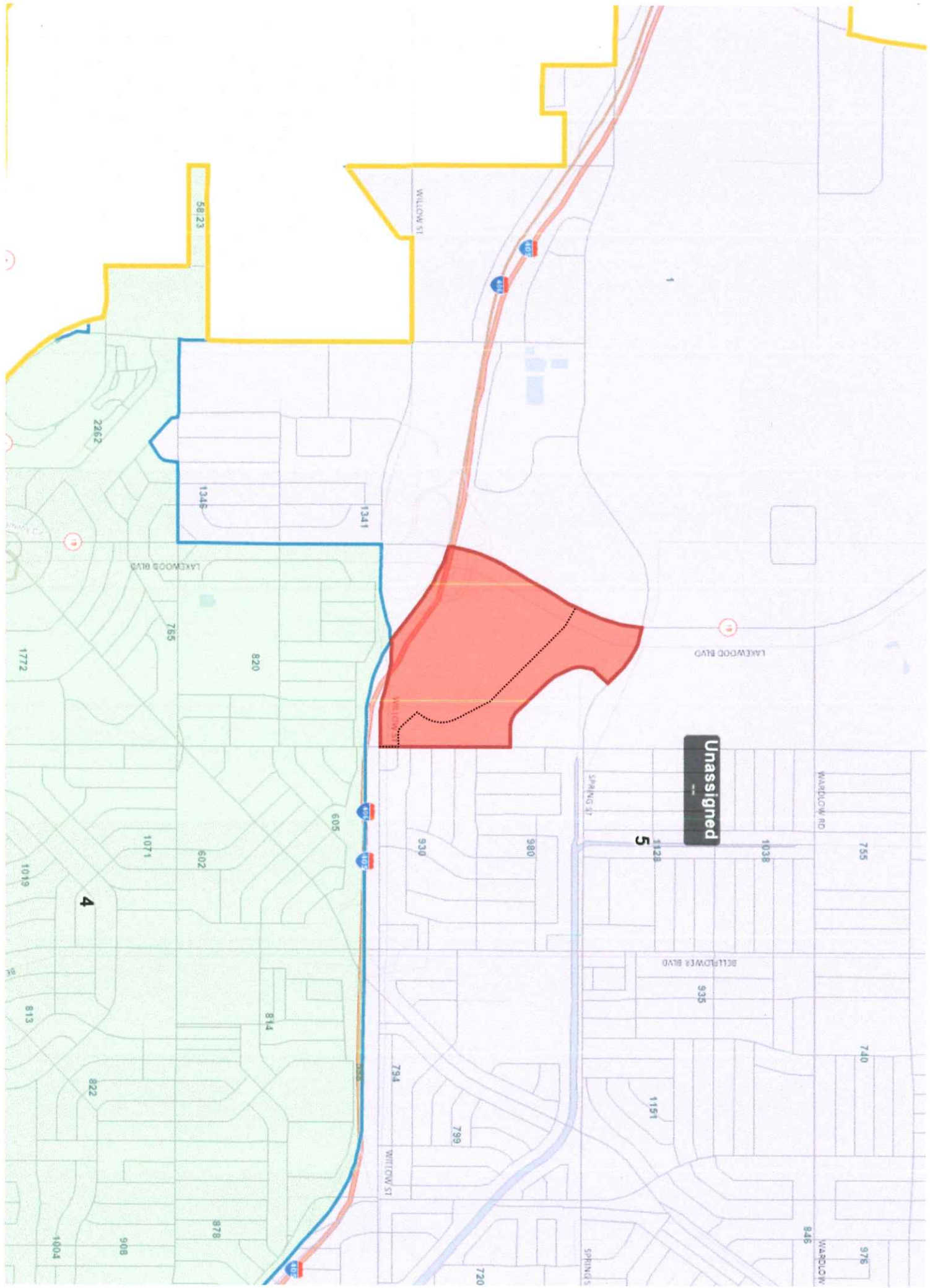
That same single, unoccupied Block is also shown in the final illustration as it appears now in Maptitude, completely within the 4th District. These two maps disagree on the placement of a council district border. Both documents represent current government supported public domain data and we have to assume that both can be correct.

The City Charter Article forming this commission clearly grants it the authority, with "reasonable justification", to resolve the assignment of assets within a census block through the definition of a district border.

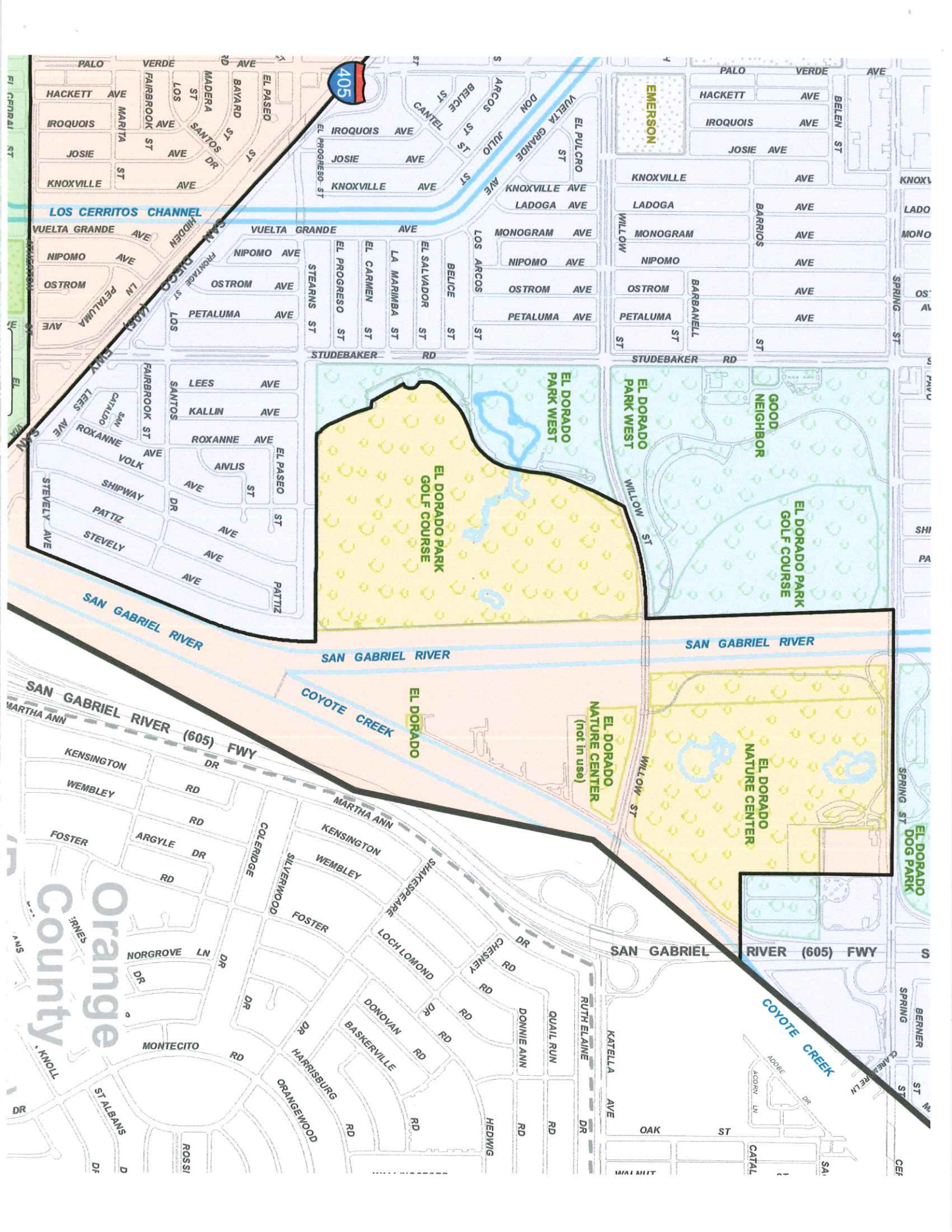
To assure consensus in sharing responsibility for the airport we think it is critical to retain current council district responsibility for assets within the census block in question and that this need clearly provides the "reasonable justification" the Charter requires in giving you the power to accomplish that.

Thank you









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EL DORADO PARK WEST

GOOD NEIGHBOR

EL DORADO PARK GOLF COURSE

SAN GABRIEL RIVER

SAN GABRIEL RIVER

SAN GABRIEL RIVER

COYOTE CREEK

EL DORADO

EL DORADO NATURE CENTER (not in use)

EL DORADO NATURE CENTER

SAN GABRIEL RIVER (605) FWY

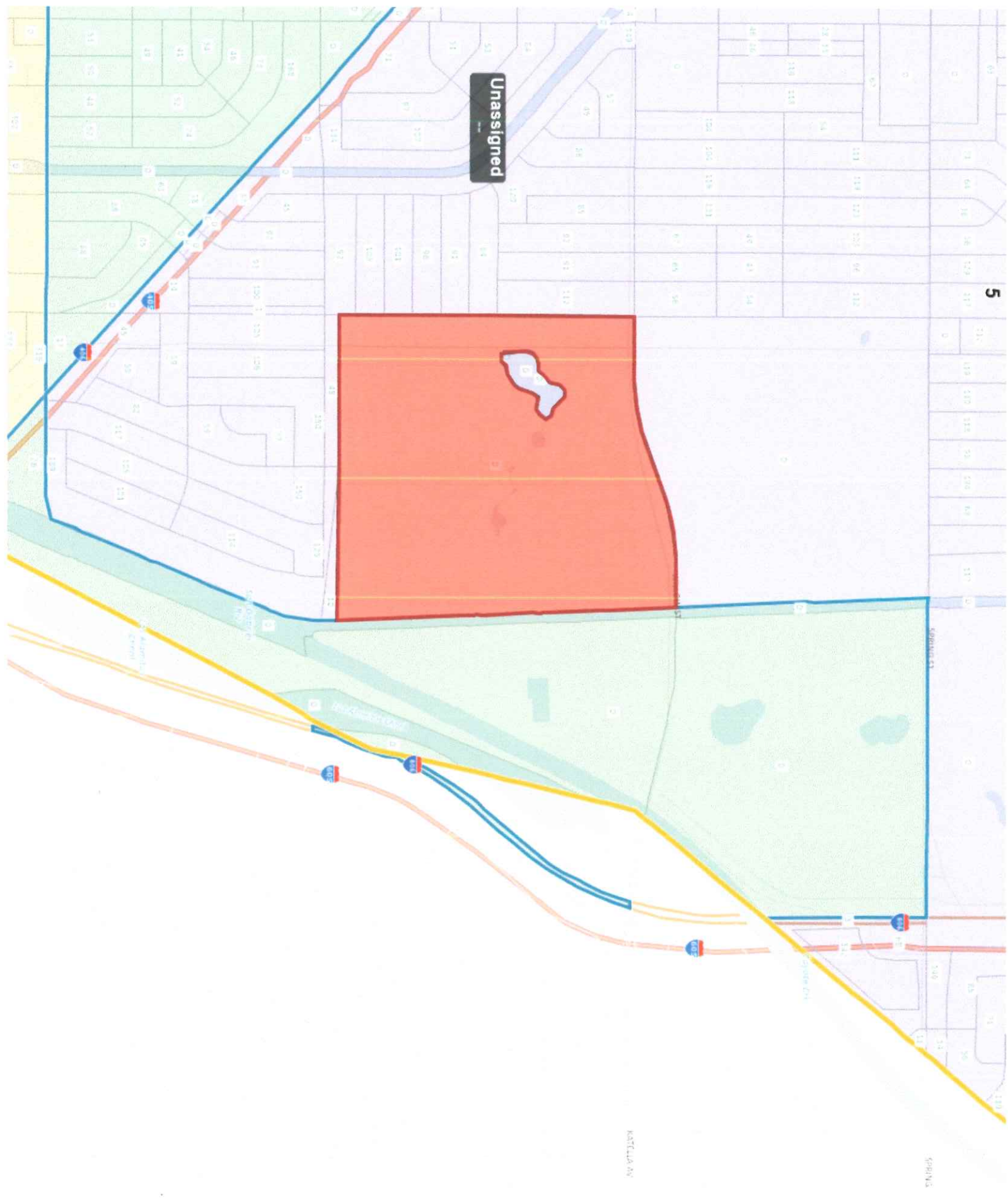
SAN GABRIEL RIVER (605) FWY

COYOTE CREEK

Orange County



Unassigned



# **Community of Interest Statement**

**Los Altos  
and  
Los Altos as member of the  
Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group  
and  
Los Altos as member of the  
CSULB Adjacent Neighborhoods Group**

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**What binds your community together or creates its shared identity? An identity can include the types of shared histories, values, and interests, as well as others. You may include demographic data about the residents of the community, information about the community's history, and how this community currently engages with the political process.**

## **LOS ALTOS: A COHESIVE COMMUNITY**

Los Altos is clearly a cohesive Community of Interest starting with a unique post WWII local history and now 70 years strong. We have cohesive, semi-urban housing, balanced economic development and common neighborhood values.

“Los Altos Village” started as the first planned community in the United States. The development was planned and built in the late 1940’s by developer Lloyd Whaley for the thousands of military families settling in Long Beach after the war. Whaley would go on to build numerous neighborhoods throughout Long Beach. The eastern Los Altos X-100’s portion was built by a different builder looking to provide housing for employees of what started out as California State College Long Beach, founded in 1947. The history is available on YouTube by searching for: [Los Altos - The Nations First Planned Community](#) and [Los Altos Part One of the Whaley Story](#).

Los Altos is the economic and political heart of the 4<sup>th</sup> District and central East Long Beach. California State Assemblyman Patrick O’Donnell, Long Beach City Prosecutor Doug Haubert, 4<sup>th</sup> District Councilman Daryl Supernaw and former CSULB Superintendent and now CSU Trustee Chris Steinauser all live in Los Altos. Los Altos has two neighborhood community interest groups registered with the Long Beach Neighborhoods Resource Center as official neighborhood groups: the *Los Altos Center Adjacent Neighborhoods* (LACAN) and the *Los Altos Village Neighbors*. The neighborhood associations are listed #59 and #50 of the 117 registered neighborhood groups throughout the city (Appendix A).



## **THE LOS ALTOS SHOPPING CENTER**

The Los Altos Shopping Center was part of the original Lloyd Whaley Los Altos Village plans, opening in 1953. The center remains an integral part of the Los Altos neighborhood's identity and history with the original Los Altos Shopping Center motto still relevant today. "Friendly, Casual, Convenient." (Appendix B) The Los Altos Center is a major Long Beach banking center (five major banks) and the preferred shopping center for Los Altos and adjacent East Long Beach neighborhoods as well as CSULB employees and students. The center was also one of the most successful redevelopments under the former Long Beach Redevelopment Agency.

## **A COMMUNITY WITH CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH**

With the southern area of the Los Altos development situated directly across the street from CSULB, Los Altos residents have taken proactive steps to ensure the local businesses that cater to university students, also meet the residential neighborhood expectations. Residents have been actively engaged opposing expanded alcohol licensing at Great Mex, Taco Beach and Circle K to deter the underage drinking patterns that are prevalent on college campuses across the country. Residents opposed and won denial for a 24 hour Del Taco fast food restaurant that proposed a 24-hour drive-through exiting onto a residential street. Neighborhood leaders were vocal in opposition to an annual Beer Festival held on the CSULB campus that was ultimately discontinued. Neighborhood leaders and residents have been engaged with CSULB over placement of the Alumni Center and new dorms. The Campus generates a significant amount of vehicle traffic through Los Altos. (Appendix C)

## **PUVUNGA**

Los Altos community leaders and residents have stood in support against any further CSULB development of the Puvunga homelands on the CSULB campus. Puvunga is sacred to the Gabrielino and other Indigenous people as a spiritual center from which their lawgiver and god -- Chungichnish -- instructed his people. The current remaining 22 acre Puvunga site faces Bellflower Boulevard. Affirming the sacred nature of Puvunga is inseparable from affirming the human dignity of Indigenous people across the county. (Appendix D) We believe it is a core value of our community and our city.

## **PREFERRED PARKING DISTRICTS**

Los Altos has more city approved Preferred Parking Districts than any other part of the city including the neighborhoods surrounding the Long Beach City College campus. The city's parking districts are aimed at keeping the neighborhood free of CSULB student and employee parking that can overrun the blocks within walking distance to CSULB the campus. When school is in session, the campus population can exceed 48,000 people including students, faculty and staff. The temptation to use Los Altos neighborhoods as a parking lot, instead of using the campus, can be hard to resist. Obtaining a Preferred Parking Districts requires neighbors

working together, investing both their time and money to solve the problems of living near a popular University. (Appendix E). It is a kind of collaboration amongst neighbors that strengthens a community of interest

<https://longbeach.gov/globalassets/pw/media-library/documents/resources/general/maps-and-gis/preferentialparkingmap>

## **AN AIRPORT IMPACTED NEIGHBORHOOD**

Los Altos is directly under the FAA's NextGen landing airspace for Runway 12-30 (see attached maps) which is the airport's longest runway handling the largest and loudest commercial jet aircraft. The uses Airport Noise and Operations Monitoring System (ANOMS) to collect noise data on every airplane arriving and departing the Airport (Appendix F). The noise contours show the wide swath of sound created by jet engines. The data does not show people pausing in the middle of conversations, or pressing their mute button when a deafening jet flies over their head. (Appendix G). The airport adjacent neighborhoods have never experienced a month with zero noise violations.

In every instance that a proposed airport project has a direct impact on Los Altos, the the community has had to mount a herculean effort to overcome the problem of no councilmanic representation with District 4 over the airport. District 4 needs a voice at the airport. The barrier for Los Altos residents is the District 5 residents are not impacted with the noise of jets landing directly over their homes. Historically, the District 5 councilpersons have failed to recognize the difficulties of living under the flight path. The footprint of aircraft noise generated by the Long Beach Airport (LBG) regularly exceeds 55.0 dBA. The city has positioned 18 noise detection devices throughout the Airport Affected Neighborhoods. Los Altos community leaders and residents have been politically active in all of the recent Airport issues including: JetBlue's continued violation of the Long Beach Airport Noise ordinance; the proposed expansion of the airport terminal; and the proposed JetBlue international terminal. (Appendix H)

In the years spanning 2001 – 2020, Long Beach City Prosecutor's Office has settled three consent decrees with; JetBlue, Kalitta Charter and Mesa/American Airlines for repeated Noise Ordinance violations with fines of more than \$5 million. Previous to 2017 the consent decree monies went to the Long Beach Library Foundation. In the 2017 Kalitta Charter settlement. City Prosecutor Doug Haubert provided for the \$54,000 in fees to be deposited with the Long Beach Community Foundation for two funds to benefit Airport Impacted Neighborhoods, the *Los Altos Area Charitable Giving Fund* was one of the two funds started by the 2017 consent decree. (Appendix I)

<https://longbeachcf.org/los-altos-giving-fund/>

## **NO REPRESENTATION, NO VOICE**

A big issue facing District 4 Airport Adjacent neighborhoods is compounded by fact that the airport is politically represented entirely by the District 5 Council Office. Our health, our homes, our schools, our parks and neighborhoods are directly under the FAA NextGen landing airspace for the passenger and commercial aircraft using the longest main Runway 12/30. District 5 Council residents are not in the flight path and the councilperson's constituents are unaffected by airport noise.

The impact of District 4 Adjacent Airport Neighborhoods as Communities of Interest with no political influence was most poignant in 2004. The airport noise issue was the single campaign issue for Los Altos neighborhood advocate and candidate Patrick O'Donnell running for City Council Office. While O'Donnell's victory over a sitting Councilman Dennis Carroll was important, Councilman O'Donnell found himself unable to mitigate any of the impacts of the airport noise. He learned that when an asset is located in another District, that councilperson controls the asset. Despite this important political upset based overwhelmingly on voters' will, the District boundaries silence the voice of the Adjacent Airport Neighborhoods as Communities of Interest.

In major proposals, the political disparity between Los Altos Airport Adjacent Communities of Interest and District 5 has been glaring. When JetBlue poured millions of dollars into a campaign to modernize the airport terminal, the plan was tied to tripling the size of the terminal. The proposed excessive expansion was not only a waste of public money; experts believed adding unnecessary capacity would unnecessarily put the noise ordinance at risk. Losing the noise ordinance would decimate neighborhoods. None of the at-risk neighborhoods were in District 5. When JetBlue made a bid for an International Terminal, the Los Altos Community and the other airport impacted neighborhoods filled City Council Chambers with standing room only. District 5 residents were not in attendance because the councilpersons' decision had no impact on their lives.

The Long Beach Airport property has no legally allowable residents, no voters, and zero population. It remains exclusively controlled by District 5. The Los Altos Airport Adjacent Community of Interest, along with the Airport Adjacent Communities of Interest in Districts 7 and 8 are the people experiencing the daily stress, the lowered property values and impact of airport noise and pollution. Thousands of Long Beach residents need to be given a voice over the quality of their lives related to airport decisions.

**Where is your community located? You can define it by neighborhoods, streets, addresses, key landmarks such as a park, a City facility, school, church, or other boundaries.**

Greater Los Altos is boundaries are: East of Clark Street; south of the 405 Freeway, west of Studebaker, North of Atherton and East of Los Coyotes Diagonal . The Los Altos Shopping Center is at the center of the community. The Los Altos Library and Whaley Park are the community centers of Los Altos.

**By keeping your community intact in new district maps, in what ways would it enhance the quality of its representation?**

Protecting and enhancing the quality of representation for the Los Altos COI and the Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods COI will benefit the community in several very important ways.

1. Having a part of Long Beach Airport in District 4 gives the community a voice in the singular city asset that has the biggest impact on the COI Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods quality of Life.
2. District 4 councilmanic representation with the airport will relieve the community in the flight path of its need to fight for, lobby and beg a District 5 Councilperson not to put the noise ordinance at risk.

Protecting and enhancing the quality of representation for the Los Altos COI and the CSULB Adjacent Neighborhoods COI will benefit the community in several very important ways.

1. Having District 4 representation with a part of CSULB would give our community a voice with ongoing issues related to CSULB on the Los Altos COI.
2. Since the 1990's Los Altos has also stood with the Indigenous Peoples' claims over the 22- acre Puvungna National Historic Site located on the eastern boundary of the CSULB campus along Bellflower Blvd.
3. Currently the student housing comprised of dorms and apartments is a population that is split between the on-campus dorms in District 3 and the dorms and apartment communities at the Traffic Circle in District 4. Uniting these into the 4<sup>th</sup> District will give students a stronger voice in the community where they live.

**In which Council District do you currently reside?**

Council District 4

## **ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE**

### **PRECEDENT**

There is a precedent for drawing lines that share a large city asset without a population or voters. (Long Beach Airport is an asset without a population or voters.) In District 4, the infamous “tail of the whale” is a gerrymandered asset without a population. The most eastern border of District 4 meets in a triangle tip that joins El Dorado Regional Park into District 4. This gerrymandered unpopulated zone is known to political insiders as “the tail of the whale” because of its shape. The section assigned to District 4 is the El Dorado Nature Center. The rest of the El Dorado Park remained in District 5.

The back story is, “the gerrymandered tale of the tail” is political. When District 5 offloaded the El Dorado Nature Center to District 4, the budget strain was transferred from District 5 to District 4. The gerrymander moved the expenses only, while District 5 retained the proximity, ease and availability of a nature center within walking distance. District 4 residents have little or no neighborhood connection, nor a strong affinity to the El Dorado Park “tail” nor the Nature Center. Siphoning Councilmanic District 4 resources on the sole basis of a forced and crooked boundary is an injustice that needs to be corrected. However, the ability to draw a boundary and share an unpopulated census block does exist.

### **CORRECTED MAPS ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION TO KEEP COMMUNITIES INTACT**

The map provided by Redistricting Partners and subsequently distributed city-wide by the Independent Redistricting Commission must be corrected to reflect actual neighborhoods. False or made up neighborhoods, like Palo Verde must be deleted. Accurate maps are vital to the work of the community and commission. The X-100 development, built in 1953, must be

corrected to show its position is in the Los Altos neighborhood. The X-100's are a longstanding vital part of Los Altos, located in District 4, North of Atherton, East of Studebaker, and South of the 405 and West of Palo Verde.

Another longstanding neighborhood in District 3 named La Marina which is South of Atherton. The made-up "Palo Verde" neighborhood designation splits the real Los Altos Neighborhood and wipes away the La Marina Neighborhood. Worse, the made-up "Palo Verde" creates an artificial "split neighborhood" between two council districts. According to Redistricting Partners, this forces the commission to unite the made-up Palo Verde neighborhood into a single district even though it is a nonexistent neighborhood.



**Community of Interest  
Los Altos Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods**

**Proposed Maps**

# ADD A SECTION OF LONG BEACH AIRPORT TO DISTRICT 4

Northwest: Lakewood Blvd

Southwest: 405

Northeast: Airport Service Road, North side of runway 30-12

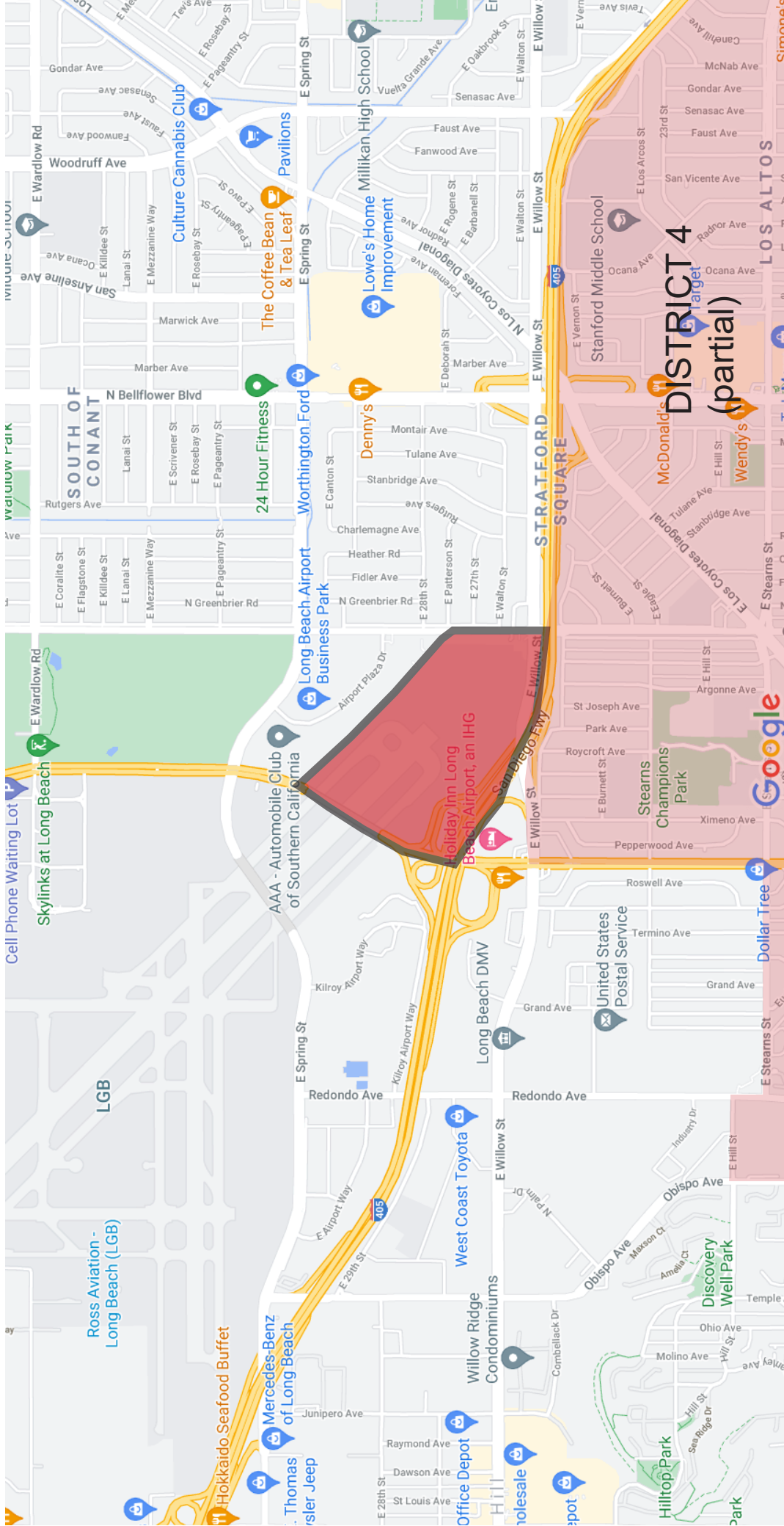
Southeast” Clark Avenue



District 4 (partial) where District 4 a joins Long Beach Airport



Proposed Section of Airport added to District 4 includes partial runway 30-12 (unpopulated)



**Community of Interest  
Los Altos CSULB Adjacent Neighborhoods**

**Proposed Maps**



## **Appendixes**

## APPENDIX A

Los Altos has two neighborhood community interest groups registered with the Long Beach Development Services Housing and Neighborhoods Resource Center. The registered neighborhood groups are: the Los Altos Center Adjacent Neighborhoods (LACAN) and the Los Altos Village Neighbors.

### 59. Los Altos Center Adjacent Neighborhoods

Area:	<b>North</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>West</b>
	405 Fwy.	Atherton St.	Fairbrook St.	Britton Dr.

Members:	45
Email:	losaltoscan@gmail.com
Website	http://losaltosneighborhoods.blogspot.com
Social Media	
Meetings:	Announced when called, as needed and held at Los Altos Library

### 60. Los Altos Village Neighbors

Area:	<b>North</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>West</b>
	405 Fwy.	Atherton St.	Palo Verde Ave.	Clark Ave.

Members:	100
Email:	LosAltosVillage@gmail.com
Website	www.Facebook.com/losaltosvillageneighbors
Social Media	Facebook
Meetings:	

### 61. Los Cerritos Neighborhood Association

Area:	<b>North</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>West</b>
	Virginia Country Club	405 Fwy.	Long Beach Blvd.	Blue Line Right of Way & L.A. River

Members:	2,000
Email:	info@loscerritosna.org
Website	www.loscerritosna.org
Social Media	www.facebook.com/loscerritosna
Meetings:	7:00 p.m., No set day – monthly, location varies

### 62. Midtown BID

Area:	<b>North</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>West</b>
	Anaheim St.	Anaheim St.	Raymond Ave.	Alamitos Ave.

Members:	9
Email:	LBMidTownED@gmail.com
Website	www.MBIDLb.com
Social Media	
Meetings:	5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Second Thursday of the month at Mark Twain Neighborhood Library, 1401 E. Anaheim St.





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## LOS ALTOS: Rich with family, retail traditions



*A plane passes overhead an LA Fitness in the Los Altos Market Center in Los Altos in Long Beach, CA on Monday September 20, 2013.*

Eighty-six-year-old Jimmie Harrison doesn't have to be told what a great neighborhood Los Altos is. He used to ride up and down Bellflower Boulevard when it was a two-lane highway, and bean fields lined the area as far as the eyes could see, on each side of the thoroughfare. He and his wife, Jeane Sandy Harrison, bought their house at 2132 Raznor Ave. on March 15, 1950, when Los Altos home construction was still occurring. He had a job that paid \$50 a week at a termite company and wasn't sure he could pay the \$8,150 asking price for the two-bedroom, one-bathroom home. The Realtor wanted a \$25 down payment, and Harrison nearly walked away. Instead, he took out a 30-year loan, paid \$53 a month and raised four kids in the house. "My mother-in-law thought we were crazy, moving to the country," Harrison said of the barren fields around

the subdivision. His wife, who has since died, thought the old Bendix washer and dryer that came with the house were wonderful – until they broke down not long after the move-in. "This has been a really good neighborhood. The schools are very good," said Harrison, whose summer highlight was a block party a few weeks ago. "We had a six-piece band, and kids played. I've seen people come and go, but most have stayed. I'm not going anywhere," he said. There are few complaints in Los Altos, though parking seems to be the major beef. The southern portion of Los Altos, adjacent to Cal State Long Beach, has seen its fair share of students parking cars there. "A lot of people work there, but time to time, parking has to be addressed," said Councilman Patrick O'Donnell, who has worked with residents to get permit parking for the area. There are re-

stricted hours that outsiders can't park along Ather-ton Street and some roads to the north of the main street. "I feel for the students because the permits are so expensive," he said of the on-campus permits to park in the area.

## **Lloyd Whaley arrives**

Los Altos is a neighborhood because real estate developer Lloyd Whaley put it on the map, according to a historical film about the area. It nearly became known as University Village, but the Los Altos name – which means "the heights" in Spanish – won out due to marketing by Whaley, the developer who built thousands of homes in Los Altos back in the late 1940s and early 1950s, the film says.

Los Altos is carved up by Clark Avenue on the west, Studebaker Avenue on the east, Interstate 405 and Willow Street on the north, and Park Estates and Cal State Long Beach on the south. The community's public library on Britton Avenue has film clips of the Los Altos development that Joe Sopo, a local Realtor with Keller Williams Realty and head of the Los Altos Neighborhood Association, condensed into a 30-minute CD. On the CD, original homeowners are interviewed, bulldozers and contractors are shown building homes, and photos from the early 1950s show Miss Nebraska breaking ground on the Los Altos Center, which was the predecessor mall to Los Altos Market Center. Bean fields and dirt curbs of Bellflower, the main thoroughfare, are also visible on the film. Whaley was born in Lexington, Neb., in 1906 – thus the Miss Nebraska connection – and died at age 67 in 1973. "His permanent impact on Long Beach may never be equaled again," John Cleveland, a cousin of Whaley and narrator of the film, said. The subdivision was clearly the result of a building boom driven by veterans returning home from World War II. From 1946 to 1949, Cleveland said Lloyd had completed 880 homes from Bellflower to Clark and Atherton to Stearns. Mt. Baldy, a 10,064-foot mountain in the San Gabriel Mountains, is visible in the distance in the film – with no haze.

## **Home sales pick up**

Sopo has sold about 350 homes in Los Altos since 1981, but no million-dollar homes have sold, he said. The housing meltdown in 2007 is over, with signs of a recovery seen everywhere, Sopo said. The market is not altogether back, but a home at

5288 E. Daggett St. in Los Altos sold in July for \$900,000. This is the highest priced home to sell at this level since April 2006, according to the Multiple Listing Service, a housing data service that tracks home sales. Most are one- or two-bedroom homes with a bathroom, with some remodeled with the addition of a bedroom or half bath.

As of Sept. 10, the MLS data shows that there are 19 active single family homes and condominium listings in the Los Altos neighborhood. This is a far cry from the dozens of homes on the market more than half a decade ago. In the two years before the meltdown, Los Altos saw a total of 410 closed sales of homes and condos. Now, year-to-date, 202 homes and condos have sold at a price higher than \$600,000 in Los Altos. Of those sold, 61 were above \$700,000, according to the MLS data. "It's just a real stable area. People live in the area because it's affordable as a beach town compared to pricier Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance or Huntington Beach," Sopo said.

## **A place for families**

The neighborhood is a much sought-after place to live. It's a tolerant religious community, with diverse houses of worship.

It is defined by its quality schools and one of Long Beach's biggest shopping venues along Bellflower Boulevard. It also is known for commercial and military jets that fly overhead, as a large section of Los Altos lies in a flight path of planes landing at Long Beach Airport. People there don't complain about it but rather treat the buzz of the planes as a novelty. "The C-17 cargo jets fly over all the time," said Daniel Du Chateau, sales and marketing director for LA Fitness, which is one of the big magnets at the Los Altos Market Center along Bellflower.

The center was once the fourth-largest mall in Los Angeles County in the 1950s, according to marketing brochures.

A Sears and Lazy Acres supermarket anchor one end of the shopping plaza with a Trader Joe's and Target on the north side.

The rumble from the powerful Boeing C-17s draws people out of the gym to gaze at the huge transports, then the car alarms go off.

The other major retail complex in Los Altos is situated just down the street at Bellflower and East Spring





*"There's nothing more American than the great Los Altos bike parade."*

Street, called the Los Altos Gateway. It has the Cal Worthington Ford dealership, which takes up a good chunk of the corner, with a Kmart and Lowe's in the rear of the retail site.

### **July 4th parade**

Los Altos has a strong family atmosphere. This past Fourth of July, for instance, Simon Stone and friends in his Los Altos neighborhood went door to door collecting signatures to gain city permission for a parade. In the previous half-dozen years, nothing was needed because the parade was loosely organized and wasn't so big. It usually starts around Stone's house at 1925 Stearnlee Ave., where kids would congregate and put streamers on the ends of the handlebars of their bicycles or three-wheelers. Stone used to pull a Red Flyer wagon with a bubble blowing machine and stereo blaring patriotic tunes. American flags were planted on the wagon's railings. But the wagon broke, and he went with a dolly contraption this year. He also enlisted political muscle to get the permit. O'Donnell cut through the red tape to get the parade permit. More than 350 kids and their parents showed up at this year's parade.

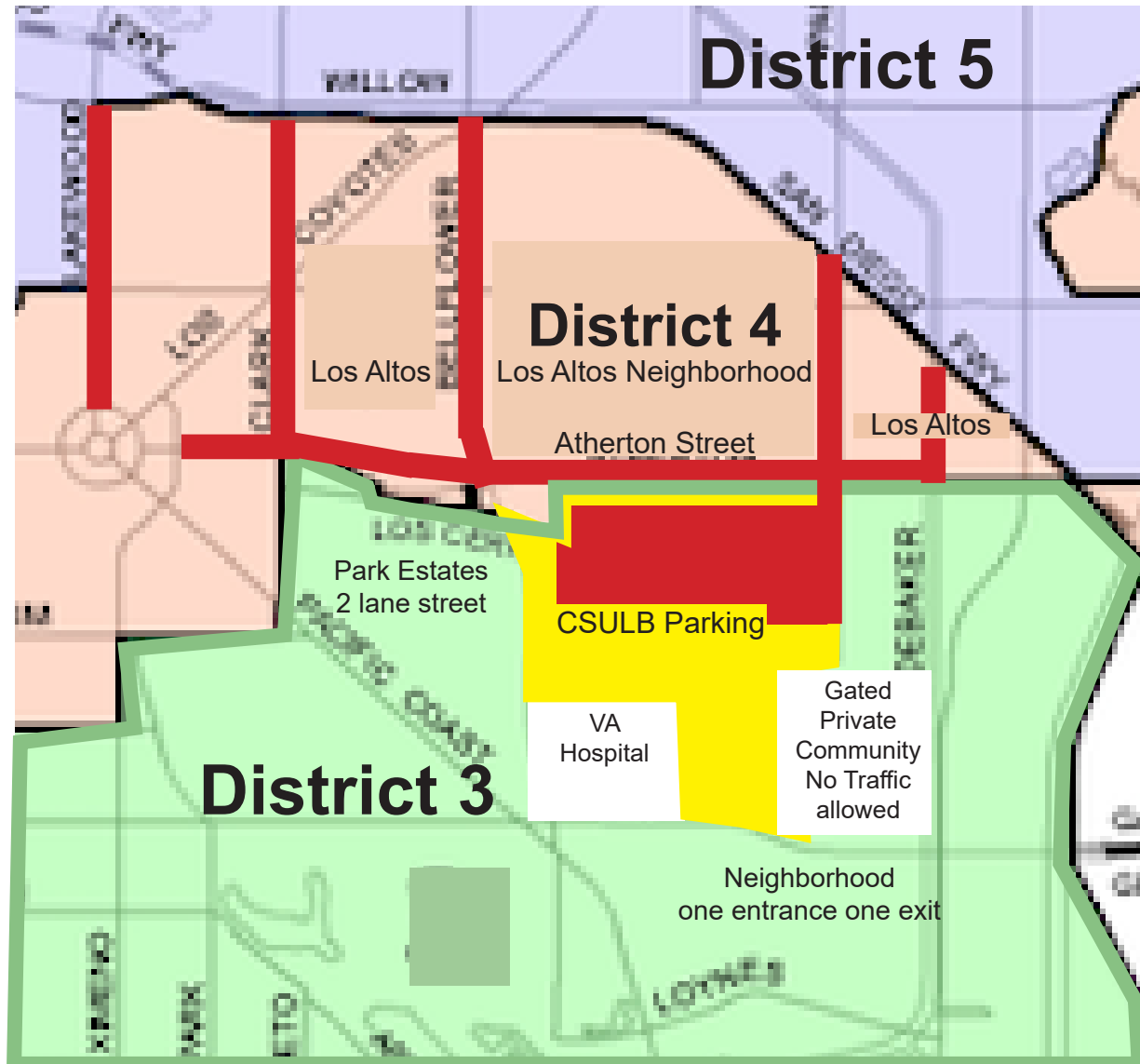
There weren't any fireworks, just Neapolitan, vanilla, chocolate and strawberry ice cream donated by local businesses.

"There's nothing more American than the great Los Altos bike parade," O'Donnell said.

- Los Altos was a housing subdivision developed by Lloyd S. Whaley, back in the late 1940s and 1950s.
- Whaley Park is named after real estate developer Whaley.
- Whaley died in 1973 at the age of 67.
- Whaley, who was from Nebraska, invited Miss Nebraska to break ground in the early 1950s on the Los Altos Center, which was the predecessor mall to today's Los Altos Market Center.
- Whaley fought off an attempt by some to rename Los Altos as University Village to reflect the emergence of the local City College and Cal State Long Beach.

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# Los Altos and CSULB



The CSULB Campus has a significant impact in the District 4 neighborhoods bordering the campus. A campus with 48,000 students, faculty and staff can overwhelm a neighborhood of 29,000 yet District 4 has no representation.

# Campus Footprint

## California State University Long Beach



The majority of campus parking is on North side of CSULB with Los Altos experiencing the highest traffic impacts.

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Crystal Niebla

## As trial approaches, tribal leaders say they want legal protections for Puvungna, not promises



*Daniel Standingbear, center, looks up to the sky as he stands with other protesters around crews dumping construction dirt at a sacred Native American site, Puvungna, at Cal State Long Beach on Thursday, Sept. 26, 2019. Photo by Thomas R. Cordova.*

A trial over Cal State Long Beach's treatment of indigenous land is inching closer to the courtroom, and on Monday, tribal leaders outlined the protections they're seeking in the hopes of blocking the potential of ever developing a plot of revered ground known as Puvungna.

All of CSULB was built on land tribes considered to be part of Puvungna, which was a village and place of creation and burial site for the indigenous people who lived there. Now, indigenous nations say they use the remaining 22 acres of undeveloped land along Bellflower Boulevard for ceremonies and spiritual gatherings.

The university's treatment of Puvungna has been a source of controversy for years, but it was recently

reignited when work crews dumped dirt from a nearby student housing project onto Puvungna in 2019. Accusations that the university planned to build a parking lot on the land also went viral on social media last year.

In response to the dumping, tribal groups sued, arguing that the university violated the California Environmental Quality Act when it dumped 6,400 cubic yards of construction dirt and debris without conducting an environmental review of the potential impacts. They also say that the university failed to consult the appropriate tribal groups.

The latest step came on Friday when the Juaneño Band of Mission Indians, Acjachemen Nation-Belardes and the California Cultural Resources



Preservation Alliance, Inc. filed an opening brief—their opening argument in a lawsuit—moving them one step further in the legal battle.

The tribal groups say they want the university to remove the construction dirt and debris, restore the site to its previous state, and enter into a legally binding agreement that permanently protects the land.

Sketch map of a portion of Cal State Long Beach that includes Puvungna. The area labeled “LAN-253” is considered sacred Puvungna land.

Cal State Long Beach spokesperson Gregory Woods declined to comment on the lawsuit, instead referring questions to a video statement released in January in which Cal State Long Beach President Jane Close Conoley says that the university will not build on top of Puvungna.

“Rumors involve a new university plan for a parking lot on that land,” Conoley said in the video statement. “That is untrue. There are no plans in place for a structure of any kind on that land.”

Tribal leaders say Conoley’s statement is not enough.

“Videos and social media posts do not give us any legal protection,” said Joyce Stanfield Perry, tribal manager and cultural resource director of the Juaneño Band. “Legal actions speak way louder than words, and we need a legally binding agreement.”

Conoley said in the statement that keeping the soil from another part of campus onsite was “the preferable method of managing excavated earth based on counsel we received from our campus Committee on Native American Burial Remains and Cultural Patrimony.” She added that the unintentional construction debris was removed.

“We have been engaged in a process with the Native American Heritage Commission, State Historic Preservation Officer, and other interested parties to ensure a permanent plan for that soil in terms of better integrating it into the surrounding landscape and introducing native plantings,” Conoley said in the statement.

In the meantime, the university has until April 30 to respond to the lawsuit’s opening brief, said attorney Winter King during Monday’s press conference. The trial is scheduled for June 17, she said.

About 30 years ago, the university tried and failed to build a strip mall on Puvungna in the 1990s, which also led to a lawsuit, according to CSULB’s documentation of the past controversy. Rebecca Robles, who was raised near Puvungna, said her parents were involved in protests against CSULB when it wanted to build that strip mall.

Robles, Acjachemen cultural bearer of Juaneño Band, said that “it feels like Groundhog Day” because “we keep doing things over and over again.”

“They can end this controversy today,” she said.

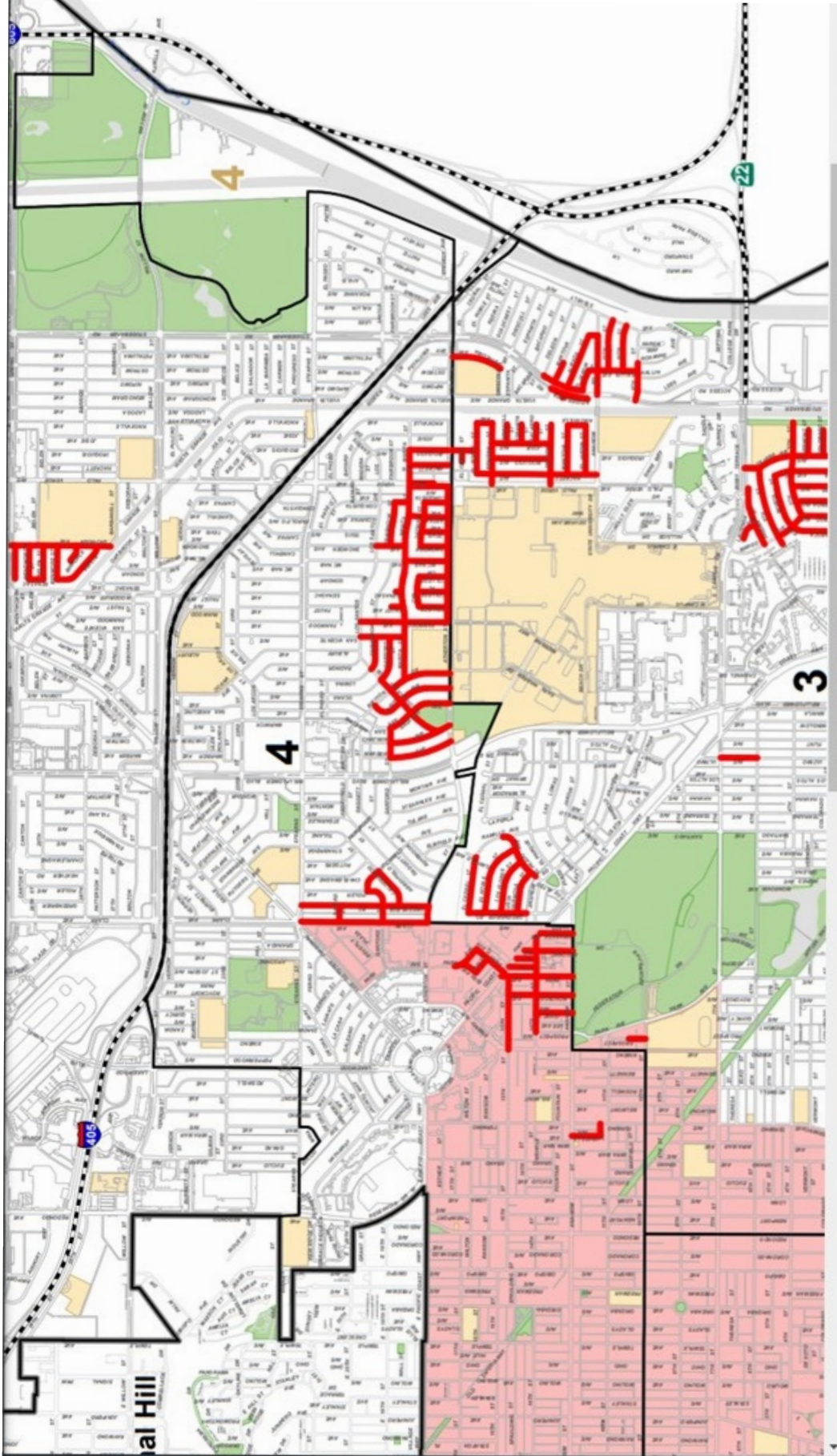


*A protester holds a sign that reads “Protect Puvungna” during a rally in spring 2021. Photo courtesy of Rebecca Robles.*



## APPENDIX E

### PREFERRED PARKING DISTRICTS



Los Altos has more city approved Preferred Parking Districts than any other part of the city including the neighborhoods surrounding Long Beach City College campus. The campus population can exceed 48,000 people including students, faculty and staff. The Preferential Parking Districts require neighborhoods to work together investing both time and money.

## APPENDIX F

### LONG BEACH AIRPORT NOISE VIOLATION MONITOR LOCATIONS

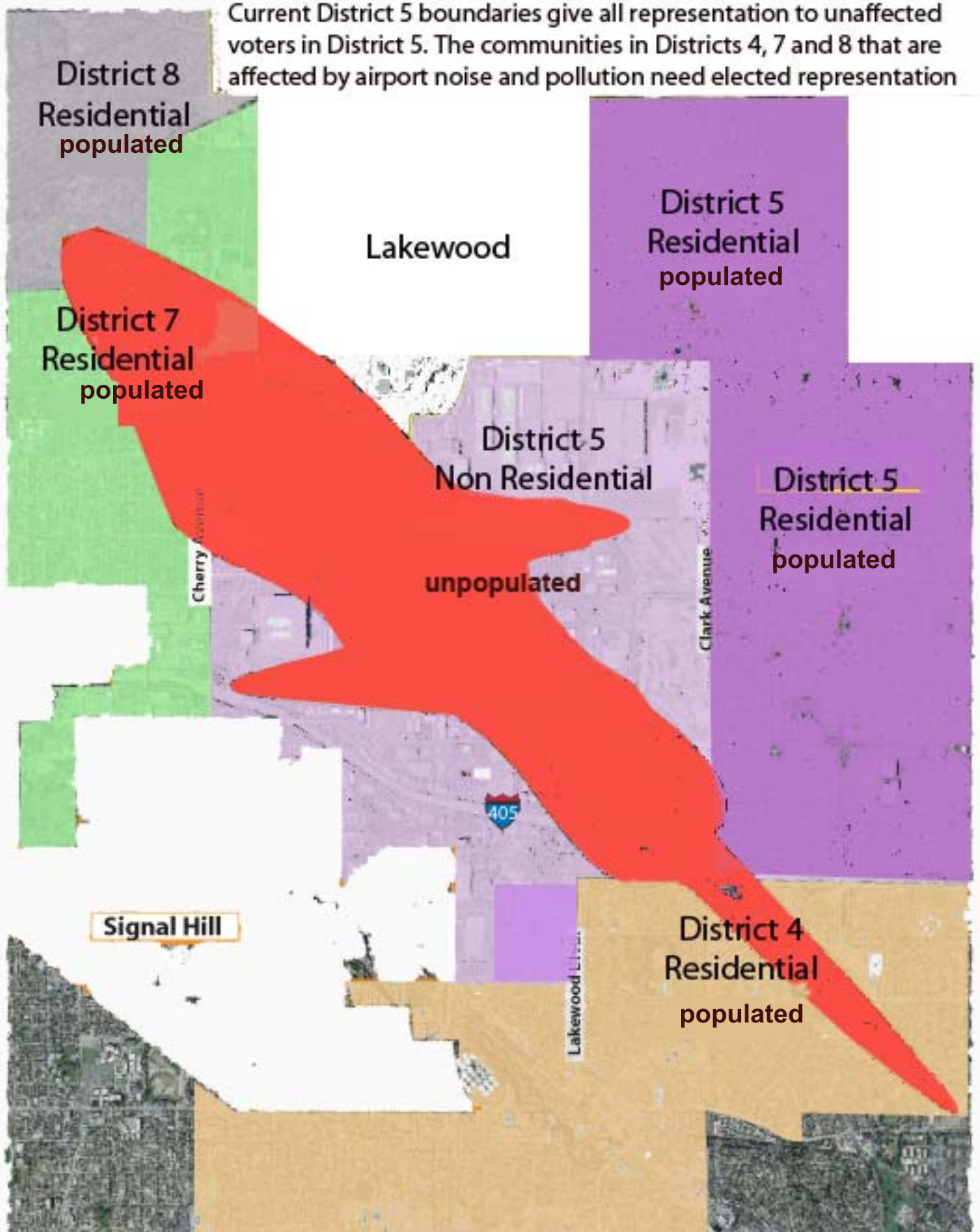
The noise monitor locations are shown with orange circles





## EXHIBIT G

Current District 5 boundaries give all representation to unaffected voters in District 5. The communities in Districts 4, 7 and 8 that are affected by airport noise and pollution need elected representation



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# LONG BEACH POST

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Jason Ruiz

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## City Council Terminates International Terminal Talks at Long Beach Airport

*The Long Beach City Council voted 8-1 not to move forward with proposed plans for international flights out of Long Beach.*

A process that started nearly two years ago when Jetblue Airways formally requested a study to determine if international flights out of Long Beach Airport were feasible came to a close Tuesday night when the Long Beach City Council voted 8-1 against moving forward with the project.

Fifth District Councilwoman Stacy Mungo, after a line of questioning directed at airport staff that highlighted the marginal benefits the terminal could provide for the city—and the projects it would divert funds from—made the motion to receive and file the report, effectively ending the discussions on international flights out of the city.

“I’ve heard a lot of concern from the community on a number of aspects from FIS [International terminal],” Mungo said. “For a starting point for this evening I hope that whether you’re supportive or not supportive, I would ask you to hold your boos or applause, but I would like to make a motion to receive and file.”

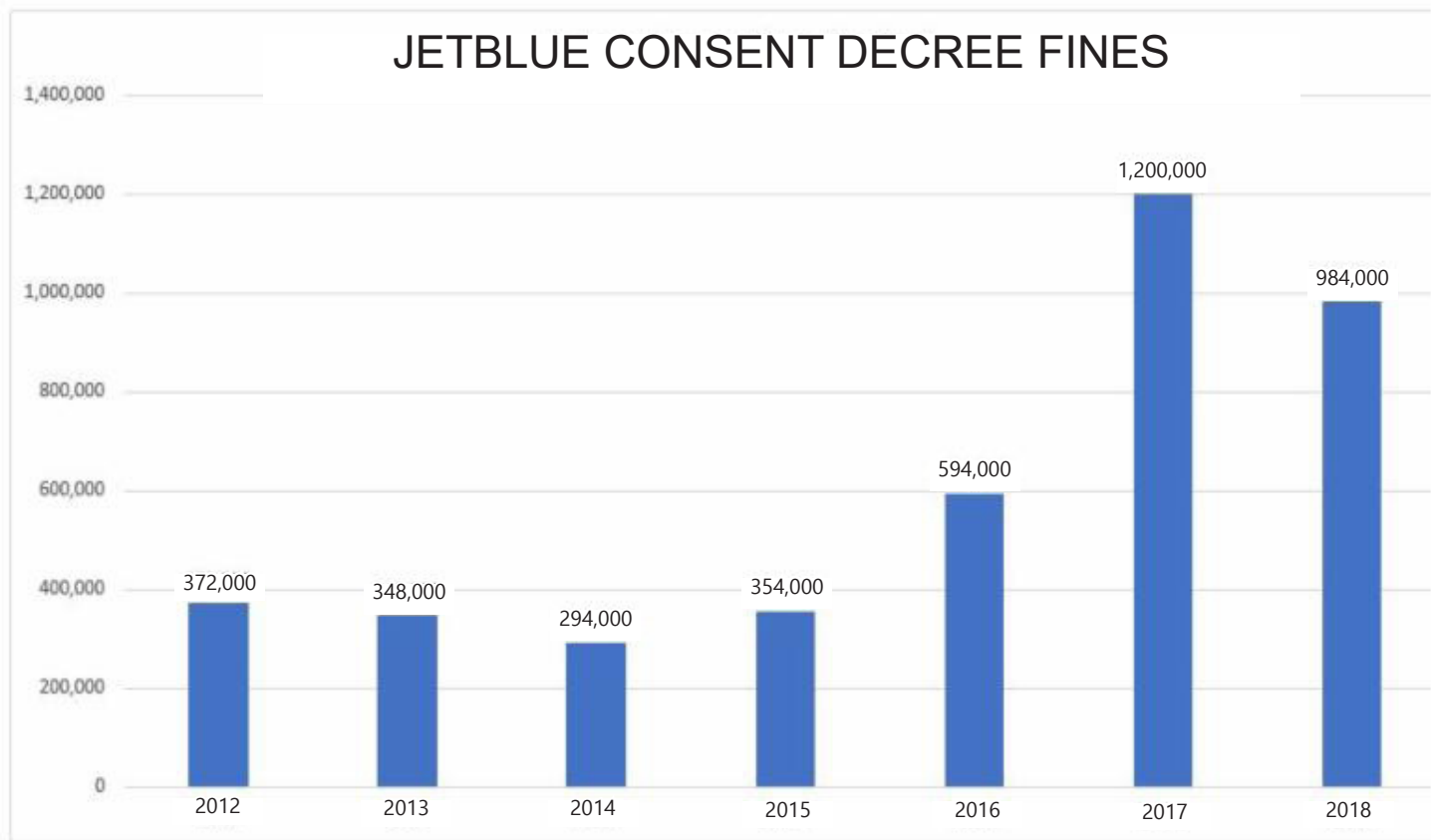
The motion—once it was explained that it would end the city’s attempts to move forward with the project—drew a round of applause from the standing room-only crowd in the council chambers, as well as a delayed celebration from the overflow audience watching from the city hall lobby.

Nearly four hours later, when dozens of residents and airport employees had made their public pleas both for and against the terminal, the council’s 8-1 vote in favor of Mungo’s motion drew a prolonged standing ovation from those in the crowd holding the orange anti-international flight signs.

The airport, in particular the international terminal project, has been a hot-button issue for the communities that border it and for those long-time residents that were part of the city’s legal battles with the Federal Aviation Administration decades ago.

Those battles led to establishing the city’s noise ordinance, something that residents have defended to the teeth out of fear that airport operations could expand and affect their quality of life.

## EXHIBIT I



Jetblue Noise Violations resulting in the airline paying \$4.1 million of Consent Decree Fines over a ten year period. These fines amount to roughly \$5 per year, per person, for the residents living under the departure and arrival flight paths.

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# LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE

## ARTICLE XXV. - COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS AND REDISTRICTING

### Section 2500. - COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS.

The City shall be divided, for electoral purposes, into nine (9) Councilmanic Districts approximately equal in population.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

### Sec. 2501. - LONG BEACH INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION.

- (a) The exclusive authority to redraw Council district boundaries is vested in the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission.
- (b) The Commission shall:
  - (1) Be independent of Mayor and City Council control;
  - (2) Conduct an open and transparent process enabling full public consideration of and comment on the drawing of Council district boundaries;
  - (3) Comply with the provisions in this article; and
  - (4) Conduct itself with integrity and fairness.
- (c) The Commission may:
  - (1) Adopt for itself rules of procedure not in conflict with this article; and
  - (2) Adopt rules and regulations for the interpretation and implementation of this article.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

### Sec. 2502. - POWER AND DUTY OF COMMISSION TO ADOPT COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARY MAP.

- (a) Within six (6) months after census-block-level population data from a regular United States decennial census is made available to the public, the Commission shall adopt a final map establishing new Council district boundaries and a final report explaining its decision. The final map shall include a precise map and written description of the boundaries of each Council district. In the final report, the Commission shall explain the rationale for the Council district boundaries, including, at a minimum, an explanation of how the final map complies with the redistricting requirements and criteria in Section 2506 of this Charter and a reasonable justification for any Council district boundary that does not comply with any redistricting criterion.
- (b) A Commission-adopted final map has the force and effect of law and is effective immediately upon adoption, unless on the date of adoption there are less than six (6) months until the next primary City election, in which case the final map shall go into effect after that election and any applicable run-off election.
- (c) If the Commission does not adopt a final map by the deadline in subsection (a), the City Attorney shall immediately petition the Superior Court for an order prescribing new Council district boundaries in accordance with the redistricting criteria and requirements set forth in Section 2506. The boundaries prescribed by the Superior Court shall be used for all City Council elections that take

place more than six (6) months from the date of the Superior Court's order and shall last until a final map is adopted by the Commission to replace it.

- (d) The Commission shall redraw Council district boundaries once per decade and at such other times as may be required, as provided in subsection (a), unless the Commission is reconvened by a vote of two-thirds of the City Council to address significant population changes, legal challenges, or other issues, or is ordered to do so by a court.
- (e) Any territory that is annexed, consolidated, or otherwise attached to the City shall be allocated to a Council district pursuant to this subsection, effective upon the completion of such annexation, consolidation, or other proceedings. The City Clerk shall update the final map accordingly.
  - (1) If the territory's boundary is contiguous to the boundary of not more than one (1) Council district, the territory shall be allocated to that Council district.
  - (2) If the territory's boundary is contiguous to the boundaries of two (2) or more Council districts, the territory shall be allocated to the council district with which it shares the longest boundary.
  - (3) If the territory's boundary is not contiguous with the boundary of any Council district, the territory shall be allocated to the closest Council district.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2503. - COMMISSION ORGANIZATION.

- (a) The Commission shall consist of 13 commissioners and 2 alternates. Alternates may fully participate in commission deliberations but may not vote and may not be counted towards the establishment of a quorum. Alternates are subject to the same terms of office, qualifications, restrictions, and standards of conduct as other commissioners under this article.
- (b) The term of office of each commissioner begins on December 1 of a year ending in zero, and expires on January 1 of the next year ending in zero. Sixty (60) days after a final map has been adopted, the Commission shall cease to meet, unless reconvened by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or by the City Attorney to consider settlement options if the final map is legally challenged or by the City Council as provided by Section 2502(a) above.
- (c) Nine (9) commissioners constitute a quorum. The removal of a Commissioner or alternate; the approval of additional redistricting criteria; and the approval of a proposed final map, final map, and final report require the affirmative votes of nine (9) commissioners. All other Commission actions require the affirmative vote of a majority of commissioners present.
- (d) At its first meeting, the Commission shall select one (1) commissioner to serve as Chair and one (1) to serve as Vice Chair. The Commission may designate other officers from its membership, and may establish subcommittees. Subcommittees shall report on their actions at the next meeting of the Commission.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2504. - COMMISSIONER QUALIFICATIONS, REQUIREMENTS AND POST-SERVICE RESTRICTIONS.

- (a) Each commissioner must be a registered voter of the City and must either:
  - (1) Have voted in the City election immediately preceding his or her application to be on the Commission; or
  - (2) Have been a resident of the City for at least one (1) year immediately preceding his or her application to be on the Commission.
- (b) The following persons are not eligible to be a commissioner:

- (1) A person who, or whose spouse, registered domestic partner, or child, within the eight (8) years immediately preceding their date of application to be on the Commission, has contributed to a candidate for City elective office, in a single year, more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250).
- (2) A person who, or whose spouse, registered domestic partner, or child - is or has been, within the four (4) years immediately preceding their date of application to be on the Commission, any of the following:
  - i. A paid employee of the City, including those employed by an elected official;
  - ii. A registered City lobbyist, or someone who was required to be a registered City lobbyist; or
  - iii. A paid employee of any redistricting contractor or consultant.
- (3) A person who, or whose spouse, registered domestic partner, parent, sibling, or child - has been, within eight (8) years immediately preceding their date of application to be on the Commission, any of the following:
  - i. Elected to or appointed to, or been a candidate for, City elective office;
  - ii. An officer, employee of, or paid consultant or contractor to a campaign committee or a candidate for City elective office;
  - iii. A staff member, paid employee of, a consultant to, or someone under contract with any City elected official; or
  - iv. A principal officer of an active campaign committee domiciled in the County of Los Angeles that has made expenditures on candidate elections for a City elective office.
- (c) Within 30 days of appointment, a commissioner shall file with the City Clerk a statement of economic interest, or similar financial disclosure statement, as required under the City's conflict of interest code, and shall agree to the City's Code of Ethics and written ethics pledge.
- (d) A commissioner shall be ineligible, for a period of ten years beginning from the date of their appointment, to hold City elective office. A commissioner shall be ineligible, for a period of four (4) years beginning from the date of their appointment, to be appointed to another City commission, to serve as paid staff for or as a paid consultant to any City elected official or candidate for City elective office, to receive a non-competitively bid contract with the City, or to register as a City lobbyist.
- (e) While serving on the Commission, a commissioner shall not endorse, work for, volunteer for, or contribute to any candidate campaign for City elective office. Commissioners choosing to engage in such activity may resign at any time, including after the approval of a final map to ensure that the commissioner no longer serves if the Commission is reconvened to redraw districts

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2505. - COMMISSIONER SELECTION AND REMOVAL.

- (a) The commissioner selection process is designed to produce a Commission that is independent and that reasonably reflects the diversity of the City.
- (b) The City Clerk shall, beginning in 2020, and in each year ending in the number zero thereafter, initiate and widely publicize an application process, open to all City registered voters who meet the requirements of Section 953, in a manner that promotes a qualified commissioner applicant pool that is large and reflective of the diversity of the City. The application period shall remain open for at least three (3) months.
- (c) The City Clerk shall create an application available in English, Spanish, Khmer and Tagalog and as may be required under the City's Language Access Policy for prospective commissioners, and seek assistance from a broad range of community-based organizations in outreach efforts. Applicants shall attest on the application, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided is true.

- (d) Approximately one (1) month prior to the close of the application period, the City Clerk shall report to the City Council and Mayor on applications received up to that point and any additional outreach that is being undertaken or planned to ensure that the applicant pool has a sufficient number of qualified applicants and reasonably reflects the City's diversity.
- (e) After the close of the application period, the City Clerk shall review and remove individuals who are disqualified under Section 2504 of this Charter from among the commission applicants. The City Clerk shall maintain a public record of the disqualifications that apply to each person whose application is removed from the applicant pool. If the resulting applicant pool does not have at least 35 qualified applicants, including 3 qualified applicants from each existing City Council district, the City Clerk shall reopen the application period for one (1) month and conduct additional outreach to ensure that the pool meets these requirements.
- (f) After removing ineligible applicants, the City Clerk shall publish and transmit to a screening panel a list with the names of all qualified applicants. For purposes of this section, "screening panel" means:
  - (1) The City's Ethics Commission, if that Commission is established by ordinance or under this Charter; or
  - (2) If an ethics commission matching the description in subsection (1) does not exist, a panel of Long Beach residents consisting of: one (1) retired judge; one (1) law, government, or public policy professor teaching at an accredited institution; and one (1) member of the governing board of a non-profit organization qualified under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3) that has history of advocating for good government reform in the city. The panelists shall be selected by the Mayor from a pool of qualified applicants. Panelists shall meet the same qualifications required of commissioners in Section 2504. The Mayor shall recruit a pool of applicants to serve on the screening panel; or
  - (3) If an ethics commission matching the description in subsection (1) does not exist, and there are insufficient qualified applicants to form a panel pursuant to paragraph (2), a panel consisting of the City Attorney, the City Clerk, and the City Auditor.
- (g) From this eligible commissioner applicant pool, the screening panel shall, no later than November 1, 2020, and by November 1 in each year ending in the number zero thereafter, create a subpool of not less than 20 nor more than 30 applicants most qualified to perform the duties of the Commission, including at least two (2) applicants from each existing Council district. The screening panel, exercising its independent judgment, shall make these assignments at a publicly noticed meeting after the public has had the opportunity to provide written and oral comment. The screening panel may ask additional questions of commissioner applicants at that meeting. The screening panel shall make each assignment to the subpool on the basis of the applicant's relevant analytical skills, familiarity with the city's neighborhoods and communities, ability to be impartial, and apparent ability to work cooperatively with other potential commissioners. The subpool should reasonably reflect the City's diversity; provided that, other than the requirement of geographic diversity in this subsection, no quotas, formulas, or ratios may be applied for this purpose.
- (h) Immediately after the subpool has been created, and at that same public meeting, the chair of the screening panel shall randomly select nine (9) names - one (1) from each existing council district - from the subpool. These nine (9) individuals shall serve as commissioners on the Commission.
- (i) The commissioners selected pursuant to subsection (h) shall select four (4) commissioners and two (2) alternates from the remaining applicants in the subpool. Each selection requires six (6) affirmative votes from among the nine (9) commissioners, and the selection must be made at a publicly noticed meeting after the public has had the opportunity to provide written and oral comment. The commissioners shall make each selection on the basis of the applicant's relevant analytical skills, familiarity with the city's neighborhoods and communities, ability to be impartial, and apparent ability to work cooperatively with other commissioners. The Commission should reasonably reflect the City's diversity; provided that no quotas, formulas, or ratios may be applied for this purpose.
- (j) The Commission shall be fully established no later than December 1, 2020, and thereafter no later than December 1 in each year ending in the number zero. To meet this deadline, the City Clerk may



establish other deadlines for the commissioner application and selection process described in this Section.

- (k) The Commission may remove a commissioner for substantial neglect of duty, gross misconduct in office, or inability to discharge the duties of office, but only after providing the subject commissioner written notice and an opportunity for a response at a public meeting.
- (l) If a commissioner resigns or is removed from the Commission, the Chair of the Commission shall randomly select one (1) of the alternates to fill the vacancy as a voting commissioner. If the Commission is unable to act because there are fewer than nine (9) active commissioners, the City Clerk shall, within one (1) month of making this determination, recruit a pool of qualified applicants to fill the vacancies. The remaining commissioners shall, within two (2) weeks of the pool being constituted, appoint replacement commissioners from this pool by a two-thirds vote.
- (m) For purposes of this section, "diversity" includes, but is not limited to, racial, ethnic, gender, and sexual orientation diversity.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

**Sec. 2506. - REDISTRICTING REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIA.**

- (a) The Commission shall draw its final map so that:
  - (1) Council districts are as nearly equal as practicable in total population;
  - (2) The final map complies with the U.S. Constitution; the Federal Voting Rights Act, the California Constitution; and any other requirement of federal or state law applicable to charter cities; and
  - (3) Each Council district is geographically contiguous, to the extent practicable, and has a clearly defined boundary.
- (b) In addition to following the requirements of subsection (a), the Commission shall consider the following criteria when drawing the final map, in order of priority:
  - (1) The geographic integrity of a neighborhood should be respected in a manner that minimizes its division.
  - (2) Communities of interest. The geographic integrity of a community of interest should be respected in a manner that minimizes its division. A community of interest is a contiguous population that shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation;
  - (3) Neighborhoods and communities sharing a common language, history, culture and identity should not be divided so as to dilute their voting power;
  - (4) Geography and topography: Districts should respect major topographic and geographic features of the City;
  - (5) District boundaries should be easily identifiable and understandable by voters. Districts should be bounded by natural and artificial barriers, by street lines, and/or by City boundary lines;
  - (6) Districts should be geographically compact such that nearby areas of population are not bypassed for more distant population;
  - (7) All lines must correspond to census blocks in order to preserve the validity of data and avoid arbitrary boundaries; and
  - (8) Other Commission may adopt other criteria that do not conflict with the other requirements and criteria listed in this section or with state or federal law.
- (c) The Commission shall not consider place of residence of any individual, including any incumbent or political candidate, in the creation of a map.

- (d) The Commission shall number each Council district such that, for as many residents as possible, the number of the Council district they reside in remains the same.
- (e) The Commission shall not draw districts for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

**Sec. 2507. - PUBLIC MEETINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT.**

- (a) The Commission shall establish and implement an open meeting process for public input and deliberation that is promoted through an outreach program to solicit broad public participation in the redistricting process. The Commission shall comply with all applicable State and City requirements for open meetings.
- (b) Prior to adopting a final map, the Commission shall hold at least nine (9) public meetings, including one (1) public meeting in each existing Council district. A final map may not be adopted unless a proposed final map with substantially similar Council district boundaries has been adopted at least seven (7) days earlier at a prior public meeting.
- (c) The Commission shall establish and implement a process for accepting written public comment, including the submission of draft maps and draft partial maps for the Commission's consideration.
- (d) Commission members and staff may not communicate with or receive communications about redistricting matters from anyone except at a public meeting or through the process established for accepting written public comment. This subsection does not prohibit:
  - (1) communication between Commission members, staff, legal counsel, and consultants retained by the Commission that is otherwise permitted by State and City open meeting requirements; or
  - (2) commissioners, staff, legal counsel, or consultants from engaging in public education and outreach, including explaining how the Commission functions and encouraging public participation in the redistricting process.
- (e) Any person who is compensated for communicating with the Commission or any commissioner, other than a reimbursement of reasonable travel expenses, shall identify the party compensating them in such communication.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

**Sec. 2508. - RECORDS AND DATA.**

- (a) The Commission shall comply with the California Public Records Act, commencing with section 6250 of the California Government Code, or its successor, and any City laws regarding public records, to the degree they require greater disclosure and retention of Commission records than is provided in this article.
- (b) The Commission and its subcommittees shall keep minutes of all discussion and actions taken at public meetings. The minutes should be adopted at the next public meeting of that body. To the greatest extent practicable, all public meetings of the Commission and its subcommittees shall be video recorded.
- (c) To the greatest extent practicable, the Commission shall make available to the public a free electronic mapping tool, loaded with relevant population and demographic data, which tool can be used to create draft maps and draft partial maps.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)



Sec. 2509. - ADMINISTRATION.

- (a) The City Council shall appropriate sufficient funds to recruit commissioners, meet the operational needs of the Commission, and conduct any outreach program to solicit broad public participation in the redistricting process.
- (b) The City Manager, City Clerk, and City Attorney shall assign sufficient staff to support the Commission. The Commission shall be staffed by no less than three (3) City employees: the City Manager, the City Clerk, and the City Attorney, or their respective representatives. The City Attorney's, or his/her respective representative's, only client on matters relating to redistricting is the Commission.
- (c) The City Clerk and the City Attorney, or their respective representatives, shall, no later than March 1, 2021, and thereafter by March 1 in every year ending in one, train the commissioners on the requirements of this article, federal and state law regarding redistricting, open meeting requirements, and general rules of parliamentary procedure.
- (d) The City Manager and the City Clerk shall, by January 1, 2020, and thereafter by January 1 in every year ending in zero, provide a report to the Mayor and City Council that explains, at minimum, plans for: recruiting a qualified applicant pool that reflects the City's diversity; assigning sufficient staff to support the Commission's activities; training commissioners; providing work space and relevant technology to support the Commission's activities; facilitating an open selection process to hire redistricting consultants; identifying and reserving meeting spaces suitable for holding public meetings in each Council district; creating a website for the Commission; and encouraging public participation in the redistricting process.
- (e) Within 60 days after the adoption of a final map, the Commission shall transmit a report to the Mayor and City Council recommending any changes, including amendments to this article, that could improve the redistricting process in future years. The City Council may, by two-thirds vote, adopt by ordinance changes to time limits and deadlines imposed by this article that are specifically recommended by the Commission.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

Sec. 2510. - LEGAL CHALLENGE.

- (a) Any registered voter in the City may file a petition for a writ of mandate or writ of prohibition within ninety (90) days after the Commission has adopted a final map, to bar the implementation of all or a portion of the new Council district boundaries on the grounds that the final map violates this article. No legal challenge may be brought against the final map under this article after the 90-day period has expired.
- (b) If a legal challenge is successfully brought against the final map, the Court may correct the violation by court order adjusting Council district boundaries consistent with the redistricting requirements and criteria of Section 2506; alternatively, if the Court finds the final map requires significant revisions or must be entirely redrawn, the Court may order the Commission to reconvene to adjust or adopt new Council district boundaries.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

**From:** Charles LaChaussee [mailto:clachaussee@live.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 19, 2021 1:39 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** there is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde"

**-EXTERNAL-**

I object

there is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde"

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Allie Wilhelm [mailto:alliemwilhelm@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 19, 2021 1:47 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Keep us in district 4

**-EXTERNAL-**

There is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde"  
Please Do not break up the los altos district!!

**From:** Jim wilhelm [mailto:lead2bone@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 19, 2021 3:58 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Palo Verde

**-EXTERNAL-**

There is no such neighborhood as “Palo Verde. It’s amazing how you guys figure out you could do what the heck you want to do without talking to your constituents

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** jackpinetrail2005 [mailto:jackpinetrail2005@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 19, 2021 4:12 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>; katole@earthlink.net  
**Subject:** redistricting without representation ?

**-EXTERNAL-**

It is completely unbelievable that the long beach city council - "without so much as a by your leave" has chosen to remove our house (which we have owned for 28 years) from Los Altos district four - and at the same time, in so doing, the city council will effectively remove our beloved councilman from the city council (simply put, Daryl Supernaw has been a stellar representative of district four).

I am simply shocked that the city council would take these actions.

As part of the city council's choice to perform these actions, I have heard that they "assigned" a name ("Palo Verde") to our neighborhood which they chopped off and moved to district 3.

Fact: there is no neighborhood called "Palo Verde" in district four - and as far as I know, the neighborhood in question has always been part of the Los Altos neighborhood (district four) - at least as long we have lived here - 28 years.

Please ! Do not break up Los Altos - keep our neighborhood in District four !

Thank you for listening to our concerns,

Clinton Ole Holter

**From:** dorothy777@gmail.com Hill [mailto:dorothyh777@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Friday, August 20, 2021 5:30 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:**

**-EXTERNAL-**

WE BOUGHT A RED THUMB TACK , STUCK TO A PLOT PLAN PINNED TO A BULLITEN BOARD IN A TINY TRAILER EARLY IN 1953. THIS TACK

REPRESENTED OUR FUTURE HOME IN,LOS ALTOS AND WAS CALLED..X100. CAMPUS HOMES.I'M LOW ALTOS.



**From:** dorothy777@gmail.com Hill [mailto:dorothyh777@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Friday, August 20, 2021 5:43 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:**

**-EXTERNAL-**

CONT: WE MOVED IN NOV. 53...I HAVE NEVER. MOVED. LOL ALTOS MY TRACT IS BORDERED BY 405 FREEWAY, STEARNS PALO. VERDE, ATHERTON. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR KIND INDULGANCE. I AM. PHYSICALITY LIMITED .. EAND AM UNABLE TO ATTEND THE MEETING ON. SEPT 8. RESPECTIVE LY..DOROTHY HILL..

From: John Knous [mailto:johnknous@verizon.net]  
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 11:41 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
Subject: Redistributing

-EXTERNAL-

Hello,

I would like to express my opposition to the plan to redistrict where I live. I currently live in district 4, and like to keep it that way! Please do not break-up Los Altos.

Thanks,  
John Knous

**From:** lildunk1@verizon.net [mailto:lildunk1@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2021 12:16 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** There is no "Palo Verde" Neighborhood!

**-EXTERNAL-**

Dear Commission Members,

My husband and I have lived in Long Beach since 1987. We raised our children here, and love our friendly and safe neighborhood. Our neighborhood near Palo Verde and Stearns has ALWAYS been referred to as "Los Altos" as long as we can remember. There is no "Palo Verde" neighborhood here! We need it to stay that way.

In addition, we want our neighborhood to remain in DISTRICT 4! We want DARYL SUPERNOW to remain our representative on the Long Beach City Council. He lives in our neighborhood and has supported and been involved in the community for a long time.

The City of Long Beach should not make such impactful decisions without the input of citizens who live in this neighborhood!

DO NOT BREAK UP DISTRICT 4 (RETAINING DARYL SUPERNOW AS OUR REPRESENTATIVE), AND REMEMBER - THERE IS NO SUCH NEIGHBORHOOD AS PALO VERDE!!

Respectfully,

Luigi and Elizabeth Maggi

**From:** Maggie Drazil [mailto:3lizardsbm@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 26, 2021 12:22 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Long Beach Redistricting

**-EXTERNAL-**

Hello, I am a member of the League of Women Voters of Long Beach Area. We are preparing a community informational session on redistricting for Oct 16. Is there someone from your organization who would be able to support this event?

We are intending to educate the community on what redistricting is, what it impacts, why it is important for community members to be involved in the effort, and what specific actions someone can take to engage in the process.

Any assistance from you would be greatly appreciated.

Maggie Drazil

LWV LBA, Treasurer

From: Karla Menendez [mailto:kmenendez220@gmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 29, 2021 3:03 PM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>

Subject: Do break up Los Altos

-EXTERNAL-

To whom it may concern,

Hope this email finds you well. This is a plea to please keep my neighborhood "Los Altos" in District 4, DO NOT break up Los Altos. Also please note that there is no such neighborhood as "Palo Verde." We are a very happy and close community. Neighbors care for each other here which is why I'm supporting my neighbors/friends and our neighborhood.

Thank you for your time and efforts.

Regards,

Karla Menendez

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Dan Pressburg [mailto:dpressburg@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 5, 2021 11:42 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Council District 9

**-EXTERNAL-**

Honorable Chairman, Vice-Chair, Commissioners, and Staf

My name is Dan Pressburg and I reside on the border between District 8 and District 9. For the record, the members of the community and our many associations provide a mechanism of continuity that allows us to maintain our community. The working relationship provides unity whereby we work together as a communal family unit. That means we can unite across the district connect and in order to many tasks done throughout the district. Further, that working relationship allows for us to maintain continuity whether it is a project to complete, a community fair, or movies in the park with our children. We have operated in this manner for decades that also allows respect of history and vocabulary of unity throughout the neighborhoods.

I believe it is in the best interest of the 9th Councilmatic District, the neighborhoods, and the community to allow the current boundaries to remain with the dividing line between District 8 and 9 on South Street. This would maintain the community and neighborhoods to continue a long-standing relationship that maintains our community. Since there is a small amount of increased population, this would also provide consistency and continuity throughout district 9 considering there is roughly an approximate 5000 person increase in the district.

Thank you for you consideration,

Sincerely,

Dan Pressburg



**From:** joe mello [mailto:mello.joe@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 7, 2021 3:26 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Sept 8 meeting

**-EXTERNAL-**

Commissioners

Please read our 4th District posting about the Redistricting Partners report on the Census numbers to be discussed at your Spet 8th meeting.

## **THE Tuesday REVIEW**

### **Long Beach census numbers point to likely council district boundary changes across the city**

- Big picture Census takeaways for Long Beach
- Data on adults eligible to vote, the CVAP
- LB Asian Census data presents challenges
- LB Data on Latino and Black populations
- Summary of Census data on all LB Council Districts

***Link to posting:***

**<https://longbeach4d.blogspot.com/2021/09/long-beach-census-numbers-point-to.html>**

**From:** CBM home [mailto:cbmhome@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 8, 2021 1:09 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Comments to on Long Beach Re-Districting

**-EXTERNAL-**

Dear Re-Districting Commissioners:

My name is Craig Morissette and I have owned residential real estate in downtown Long Beach for 40 years. I presently own only one small 4-unit building in the downtown historic district. However, my comments below address not only all of downtown, but specifically the area from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Streets, and from Pine Avenue to Long Beach Boulevard.

Priority should be given to the re-branding of Long Beach as a place to play, live, and work—not just a world-class port. I encourage you take a long-term 50-year perspective, in addition to responding to the immediate needs of downtown residents with jobs, affordable housing, and access to grocery stores, department stores, and healthcare services.

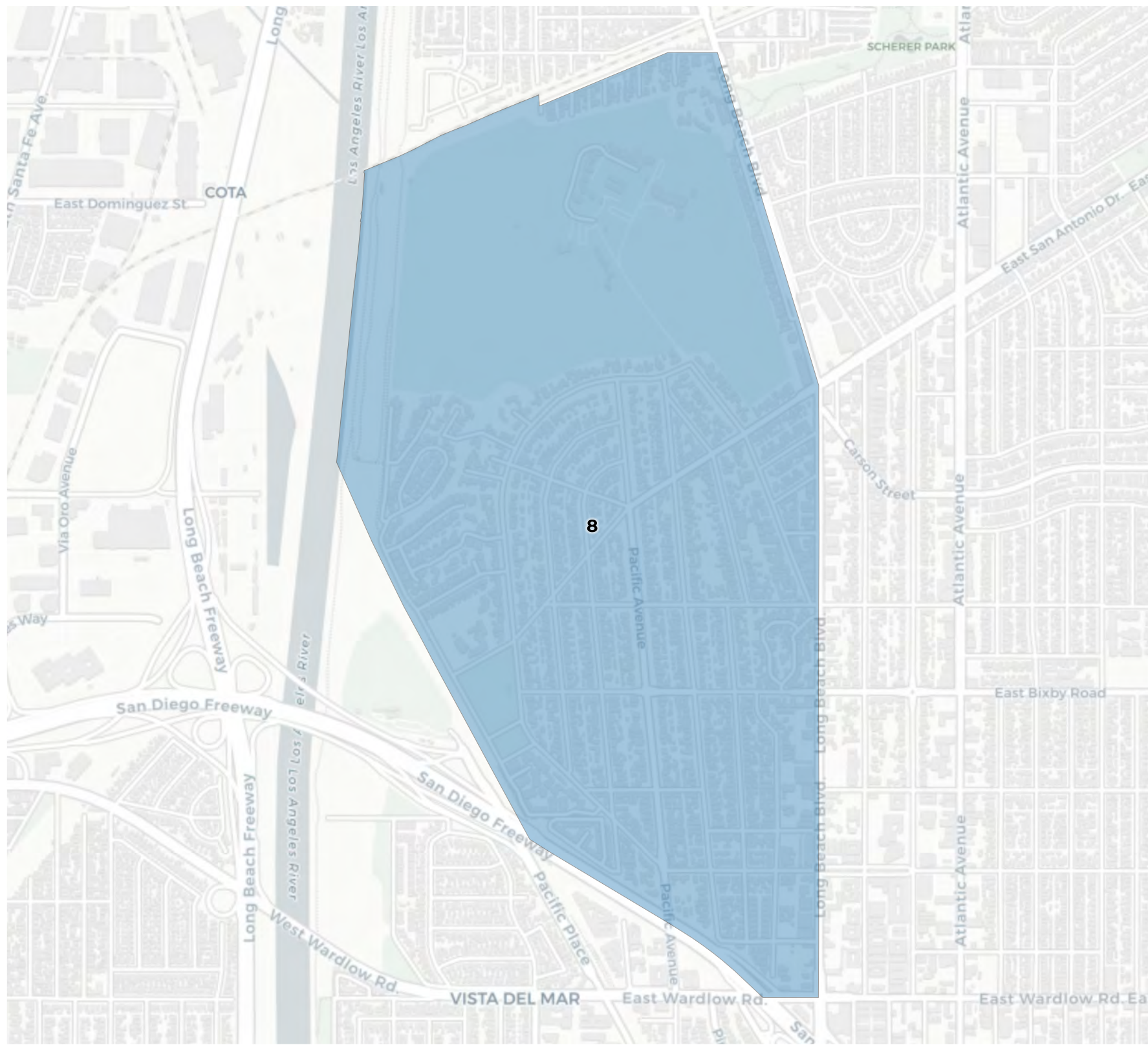
How do you re-brand Long Beach throughout the world as a place to play, live and work? Think big. Entice the construction of several very tall landmark mixed-use buildings. I'm not speaking of the 5-6 story luxury buildings that have popped up everywhere downtown. These landmark buildings need to be as tall as the ground under them will support, with 2-3 floors of street-level high-end retail, and possibly view restaurants on top. The 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Streets, and Pine Avenue to Long Beach Boulevard corridor is the logical location downtown.

The residents of this group of high-density mixed-use buildings, along with the residents in surrounding moderate density buildings, would help to overcome the feast-or-famine cycles that have plagued retail stores and restaurants downtown. For decades I've watched smart businesses pop up for a couple years, and then disappear. Currently one Ross Dress-For-Less serves much of downtown since Wal Mart closed. The grocery store at Pacific and 4<sup>th</sup> has managed to stay open in recent years, but I remember well the impact on the surrounding neighborhood when the Safeway closed years ago in that same building. it.

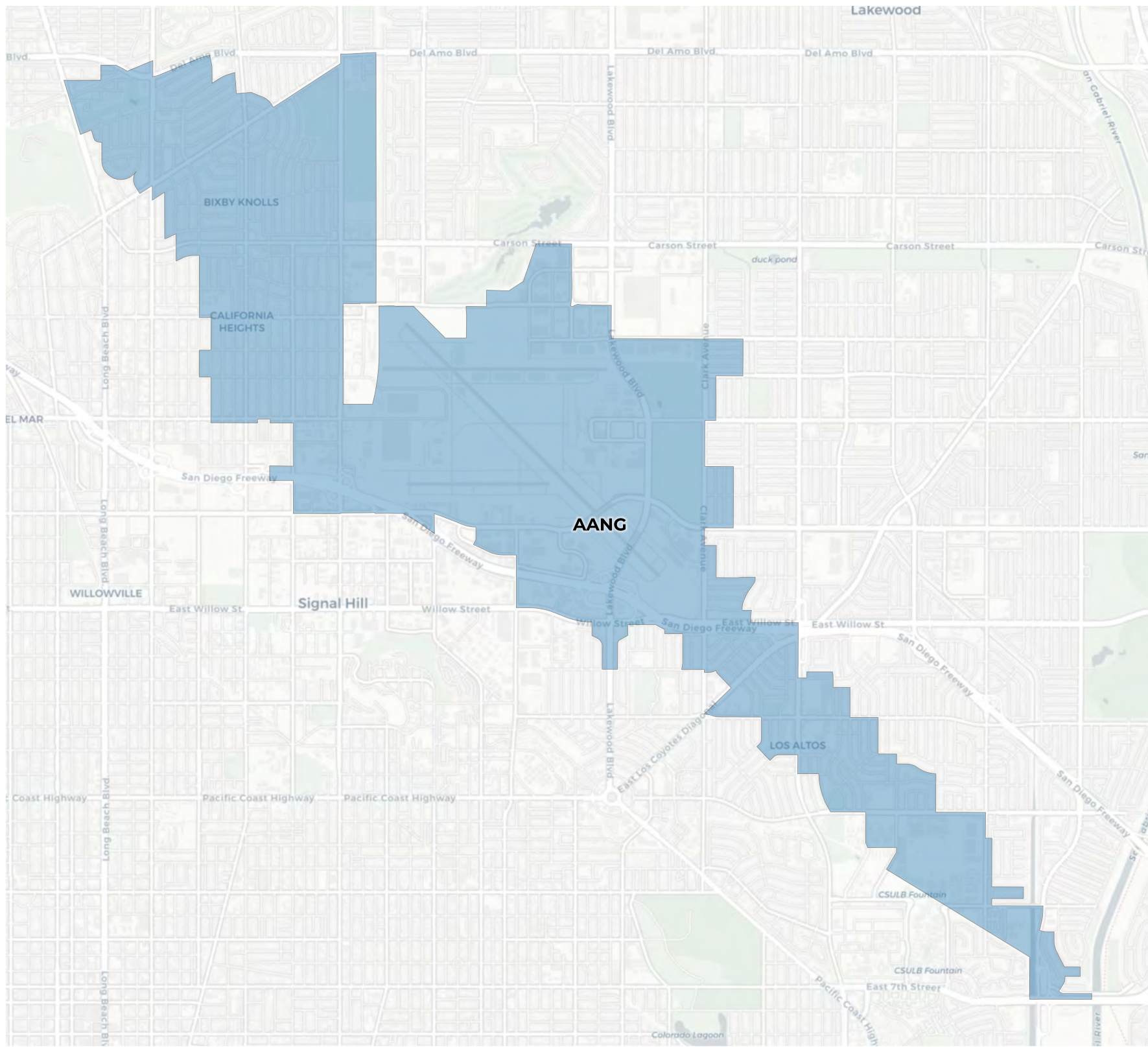
Long Beach has been well known for decades as a world-class port. But, the port's undisputed reputation has not kept Wal Mart and other stores and restaurants open to serve the needs of residents. Adding a high-density core of landmark mixed-use buildings might provide businesses enough foot traffic to survive future economic cycles.

Please think big and plan long-term as you solve the challenges of this decade.

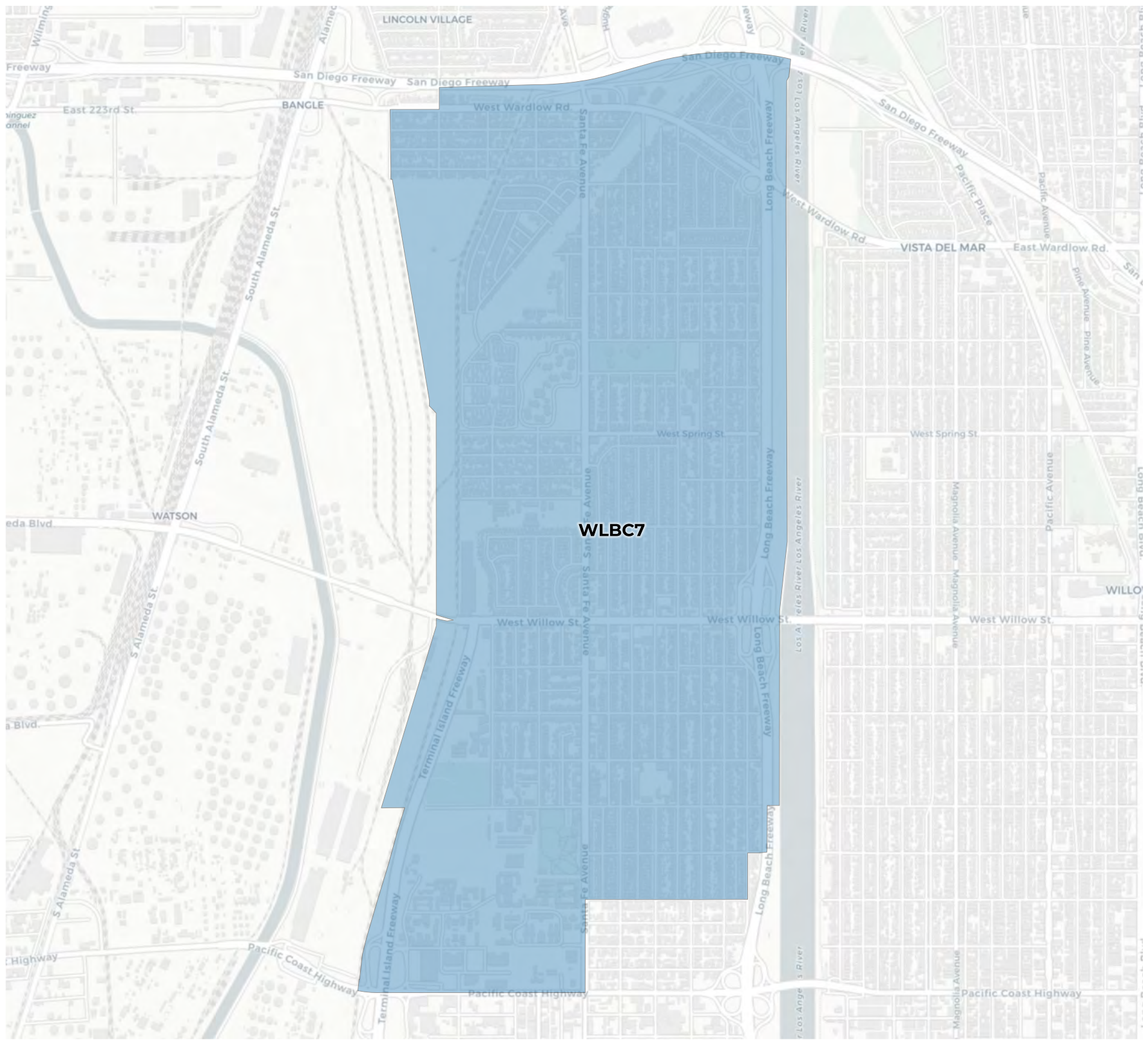
Respectfully, Craig Morissette



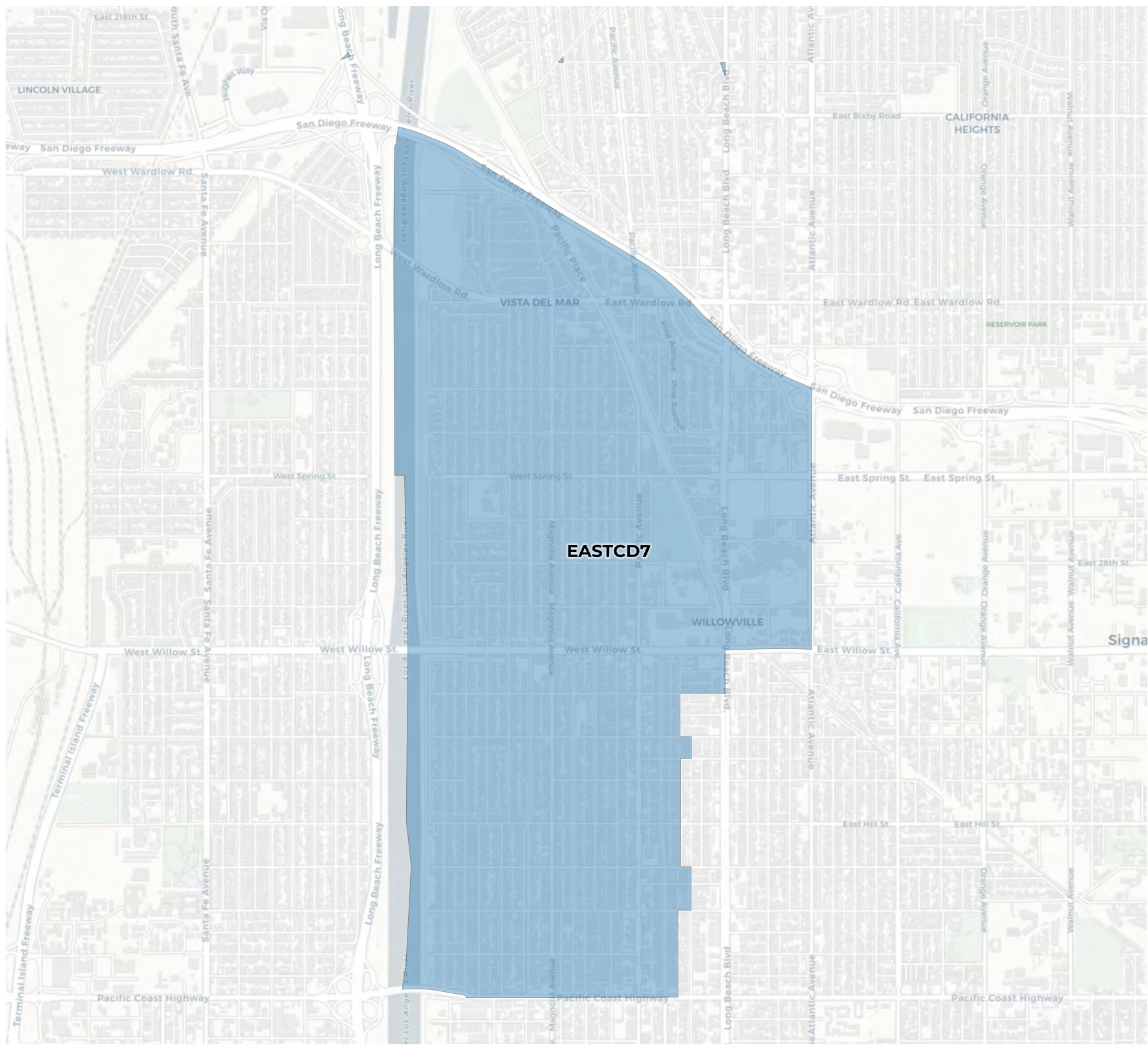




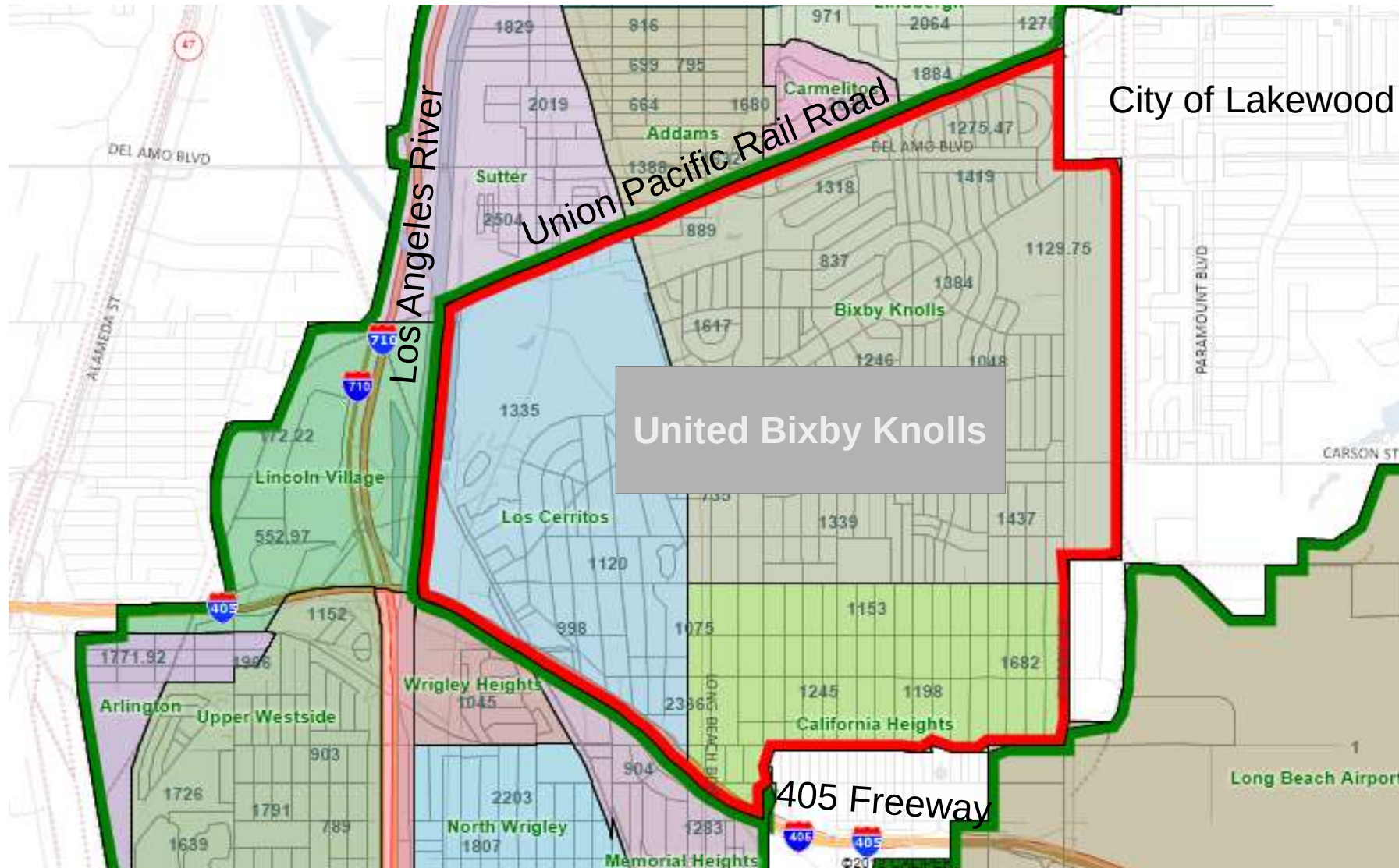










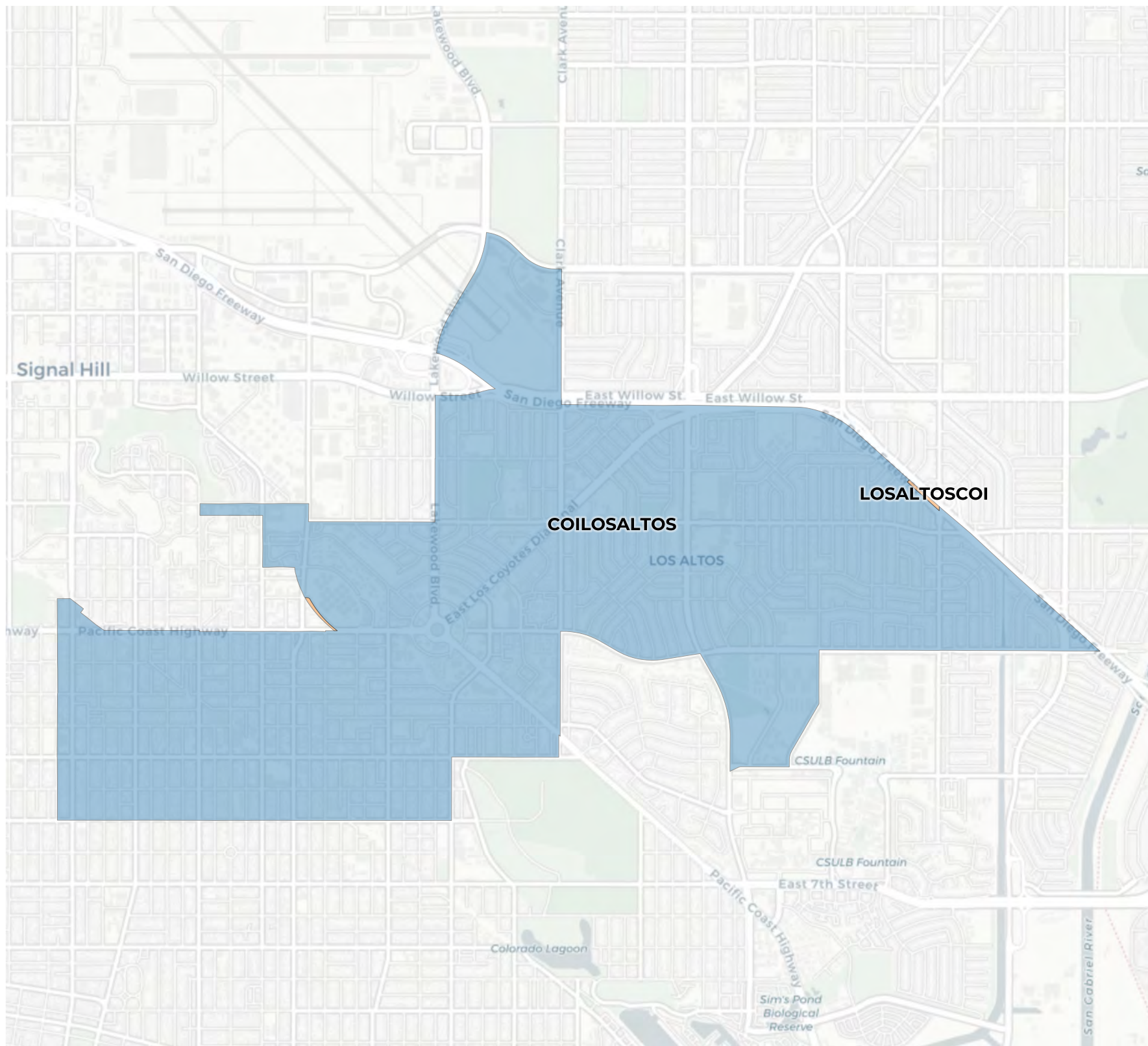


## Greater Bixby Knolls a Community of Interest

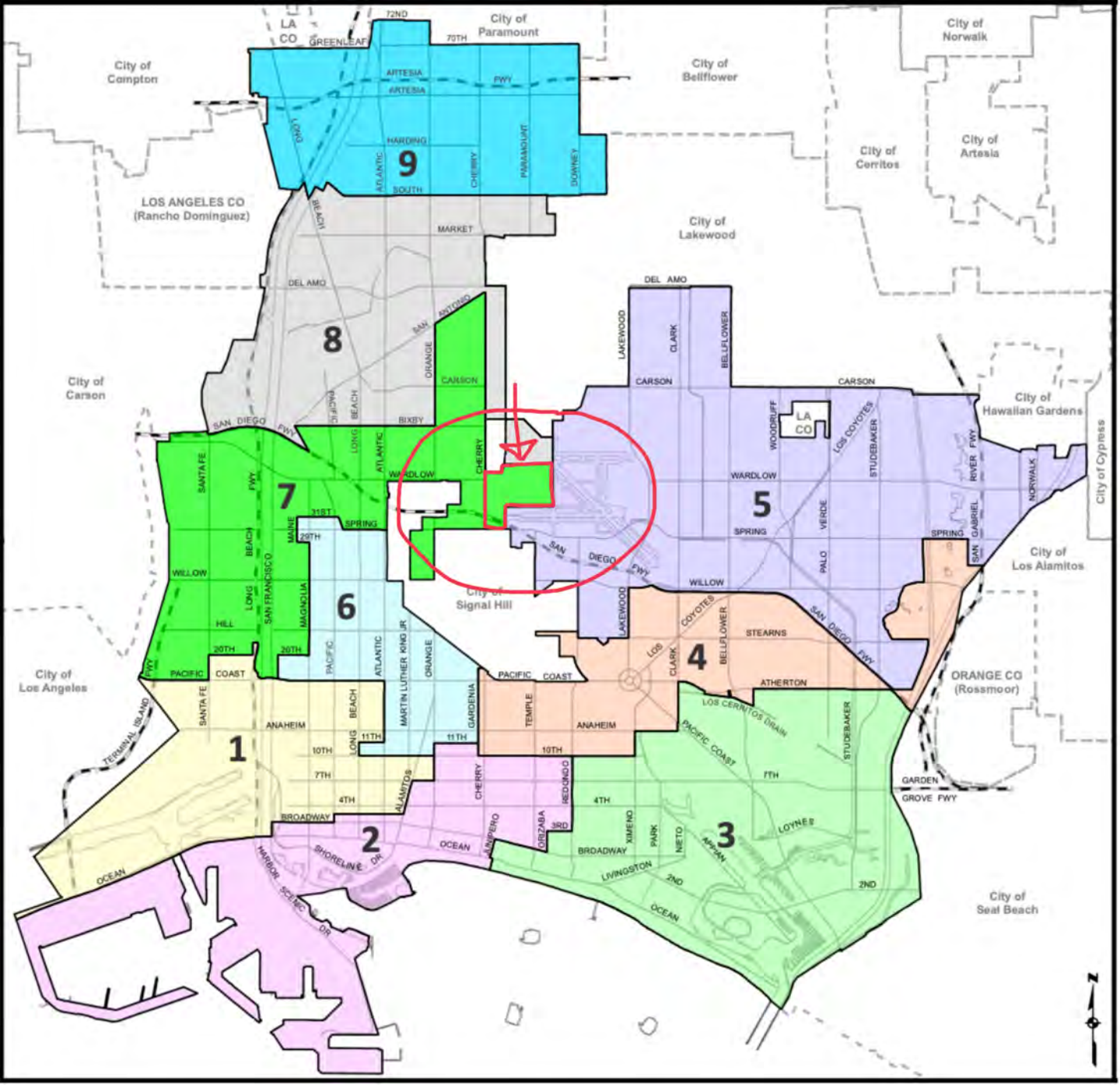
Community of Neighborhoods with common interest:  
Bixby Knolls, Los Cerritos & California Heights

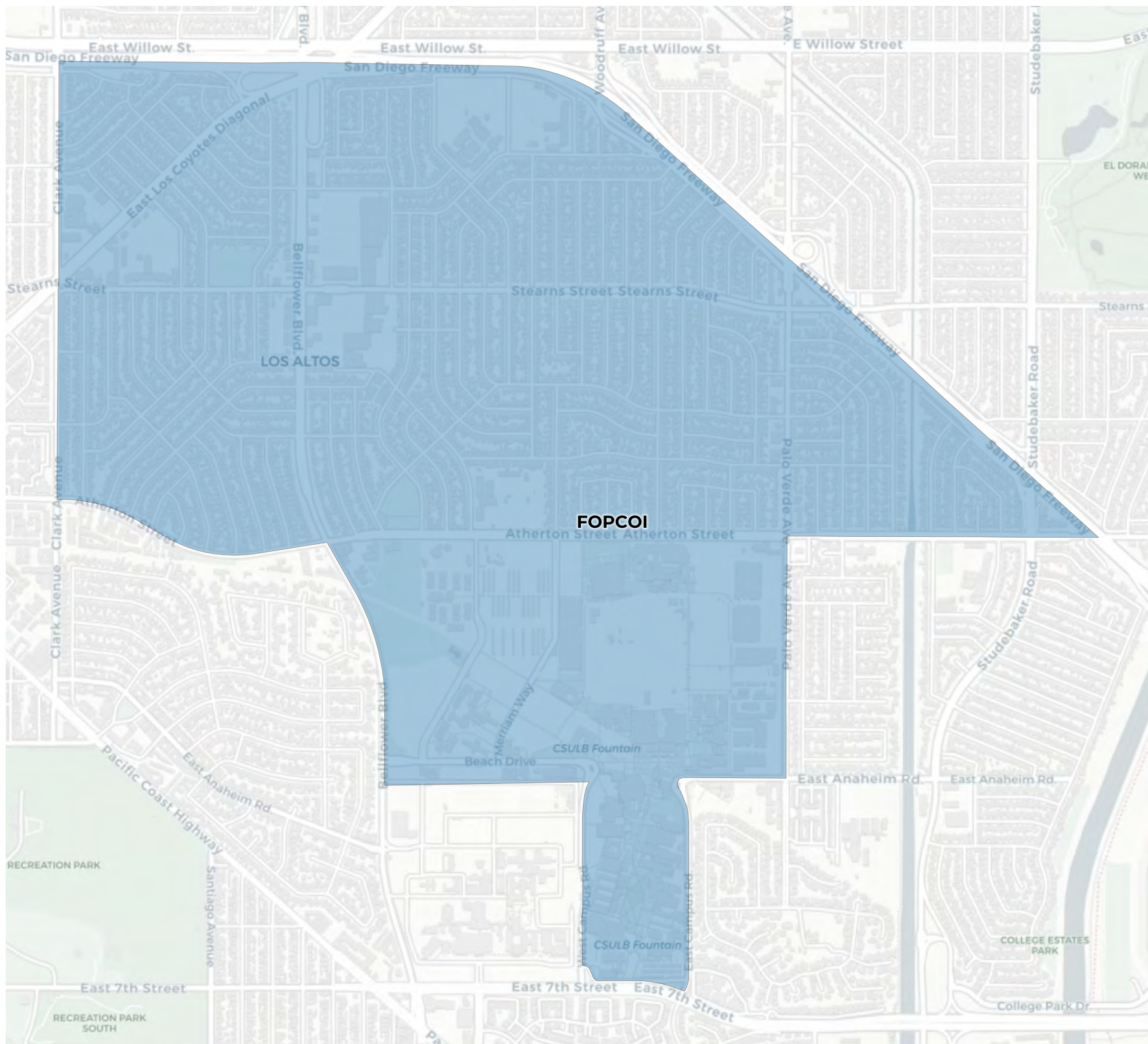
# The Collective Black Community Map













September 8, 2021

## **Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission – Meeting**

*Name of your Organization.*

- The Los Cerritos Neighborhood has a very active neighborhood association named the Los Cerritos Neighborhood Association (LCNA).

*What are the streets or boundaries that mark your community's borders?*

- West: LA River
- East: Long Beach Blvd
- South: 405 Freeway
- North: Virginia Country Club

*What are your community's shared interests?*

- The entire community has had long historical ties for over 80 years.

*What brings your community together?*

- Numerous community events – Concerts, July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade, many other social events.

*What is important to your community?*

- To be a neighborhood of culturally and ethnically diverse people knowing and caring about each other.

*Are there important places where people come together?*

- The Los Cerritos Park and Rancho Los Cerritos are 2 places where neighbors often come together. The neighborhood also has many social events throughout the area.

*Has your community come together to advocate for important services, better schools, roads, or health centers in your neighborhood?*

- Since the 1940 formation of the neighborhood's first non-profit neighborhood association, the neighborhood has come together to advocate for many improvements and to stop proposed changes that could hurt the neighborhood.
  - Improve Los Cerritos Park, modify incompatible housing proposals, stop/modify inappropriate commercial development proposals, reduce Mansionization, add additional adjacent park land, support Los Cerritos Elementary School, and more.

*Do the current Council District boundaries divide your community?*

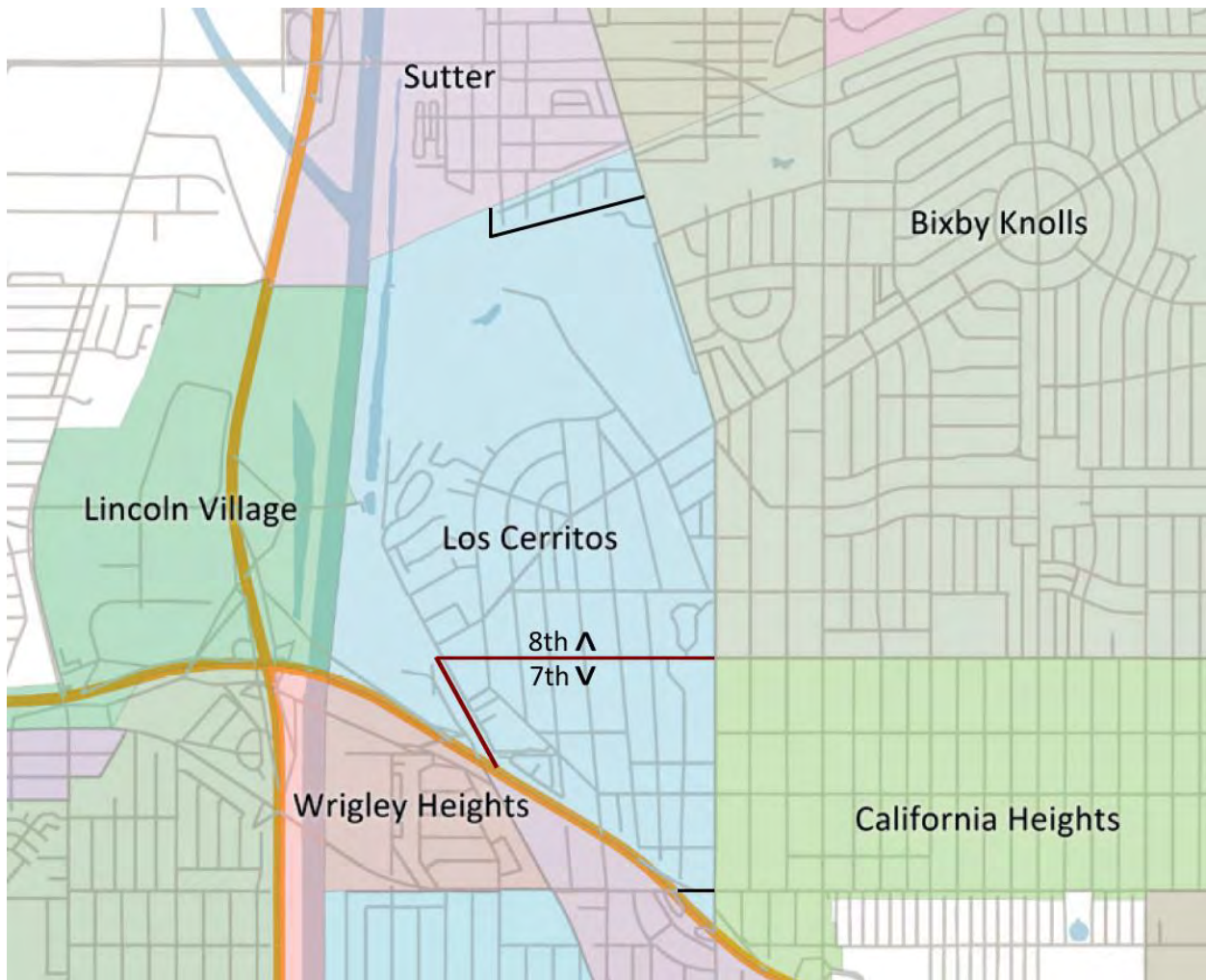
- The current council district boundaries divided our neighborhood in 2011.
- The LB City Council resolved an internal dispute by splitting our neighborhood north-south using Bixby Road as the dividing line between 2 council districts. A member of the council waited until the public comment period concluded and then presented this change so that no member of the public could comment.
- The Council meeting video of July 5, 2011 is available online. View for yourselves the vitriolic event that occurred between the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> District Council Members at that time.
- Of note, the current City Council dividing line bisects Los Cerritos Park, which was contrary to the redistricting rules in 2011.





## Request

The Los Cerritos Neighborhood Association, the regarded association for the entire Los Cerritos neighborhood through its member elected Board, requests that the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission bring the Los Cerritos Neighborhood back together under a single City Council District and fully into the 8<sup>th</sup> District as the neighborhood was in the past.





# Wrigley Community of Interest Testimony Outline with Attachments & Exhibits Wrigley2022R – WANA90806

Submitted by  
Joan Greenwood, President &  
Jim Trout, Vice President

Item ID	Testimony Requirement	Response
3a	Name of Organization and Representatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Joan Greenwood, President (District 7)</li> <li>❖ Jim Trout, Vice President (District 7)</li> <li>❖ Maria Norvell, Director (District 7)</li> <li>❖ Jill Hill, Director (District 7)</li> <li>❖ Nancy Risch, Treasurer (District 6)</li> <li>❖ Timothy Risch, Secretary (District 6)</li> <li>❖ Patricia Arndt, Director (District 6)</li> <li>❖ Josephine Villaseñor, Director (Business Owner)</li> </ul>	Wrigley Area Neighborhood Alliance, Inc. ("WANA") <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ A California Public Benefit Corporation</li> <li>❖ IRS 501c4 Civic League</li> <li>❖ Incorporated in 2007</li> <li>❖ Affiliated with Stewards of Wrigley Parks &amp; Open Space, Inc. dba Friends of WANA, an incorporated IRS 501c3 Public Charity</li> <li>❖ Focus on Neighborhood-Wide Issues and Concerns</li> <li>❖ Serve as a Resource for Neighborhood Advocates</li> </ul>
3b	Boundaries for the Wrigley District Subdivision Carved Out of Rancho Los Cerritos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ I-405 on the North</li> <li>❖ Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) on the South</li> <li>❖ Long Beach Boulevard (LBB) on the East</li> <li>❖ Los Angeles River (LAR) on the West</li> </ul>
3b	Significant Landmarks	Metro A Line (Former Blue Line) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ PCH &amp; LBB Station (District 1)</li> <li>❖ Willow St &amp; LBB Station (District 6)</li> <li>❖ Wardlow Road &amp; LBB Station (District 7)</li> </ul> Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane (Median ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Hill Street on the North</li> <li>❖ PCH on the South</li> </ul> Parks & Open Space <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ 14-Acre Veterans Park in North Wrigley</li> <li>❖ Daisy Ave between PCH &amp; Hill Street in Southwest Wrigley</li> <li>❖ Cressa Park, A Natural Habitat in Southwest Wrigley</li> <li>❖ Mini-Park Between Hill and W. 21st Streets</li> <li>❖ Baker Mini-Park in Wrigley Heights</li> <li>❖ Dog Park in Wrigley Heights</li> <li>❖ Wrigley Greenbelt (From Willow to Spring Streets)</li> <li>❖ Earl Street Mini-Park in Southeast Wrigley</li> </ul> Los Angeles River Corridor from PCH to I-405 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Estuary from Willow St. to PCH (Soft Bottom)</li> <li>❖ Concrete-Lined Flood Management Channel</li> <li>❖ LARIO Trail (Multi-Use Pathway)</li> </ul> Shopping Areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Wrigley MarketPlace at Willow &amp; LBB</li> <li>❖ Pacific Avenue Business Corridor</li> <li>❖ Willow Street Business Corridor</li> <li>❖ PCH Business Corridor</li> </ul> Historic Sites <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Wrigley District (Southern portion of Rancho Los Cerritos)</li> <li>❖ Equestrian Trail Along Los Angeles River</li> <li>❖ Equestrian Overlays in Wrigley Heights &amp; North Wrigley</li> <li>❖ Eucalyptus Ave (W 20th to W. 21st St., 439 W. 20<sup>th</sup>, 417W 21<sup>st</sup>)</li> <li>❖ Daisy Avenue Between PCH &amp; Hill Street</li> </ul>



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3c	Wrigley District Shared Interests	Public Safety ❖ LBPD North Division (Wrigley Heights) ❖ LBPD West Division (West long Beach and Wrigley District)
		Civic Engagement ❖ Environmental Justice ❖ Park Equity ❖ Social Wellbeing of Wrigley Neighbors ❖ Community Planning
		Neighborhood Beautification Projects ❖ Cress Park Habitat Education Program ❖ Litter Cleanups (Litter Free Long Beach & Friends of LA River) ❖ Tree Plantings
		Historic Preservation
3d	Activities that Bring Our Community Together	Community Meetings at Veterans Park
		Community Social Activities ❖ Food Socials (Potlucks, Dine-Outs) ❖ Neighborhood Block Parties ❖ National Night Out to Fight Crime ❖ Live Entertainment and Outdoor Movies ❖ Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane Parade
3e	Wrigley-Wide Issues Important to Our Community	Public Safety ❖ Community Policing ❖ Substance Abuse Services ❖ Mental Health Services ❖ Community Disaster Preparedness
		Business Corridor Improvements
		Mitigation Measures Resulting from Land Use Element ❖ Environmental Equity ❖ Social Equity ❖ Economic Equity ❖ Parking Equity ❖ Park Equity
		Programs to Address Homeless Population
		Commuter Corridor Improvements ❖ Traffic Control along Wardlow Rd., Willow St., PCH ❖ Parking at Metro Stations
3f	Places for Large Community Meetings	Veterans Park Social Hall Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane
3g	Is our community active in neighborhood advocacy?	Yes, especially strong since 1988 at meetings at Veterans Park in North Wrigley
3h	Is Wrigley divided by current District boundaries?	Yes, especially since 2000 and 2010 Redistricting Efforts
		Attachment 1: Current Map of District 7
		Attachment 2: Current Map of District 6
		City-Designated Wrigley Neighborhoods (North to South) ❖ Wrigley Heights ❖ North Wrigley ❖ Memorial Heights (Western Portion South of I-405) ❖ Southeast Wrigley ❖ Southwest Wrigley

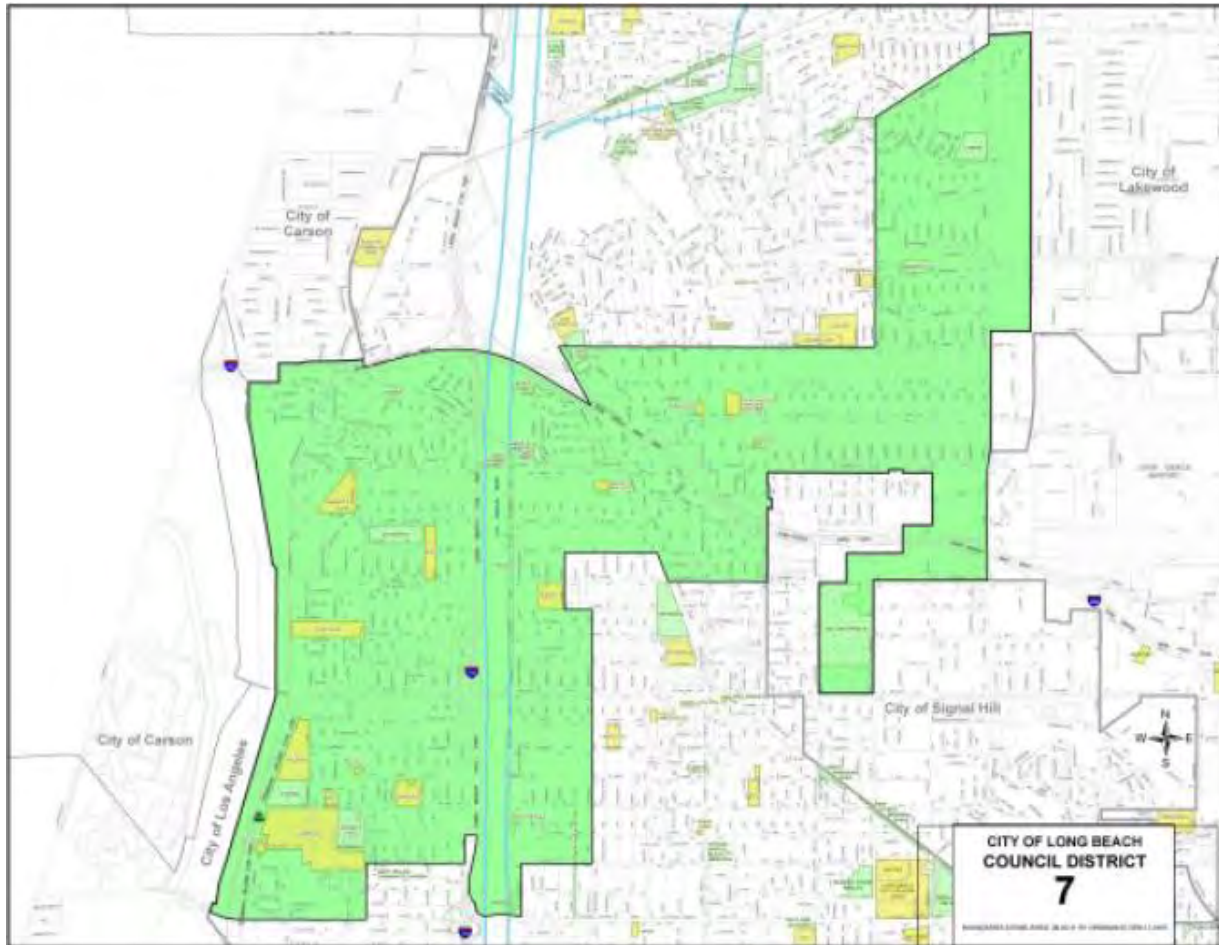


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4a	Community of Interest Maps	Attachment 3: Guiding Principles
		Attachment 4: Goal and Recommendations
		Attachment 5: Proposed Eastern Portion of New District 7
		Attachment 6: Proposed Western Portion of New District 7
		Attachment 7: Demographic Analysis
4b	Did you submit handouts?	Yes, see Attachments 1-7 and Supporting Exhibits A-G
		Exhibit A: Historic District (Southwest Wrigley)
		Exhibit B: Historic Daisy Avenue (Southwest Wrigley)
		Exhibit C: Entertainment on the Green (Southwest Wrigley)
		Exhibit D: Fun for Kids on the Green (Southwest Wrigley)
		Exhibit E: Brining the Community (All Neighborhoods)
		Exhibit F: Threatened Historic Sites (North Wrigley & Wrigley Heights)
		Exhibit G: Volunteers Making Wrigley Cleaner, Greener, & Safer



# Attachment 1

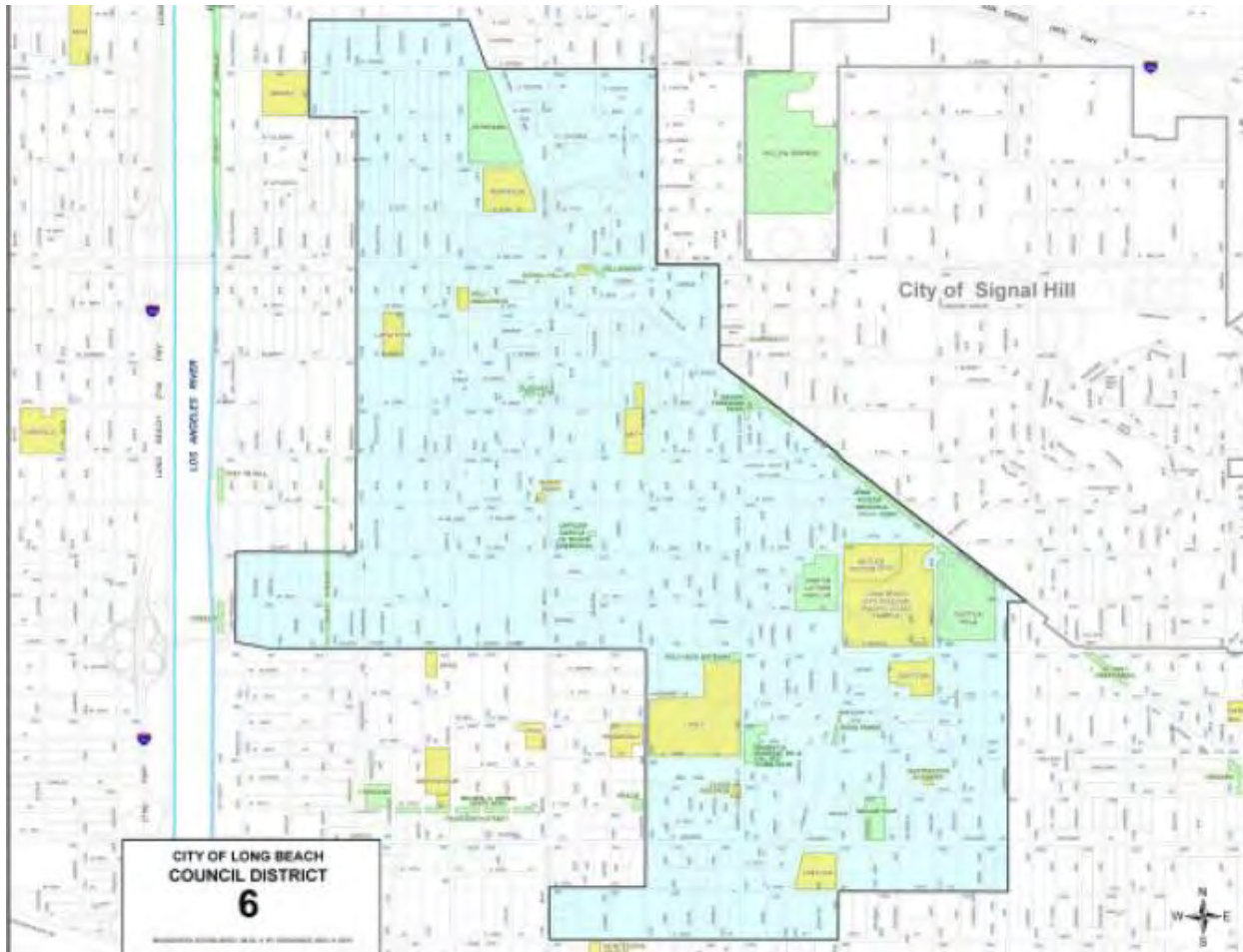
## Current City Council District 7





# Attachment 2

## Current Council District 6



# Attachment 3

## Goal & Recommendations

Reunite the Historic Wrigley Neighborhoods into a Single Council District by:

1. Removing the Neighborhoods North of the 405 and East of Long Beach Boulevard from District 7
2. Expanding Current Portion of District 7 in Wrigley
3. Reducing the Current Portion of District 6 in Wrigley North of Willow Street
4. Retaining the Current Area of District 6 South of Willow Street from Earl Street to Long Beach Boulevard
5. Merging the Current District 7 in West Long Beach with the Wrigley 2022 COI

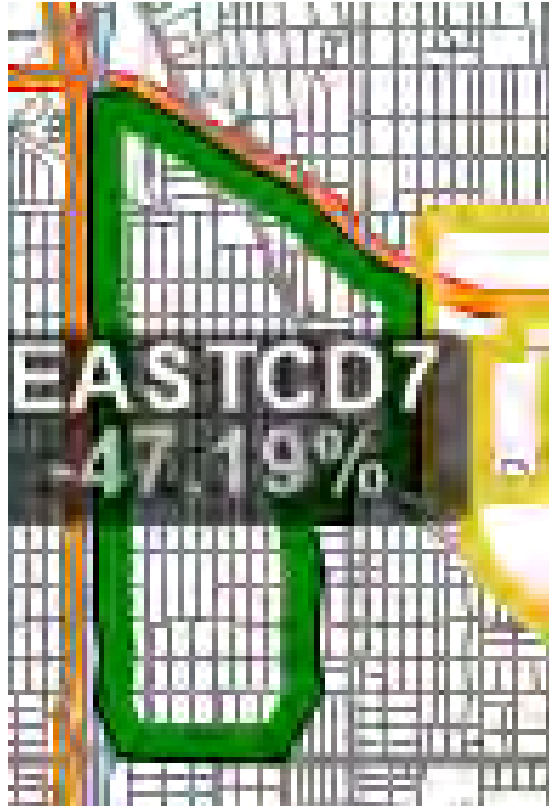
# Attachment 4

## Guiding Principles

- Keep Wrigley Neighborhoods in Council District 7 to the Maximum Extent Possible
- Unify Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane in District 7
- Unify Wrigley Commercial Corridors on both Pacific Avenue and Willow Street in Council District 7
- Be Mindful of Mid-City Strategic Plan and LUE Impacts
  - Keep Southeast Wrigley South of Willow Street & East of Pine Avenue in District 6
  - 2020 Census Does Not Address Impact of LUE On Population Along Wrigley Transportation Corridors Resulting in High Density Along the METRO BLUE Line

# Attachment 5

## Wrigley Community of Interest Map

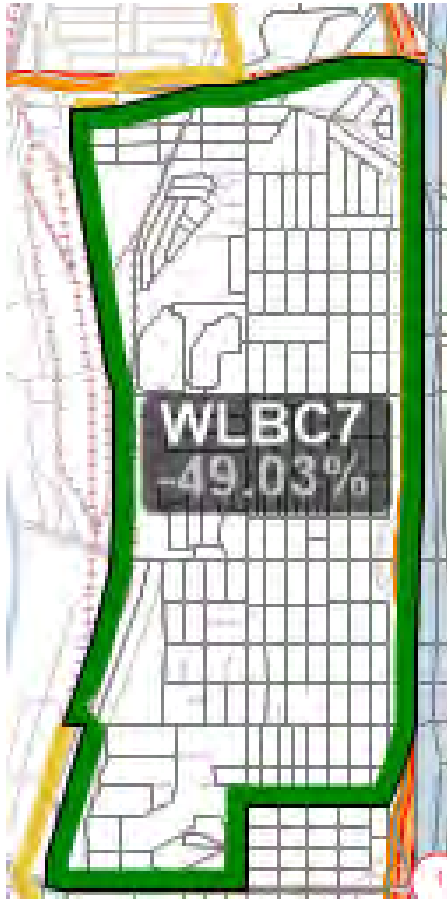


**Proposed Eastern Portion  
of New Council District 7**

**Wrigley2022R – WANA90806**

# Attachment 6

## Community of West Long Beach



**Proposed Western Portion  
of New Council District 7**

# Attachment

## New Council District 7 Demographics

Community	Population (2010 Census)	White	Asian	Black	Hispanic Origin
East Council District 7 (Proposed Wrigley 2022)	26,121	31.0	18.5	19.3	44.8
West Council District 7 (Proposed WLB 2022)	25,212	23.3	29.5	13.5	44.8
Citywide 2010 Census	419,027	45.6	12.6	13.5	41.7



# Exhibit A

## Historic District

- Built between 1928 and 1934, this two-block district is named after its developer William S. Wrigley, Jr., the chewing gum magnate. The neighborhood is characterized by modest single-family homes built as working-class cottages. Most structures reflect Spanish Colonial Revival, interspersed with other Period Revival designs. The Wrigley Area Historic District exemplifies the economic and historical heritage of the community, illustrating the growth and continuing vitality of the City while the nation was in the throes of Depression.
- **Designated Streets:**
  - 2008-2191 Eucalyptus Avenue
  - 439 W. 20<sup>th</sup> Street
  - 417 W. 21<sup>st</sup> Street

# Exhibit B

## Historic Daisy Avenue



The lights on Christmas Tree Lane brighten our spirits during the holiday season. In 1953, Gertrude B. Whittle had a dream of lighting up Daisy Avenue and turning it into a Southern California winter wonderland. Ms. Whittle petitioned the City Council and Council of Churches to remove the railroad tracks in the center of Daisy and decorate the grass strip between Hill and Pacific Coast Hwy as a Christmas Village, complete with houses, shops, trees with lights, a church and nativity scene. Ms. Whittle's dream became a reality and the Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane (CTL) tradition began.

City Manager Sam Vickers conferred with West Long Beach organizations to share the costs for decorating trees during the holiday season. At one point, the City had recommended low growing shrubs instead of the conifers. Councilman Pat Ahern, who helped originate the CTL idea, was supportive in overturning the decision. The conifers were installed as originally planned. City employees and Edison Co. workers installed lights on 24 trees in the center of the islands.

The annual parade along Daisy Avenue is special in that it is the only holiday parade of its kind that runs down a residential street and not a commercial corridor.

Neighbors who have lost family members have bought trees in memory of their loved ones. There has been a wedding on Daisy where hundreds of guests came out, including most of the couple's neighbors.



Top Left: Community Work Day Volunteers

Top Right: Maria Norvell with Banner Girls Waiting for Parade to Start

Bottom Left: One of 24 Village Displays





# Waiting to Step-Off







# Port of Long Beach Parade Float





# Santa on the Lane



# Exhibit C

## Entertainment on the Green



**186th Street Elementary School  
International Choir**



**Ballet Folklorico Paisajes de Mexico**



**Dembrebrah West African Drum  
and Dance Ensemble**



**Sirenas Serpentina  
Tribal Fire Dancers**



# Exhibit D

## Daisy Avenue “On the Green” Fun for Kids...



**Easter on the Green: Egg Painting & Plastic Egg Hunt**

- Halloween on the Green
- Movies on the Green
- Ice Cream Social on the Green
- We Love Long Beach Breakfast on the Green





# Snow Day on the Green



# Exhibit E

## Bringing the Community Together

- Holiday Potlucks





# Annual Dine Out at Local Eateries



# Valentines for Seniors at Assisted Living Facilities



# Exhibit F

## Threatened Historic Sites

- Equestrian Properties in North Wrigley & Equestrian Trails along LA River
- WANA held its National Night Out to Fight Crime at the Historic Lawler Ranch in North Wrigley





# Exhibit G

## Volunteers Making Wrigley a Cleaner, Greener Safer Community



Top Left: Weeding at Cressa Park  
Top Right: Building a Playground in a Day  
Bottom: Los Angeles River Cleanup





# Neighborhood Cleanup in Wrigley Heights





# Los Angeles River Cleanup



# United BK

September 8th, 2021

Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission  
411 W. Ocean Blvd.  
Long Beach, CA 90802

Communities of Interest - Greater Bixby Knolls

Dear Commissioners,

Greater Bixby Knolls is our clearly definable, contiguous and well established community of interest that is very important to continue intact. We are known for our community programs and recognized by our long standing history and geography. Our community has many identifiable markers and landmarks that leave very little doubt that we in the greater Bixby Knolls area are community. For instance, everyone recognizes our 405 Freeway exit sign that clearly states Bixby Knolls, our various landmarks such as our Historic Rancho Los Cerritos, the Historic California Heights Homes, our Historic WPA Fire Station No. 9, as well as turn of the century homes sprinkled around Bixby Knolls to our mid century modern architecture of our Business Corridor.

Preservation of our boundaries lines as the Bixby Knolls community of interest is essential because we have many common "needs and interests" from our common geography, social interaction, trade, political ties, environmental issues. (See map: Bixby Knolls is bounded on the south by the 405 Freeway, on the north by the Union Pacific Rail Road, on the East by the Long Beach Airport and neighboring City of Lakewood, and on the west by the Los Angeles River.) We want to preserve the geography of our united and well developed community which centers around our wonderful diversity and community spirit, evidenced in our well known and prized community programs that have been developed over many years. We want to preserve the district lines to continue and nurture our Bixby Knolls community and its active volunteer programs like the Clean Street groups that work together to keep streets at various quadrants of our Bixby Knolls clean, to our Riverpark Coalition attempting to grow more park space for Western Long Beach. And at the heart of the community is our Business Corridor of Atlantic Avenue where many activities commence, from First Fridays, or the Strollers that walk the various neighborhoods every Saturday morning. We also have a many community gatherings at various times and various locations such as Los Cerritos park, Scherer Park, Somerset park to name a few. There are many other gathering points and even homes that provide our Community an opportunity to interact and meet.

Our community is also bounded by our shared common social and economic interests that seeks to improve and effectively grow and address our common goals. Being located in the flight path of both general aviation and commercial aviation, our community has come together at various times to address airport growth issues and been successful at advocating for workable solutions that respect our quality of life while providing our region with a boutique airport. Recently we have come together as a community to address other issues such as environmental protection of our community by addressing thousands of diesel trucks traveling past our California Heights area to store cargo containers near the Globemaster Properties at the Long Beach Airport as well as addressing the need for more carbon capture by advocating for more park land along the LA River. There are many other issues that we are currently addressing for the betterment of our Community and our City.

However, one challenge for us is the that our greater Bixby Knolls is divided by east west and north south "political borders" that often make coordination between council districts complex to maneuver.

We hope that by bringing forth our Bixby Knolls Community of Interest will provide you with more information on how to best develop and draw the districts of the future for the betterment of all of Long Beach and its residents.

Best,

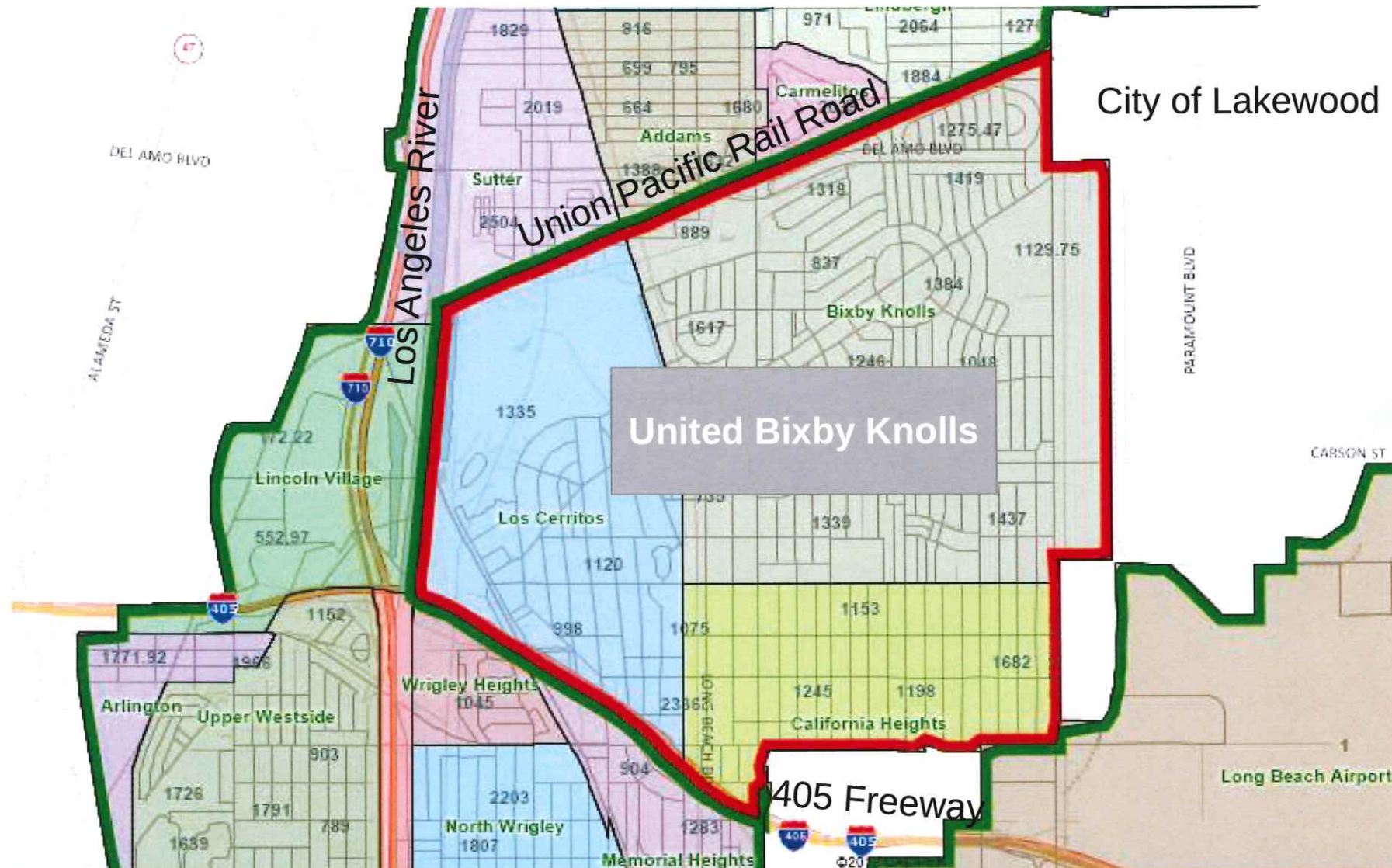
Juan E. Ovalle

Bixby Knolls Resident since 1997

Board Member, Long Beach Reform Coalition

Attached: Exhibit 1





## Greater Bixby Knolls a Community of Interest

## Community of Neighborhoods with common interest: Bixby Knolls, Los Cerritos & California Heights



LONG BEACH AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY

# A PROUD HERITAGE

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Most towns throughout America have a history of racism and Long Beach is no exception. Early Long Beach has been characterized as a city of almost puritanical values—a church-going citizenry that allowed no alcohol and practiced conservative ideals.

It was founded and settled by Bible belt, white, Midwesterners, conservative in their political and social views. It was famous for having the largest Bible study group in the nation and its draconian “purity” ordinances—making it illegal to wear a bathing suit that didn’t have skirts, sleeves or was too short or too tight.

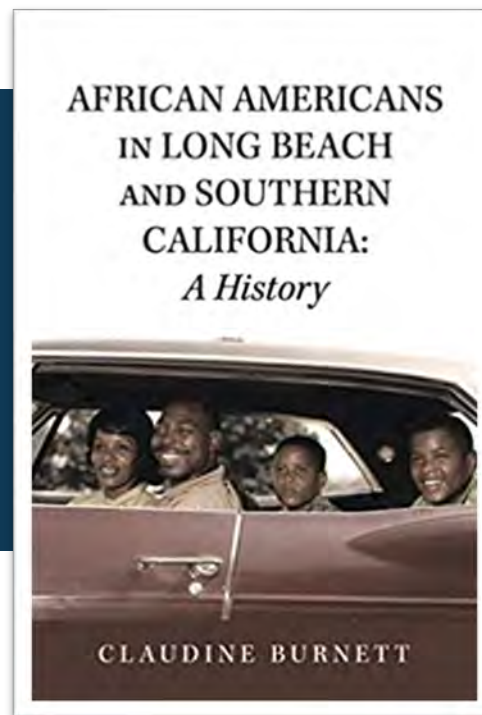
Though the many churches in town preached tolerance and acceptance of blacks and other minorities, the truth was they did not want them living anywhere near them. “Property values going down,” was the most often cited reason for this exclusion, not outright racism. Deeds to property were later written to exclude blacks from purchasing homes in their community, though some did so in an outlying area close to the city called the “Negro District” (later Central Long Beach). From here they could find employment in the white community as cooks, maids, chauffeurs, and other positions whites did not want.

White settlers to Southern California neglected to see that the region was largely colonized by those with African blood. After Spain entered the slave trade in the 15th century, Africans, indigenous, and European blood mingled and many of those with mixed blood were recruited into the Spanish armed forces as conquistadores.

In Northern California, African Americans, many still slaves, helped garner the gold that brought more and more immigrants to the Golden State. Whereas Northern California was pro Union during the Civil War, the Southland was a hotbed of Southern sympathizers and not the most welcoming of places for African Americans to settle. It would not be until the 1880s that a small number of African Americans began to migrate to Southern California. From 188 African Americans in Los Angeles County, the number increased to 1,817 in 1890; to 2,841 in 1900—21 of them living in Long Beach. 1880 was also the year that the community later to be known as Long Beach came into being.

**Authored by:  
Claudine Burnett**

*“I hope the information presented here will increase your knowledge of Long Beach and Southern California history and the struggles experienced by African Americans.”*





# Heritage Park

Historic African American Community

Borders:

10th Street to the South

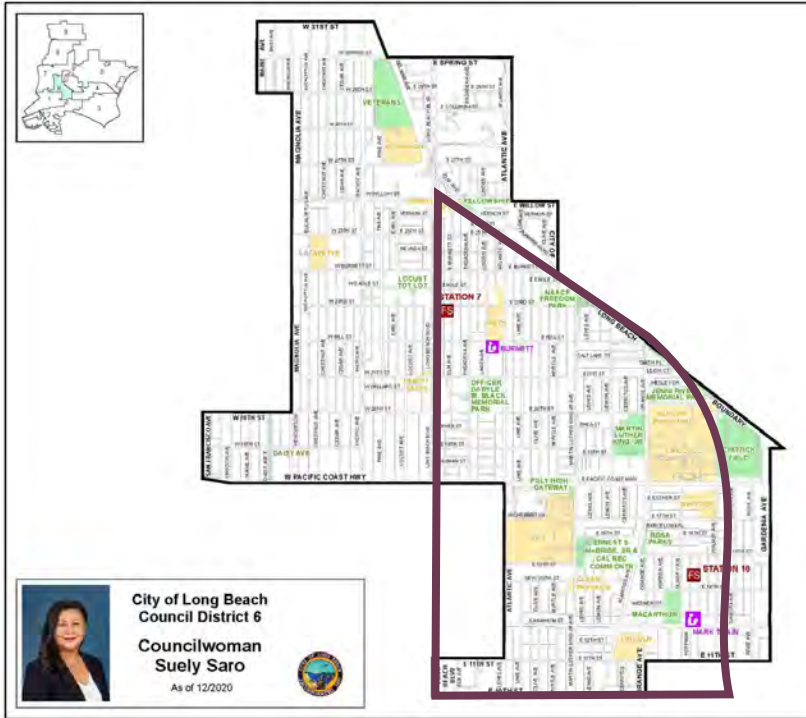
Willow Street to the North






























Long Beach Blvd to the West &

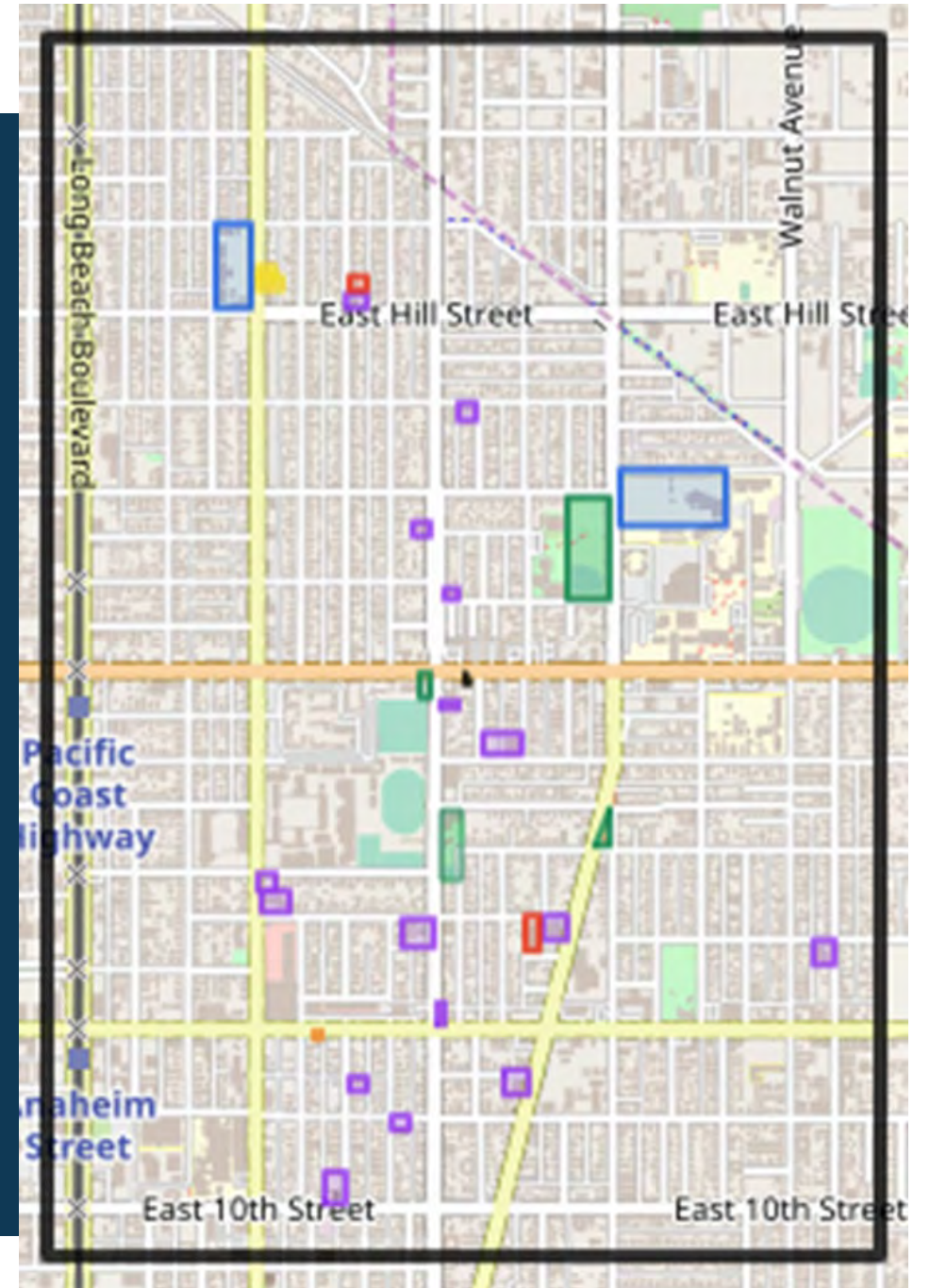
Walnut Avenue to the East

with the corner of MLK & PCH designated  
as a cornerstone, historic landmark for the  
African American community.





- ▶ ☒  HERITAGE PARK AREA
- ▶ ☒  VIP RECORDS
- ▶ ☒  PAUL R WILLIAMS DESIGN
- ▶ ☒  MARY DELL BUTLER SCHOOL
- ▶ ☒  BOBBIE SMITH ELEMENTARY
- ▶ ☒  LOVE UNLIMITED BC
- ▶ ☒  GRACE MEMORIAL BC
- ▶ ☒  GREATER HARVEST COGIC
- ▶ ☒  ST VESSEL CME
- ▶ ☒  GRANT CHAPEL AME
- ▶ ☒  ROSA PARKS PARK
- ▶ ☒  MCBRIDE PARK
- ▶ ☒  KING PARK
- ▶ ☒  RECTANGLES FOLDER 2
- ▶ ☒  PAN AF ART 2
- ▶ ☒  GOLGOTHA TRINITY BC
- ▶ ☒  NEW HOPE SR HOMES
- ▶ ☒  NEW HOPE BC
- ▶ ☒  LBCIL
- ▶ ☒  1ST PROVIDENCE BC
- ▶ ☒  NEW LIBERTY BC
- ▶ ☒  WHITE ROSE COGIC
- ▶ ☒  ST JOHN BAPTIST
- ▶ ☒  MYRTLE AVE COGIC
- ▶ ☒  GOSPEL PARKING
- ▶ ☒  GOSPEL MEMORIAL
- ▶ ☒  HERITAGE PARK
- ▶ ☒  ST MARK BAPTIST
- ▶ ☒  2ND BAPTIST CHURCH







# Family & Community



# Our Churches

## The Role of the Black Church in Creating Change

Historically the black church has been a place for creating individual, systemic, and political change within the Black community. From its emergence in the late 18th century to its present-day relevance, the Black church has and will always serve as a safe haven for African Americans, a place to worship God together, and a place where we are motivated to rebuild our communities. You can guarantee that on Sunday between the hours of 8 a.m. (early morning service) to 3 p.m. (afternoon service) there will be a large population of Blacks attending church.

Pastors in the Black church wield much influence in our community. They fill us up with wisdom, knowledge, and of the Word of God. Our pastors pray with and for us, provide resources and tools, even visit us when we are sick. Our pastors continue to serve as our “elected” spiritual representatives.

Est.	Central Area Black Churches	Address
1903	1 <sup>st</sup> African American Mission Church formed, later became Christ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Baptist Church	
1907	Christ Second Baptist	1471 MLK Ave., 90813
1911	Grant African Methodist Episcopal (AME)	1129 Alamos Ave, 90813
1943	New Hope Baptist	1160 E. New York St, 90813
1944	St Mark Baptist	1703 Lemon Avenue, 90813
1945	White Rose Church of God in Christ (COGIC)	1001 E. Anaheim St., 90813
1945	St. Vessel Colored Methodist Episcopal (CME)	1953 MLK Ave, 90813
1952	St John Baptist	741 E. 10 <sup>th</sup> St, 90813
1956	The Greater Harvest COGIC	1144 Olive Ave, 90813
1950s	Golgotha Trinity	1630 E. 14 <sup>th</sup> St, 90813
1961	Antioch	Original-1535 Gundry Ave, 90813 Current-350 Pine Ave, 90802
1962	1 <sup>st</sup> Providence	801 E. Hill St, 90806
1960s	New Liberty	2091 Olive Ave, 90806
1960s	Myrtle Avenue Church of Christ	1076 Myrtle Ave, 90813
2000s	Love Unlimited	1760 MLK Ave, 90813
2000s	Grace Memorial Baptist Church	1021 E. 19 <sup>th</sup> St, 90806



1903 Black mission started in Long Beach by First Baptist, LA which later became Christ 2<sup>nd</sup> Baptist

**Christ Second Baptist  
Church, Est. 1907**



**New Hope Baptist,  
Est. 1943**



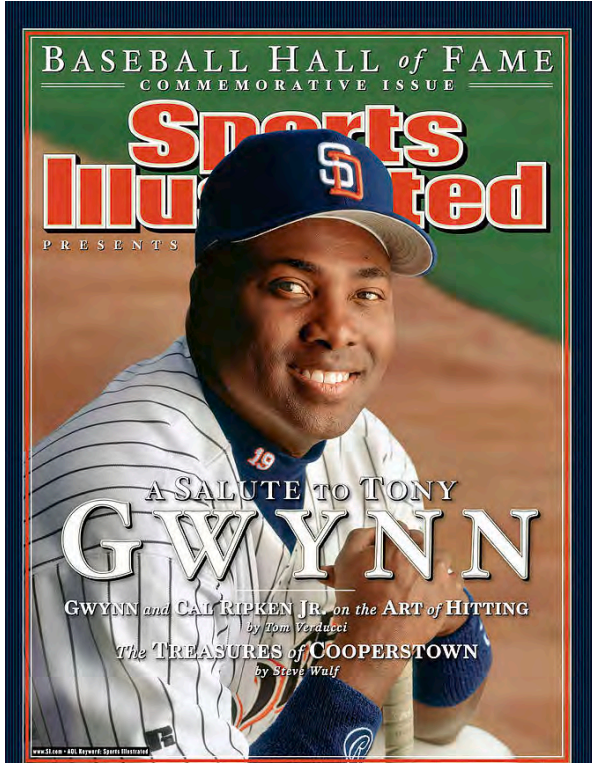
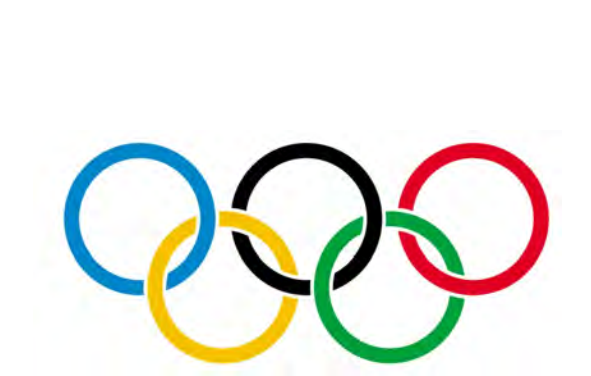
**St. Mark Baptist  
Church,  
Est. 1944**



**Grant Chapel AME  
Est. 1911**







# Unmatched Sports Legacy







# Arts & Culture

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**KJLH**  
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**DID YOU KNOW?**

**John Lamar Hill II**  
He was the first Black owner of a radio station on the West Coast with purchasing the Long Beach-based radio station KFOX-FM. The station was relaunched as KJLH with a Black radio format consisting of smooth R&B, soul, jazz, and gospel music.

Pay a visit to KJLH Radio's website by scanning this QR code with your phone here and continue supporting this radio station and its legacy.

**102.3FM**  
*KJLH*







# Akinsanya Kambon

## Pan African Art Studio



Akinsanya Kambon lives in Long Beach, CA. As a professor he taught for 26 years at California State University, Long Beach. He has now retired from teaching. Driven by his passion to create art he works daily in his private studio. 2228 & 2240 Atlantic Ave

## FORGOTTEN IMAGES



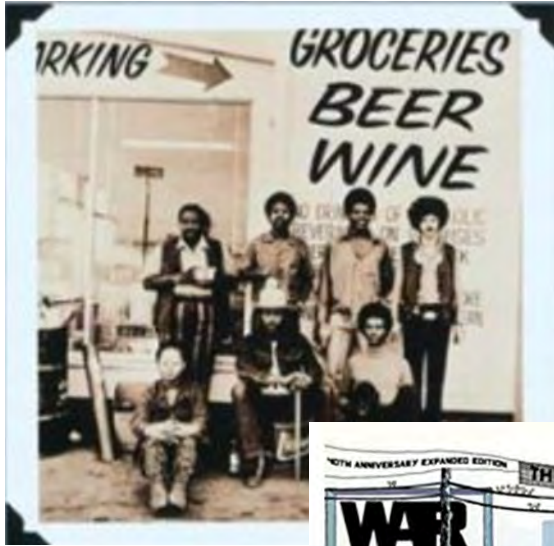
David and Sharon McLucas are owners of the Forgotten Images: A Traveling Educational Exhibit and Museum. "Their exhibit featured thousands of lost and forgotten artifacts that span two centuries of the African-American experience in America."



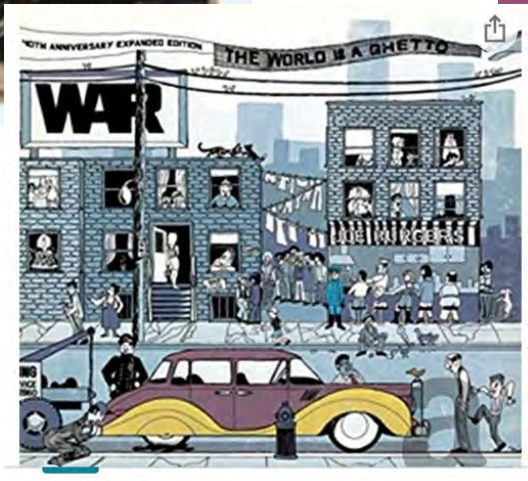


# Music

Before there was West Coast Rap there was Soul and R & B in the LBC



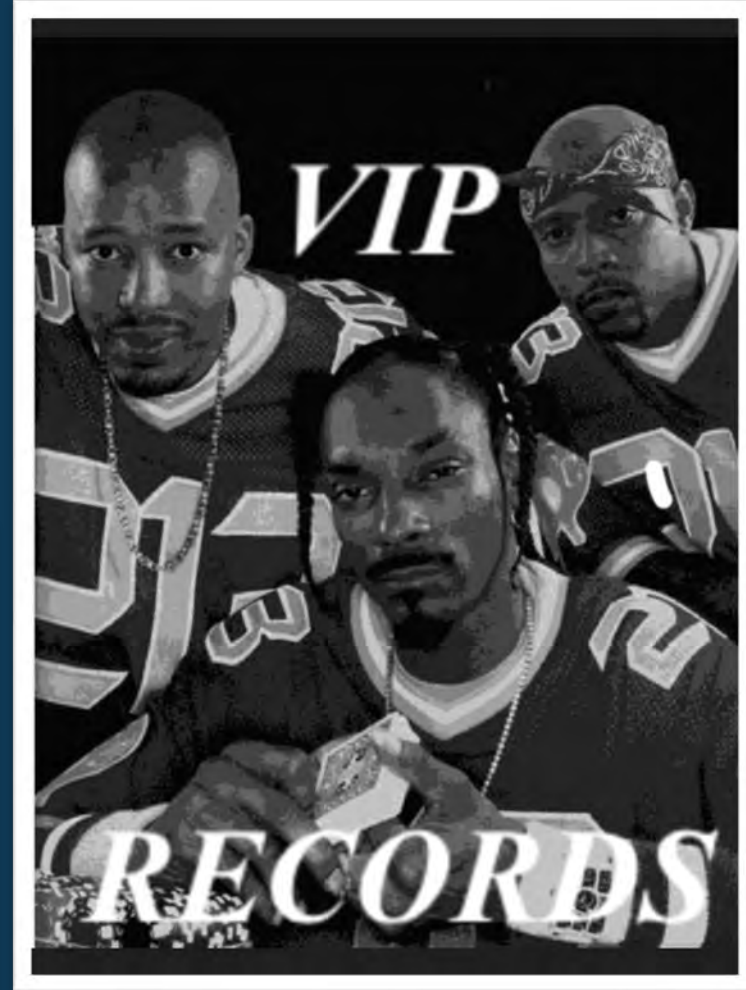
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## Thelma Houston



## Warren G, Snoop & Nate Dogg







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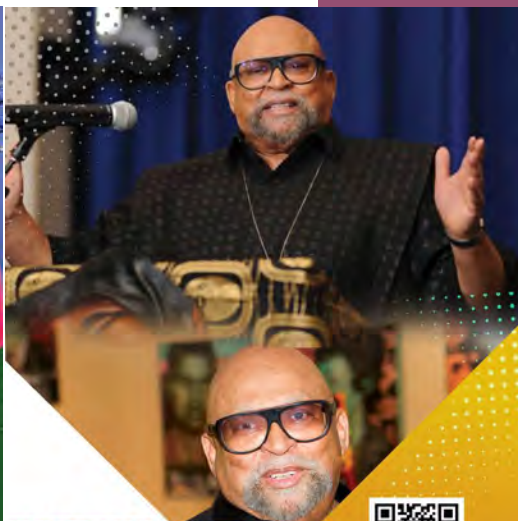
### Angela - Black Design Collective

Long Beach native Angela Dean designed Madonna's Gold Cone Bra for the 1990 MTV Video Music Awards. The most respected designers in the industry, Angela is one of the most respected designers in the industry and she has been the go-to fashion designer for some of the most famous and powerful women in the world.

Angela is a Cofounder and President of the Black Design Collective.



Scan this QR code with your phone here to learn more about Angela the Cofounder and President of the Black Design Collective.



## DID YOU KNOW?

### Dr. Maulana Karenga

The professor and chair of the Department of Africana Studies at California State University, Long Beach, (CSULB), created Kwanzaa in 1966 as an act of cultural recovery and reconstruction.



Scan this QR code with your phone here to read more about the impact Dr. Maulana Karenga has started within our community.



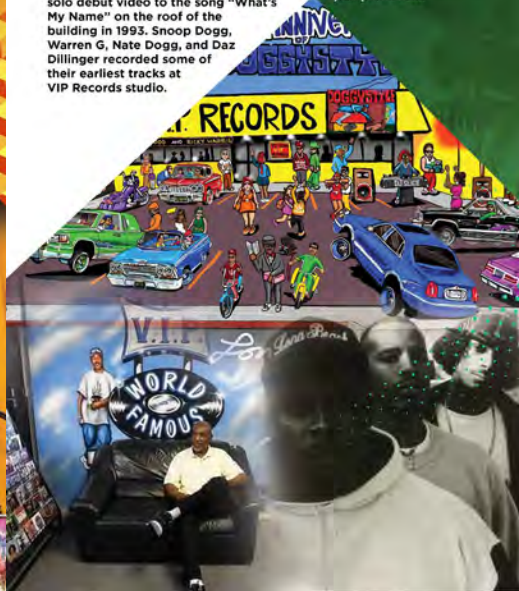
## DID YOU KNOW?

### VIP Records - Ground Zero for West Coast Rap

VIP Records was established by Kelvin Anderson in January of 1978. The store was made world famous when Snoop Dogg filmed parts of his solo debut video to the song "What's My Name" on the roof of the building in 1993. Snoop Dogg, Warren G, Nate Dogg, and Daz Dillinger recorded some of their earliest tracks at VIP Records studio.



Visit this website to learn more about the popular Long Beach Music Artists by scanning this QR code with your phone here.



## DID YOU KNOW?

### Akimsanya Kambon

Such a revolutionary artist. Akimsanya's philosophy is "art is not for art's sake but must be used to uplift humanity."

In 1984, Kambon founded the nonprofit organization Pan African Art (PAA) in Long Beach, CA.



Scan this QR code with your phone here to learn more about Akimsanya Kambon's art.



## DID YOU KNOW?

### Long Beach Poly "Sports School of the Century"

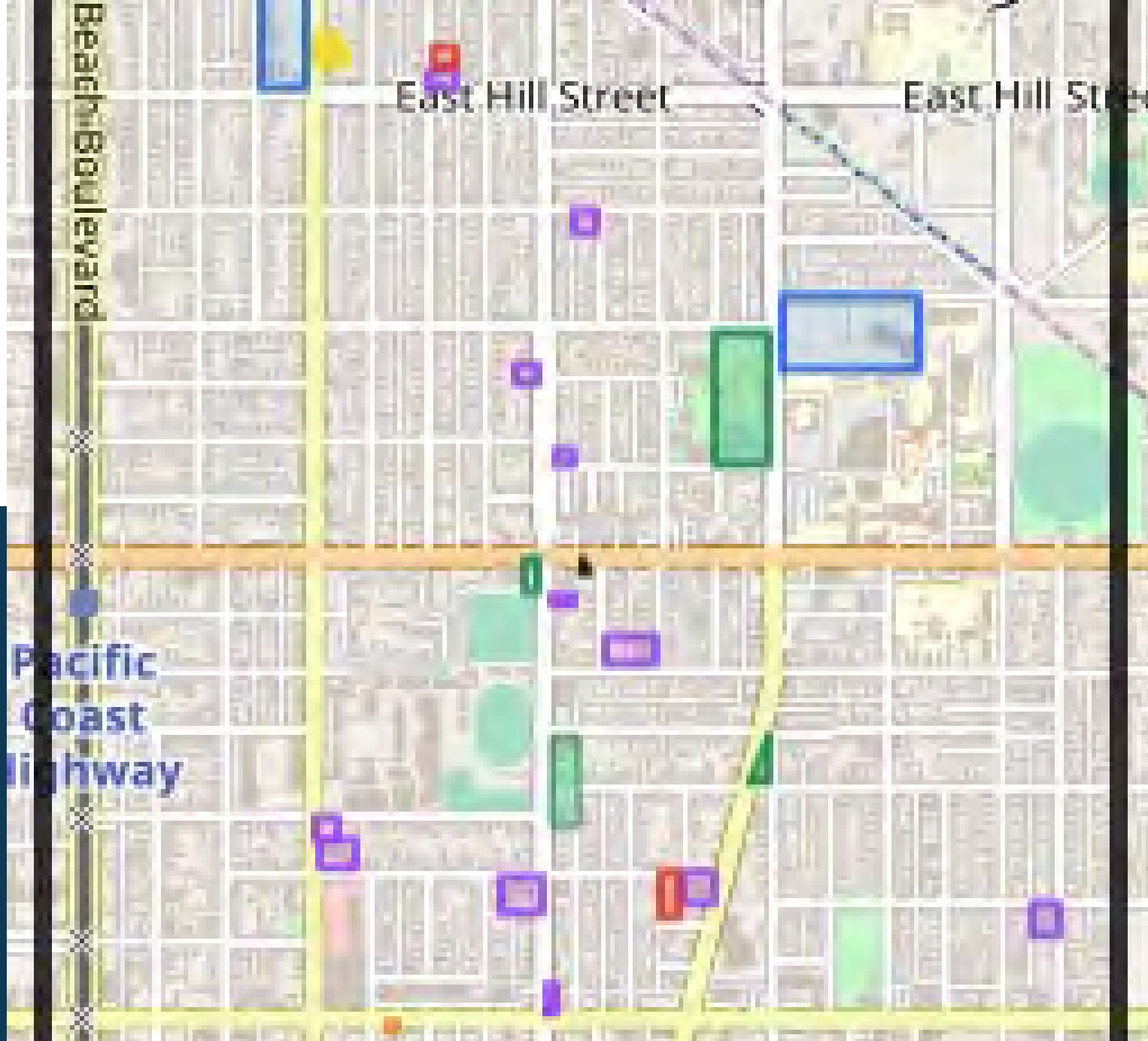
In 2005, the Long Beach Poly High School athletic program was voted "Sports School of the Century" by Sports Illustrated. In addition to its many CIF and State Championships, LB Poly has sent more players to the professional ranks than any other high school in the nation.



Scan this QR code with your phone here to learn more about Long Beach Poly.







# Community of Interest (COI) Central Area – 'Heritage Park'

Presented on behalf of The Black  
Community Collective:

NAACP – Long Beach Branch  
African American Cultural Center  
Af/Am Heritage Society of LB  
Long Beach Ministers Alliance  
The 15 Central Area Black Churches  
Forgotten Images  
Pan African Art Gallery  
Cultural Alliance of Long Beach  
Black Residents of Central Long Beach



## Community of interest COI

### 1. Name

Glennis Dolce

### 2.Email

glennisd@mac.com

3. In order to access your comments in the future, we need to attach a name to your community of interest. How would you like it to be identified?

Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group-California Heights

4.What binds your community together or creates its shared identity? An identity can include the types of shared histories, values, and interests, as well as others. You may include demographic data about the residents of the **community, information about the community's history, and how this** community currently engages with the political process.

Los Angeles County and the City of Long Beach is home to California Heights. This historic district is located in the 7<sup>th</sup> District with its boundaries being Bixby Rd to the north, Wardlow Rd. to the south, and Gardenia Ave to the east, and Lime Ave to the west. The values that unite the neighborhood are like many others and include safety, the environment, good schools, clean and safe streets and much more. The neighborhood association sponsors many activities including annual garden tours, tree plantings, street clean-ups, historic lamppost restoration, and monthly newsletters. Residents of California Heights consider themselves “stewards of history” and work together to preserve the unique architectural qualities of their homes and the neighborhood at large.

This community goes above and beyond as a community of interest.

The Long Beach Airport affects the quality of life in the California Heights residential neighborhood on an hourly basis 365 days a year. Takeoffs and landings of both commercial, private and flight school aircraft impact noise and air quality. A noise map of the Long Beach Airport shows approximately 10,000 District 7 residents in its path while the 5th District shows significantly less (approximately 1000). Looking at the noise complaints in the monthly commission reports for the past 2 years you can clearly see that D7 is the most affected neighborhood (90807) of any in the city yet District 7 is not adjacent since it is buffered by the area just west of the airport and considered part of District 5.

We also have nearby schools, Longfellow Elementary and Hughes Middle School that are affected by the airport noise and pollution.

Council decisions always defer to the council member in whose district an issue arises and as a resident in the Airport Adjacent Neighborhood Group of California Heights we would like to see the boundary of District 7 moved east to connect with the Long Beach Airport in order to give the District 7 council member and its residents more a balanced voice in Long Beach Airport issues.

Perhaps equally important, the new Globemaster Corridor Specific Plan (GCSP) which is currently under development and exists in this same gap between the airport's western boundary and the residential area just west of Cherry Avenue is currently in the 5th District. In no way does this project affect the residents of the 5th District to any great degree. All the negative impacts of noise, traffic, pollution, etc., will be borne by the residents of a District 7, ***not District 5.***

Just prior to the final approvals of the GCSP, we had an issue with the city and the owner of the old Boeing property there when they were allowing the property to be used as an illegal shipping container storage yard-with containers stacked six high and operating 24 hour a day. Upon investigation, council members themselves seemed confused as in what district this problem existed which made it more difficult for residents who were being negatively affected to remedy the situation and have the illegal yard removed. It is vital that this area be included in District 7 and removed from District 5 so adjacent affected residents can be represented by their own Council Member on issues in this project area!

Since we first drafted this COI statement, the city has announced that the Globemaster facility has a new lessee- Relativity Space- that will build a facility there housing very large 3D printers for building space rockets and employee 2000 at that site. District 7 will be affected by the traffic in and out by employees of that facility. We're not even sure if a separate EIR will be required for this facility or if the city will allow it to be developed under the Program EIR but we on the eastern side of the seventh district will bear the brunt of all the negative environmental issues (I.E. air quality, construction and traffic). *We need our councilmember to have a direct say and represent the affected residents in this area.*

5. Where is your community located? You can define it by neighborhoods, streets, addresses, key landmarks such as a park, a City facility, school, church, or other boundaries.

California Heights Neighborhood, neighborhoods west of LGB (Cherry Ave) , north of Wardlow, south of Carson, and east of Atlantic Ave. California Heights is the largest neighborhood Historic District in the City of Long Beach.

6. By keeping your community intact in new district maps, in what ways would it enhance the quality of its representation?

Expanding the District 7 boundary to join the Airport boundary on the Airport's west side will give affected residents a better voice at Council when issues arise both with Airport and Globemaster Corridor Specific Plan decisions and issues. Additionally, since this area is a mix of industrial place types and does not include residing voters, it will be unlikely to have any impact on populations of the district.

7. In which Council District do you currently reside?

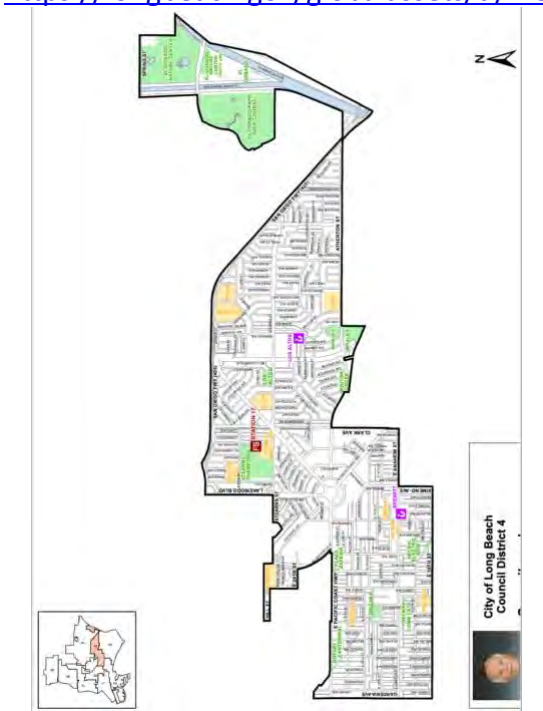
## District 7

8.If you wish to include additional comments for consideration by the Commission, please add them here:

I am concerned about resident involvement (or lack thereof) in light of the incorrect meeting dates that were sent to residents in their utility bills. I am concerned about resident involvement when the online link to sign up for public comment went to a non-functional "Opps-try again" page for the D7 meeting. I am concerned about resident involvement when Council members in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> district did not even mention the RD meeting in their newsletters or social media nor did they call in to note their presence or interest in the process during meetings directed at their own districts. I am concerned about resident involvement when the mapping tool is difficult to use even for computer literate residents. I am concerned about the process.

Please see our EVIDENCE below-attached maps, links and other documents related tour requested district boundary change request.

Example of political non- contiguous district lines in a historical map of District 4. The changes we seek in district 7 are contiguous. <https://longbeach.gov/globalassets/ti/media-library/documents/gis/map-catalog/cd4-small>  
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## **Globemaster Corridor Specific Plan (GCSP):**

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adequate to cover the project. An Addendum to the Specific Plan Program EIR/EIS is required (CEQA Guidelines Section 15164).

- The future development is either a component of the GCSP or has not been previously analyzed as part of the GCSP Program EIR/EIS, in which case an initial study and additional environmental review under CEQA will be required unless the future development is exempt under CEQA.

In addition, future development projects within the Specific Plan area may be eligible for streamlining under CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.3, effective January 1, 2013. To be eligible, a project must:

- Be located in an urban area on a previously developed site or surrounded by urban uses (75% of perimeter);
- Satisfy performance standards in CEQA Guidelines Appendix M; and
- Be consistent with the general use designation, density, building intensity, and applicable policies in the Southern California Association of Governments Sustainable Communities Strategy.

discretionary approvals requested or required to implement the project.

Pursuant to Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines, future development under the Specific Plan development program must be examined in light of the Specific Plan Program EIR/EIS to determine whether additional environmental documentation must be prepared and whether tiering would be appropriate. Each future development will be assessed through a CEQA compliance checklist by the City to determine if the activity is within the scope of the GCSP Program EIR/EIS. Because these future developments are not new projects as defined by CEQA, compliance for each impact category is narrowed to a determination as to whether the activity would result in (1) no substantial change from the previous analysis, (2) a more severe impact, or (3) a new significant impact. Based on the results of this CEQA compliance checklist, the City will determine which of the following actions is applicable to the future development:

- The future development is a component of and consistent with the GCSP and has been previously analyzed as a part of the GCSP Program EIR/EIS and findings certified pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines. No additional CEQA documentation is required (CEQA Guidelines Section 15168).
- The future development is a component of the GCSP and has been previously analyzed as a part of the GCSP Program EIR/EIS and findings certified pursuant to the state CEQA Guidelines; however, minor technical changes or additions are needed to make the previous documentation

### **1.3 CEQA/NEPA**

The Specific Plan will be adopted in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), California Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.). Pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq.) and the Council of Environmental Quality's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Guidance (Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 5, Section 1500 et seq.), the City prepared an Initial Study/Environmental (IS/EA) Assessment and Notice of Preparation and made these documents available to responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and interested parties for a 30-day public review period. Through the IS/EA, the City determined that implementation of the GCSP could result in potentially significant environmental impacts and that the preparation of a programmatic-level environmental impact report (EIR)/environmental impact statement (EIS) was required.

The GCSP EIR/EIS is a program EIR/EIS. As provided in Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines, a Program EIR may be prepared on a series of actions that may be characterized as one large project. The GCSP establishes an overall development program that can be characterized as one large project, but its implementation will require a series of future ministerial or discretionary actions (approvals of specific projects) by the City. The GCSP Program EIR/EIS is intended to serve as the primary environmental document for all future entitlements (future developments) associated with implementation of the GCSP, including all

**Long Beach Airport Noise reports:**

Specifically look at the noise complaints from 90807 which include the California Heights neighborhood. They are consistently the highest with the largest number of individual reporters.

<https://www.longbeach.gov/lgb/community-information/noise-abatement/monthly-noise-and-activity-reports/>

here is a compilation of two years of noise reports by zip code and council district indicating where most of the affected areas are.

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8/1/18		1		8		94	23	1	3
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TOTALS	2	9	13	409	7	675	512	8	50
Council District	D1	D3	D4	D8/D9?	SH	D7	D5	D3?	D4?



This map displays the noise footprint for the Los Angeles County area, showing various noise levels across the region. The map includes a grid of streets and labels for various cities and counties. The noise footprint is represented by colored areas and numerical values, indicating noise levels in dBA. The map shows the following noise levels:

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The map displays the city of Long Beach, California, divided into nine numbered districts, each with a unique color. A red circle and arrow highlight the area around the Long Beach Convention Center, which is located in District 7 (green). The map shows major highways like I-10, I-5, and I-78, and labels surrounding cities such as Los Angeles, Compton, and Norwalk. A north arrow is in the bottom right corner.

District Number	District Color	Neighboring Districts
1	Yellow	2, 3, 4, 6
2	Pink	1, 3, 4, 6
3	Light Green	1, 2, 4, 6
4	Orange	1, 2, 3, 5, 6
5	Light Blue	4, 6, 7, 8, 9
6	Light Blue	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8
7	Green	5, 6, 8, 9
8	Grey	5, 6, 7, 9
9	Light Blue	5, 6, 7, 8

Good Afternoon Commissioners

*(this is my part of the AANG group COI 5 minute statement- 1.5 minutes)*

My name is Glennis Dolce and I am here representing the Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group from the 7<sup>th</sup> District as a 40 year resident of California Heights.

Council resolution of an issues originating in a specific district always defer to the Council representative of that district, even when the issue is one of citywide importance` such as Airport issues.

For that reason, resolution of issues involving the airport, but that affect multiple districts, have been controlled solely by the District 5 council member with little to no voice given to the council members representing residents subjected to the worst of the airport noise and pollution.  
(see noise map overlay on the screen)

The result is that roughly 92% of the people who are experiencing the worst airport noise and pollution have little impact in deciding what measures the city will impose to mitigate that noise and pollution.

As part of the Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods Group, I request that you move the 7<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> District boundaries to accommodate this need and give these districts the opportunity to equitably SHARE in the decisions regarding airport issues. The edge of the airport on the west side of LGB is a natural boundary (quite removed from the 5<sup>th</sup> district) and gives you reasonable justification as defined in the city charter to make this change as an independent redistricting committee.

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Glennis Dolce, back again for the 7<sup>th</sup> district.

I have distributed a map with the requested boundary changes in paper format as the Maptitude program did not allow for the inclusion of part of the area that we request be added to the 7<sup>th</sup> District.

I find the maps being used in this software to be an inadequate holdover from earlier times when the Globemaster property was considered part of the Airport and being used by Boeing to build the C-17.

Currently, it has been sold to a private party who is leasing the property and the whole area is being developed as a project titled "Globemaster Corridor Specific Plan" (GCSP). Currently, the business district portion (see map) is considered part of the 5<sup>th</sup> district, yet it's important to note that the only direct access to this area is through the District 7 Cherry Avenue corridor and not through any part of the 5<sup>th</sup> District.

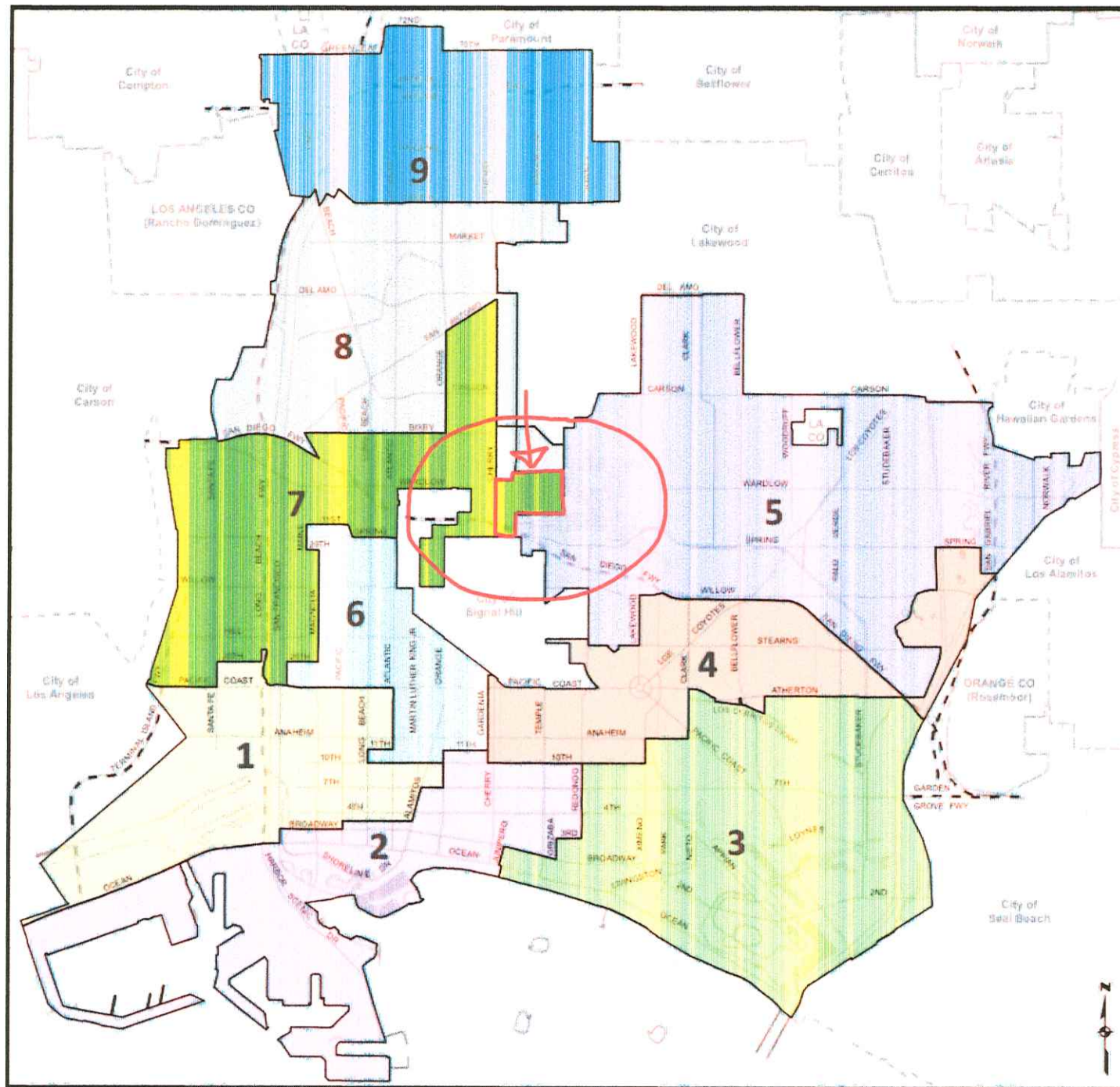
All the negative impacts of this project will only affect the residents of the 7<sup>th</sup> district and need to be represented by a 7<sup>th</sup> district Councilmember.

This business district has been mapped out by the city and is currently approved for development. The Maptitude software had not been updated to include this city approved development area. There is no reason for district 7 residents to have to wait another ten years to have this area added to our district. Please add it now.

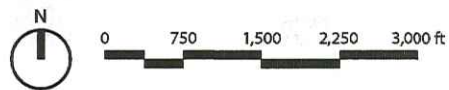
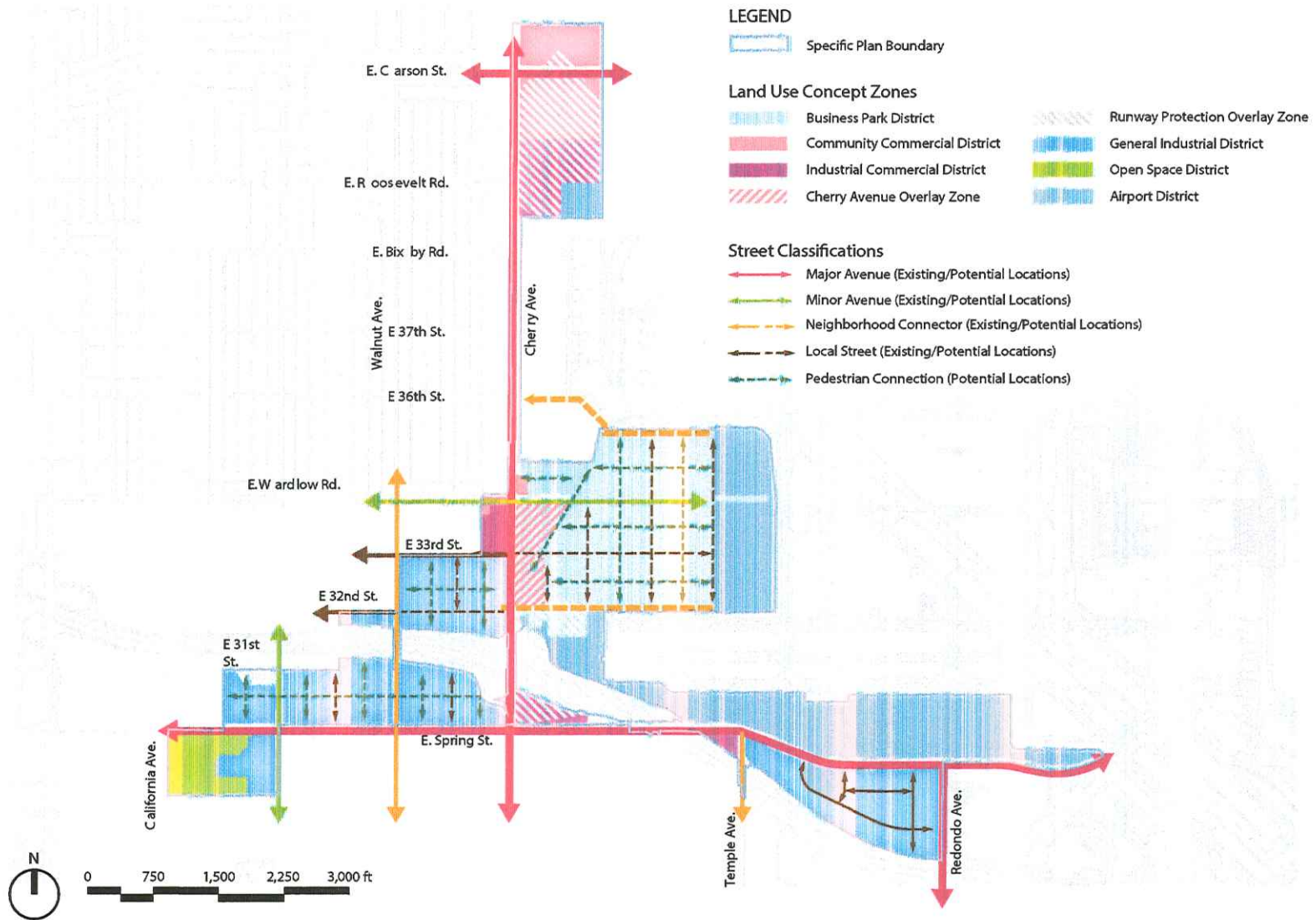
Once again, this requested 7<sup>th</sup> district boundary change occurs on a natural boundary-the edge of the airport, and gives you reasonable justification as defined in the city charter to make this change as an independent redistricting committee.

Thank you for serving on the Redistricting Commission.

(2 minutes)







# 1-3 Land Use and Mobility Plan

Globemaster Corridor Specific Plan

# LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE

## ARTICLE XXV. - COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS AND REDISTRICTING

### Section 2500. - COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS.

The City shall be divided, for electoral purposes, into nine (9) Councilmanic Districts approximately equal in population.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

### Sec. 2501. - LONG BEACH INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION.

- (a) The exclusive authority to redraw Council district boundaries is vested in the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission.
- (b) The Commission shall:
  - (1) Be independent of Mayor and City Council control;
  - (2) Conduct an open and transparent process enabling full public consideration of and comment on the drawing of Council district boundaries;
  - (3) Comply with the provisions in this article; and
  - (4) Conduct itself with integrity and fairness.
- (c) The Commission may:
  - (1) Adopt for itself rules of procedure not in conflict with this article; and
  - (2) Adopt rules and regulations for the interpretation and implementation of this article.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

### Sec. 2502. - POWER AND DUTY OF COMMISSION TO ADOPT COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARY MAP.

- (a) Within six (6) months after census-block-level population data from a regular United States decennial census is made available to the public, the Commission shall adopt a final map establishing new Council district boundaries and a final report explaining its decision. The final map shall include a precise map and written description of the boundaries of each Council district. In the final report, the Commission shall explain the rationale for the Council district boundaries, including, at a minimum, an explanation of how the final map complies with the redistricting requirements and criteria in Section 2506 of this Charter and a reasonable justification for any Council district boundary that does not comply with any redistricting criterion.
- (b) A Commission-adopted final map has the force and effect of law and is effective immediately upon adoption, unless on the date of adoption there are less than six (6) months until the next primary City election, in which case the final map shall go into effect after that election and any applicable run-off election.
- (c) If the Commission does not adopt a final map by the deadline in subsection (a), the City Attorney shall immediately petition the Superior Court for an order prescribing new Council district boundaries in accordance with the redistricting criteria and requirements set forth in Section 2506. The boundaries prescribed by the Superior Court shall be used for all City Council elections that take

place more than six (6) months from the date of the Superior Court's order and shall last until a final map is adopted by the Commission to replace it.

- (d) The Commission shall redraw Council district boundaries once per decade and at such other times as may be required, as provided in subsection (a), unless the Commission is reconvened by a vote of two-thirds of the City Council to address significant population changes, legal challenges, or other issues, or is ordered to do so by a court.
- (e) Any territory that is annexed, consolidated, or otherwise attached to the City shall be allocated to a Council district pursuant to this subsection, effective upon the completion of such annexation, consolidation, or other proceedings. The City Clerk shall update the final map accordingly.
  - (1) If the territory's boundary is contiguous to the boundary of not more than one (1) Council district, the territory shall be allocated to that Council district.
  - (2) If the territory's boundary is contiguous to the boundaries of two (2) or more Council districts, the territory shall be allocated to the council district with which it shares the longest boundary.
  - (3) If the territory's boundary is not contiguous with the boundary of any Council district, the territory shall be allocated to the closest Council district.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2503. - COMMISSION ORGANIZATION.

- (a) The Commission shall consist of 13 commissioners and 2 alternates. Alternates may fully participate in commission deliberations but may not vote and may not be counted towards the establishment of a quorum. Alternates are subject to the same terms of office, qualifications, restrictions, and standards of conduct as other commissioners under this article.
- (b) The term of office of each commissioner begins on December 1 of a year ending in zero, and expires on January 1 of the next year ending in zero. Sixty (60) days after a final map has been adopted, the Commission shall cease to meet, unless reconvened by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or by the City Attorney to consider settlement options if the final map is legally challenged or by the City Council as provided by Section 2502(a) above.
- (c) Nine (9) commissioners constitute a quorum. The removal of a Commissioner or alternate; the approval of additional redistricting criteria; and the approval of a proposed final map, final map, and final report require the affirmative votes of nine (9) commissioners. All other Commission actions require the affirmative vote of a majority of commissioners present.
- (d) At its first meeting, the Commission shall select one (1) commissioner to serve as Chair and one (1) to serve as Vice Chair. The Commission may designate other officers from its membership, and may establish subcommittees. Subcommittees shall report on their actions at the next meeting of the Commission.

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2504. - COMMISSIONER QUALIFICATIONS, REQUIREMENTS AND POST-SERVICE RESTRICTIONS.

- (a) Each commissioner must be a registered voter of the City and must either:
  - (1) Have voted in the City election immediately preceding his or her application to be on the Commission; or
  - (2) Have been a resident of the City for at least one (1) year immediately preceding his or her application to be on the Commission.
- (b) The following persons are not eligible to be a commissioner:

- (1) A person who, or whose spouse, registered domestic partner, or child, within the eight (8) years immediately preceding their date of application to be on the Commission, has contributed to a candidate for City elective office, in a single year, more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250).
- (2) A person who, or whose spouse, registered domestic partner, or child - is or has been, within the four (4) years immediately preceding their date of application to be on the Commission, any of the following:
  - i. A paid employee of the City, including those employed by an elected official;
  - ii. A registered City lobbyist, or someone who was required to be a registered City lobbyist; or
  - iii. A paid employee of any redistricting contractor or consultant.
- (3) A person who, or whose spouse, registered domestic partner, parent, sibling, or child - has been, within eight (8) years immediately preceding their date of application to be on the Commission, any of the following:
  - i. Elected to or appointed to, or been a candidate for, City elective office;
  - ii. An officer, employee of, or paid consultant or contractor to a campaign committee or a candidate for City elective office;
  - iii. A staff member, paid employee of, a consultant to, or someone under contract with any City elected official; or
  - iv. A principal officer of an active campaign committee domiciled in the County of Los Angeles that has made expenditures on candidate elections for a City elective office.
- (c) Within 30 days of appointment, a commissioner shall file with the City Clerk a statement of economic interest, or similar financial disclosure statement, as required under the City's conflict of interest code, and shall agree to the City's Code of Ethics and written ethics pledge.
- (d) A commissioner shall be ineligible, for a period of ten years beginning from the date of their appointment, to hold City elective office. A commissioner shall be ineligible, for a period of four (4) years beginning from the date of their appointment, to be appointed to another City commission, to serve as paid staff for or as a paid consultant to any City elected official or candidate for City elective office, to receive a non-competitively bid contract with the City, or to register as a City lobbyist.
- (e) While serving on the Commission, a commissioner shall not endorse, work for, volunteer for, or contribute to any candidate campaign for City elective office. Commissioners choosing to engage in such activity may resign at any time, including after the approval of a final map to ensure that the commissioner no longer serves if the Commission is reconvened to redraw districts

(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)

#### Sec. 2505. - COMMISSIONER SELECTION AND REMOVAL.

- (a) The commissioner selection process is designed to produce a Commission that is independent and that reasonably reflects the diversity of the City.
- (b) The City Clerk shall, beginning in 2020, and in each year ending in the number zero thereafter, initiate and widely publicize an application process, open to all City registered voters who meet the requirements of Section 953, in a manner that promotes a qualified commissioner applicant pool that is large and reflective of the diversity of the City. The application period shall remain open for at least three (3) months.
- (c) The City Clerk shall create an application available in English, Spanish, Khmer and Tagalog and as may be required under the City's Language Access Policy for prospective commissioners, and seek assistance from a broad range of community-based organizations in outreach efforts. Applicants shall attest on the application, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided is true.

- (d) Approximately one (1) month prior to the close of the application period, the City Clerk shall report to the City Council and Mayor on applications received up to that point and any additional outreach that is being undertaken or planned to ensure that the applicant pool has a sufficient number of qualified applicants and reasonably reflects the City's diversity.
- (e) After the close of the application period, the City Clerk shall review and remove individuals who are disqualified under Section 2504 of this Charter from among the commission applicants. The City Clerk shall maintain a public record of the disqualifications that apply to each person whose application is removed from the applicant pool. If the resulting applicant pool does not have at least 35 qualified applicants, including 3 qualified applicants from each existing City Council district, the City Clerk shall reopen the application period for one (1) month and conduct additional outreach to ensure that the pool meets these requirements.
- (f) After removing ineligible applicants, the City Clerk shall publish and transmit to a screening panel a list with the names of all qualified applicants. For purposes of this section, "screening panel" means:
  - (1) The City's Ethics Commission, if that Commission is established by ordinance or under this Charter; or
  - (2) If an ethics commission matching the description in subsection (1) does not exist, a panel of Long Beach residents consisting of: one (1) retired judge; one (1) law, government, or public policy professor teaching at an accredited institution; and one (1) member of the governing board of a non-profit organization qualified under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3) that has history of advocating for good government reform in the city. The panelists shall be selected by the Mayor from a pool of qualified applicants. Panelists shall meet the same qualifications required of commissioners in Section 2504. The Mayor shall recruit a pool of applicants to serve on the screening panel; or
  - (3) If an ethics commission matching the description in subsection (1) does not exist, and there are insufficient qualified applicants to form a panel pursuant to paragraph (2), a panel consisting of the City Attorney, the City Clerk, and the City Auditor.
- (g) From this eligible commissioner applicant pool, the screening panel shall, no later than November 1, 2020, and by November 1 in each year ending in the number zero thereafter, create a subpool of not less than 20 nor more than 30 applicants most qualified to perform the duties of the Commission, including at least two (2) applicants from each existing Council district. The screening panel, exercising its independent judgment, shall make these assignments at a publicly noticed meeting after the public has had the opportunity to provide written and oral comment. The screening panel may ask additional questions of commissioner applicants at that meeting. The screening panel shall make each assignment to the subpool on the basis of the applicant's relevant analytical skills, familiarity with the city's neighborhoods and communities, ability to be impartial, and apparent ability to work cooperatively with other potential commissioners. The subpool should reasonably reflect the City's diversity; provided that, other than the requirement of geographic diversity in this subsection, no quotas, formulas, or ratios may be applied for this purpose.
- (h) Immediately after the subpool has been created, and at that same public meeting, the chair of the screening panel shall randomly select nine (9) names - one (1) from each existing council district - from the subpool. These nine (9) individuals shall serve as commissioners on the Commission.
- (i) The commissioners selected pursuant to subsection (h) shall select four (4) commissioners and two (2) alternates from the remaining applicants in the subpool. Each selection requires six (6) affirmative votes from among the nine (9) commissioners, and the selection must be made at a publicly noticed meeting after the public has had the opportunity to provide written and oral comment. The commissioners shall make each selection on the basis of the applicant's relevant analytical skills, familiarity with the city's neighborhoods and communities, ability to be impartial, and apparent ability to work cooperatively with other commissioners. The Commission should reasonably reflect the City's diversity; provided that no quotas, formulas, or ratios may be applied for this purpose.
- (j) The Commission shall be fully established no later than December 1, 2020, and thereafter no later than December 1 in each year ending in the number zero. To meet this deadline, the City Clerk may








establish other deadlines for the commissioner application and selection process described in this Section.

- (k) The Commission may remove a commissioner for substantial neglect of duty, gross misconduct in office, or inability to discharge the duties of office, but only after providing the subject commissioner written notice and an opportunity for a response at a public meeting.
- (l) If a commissioner resigns or is removed from the Commission, the Chair of the Commission shall randomly select one (1) of the alternates to fill the vacancy as a voting commissioner. If the Commission is unable to act because there are fewer than nine (9) active commissioners, the City Clerk shall, within one (1) month of making this determination, recruit a pool of qualified applicants to fill the vacancies. The remaining commissioners shall, within two (2) weeks of the pool being constituted, appoint replacement commissioners from this pool by a two-thirds vote.
- (m) For purposes of this section, "diversity" includes, but is not limited to, racial, ethnic, gender, and sexual orientation diversity.

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Sec. 2506. - REDISTRICTING REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIA.

- (a) The Commission shall draw its final map so that:
  - (1) Council districts are as nearly equal as practicable in total population;
  - (2) The final map complies with the U.S. Constitution; the Federal Voting Rights Act, the California Constitution; and any other requirement of federal or state law applicable to charter cities; and
  - (3) Each Council district is geographically contiguous, to the extent practicable, and has a clearly defined boundary.
- (b) In addition to following the requirements of subsection (a), the Commission shall consider the following criteria when drawing the final map, in order of priority: 
  - (1) The geographic integrity of a neighborhood should be respected in a manner that minimizes its division.
  - (2)  Communities of interest. The geographic integrity of a community of interest should be respected in a manner that minimizes its division. A community of interest is a contiguous population that shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation; 
  - (3) Neighborhoods and communities sharing a common language, history, culture and identity should not be divided so as to dilute their voting power;
  - (4) Geography and topography: Districts should respect major topographic and geographic features of the City;
  - (5) District boundaries should be easily identifiable and understandable by voters. Districts should be bounded by natural and artificial barriers, by street lines, and/or by City boundary lines;
  - (6) Districts should be geographically compact such that nearby areas of population are not bypassed for more distant population;
  - (7)  All lines must correspond to census blocks in order to preserve the validity of data and avoid arbitrary boundaries; and 
  - (8) Other Commission may adopt other criteria that do not conflict with the other requirements and criteria listed in this section or with state or federal law.
- (c) The Commission shall not consider place of residence of any individual, including any incumbent or political candidate, in the creation of a map.

- (d) The Commission shall number each Council district such that, for as many residents as possible, the number of the Council district they reside in remains the same.
- (e) The Commission shall not draw districts for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

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#### Sec. 2507. - PUBLIC MEETINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT.

- (a) The Commission shall establish and implement an open meeting process for public input and deliberation that is promoted through an outreach program to solicit broad public participation in the redistricting process. The Commission shall comply with all applicable State and City requirements for open meetings.
- (b) Prior to adopting a final map, the Commission shall hold at least nine (9) public meetings, including one (1) public meeting in each existing Council district. A final map may not be adopted unless a proposed final map with substantially similar Council district boundaries has been adopted at least seven (7) days earlier at a prior public meeting.
- (c) The Commission shall establish and implement a process for accepting written public comment, including the submission of draft maps and draft partial maps for the Commission's consideration.
- (d) Commission members and staff may not communicate with or receive communications about redistricting matters from anyone except at a public meeting or through the process established for accepting written public comment. This subsection does not prohibit:
  - (1) communication between Commission members, staff, legal counsel, and consultants retained by the Commission that is otherwise permitted by State and City open meeting requirements; or
  - (2) commissioners, staff, legal counsel, or consultants from engaging in public education and outreach, including explaining how the Commission functions and encouraging public participation in the redistricting process.
- (e) Any person who is compensated for communicating with the Commission or any commissioner, other than a reimbursement of reasonable travel expenses, shall identify the party compensating them in such communication.

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#### Sec. 2508. - RECORDS AND DATA.

- (a) The Commission shall comply with the California Public Records Act, commencing with section 6250 of the California Government Code, or its successor, and any City laws regarding public records, to the degree they require greater disclosure and retention of Commission records than is provided in this article.
- (b) The Commission and its subcommittees shall keep minutes of all discussion and actions taken at public meetings. The minutes should be adopted at the next public meeting of that body. To the greatest extent practicable, all public meetings of the Commission and its subcommittees shall be video recorded.
- (c) To the greatest extent practicable, the Commission shall make available to the public a free electronic mapping tool, loaded with relevant population and demographic data, which tool can be used to create draft maps and draft partial maps.

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Sec. 2509. - ADMINISTRATION.

- (a) The City Council shall appropriate sufficient funds to recruit commissioners, meet the operational needs of the Commission, and conduct any outreach program to solicit broad public participation in the redistricting process.
- (b) The City Manager, City Clerk, and City Attorney shall assign sufficient staff to support the Commission. The Commission shall be staffed by no less than three (3) City employees: the City Manager, the City Clerk, and the City Attorney, or their respective representatives. The City Attorney's, or his/her respective representative's, only client on matters relating to redistricting is the Commission.
- (c) The City Clerk and the City Attorney, or their respective representatives, shall, no later than March 1, 2021, and thereafter by March 1 in every year ending in one, train the commissioners on the requirements of this article, federal and state law regarding redistricting, open meeting requirements, and general rules of parliamentary procedure.
- (d) The City Manager and the City Clerk shall, by January 1, 2020, and thereafter by January 1 in every year ending in zero, provide a report to the Mayor and City Council that explains, at minimum, plans for: recruiting a qualified applicant pool that reflects the City's diversity; assigning sufficient staff to support the Commission's activities; training commissioners; providing work space and relevant technology to support the Commission's activities; facilitating an open selection process to hire redistricting consultants; identifying and reserving meeting spaces suitable for holding public meetings in each Council district; creating a website for the Commission; and encouraging public participation in the redistricting process.
- (e) Within 60 days after the adoption of a final map, the Commission shall transmit a report to the Mayor and City Council recommending any changes, including amendments to this article, that could improve the redistricting process in future years. The City Council may, by two-thirds vote, adopt by ordinance changes to time limits and deadlines imposed by this article that are specifically recommended by the Commission.

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Sec. 2510. - LEGAL CHALLENGE.

- (a) Any registered voter in the City may file a petition for a writ of mandate or writ of prohibition within ninety (90) days after the Commission has adopted a final map, to bar the implementation of all or a portion of the new Council district boundaries on the grounds that the final map violates this article. No legal challenge may be brought against the final map under this article after the 90-day period has expired.
- (b) If a legal challenge is successfully brought against the final map, the Court may correct the violation by court order adjusting Council district boundaries consistent with the redistricting requirements and criteria of Section 2506; alternatively, if the Court finds the final map requires significant revisions or must be entirely redrawn, the Court may order the Commission to reconvene to adjust or adopt new Council district boundaries.

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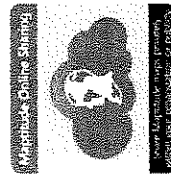
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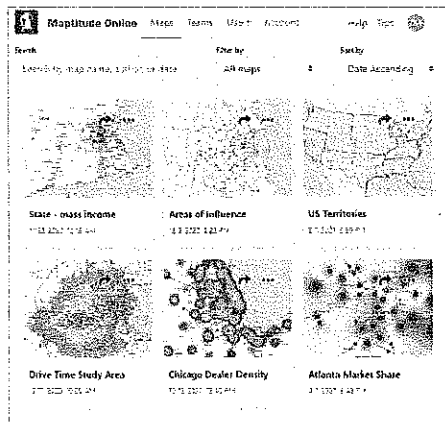
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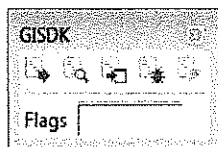
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**Subject:** Whaley Park on draft maps

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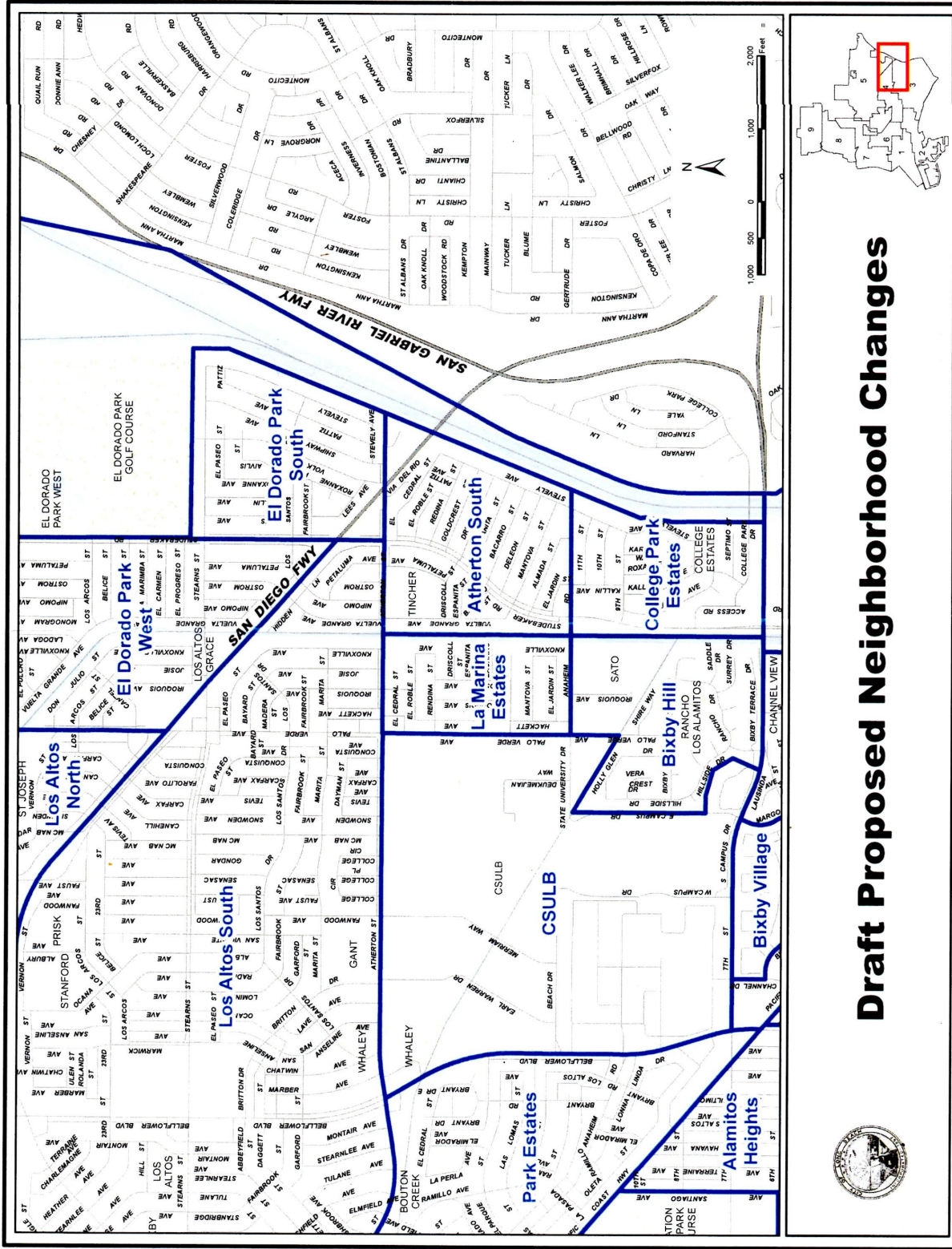
Hello Bradley

When you handed out the Draft Proposed Neighborhood Changes map (attached) , I of course focused on the Los Altos/ La Marina/ fake Palo Verde problem. However, now that I have had a chance to examine the whole map, I do want to draw your attention to the expanded CSULB portion of the draft map. Whaley Park is bisected by Atherton, a North Section of the park, and a South Section. The Whaley Park Southern Section of your map is split from the Whaley Park Northern Section - with the Southern Section placed in the now expanded CSULB draft neighborhood. If CSULB does remain in the 3rd, the Whaley Park Southern Section where the Los Altos Neighborhood amenities are located will be in the 3rd according to this draft map. That would include the Los Altos Little League field and the Whaley Park Recreation and Community Center, which is the largest city meeting room in the 4th District. It would also take the Los Altos United Church of Christ and the Los Altos YMCA out of the 4th and put them in the 3rd District. Bolton Creek has been the natural boundary between the 3rd and the 4th in that portion of the city because these neighborhood amenities serve the Los Altos neighborhoods- hence why they are all named Los Altos.

Also by splitting Whaley Park, you are decreasing the park space in the 4th District which if you consider that the Whale Tale gerrymander area of El Dorado Park is returned to the 5th will further impact the

Please include this email in the Redistricting Commissioners communication packet.

Regards  
Joe Mello  
LACAN  
Chair



# Draft Proposed Neighborhood Changes



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**Subject:** Making Districts in Maptitude

**-EXTERNAL-**

Commissioners,

I made up this set of Maptitude instructions for the AANG support group and they recommended that I also send them to you. You have my permission to use this, or a modified version, in any way you determine will benefit the redistricting process.

Maptitude allows users to edit the shape of whole districts to balance their populations but it requires that each district be initially defined by hand one census block at a time. The sequence below describes how to set up your own Plan in Maptitude, use it to create districts to be modified, edit the shapes of those districts to adjust the size & location of their populations then share your plan with all other Maptitude users or submit your plan for consideration by the Redistricting Commission.

I know this looks daunting but following these steps will save the frustration of trying to second guess the Maptitude interface. I've worked up a shortcut at the end which will save the time of having to define whole districts to get started. Feel free to pass this on to anyone you think needs it.

Bob Joy

## Maptitude District Rebalancing Sequence

1. From the login window select New Plan
2. In new plan window select Create
3. In a popup window these text lines will appear
  - o Copy selected plan
  - o to a new plan named
  - o My Long Beach Blank Map
4. Mouse on the last line which will highlight in a blue box
5. Type in a new name that will function as an overall ID for your re-balanced districts
6. Selecting OK will return you to the home screen with the new map name in the black bar at the top of the Toolbox window
7. In the Options window slide the Label Size slider all the way to the left to make labels visible. Selecting Layers>Current City Council will color code the existing council districts.
8. Each district you wish to change must first be created by selecting all its census blocks so select Target>New District and Source>All and make sure Options>Layers>Current City Council is selected
9. Use the selection tools to highlight all the census blocks currently in the district you wish to change.
10. Select the checkmark icon in the Selection Tools to get a window labeled New District Settings
11. Click to the right of District ID and type in the number of the district you have highlighted, it will appear on the map.
12. Click to the right of "Long Name" and type in a multi word description (21 letter/space limit)
13. The number of the district you just created will now show up in the Target drop down menu

14. To create additional districts repeat steps 8-12 above
15. You're created districts will show up on the map with a black box listing their number and the percentage that their population deviates from a Long Beach norm for all districts based on 2010 census data.
16. Notice that the Districts window (bottom left of Map) now shows population stats for your new districts
17. The Changes window (bottom right) now shows a data column for the district chosen in the Target drop down menu and a column for the district chosen in the Source drop down menu.
18. To move boundaries (and population) from one district into another select Target>district #, and Source>district #.
19. Use Selection tools to pick census blocks to be shifted between adjacent districts. Only blocks in the Source district can be picked. Refer to the Changes window to track population impact and % deviation from the norm which will change dynamically as you re-assign census blocks.
20. Select the Checkmark icon to implement the boundary changes. All your changes will be saved as your personal files in Maptitude online files and are available only to you when you next log in.
21. To make your map available to all other Maptitude users select Share Plan from the top menu. A drop down box will ask if you want to re-name your plan. Selecting OK will post your plan to the Maptitude online shared file.
  - Note: It appears that any new name given to your plan will be added to your original plan name and both names will appear for your plan when its listed online.
22. To submit your plan select Submit Plan at the top of the Maptitude page and notice that a box provided for insertion of descriptive text has a 250 word limit. This limit is actually and exactly 180 words.
23. To fill in the fields for personal information mouse one inch to the right of the field name to trigger a text input box. Selecting OK will submit the map to the Redistricting Commission.
24. No map number will be generated, any future reference must be by the map name preceded by your user name.

## Shortcut

I have made up a shared plan with all 9 districts defined and numbered that will save you the trouble of making up each district you want to change from scratch. To use this as a starting point do the following:

1. Login to Maptitude
2. Select New Plan
3. Select Shared (not Initial)
4. Scroll down to select **BJoy21/Current Long Beach Districts** then select Create
5. In a popup window these text lines will appear
  - Copy selected plan
  - to a new plan named
  - My Current Long Beach Districts
6. Mouse on the last line which will highlight in a blue box
7. Type in a new name that will function as an ID for your subsequent changed districts
8. Selecting OK will return you to the home screen with the new map name in the black bar at the top of the Toolbox window
9. Notice that district numbers 1-9 appear in the Target and Source drop down menus
10. To modify districts perform step 7 above then start at step 16.



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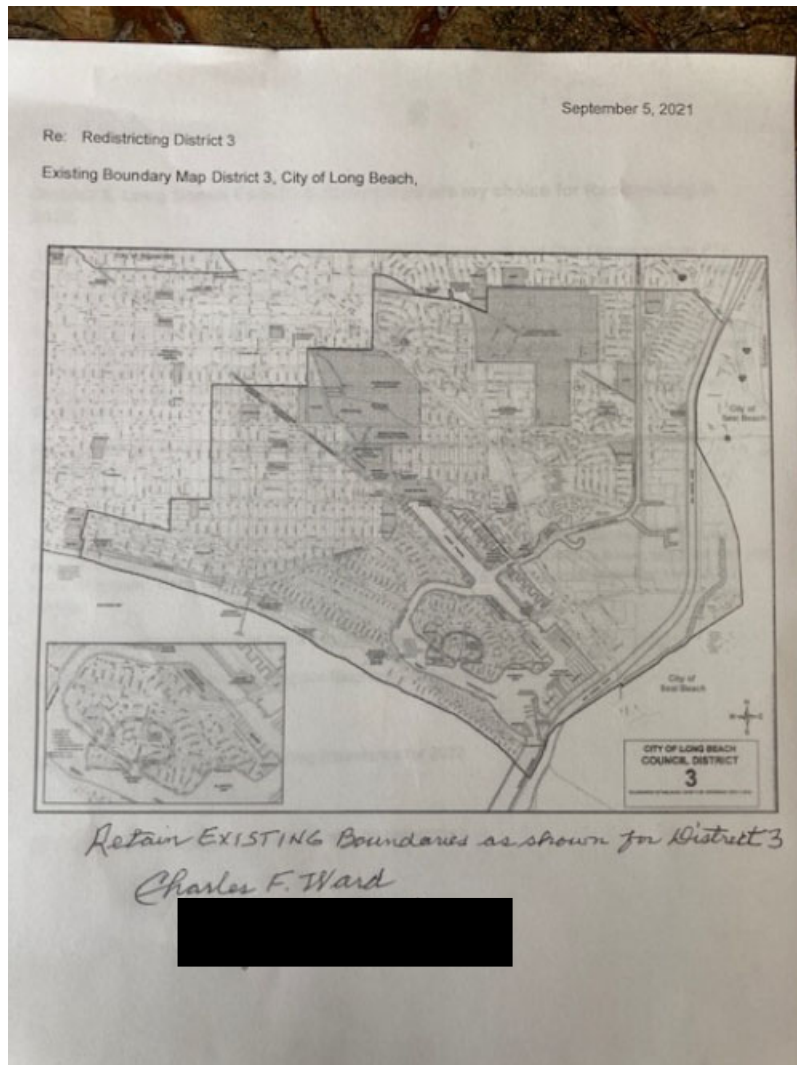
**Cc:** Kathleen Ward <kathy@rwcpas.com>; Mark Williams <MarkWilliams@geoscience-water.com>; RANDY BEERS <randy.beers.mail@verizon.net>; JOHN LEIPOLD <Johnjohn143@verizon.net>; Don Burdge <DON@Burdge.com>; Bob Luskin <flybob@verizon.net>; Jack Cunningham <Jack.Cunningham@longbeach.gov>; Joe Vivilacqua <5628820566@sms.newcingularwireless.com>; MIKE HITE <hite\_islanders@yahoo.com>; Katherine Winberg <katherine.a.winberg@aol.com>; Maureen Poe <maureenpoe@gmail.com>; Ken Trossen <kentrossen@equityre.com>; Rosemary Ryan <roseryan1227@gmail.com>

**Subject:** 3rd Districting MY Plan Choice for Charles F Ward

**-EXTERNAL-**

Please Retain Existing Boundaries for District 3.

See attached Map and My Choices for District 3 boundaries.



**District 3, Long Beach EXISTING Boundaries are my choice for Redistricting in 2022.**

The Neighborhood Associations, Business Associations, Community and Civic Groups such as P Church, Clubs and Neighborhood Watch and CERT have organized communication chains and th They are working together for the good of Long Beach City.

Our Street is residential homes. The residents are mixed racial with both seniors, families and sin Our Church, Schools and Local Businesses are within walking and bicycling. The Naples Improve Association and Naples Business Association are active in community issues and activities. We h These Community(s) Associations need to be preserved. Keep District 3, Long Beach, EXISTING Boundaries.

Major Concerns: Public Safety, Rule of Law, Homelessness, Traffic, Parking, Fire, and Disaster Preparedness.

Air Bnbs, and VRBOs are destroying our Neighbor Community. We have a Super Host Air Bnb n door. The 3 bedroom home has been converted to a full time—Air Bnb. There is now a separate k entry for guests. Each bedroom has a key pad for entry. This is a commercial operation in an R1 zoning.

The VRBO residence behind us has a separate alley key pad controlled entrance.

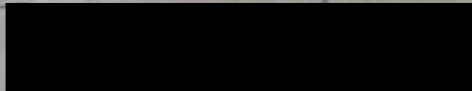
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See Attached photo of my Redistricting Boundaries for 2022.

[Redistricting@longbeach.gov](mailto:Redistricting@longbeach.gov) email address for redistricting.

*Please File*

*Charles F. Ward,*



Please file my Choice for Retaining Existing Boundaries for District 3.

Thank you

Charles F Ward

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Padric Gleason Gonzales [mailto:padric.gleason@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 19, 2021 4:35 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Public comment: Unite West Long Beach!

**-EXTERNAL-**

Dear Commissioners,

I'm writing to advocate that you unite West Long Beach into a single city council district during the redistricting process this year. For decades, the communities west of the LA River have been sliced up, then appended to larger districts opposite the waterway. This has clear negative impacts on the neighborhoods' ability to organize and it dilutes their voice when confronting major problems like port emissions, highways expansion, and other environmental disasters. The area is nationally known as a "Diesel Death Zone." By NOT uniting West Long Beach residents into a single district, we perpetuate the environmental racism that we claim to oppose. Please unify West Long Beach as a single city council district this year.

Regards,  
Padric

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Padric Gleason Gonzales

(City Council District 1)

**From:** corlisslee@aol.com [mailto:corlisslee@aol.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 21, 2021 11:29 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>; Bradley Bounds <Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** e-Comments for tomorrow's meeting

**-EXTERNAL-**

Agenda item 3: there are 2 attachments that appear to be identical.

Agenda item 4:

There is no staff report or attachment available with this agenda item. Please post the presentation asap so attendees have a chance to study the information before commenting. If you cannot do that, the public should be allowed to hear the presentation before being called on to comment on this line item.

**From:** Laura Sellmer [mailto:laurasellmer@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2021 1:33 AM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>; JT Nagayama <Jonathan.Nagayama@longbeach.gov>; Bradley Bounds <Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Agenda Item 4, Redistricting Commission Meeting, Sept 22

**-EXTERNAL-**

I respectfully request the Commission ensure the public comments are scheduled after the “report” is given to the Commission. This report, which you are being asked to vote on, has not been made available to anyone, in any language, to communities of interest or to the public for any review, prior to the time Agenda Item 4 is heard.

Census Blocks are a very important matter to the public. For months now, at every Commission meeting, Redistricting Partners has been misleading you, and members of the public using Maptitude, stating you cannot draw boundaries that do not conform to census blocks. These statements are patently false and untrue. In Section 2502, the City Charter provides the Commission with the ability to draw boundaries that do not follow the criteria in Section 2506 such as Census Blocks. The Charter is clear that you include a reasonable justification for not conforming to a criteria in Section 2506. Redistricting Partners is NOT telling the Commission, or the public, that this provision is in the Charter.

The Communities of Interest are relying on you to allow public comment after the report is given. An informed public voice will ensure your vote on Agenda Item 4 includes true community engagement.

Thank you for your service to Long Beach.

Laura Sellmer



**From:** Glennis Dolce [mailto:glennisd@me.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2021 8:52 AM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>; JT Nagayama <Jonathan.Nagayama@longbeach.gov>; Bradley Bounds <Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov>

**Subject:** Redistricting meeting 9/22/2021 Comments

**-EXTERNAL-**

Good Morning Redistricting Commission!

After reviewing last weeks meeting as well as today's agenda I have a few comments to make.  
(I signed up to speak virtually today but now find I had another commitment so may not be able to, hence this email.)

Please enter this email into the record.

I am glad (but a little confused now) on why the newly introduced District R mapping software is allowing the Globemaster project area to be selected as new census blocks yet the older mapping tool Maptitude was not allowing this and that Redistricting Partners has been adamant that the selection of this area was not allowed as it "split census blocks". Perhaps item 4 today can clear that up. Having two mapping software programs that don't agree with each other is problematic.

Which brings me to my final comment- Agenda Item 4.

I tried to understand how I could prepare a comment for this item since there is no report or attachments in the agenda regarding this.

I request that you have the report presented first and then allow the public to comment on it as would be the logical order of things. We cannot comment on that which we have no information.

I know I have seen the City Council require the public to comment prior to presentation and council discussion in what seems to be an effort to avoid controversy.

We need to trust the process here and being informed prior to speaking is key to this trust.

I commend the Commission and especially the Chair on running very good meetings that are respectful of the public speakers! It really has been a breath of fresh air!

Thank you!!

Sincerely,

Glennis Dolce  
District 7

**From:** BOB JOY [mailto:bob.joy@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2021 10:55 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Cc:** Bradley Bounds <Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov>; JT Nagayama <Jonathan.Nagayama@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Census Block Discrepancy

**-EXTERNAL-**

Commissioners,  
Please find below the presentation I will make at tonights public forum in public comment on agenda item 4.

Thank you,

Bob Joy

## **09/22/21 Redistricting Forum**

My name is Bob Joy and I live in the 8th district. I'm here to bring to your attention the fact that the new DistrictR mapping tool contains census blocks that do not exist in Maptitude. Specifically three new blocks within the airport property and adjacent to Council District 7. On the top of the handout page is a screen dump from Maptitude showing, in red, the only two airport census blocks adjacent to District 7. They are surrounded by the single large airport census block.

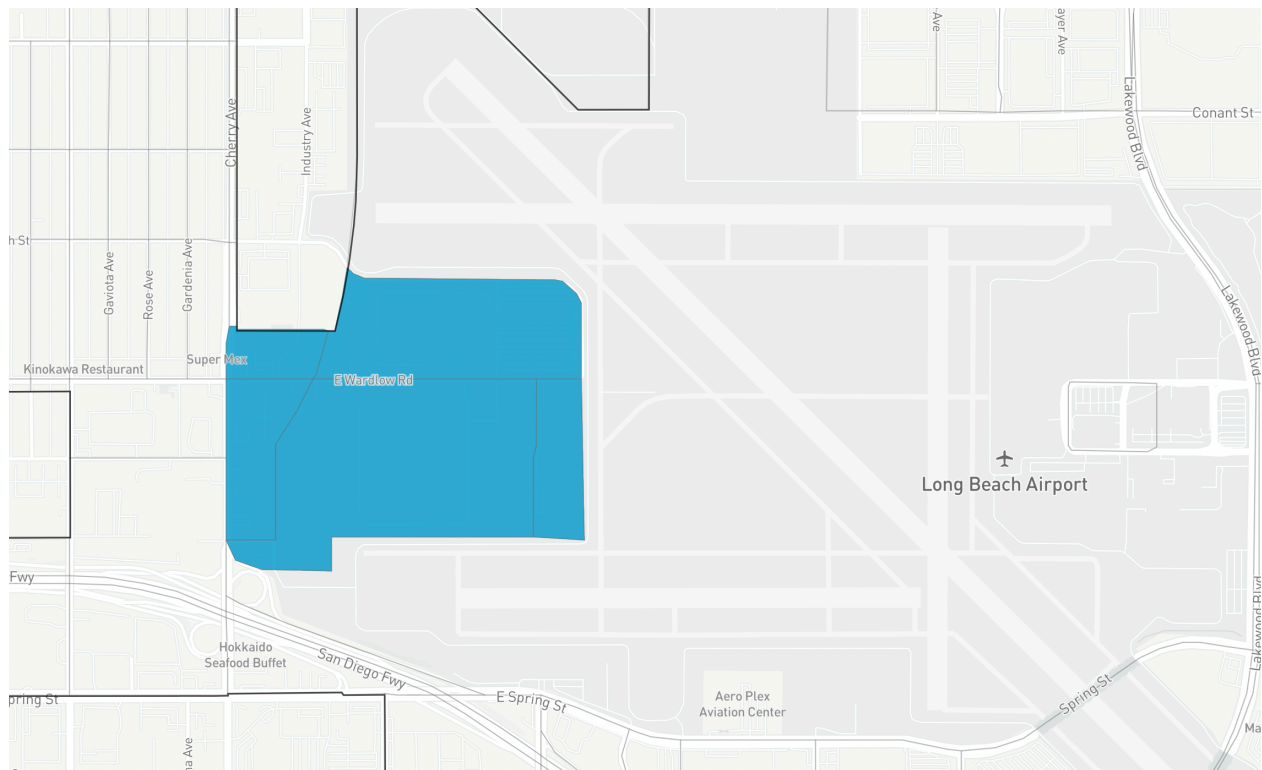
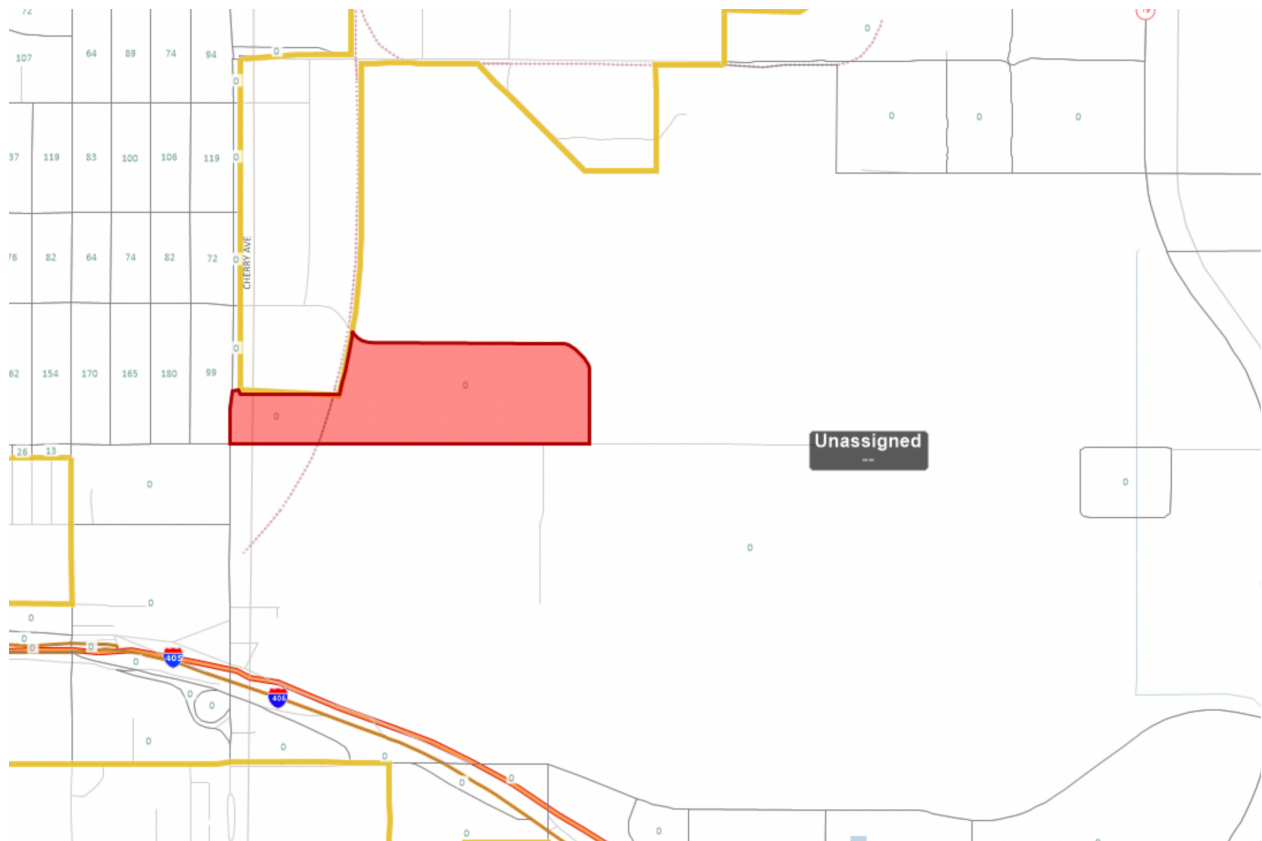
On the bottom of the handout page is a screen dump from DistrictR showing exactly the same area. As you can see new census blocks, in blue, have been added to the original two. These new blocks have been carved out of the single large airport census block, dividing that block.

This is in direct contradiction to what we have been told

repeatedly by Redistricting Partners in these forums that census blocks cannot be divided.

If these new census blocks are part of the 2020 census data then we are happy that the Globemaster Business Park, which they contain, can now be added to District 7 using available census blocks. But if the new blocks are not part of the 2020 census data then we need guidance, preferably during this meeting, on which mapping tool is correct and an explanation of why unoccupied census blocks cannot be divided since this example clearly proves that they can.

Those of us who are submitting COI definitions and/or suggested alterations to Council District boundaries need an immediate resolution to this discrepancy. We respectfully request that this issue and this example be addressed by the Commission or their staff during your comment period at the end of this meeting.



**From:** juan ovalle [mailto:jeovallec@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2021 11:49 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Cc:** Bradley Bounds <Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Maptitude Software is not working!

**-EXTERNAL-**

Mr. Bounds and Commissioners,

Thank you for your response. It seems that the issue I had encountered has been resolved. In the previous email you also stated that the neighborhood boundaries will be included in the DistrictR tool, will this also include the numerous smaller neighborhoods within the Bixby Knolls area, for example: Bixby Highlands, Bixby Terrace and others? Also, will existing councilmanic districts be included? Since you are migrating neighborhoods to the DistrictR tool, does this mean we, including the Redistricting Commissioners will now rely on the DistrictR tool rather than the Maptitude program to draw COI or District Map Boundaries? Another area that I have noticed is that census blocks seem to be much easier to work with in the DistrictR application, an issue that also needs to be addressed and clarified.

In addition, this evening's agenda item No. 4 is not available for public review prior to the meeting. Please advise and if it will not be made available before the meeting, please discuss prior to the public comment period.

<a href="#">21-112RC</a>	1 4. 092221-RC-Redistricting	RC-Agenda	Recommendation to receive and file a report on
	Criteria Report	Item	redistricting criteria relating to census blocks.

Sincerely,

Juan E. Ovalle

On Mon, Sep 20, 2021 at 6:20 PM Bradley Bounds <[Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov](mailto:Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov)> wrote:

Hello Juan,

Thank you for your patience. I have forwarded the errors over to the tech team. Is there a more detailed description that you can provide regarding the error? Our team has tested the system, and it is operating normally. Regarding the neighborhood boundaries, we are adding them in to DistrictR no later than the end of this week. Regarding the census boundaries, we intend to update the tool once we have finished processing the census data released from the Statewide Database.



**From:** juan ovalle <[jeovallec@gmail.com](mailto:jeovallec@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 20, 2021 5:49 PM  
**To:** Bradley Bounds <[Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov](mailto:Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov)>  
**Cc:** Redistricting <[Redistricting@longbeach.gov](mailto:Redistricting@longbeach.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Maptitude Software is not working!

**-EXTERNAL-**

Attached, please find screenshot of the latest err message.

Best,

Juan

On Mon, Sep 20, 2021 at 5:47 PM juan ovalle <[jeovallec@gmail.com](mailto:jeovallec@gmail.com)> wrote:

Greetings again Bradley and Redistricting Commissioners,

It's past 5:30 and the Maptitude software is not working properly. Can you provide me with status and could you respond to my previous emailed questions? In addition, since it seems that the DistrictR.org software is working much better than the City version of Maptitude, could the neighborhood boundaries be included in DistrictR?

Thank you,

Juan E. Ovalle

On Mon, Sep 20, 2021 at 1:30 PM juan ovalle <[jeovallec@gmail.com](mailto:jeovallec@gmail.com)> wrote:

Good afternoon Mr. Bounds,

Redistricting Commissioners

Glad to see maptitude is up and somewhat running. However, it is still not responding properly, the attached screenshot is of another err message. Also, when will the latest census and tract data be uploaded?

Thank you,

Juan E. Ovalle

On Sat, Sep 18, 2021 at 10:41 PM Jeovallec <[jeovallec@gmail.com](mailto:jeovallec@gmail.com)> wrote:

Bradley,

Actually I have been using that application. How much did DistrictR cost LB taxpayers?

Juan E Ovalle

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 18, 2021, at 8:49 PM, Bradley Bounds <[Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov](mailto:Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov)> wrote:

Hello Juan,

I'll send this over to my tech team. In the meantime, we have an alternative mapping tool that is easier to use on our website called DistrictR. Please feel free to check that one out. You can get to it on the mapping tool page but I have linked the tool directly below.

[https://districtr.org/event/Long\\_Beach](https://districtr.org/event/Long_Beach)

DistrictR User Guide: <https://districtr.org/guide>

Bradley Bounds II

Redistricting Program Specialist

Office of the City Manager

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Office: 562-570-6787

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**From:** juan ovalle <[jeovallec@gmail.com](mailto:jeovallec@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 18, 2021 8:35:15 PM  
**To:** Bradley Bounds <[Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov](mailto:Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov)>  
**Subject:** Maptitude Software is not working!

**-EXTERNAL-**

September 18th, 2021

Mr. Bradley Bounds

Redistricting Commission

Since Friday afternoon, I noticed problems opening up maps on the Maptitude application. Again today Saturday, I tried in the morning and evening and I received the same err message, see attachment. This is unacceptable, especially for those of us that work and are attempting to find some time in the weekend to work on redistricting maps.

Please have this issue reviewed and corrected immediately.

Juan E. Ovalle

**From:** corlisslee@aol.com [mailto:corlisslee@aol.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2021 12:02 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>; Bradley Bounds <Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov>; JT Nagayama <Jonathan.Nagayama@longbeach.gov>

**Cc:** bob.joy@verizon.net; glennisd@mac.com; hoorae1@aol.com; jeovallec@gmail.com; laurasellmer@gmail.com; lmiller853@aol.com; mello.joe@gmail.com

**Subject:** presentation for tonights meeting - district 5

**-EXTERNAL-**

I would like to present this powerpoint file tonight at the redistricting meeting.

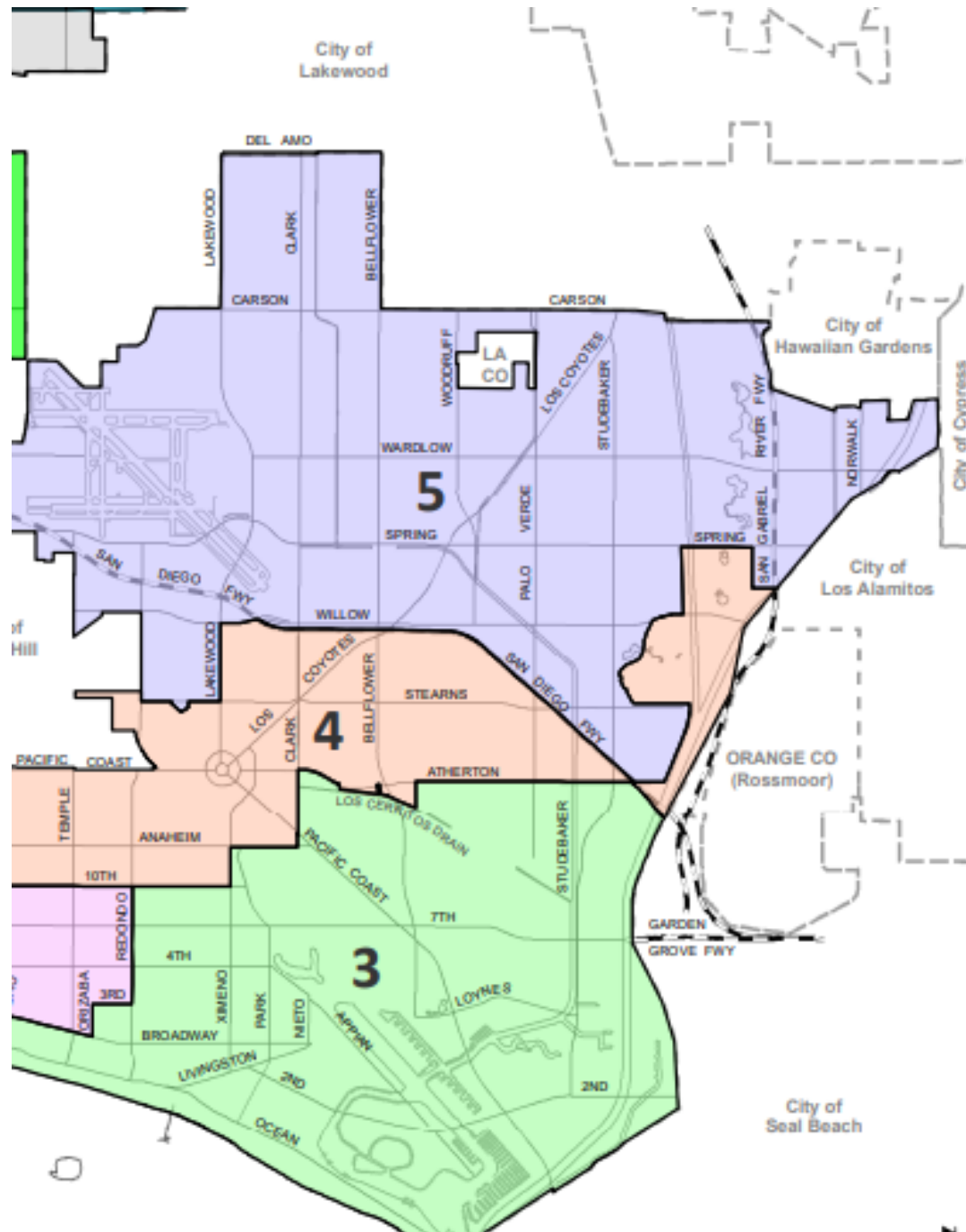
# District 5

## Member - Airport Adjacent Neighborhoods COI

Map by Corliss Lee  
September 22 2021

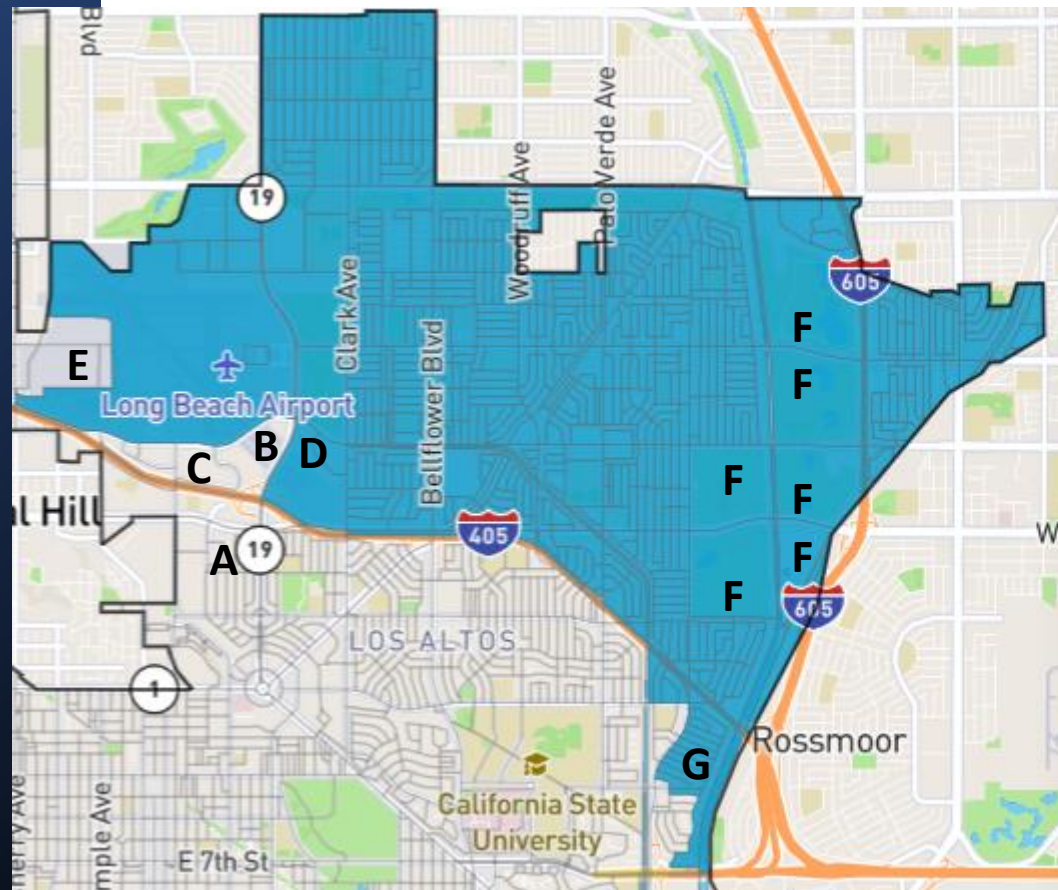


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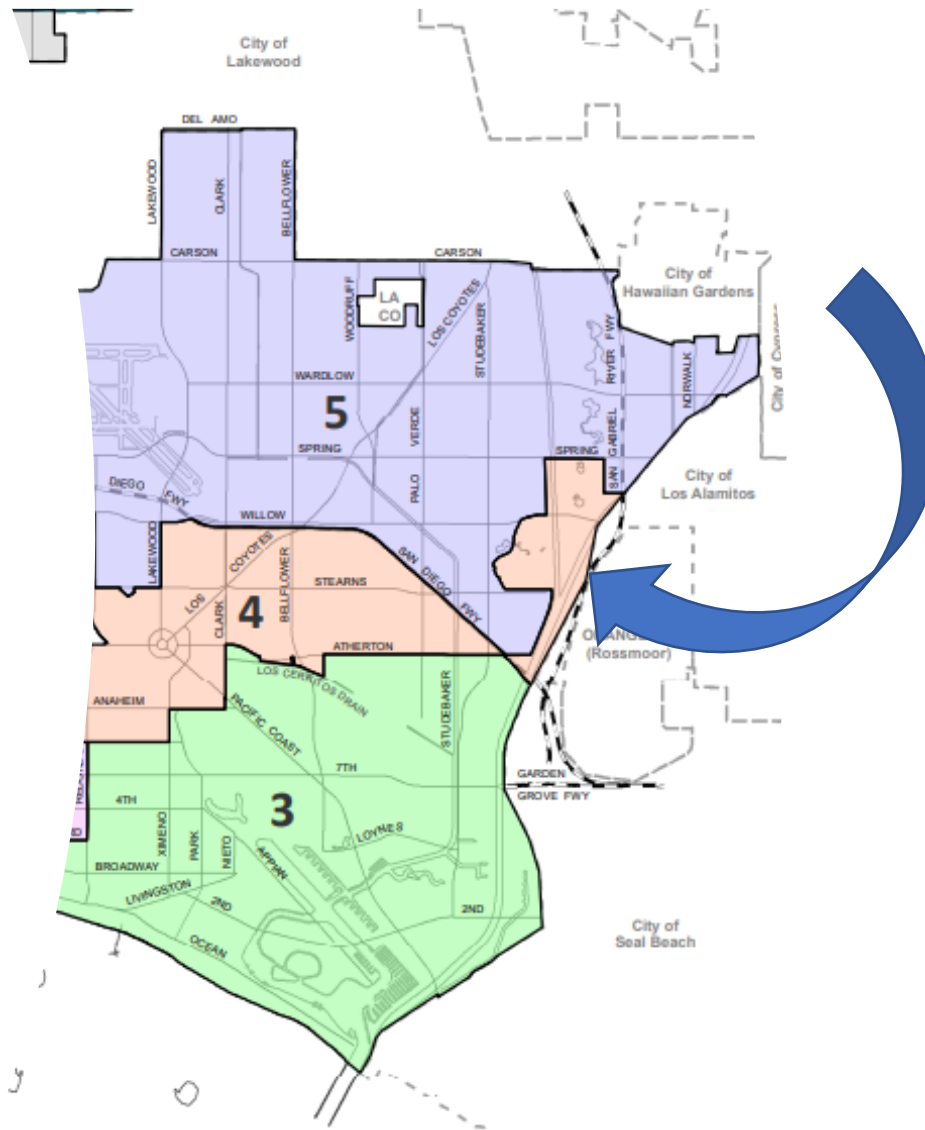
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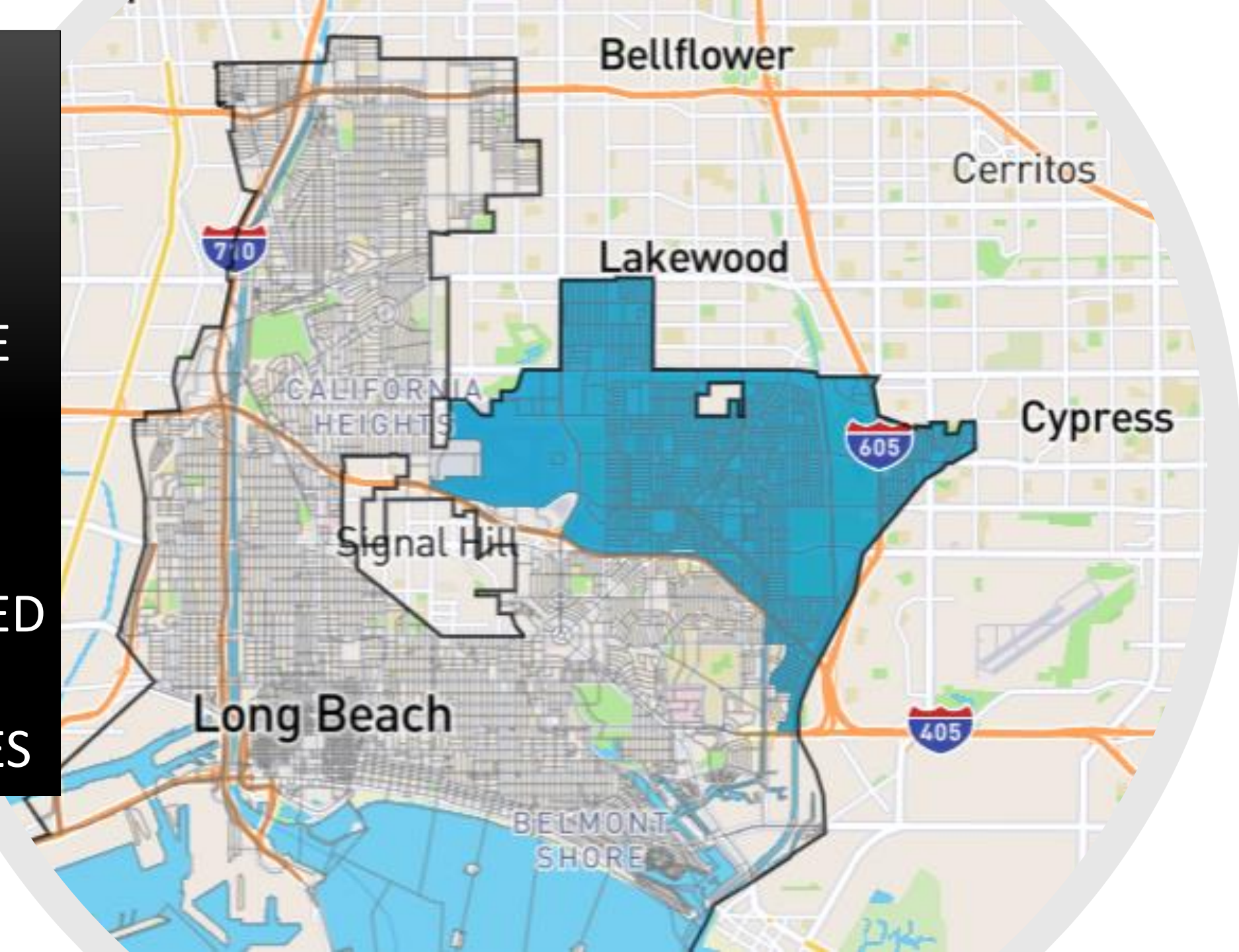
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council borders through census  
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THE  
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**From:** joe mello [mailto:mello.joe@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2021 12:36 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Cc:** JT Nagayama <Jonathan.Nagayama@longbeach.gov>; Bradley Bounds <Bradley.Bounds@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Redistricting Agenda Item 4

**-EXTERNAL-**

Commissioners,

For transparency and to give the community a voice, it is very important that citizens are allowed to comment on the Census Block report AFTER it has been made public. We cannot comment on an agenda Item BEFORE the report has not been made public. Please allow public comments on Agenda Item 4 after the report has been made.

As of this email at 12:30 pm this is the only information under Item 4 is in the screenshot below

Regards.  
Joe Mello

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the 'City of Long Beach' website. The page title is 'Legislation Details (With Text) - 21-112RC'. The page content includes the City of Long Beach logo and seal, the address '411 West Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, CA 90802', and the following information:

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**On agenda:** 9/22/2021 **Final action:**  
**Title:** Recommendation to receive and file a report on redistricting criteria relating to census blocks.  
**Sponsors:**  
**Indexes:**  
**Code sections:**  
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Approve recommendation.				

The screenshot also shows a Windows taskbar at the bottom with various application icons and a system tray displaying the date and time as 12:33 PM on 9/22/2021.



**From:** Rae Gabelich [mailto:longbeachneighborhoodsfirst@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2021 2:43 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@longbeach.gov>  
**Subject:** Questions from last week

**-EXTERNAL-**

Staff and Commissioners -

#1 - Will your map drawing process be done in public view or closed sessions?

#2 - Will your debates be available to the public?

Please respond to [hoorae1@aol.com](mailto:hoorae1@aol.com)

Thanks for your help in understanding this process.....

Rae Gabelich

Partial Transcript September 9, 2021

Long Beach Citizens Redistricting Commission -Map presentation section.

**(Bold type added to highlight those passages)**

**TIMESTAMP 27:05** Vice-Chair Sharron Diggs-Jackson introduces mapping section comments

***"In regards to the Community of Interest maps, you are still able to submit maps and there will be a variety of ways which to submit these maps. And Paul will talk about that and we'll talk about that more as we move through the meeting. But we are going to have a map tool training from Redistricting Partners so they can show us, how you can show us, your Community of Interest"***

**TIMESTAMP 27:25** Paul Mitchell –Redistricting Partners

***"Thank you very much. Paul Mitchell again with Redistricting Partners and I am going to walk you through two mapping softwares tonight. I can't see under the maps, but I presume I see some smiles.***

*The first mapping software is one we've presented several times as a training video on the website, so I might make a more cursory overview of this mapping tool then get a little bit more into a new mapping tool that we also going to have available.*

***Maptitude Online for Redistricting is a program used throughout the country, one of those prominent mapping tools that is available for public engagement"***

*It is really intended primarily as a used tool for drawing districts, but you can also use it to draw communities of interests."*

**TIMESTAMP 28:25 to 33:10** Paul Mitchell gives information on the Maptitude tool (not included in transcripts).

**TIMESTAMP 33:10** Paul Mitchell continues about Maptitude comments

***"And there, you can also submit the plan. When you submit the plan, that plan becomes a public document and it will be converted for the Commissioners into a PDF. It will be one of the items they consider when they go into the draft map hearings is all the public submission. So, submitting a plan with this button is the way to make sure that plan is going to get a kind of full airing."***

LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE  
ARTICLE XXV. - COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS AND REDISTRICTING

**Sec. 2506. - REDISTRICTING REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIA.**

Requirements

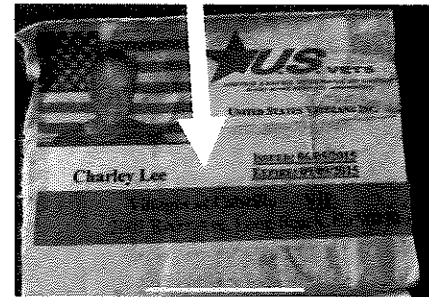
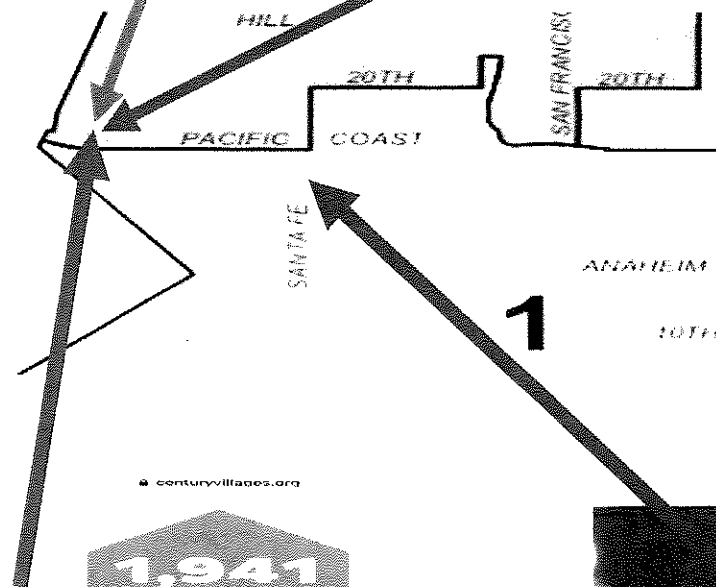
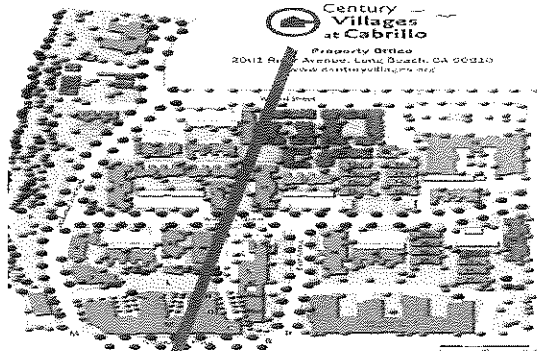
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  - (2) The final map complies with the U.S. Constitution; the Federal Voting Rights Act, the California Constitution; and any other requirement of federal or state law applicable to charter cities; and
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Criteria in order of Priority

- (b) In addition to following the requirements of subsection (a), the Commission shall consider the following criteria when drawing the final map, in order of priority:
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  - (4) Geography and topography: Districts should respect major topographic and geographic features of the City;
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  - (6) Districts should be geographically compact such that nearby areas of population are not bypassed for more distant population;
  - (7) All lines must correspond to census blocks in order to preserve the validity of data and avoid arbitrary boundaries; and
  - (8) Other Commission may adopt other criteria that do not conflict with the other requirements and criteria listed in this section or with state or federal law.

# DISTRICT ONE

## CAMPUS MAP



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Resources for residents



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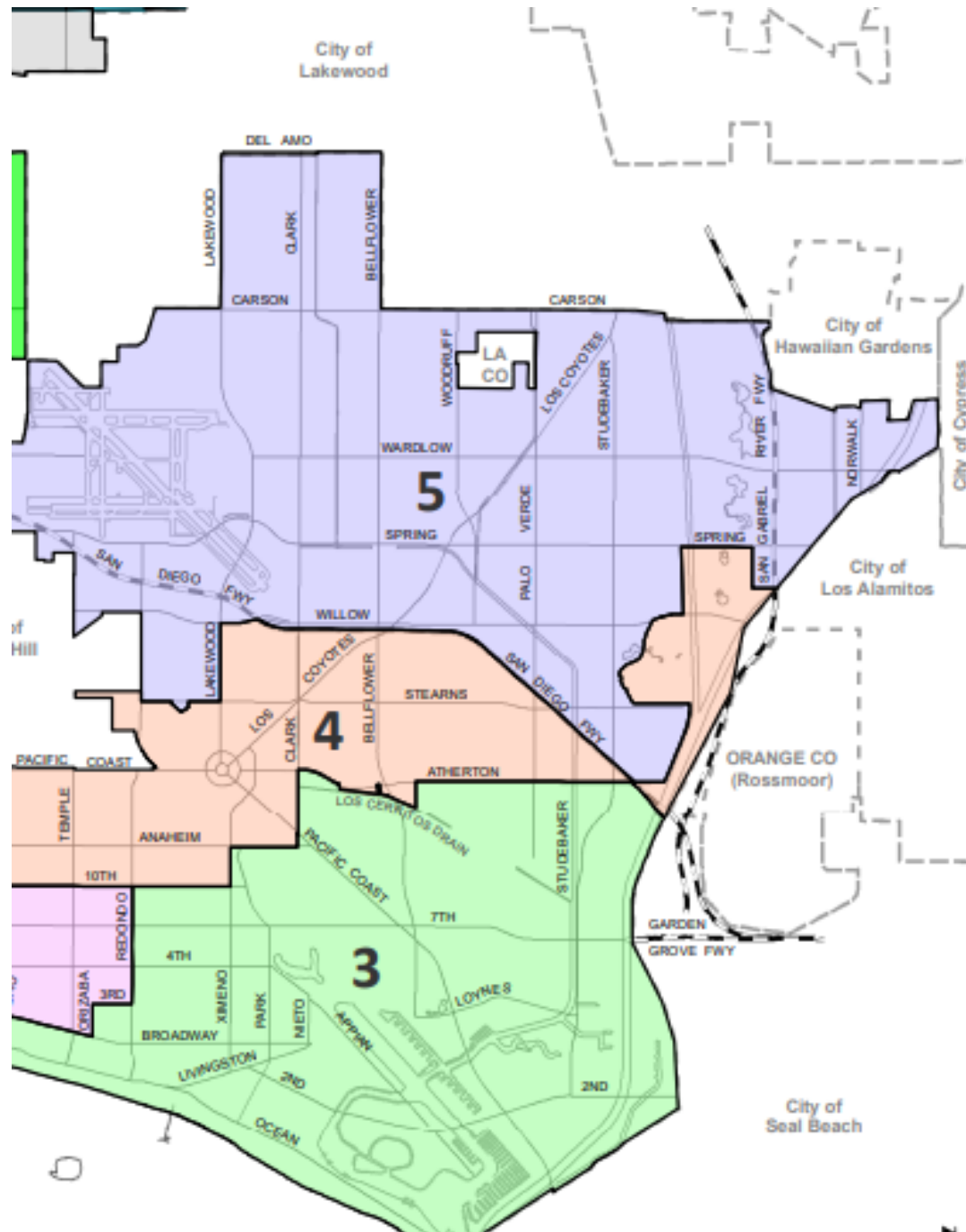
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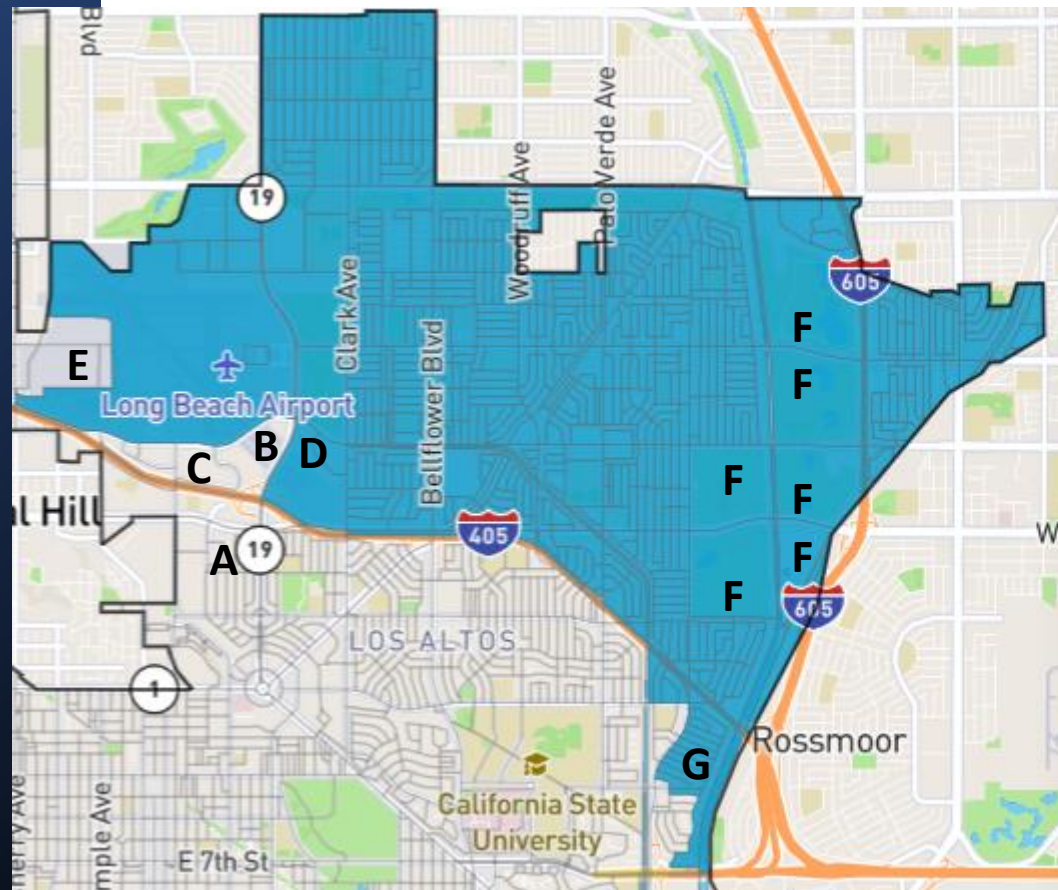


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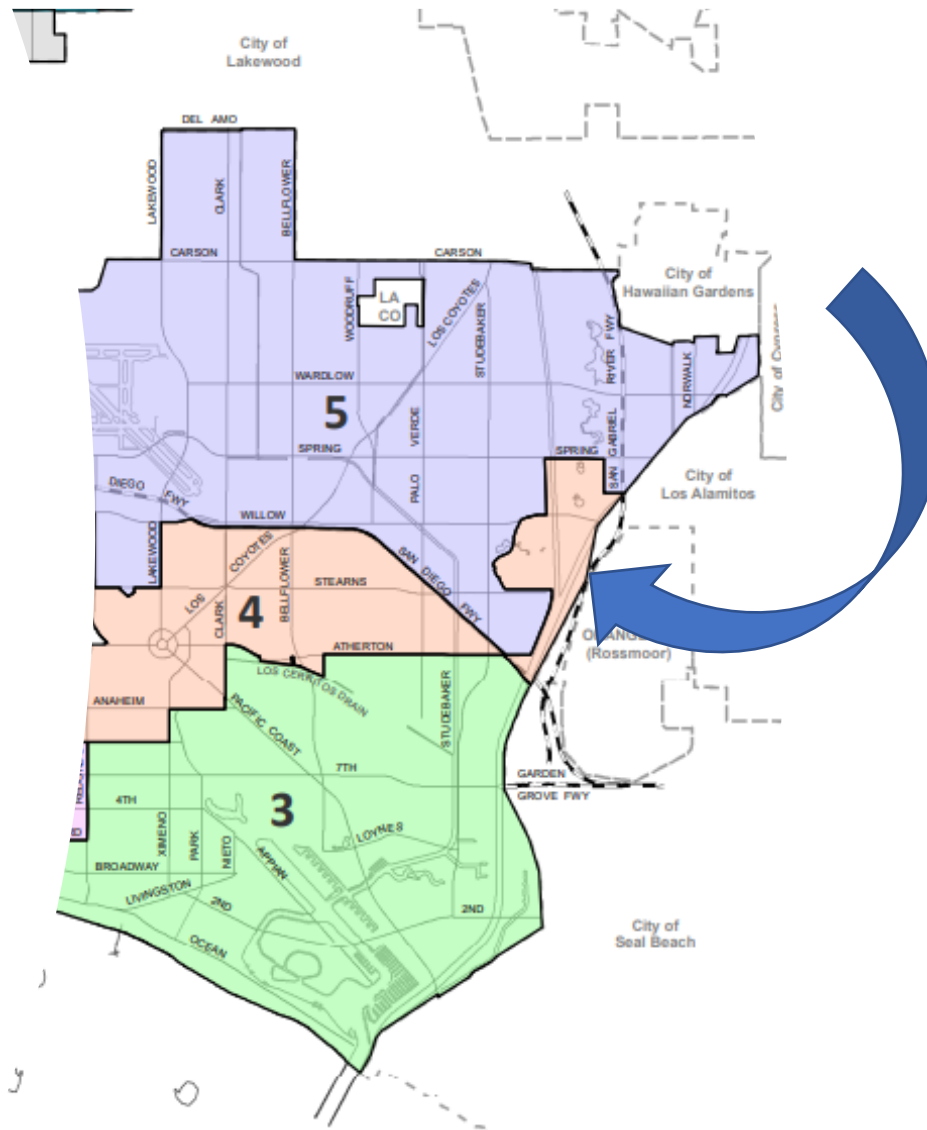
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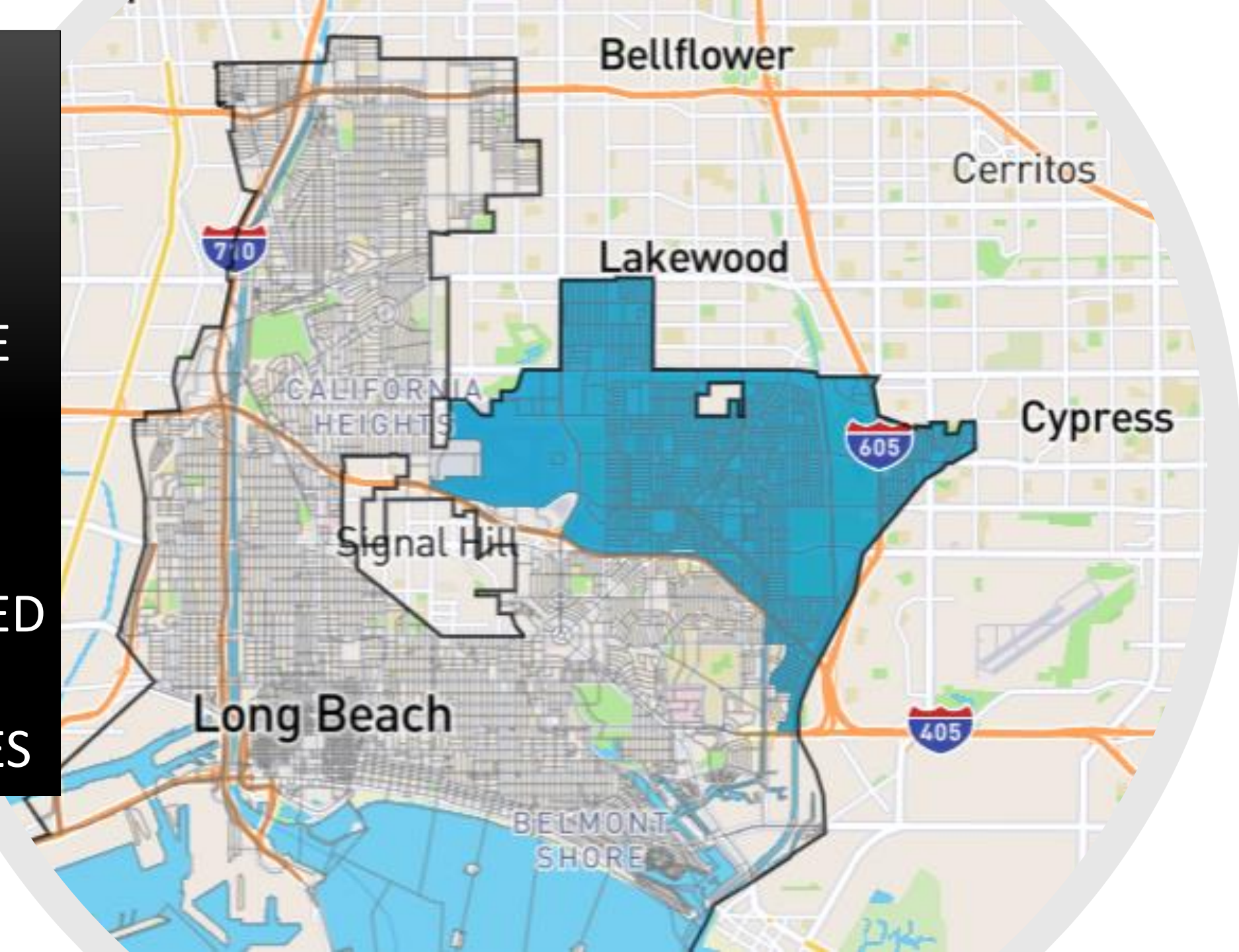
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## eComments Report for Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission Meeting Agenda of September 22, 2021

Item	Name	E-mail	Address	Comment	Received
1. (21-110RC) Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission Special Meeting on Wednesday, September 8, 2021.	Laura Sellmer	laurasellmer@gmail.com		Agenda Item 3, during the Sept 8 meeting, the PowerPoint on page 9, had inaccurate and misleading information. The slide was presented by Mr Mitchell of Redistricting Partners. The City Charter is very clear, in Section 2506, that the Commission has three (3) requirements and eight (8) prioritized criteria to use when drawing district boundaries. It is essential for the Commission to understand the difference between the 'requirements' and 'criteria.' Mr. Mitchell did not distinguish between them. In Section 2502 of the City Charter makes a clear provision in its instruction: "Commission shall explain the rationale for the Council district boundaries, including, at a minimum, an explanation of how the final map complies with the redistricting requirements and criteria in Section 2506 of this Charter and a reasonable justification for any Council district boundary that does not comply with any redistricting criterion." It is my hope the Commission will follow the Charter.	9/20/2021
3. (21-107RC) Recommendation to receive and file a report on the Draft Plan Selection to Final Adoption Schedule.	Corliss Lee	corlisslee@aol.com		There are 2 attachments that appear to be identical	9/21/2021
4. (21-112RC) Recommendation to receive and file a report on redistricting criteria relating to census blocks.	Laura Sellmer	laurasellmer@gmail.com		I respectfully request the Commission to ensure public comments is scheduled after the "report" is given to the Commission. This report has not been made available to the community, in any language, for any review prior to the time Agenda Item 4 is heard.  Census Blocks area very important to the public. For months now, at every Commission meeting, Redistricting Partners has been misleading you, and the community using Maptitude, about Census Blocks. Mr. Mitchell has been telling the Commission that you cannot draw boundaries that do not conform to census blocks. This is patently false and misleading. In Section 2502, the City Charter provides the Commission with the ability to draw boundaries that do not follow the criteria in Section 2506 such as Census Blocks. The Charter is clear that you include a reasonable justification for not conforming to a criteria in Section 2506. Redistricting Partners has failed to tell you about this provisionin the Charter.	9/22/2021
4. (21-112RC) Recommendation to receive and file a report on redistricting criteria relating to census blocks.	Corliss Lee	corlisslee@aol.com		There is no staff report or attachment available with this agenda item. Please post the presentation asap so attendees have a chance to study the information before commenting. If you cannot do that, the public should be allowed to hear the presentation before being called on to comment on this line item.	9/21/2021