



**INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**Wednesday, December 1, 2021  
6:00 PM**

**Commission Members:**

DISTRICT 1 – TERRY NICOL  
DISTRICT 2 – JESSE SUSSELL  
DISTRICT 3 – LISA M. TRAN  
DISTRICT 4 – CURTIS W. HANSON  
AT-LARGE – DELORES COOPER  
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DISTRICT 8 – ANDREW FOX  
AT-LARGE – LUPE GALLEGOS-DIAZ  
AT-LARGE – RONALD K. CHOY

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# AGENDA

## Roll Call

## Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters

## Minutes for Approval

*Draft minutes for the Commission's consideration and approval.*

### 1. Minutes - November 17, 2021

## Commission Action Items

*The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for action as the item is taken up.*

2. **Appointment of At-Large Alternate Commissioner**  
**From: Independent Redistricting Commission**  
Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900
3. **Review of Community of Interest (COI) Form Submissions**  
**From: Independent Redistricting Commission**  
**Recommendation:** Review the information provided by the Map and Community of Interest Review Subcommittee and determine if there are changes needed to the COI classification and analysis.  
Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900
4. **Review of Map Submissions**  
**From: Independent Redistricting Commission**  
**Recommendation:** Review the proposed map review and development process, make any needed changes, and take action to adopt.  
Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900

## Subcommittee Reports

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### 5. Verbal Report from Map and Community of Interest Review Subcommittee

## Items for Future Agendas and Meeting Calendar

- Discussion of items to be added to the next scheduled meeting calendar
- Discussion and possible modifications to the meeting calendar

## Adjournment

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

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## **Item #4: Review of Community of Interest Form Submissions**

23. Josh Buswell-Charkow

## **Opinions on redistricting**

24. Cai



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**Roll Call:** 6:02 p.m.

**Present:** Alejos, Cho, Choy, Cooper, Fox, Gallegos-Diaz, Hanson, Rhodes, Smith, Sussell, Tran, Watson

**Absent:** Nicol

Commissioner Nicol present at 6:06 p.m.

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters** – 0 speakers

## Minutes for Approval

*Draft minutes for the Commission's consideration and approval.*

### 1. Minutes - November 3, 2021

**Action:** M/S/C (Rhodes/Gallegos-Diaz) to approve the minutes of 11/3/2021.

**Vote:** Ayes - Alejos, Cho, Choy, Cooper, Fox, Gallegos-Diaz, Hanson, Rhodes, Sussell, Tran, Watson; Noes – None; Abstain – Smith; Absent – Nicol.

## Commission Action Items

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### 2. Review of Community of Interest Form Submissions

**From: Independent Redistricting Commission**

Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900

**Action:** 2 speakers. Discussion of the process for reviewing the Community of Interest forms and the work of the Map and Community of Interest Review Subcommittee to provide the Commission with a completed matrix for review.

### 3. Review of Map Submissions

**From: Independent Redistricting Commission**

Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900

**Action:** 4 speakers. Discussion of the proposed process for reviewing the maps submitted by the November 15 deadline and the role of public maps and the Commission's responsibility for drawing the final map.

## Commission Action Items

4. **Establishing a Regular Meeting Schedule for January, February, and March 2022**

**From: Independent Redistricting Commission**

Contact: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6900

**Action:** 0 speakers. M/S/C (Gallegos-Diaz/Hanson) to adopt the meeting schedule for January – March 2022 as proposed in the memo with the change of March 14 to March 16.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

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5. **Verbal Report from Map and Community of Interest Review Subcommittee**

- Completed under Item 2 and Item 3

6. **Verbal Report from Community Outreach Subcommittee**

- Removed as a standing item

## Information Reports

### Items for Future Agendas and Meeting Calendar

- **Discussion of items to be added to the next scheduled meeting calendar**
  - Items 2 and 3 carried over with recommendation to allow action
  - Add appointment of 5<sup>th</sup> at-large alternate
- **Discussion and possible modifications to the meeting calendar**
  - None

## Adjournment

**Action:** M/S/C (Fox/Rhodes) to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Independent Redistricting Commission meeting held on November 17, 2021.

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Mark Numainville  
City Clerk

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### **Bias in Favor of Cal Students**

1. Clifford Fred

### **Item #2: Review of Community of Interest Form Submissions**

2. Barbara Ann Yoder





Independent Redistricting Commission

Date: December 1, 2021  
To: Independent Redistricting Commission  
From: Mark Numainville, City Clerk  
Subject: Appointment of At-Large Alternate Commissioner

RECOMMENDATION

Review the information regarding ranking of applicants and nomination of candidates for one At-Large alternate commissioner, and appoint the fifth At-Large alternate for the Independent Redistricting Commission pursuant to Charter Section 9.5 and Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 2.10.

CURRENT SITUATION

On August 30, 2021, At-Large appointee Simelia Rogers resigned from the commission. The first At-Large Alternate, Cindy Rosenthal declined the permanent appointment. The vacant seat was filled by the second At-Large Alternate, Lupe Gallegos-Diaz. The commission must now select one At-Large alternate commissioner from the remaining pool of applicants to replace Ms. Gallegos-Diaz.

At the September 22, 2021 meeting, the Commission appointed Amitabho Chattopadhyay as the 5th Alternate. Amitabho declined the appointment in order to retain their current membership on another Berkeley Commission.

At the October 20, 2021, meeting the Commission appointed Vetri Velan as the 5<sup>th</sup> At-Large Alternate. Vetri declined the appointment due to time constraints.

At the November 3, 2021, meeting the Commission appointed Flynn Walsh as the 5<sup>th</sup> At-Large Alternate. Flynn declined the appointment due to time constraints.

Staff recommends that the newly appointed At-Large Alternate serve as the 5<sup>th</sup> Alternate rather than conducting a new random draw for the order of service.

BACKGROUND

The Independent Redistricting Commission met January 20, 2021 to begin the at-large selection process. Five At-Large commissioners were selected to increase diversity and representation on the commission. The Commission then selected five At-Large Alternates and ranked the order in which they would serve using a random draw method.

Appointment of At-Large Alternate

The tables below show the applicants previously under consideration for At-Large positions. The Commission may use this information for filling the open Alternate seat or may select any eligible applicant in the pool.

Table 1 shows the ranking scores for the non-white, non-male applicants previously submitted to the commission. They grayed out applicants are not eligible for appointment as an At-Large alternate for the reasons noted in the table. Currently, there are not any non-white, non-male applicants eligible for appointment.

Table 1. Rankings of non-white, non-male applicants.

Applicant	Score	Ranking
Adena Mieko Ishii*	26	1
Brenda Joyce Clark*	28	2
Delores Cooper**	31	3
Carly Michele Alejos**	31	3
Simelia Rogers**	45	5
M Guadalupe Gallegos-Diaz**	49	6
Sarah Lorraine Price***	49	6
Amitabho Chattopadhyay*	51	8
Rana Cho****	51	8
*Withdrawn from consideration.		
**Appointed as At-Large member		
***Appointed as At-Large Alternate		
****Appointed as D7 Commissioner		

Additionally, during the ranking process, commissioners could provide an unlimited number of write-in nominations for appointment from the full pool of eligible applicants. Write-in names are listed in Table 2 below, with the total number of times they were nominated.

Table 2. Write-in applicants.

Applicant	# of Nominations	Applicant	# of Nominations
Smith, Sherry*	3	Landau, Nathan	1
Andres-Beck, Bethany**	2	Lewis, Matthew Ryan	1
Choy, Ronald*	2	Miller, Julia	1
Rosenthal, Cindy**	2	Naze, Nathan	1
Velan, Vetri***	2	Shore, Erika	1
Cohen, Steven	1	Walsh, Flynn Louis***	1
Dewey, Frances Dede	1	Weissglass, Jonathan	1
Drager, Sharon	1	Weissman, Steven****	1
Garrison, Lara	1	Yung, Brandon**	1
*Appointed as At-Large Commissioner			
**Appointed as At-Large Alternate			
***Declined appointment			
****Alternate District 7 Commissioner			

*Demographics of Appointed Members*

The at-large appointments made on February 10 made significant progress in better achieving community representation. Demographic data for current commissioners is listed in Table 3 below. This information may be referenced to identify additional areas of representation that may be provided by the single At-Large alternate appointment.

Table 3. Commissioner demographics.

Name	Type	Race	Gender	Age	District
Carly Alejos	At-Large	HISPANIC	Female	18-25	4
Delores Cooper	At-Large	BLACK	Female	66+	1
Lupe Gallegos-Diaz	At-Large	HISPANIC	Female	56-65	2
Sherry Smith	At-Large	WHITE	Female	66+	6
Ronald Choy	At-Large	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER	Male	66+	8
Terry Nicol	District 1	WHITE	Male	36-45	1
Jesse Sussell	District 2	WHITE	Male	46-55	2
Lisa M. Tran	District 3	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER	Female	26-35	3
Curtis Hanson	District 4	WHITE	Male	36-45	4
Winston Rhodes	District 5	WHITE	Male	46-55	5
Elisabeth Watson	District 6	WHITE	Female	56-65	6
Rana Cho	District 7	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER	Female	46-65	7
Andrew Fox	District 8	WHITE	Male	26-35	8

To assist with the analysis of the geographic diversity of applicants and appointees, two maps are included with this report in Attachments 3 and 4.

**CONTACT PERSON**

Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900

**Attachments:**

- 1: Demographic and Ranking Worksheet
- 2: Demographic Summary Data
- 3: Applicant Map with Write-Ins
- 4: Applicant Map without Write-Ins

Label #	Name	Type	Ranking / Write-In	Race/Ethnicity	Gender	Age Range	District	City	State	ZIP Code	Student
78	Steven Toub	Alternate - District 1	N/A	WHITE	Male	36-45	1	Berkeley	CA	94702	No
77	Michael Streeter Lewis	Alternate - District 2	N/A	BLACK	Male	36-45	2	Berkeley	CA	94710	No
75	Narendra Dev	Alternate - District 3	N/A	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISL	Male	66+	3	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
79	Ian Schweickart	Alternate - District 4	N/A	WHITE	Male	26-35	4	Berkeley	CA	94709	No
80	Stephen W. Wood	Alternate - District 5	N/A	WHITE	Male	66+	5	Berkeley	CA	94706	No
76	Susan A. Murphy	Alternate - District 6	N/A	WHITE	Female		6	Berkeley	CA	94709	No
69	Steven Alan Weissman	Alternate - District 7	Write-in (1 nom)	WHITE	Male	66+	7	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
73	Karl Batten-Bowman	Alternate - District 8	N/A	WHITE	Male		8	Berkeley	CA	94705	No

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25	Delores Cooper	Commissioner - At-Large	N/A	BLACK	Female	66+	1	Berkeley	CA	94702	No
9	Carly Michele Alejos	Commissioner - At-Large	N/A	HISPANIC	Female	18-25	4	Berkeley	CA	94709	Yes
22	Ronald K. H. Choy	Commissioner - At-Large	Write-In (2 Nominations)	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISL	Male	66+	8	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
50	M Guadalupe Gallegos-Diaz	Commissioner - At-Large	Ranking 6	HISPANIC	Female	56-65	2	Berkeley	CA	94703	Yes
58	Sherry Smith	Commissioner - At-Large	N/A	WHITE	Female	66+	6	Berkeley	CA	94708	No
3	Terry Nicol	Commissioner - District 1	N/A	WHITE	Male	36-45	1	Berkeley	CA	94702	No
5	Jesse Aldous Sussell	Commissioner - District 2	N/A	WHITE	Male	46-55	2	Berkeley	CA	94702	No
7	Lisa M. Tran	Commissioner - District 3	N/A	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISL	Female	26-35	3	Berkeley	CA	94704	No
2	Curtis William Hanson	Commissioner - District 4	N/A	WHITE	Male	36-45	4	Berkeley	CA	94703	No
4	Winston David Rhodes	Commissioner - District 5	N/A	WHITE	Male	46-55	5	Berkeley	CA	94707	No
8	Elisabeth Watson	Commissioner - District 6	N/A	WHITE	Female	56-65	6	Berkeley	CA	94708	No
6	Rana Cho	Commissioner - District 7	Ranking 8	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISL	Female	46-55	7	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
1	Andrew Fox	Commissioner - District 8	N/A	WHITE	Male	26-35	8	Berkeley	CA	94705	No

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30	M-Guadalupe Gallegos-Diaz		Ranking-6	HISPANIC	Female	56-65	2	Berkeley	CA	94702	Yes
47	Sarah Lorraine Price		Ranking-6	OTHER / BI-RACIAL	Female	26-35	6	Berkeley	CA	94708	No
19	Amitabho Chattopadhyay		Ranking-8	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISL	Nonbinary	18-25	1	Berkeley	CA	94704	No
74	Rana Cho	Alternate - District 7	Ranking-8	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISL	Female	46-55	7	Berkeley	CA	94705	No

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10	Bethany Andres-Beck		Write-In (2 Nominations)	WHITE	Nonbinary	36-45	3	Berkeley	CA	94703	No
22	Ronald K. H. Choy		Write-In (2 Nominations)	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISL	Male	66+	8	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
51	Cindy Simon Rosenthal		Write-In (2 Nominations)	WHITE	Female	66+	6	Berkeley	CA	94708	No
64	Vetri Velan		Write-In (2 Nominations)	ASIAN / PACIFIC ISL	Male	26-35	1	Berkeley	CA	94709	Yes
24	Steven Cohen		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Male	66+	8	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
26	Frances-Dede Dewey		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Female	56-65	3	Berkeley	CA	94703	No
28	Sharon B. Drager		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Female	66+	8	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
31	Lara Gabriella Garrison		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Female	26-35	8	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
34	Nathan Landau		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Male	56-65	1	Berkeley	Ca	94702	No
35	Matthew Ryan Lewis		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Male	26-35	4	Berkeley	CA	94709	No
40	Julia Ariel Miller		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Female	36-45	5	Berkeley	CA	94707	No
42	Nathan Adam Naze		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Male	36-45	1	Berkeley	CA	94703	No
56	Erika Shore		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Female	66+	4	Berkeley	CA	94709	No
66	Flynn Louis Walsh		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Male	18-25	3	Berkeley	CA	94705	Yes
68	Jonathan Weissglass		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Male	46-55	8	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
69	Steven Alan Weissman		Write-In (1 Nomination)	WHITE	Male	66+	7	Berkeley	CA	94705	No
71	Brandon James Yung		Write-In (1 Nomination)	OTHER / BI-RACIAL	Male	18-25	1	Berkeley	CA	94703	Yes

Race/Ethnicity	#
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HISPANIC	2
ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER	3
BLACK	1

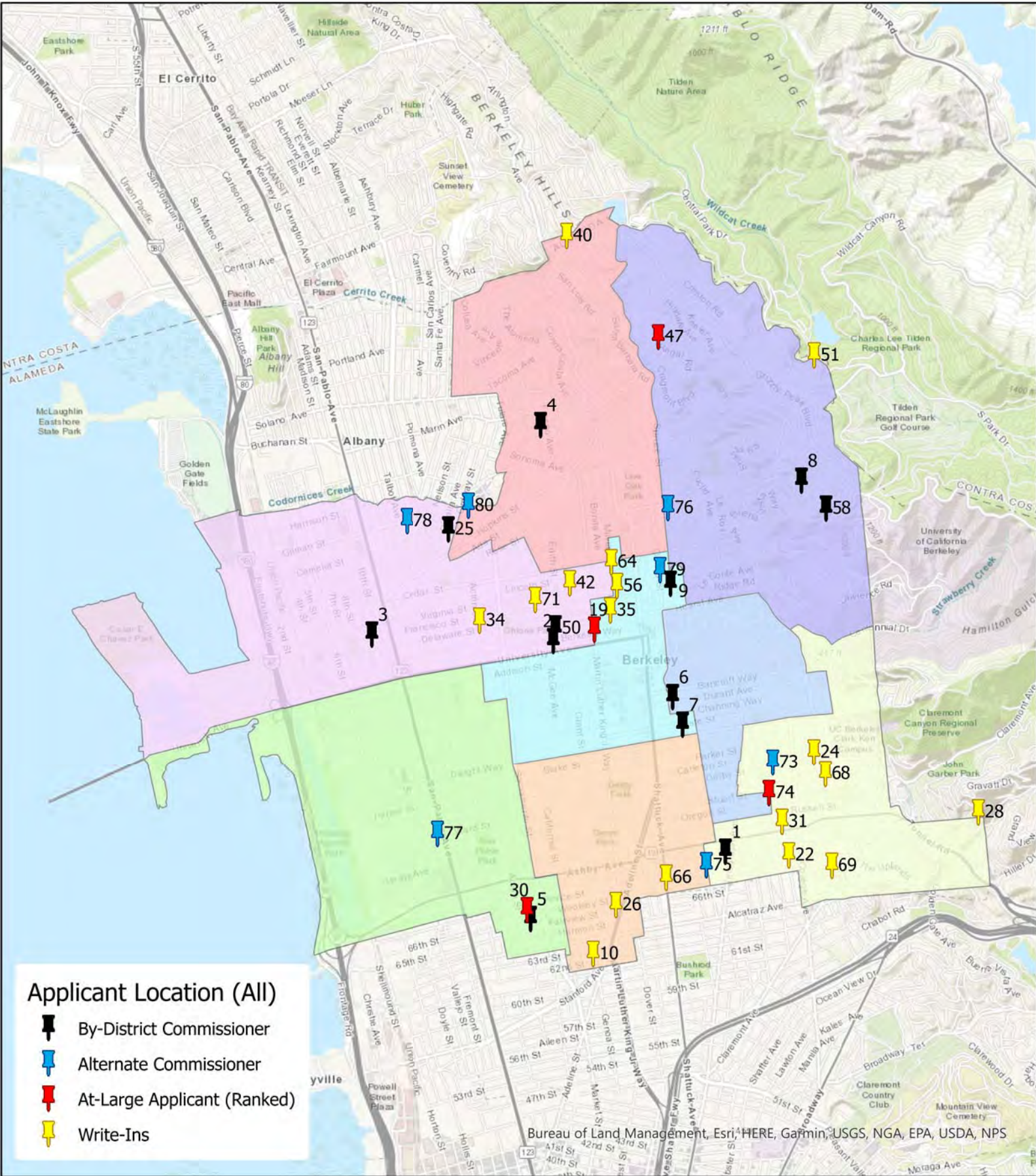
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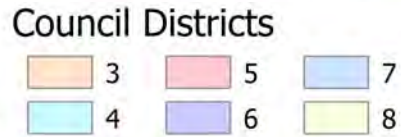
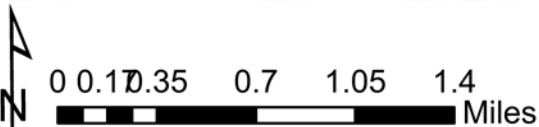
# Redistricting Commissioners/Applicants



### Applicant Location (All)

-  By-District Commissioner
-  Alternate Commissioner
-  At-Large Applicant (Ranked)
-  Write-Ins

Bureau of Land Management, Esri, HERE, Garmin, USGS, NGA, EPA, USDA, NPS

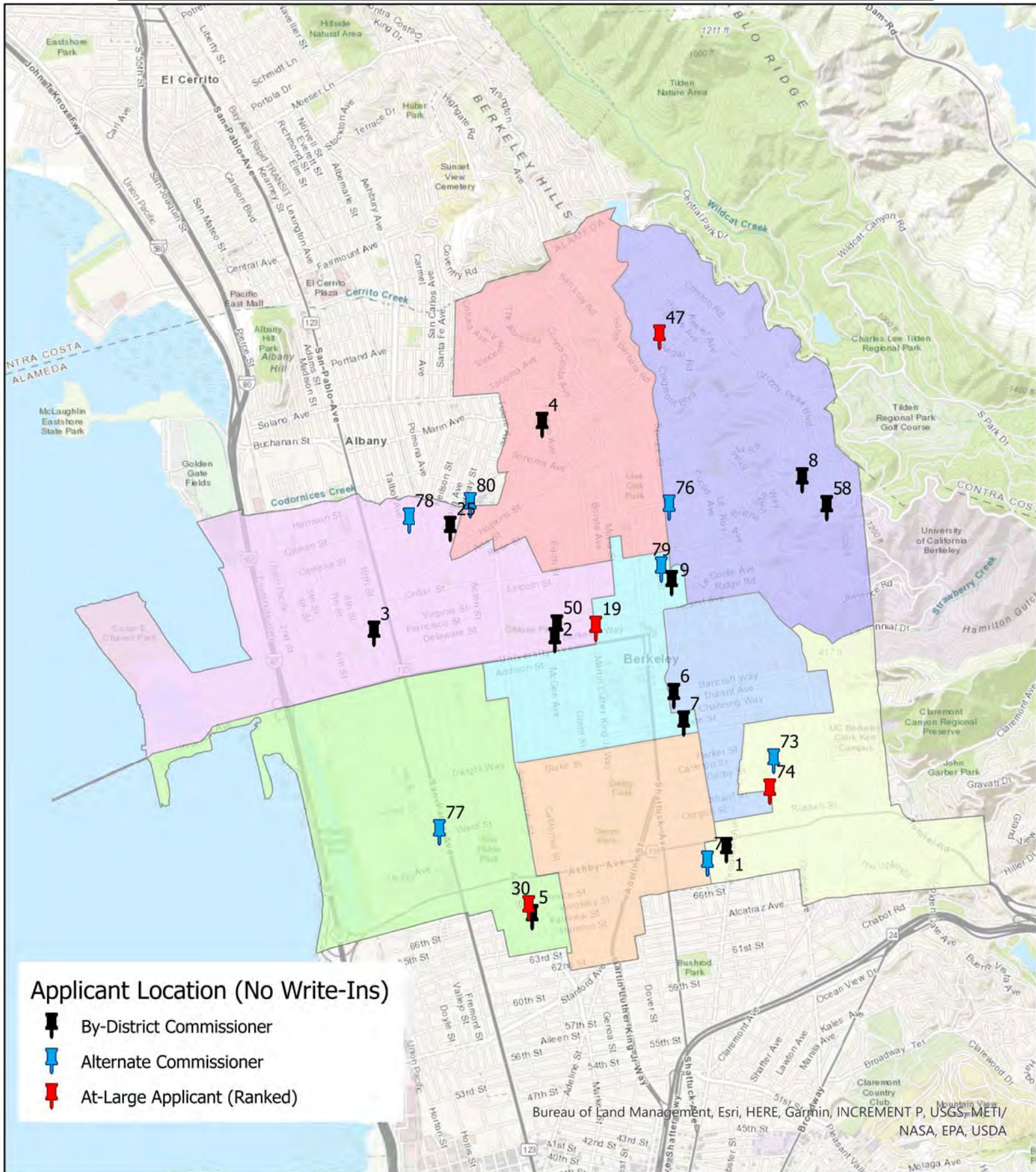




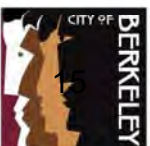
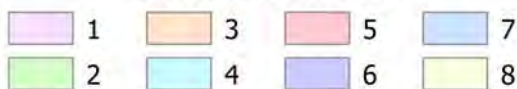
# Redistricting Commissioners/Applicants

w/o Write-Ins

Attachment 4



## Council Districts







To: Berkeley Independent Redistricting Commission  
From: Map and Community of Interest Review Subcommittee  
Date: November 23, 2021  
Re: COI Input Evaluation

The COI / Map subcommittee has reviewed each of the COI's that the IRC has received to date in detail. We created a matrix to summarize and capture each of the forms. We will continue to review public submissions of both the COI forms and the emails we receive that contain COI information.

The Berkeley citizenry raises a wide range of concerns in their submissions. Many relate to city services, neighborhood character, equity, diversity, and resource allocation across districts. We have captured themes raised in each submission in the matrix. The link between council district boundaries and city government services is not always direct, but we feel it's important to capture the concerns of Berkeleyans. As we receive additional input and discuss new district boundaries, our underlying awareness of the issues that affect us all may prove informative.

We have divided the COI forms into those that are mappable and those that are not. Some that are mappable define neighborhood boundaries rather than districts but provide insight into communities that want to stay together in a single district. It's these COI forms that we expect the commission to review and discuss in detail as they relate to specific actions that we may take.

Prior to the Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, and going forward, please read each of the COI forms and the emails the commission has received. As you read, please consider:

- Do you agree that the input is or is not mappable? If no, plan to raise your concerns at a full commission meeting.
- Identify any redistricting specific themes that we should consider. For example, there is some discussion about a single West Berkeley district.
- Do you see any issues that redistricting can potentially address? If so, please raise them at a full commission meeting.

Categorizing and internalizing the input we've received is challenging. Beyond that, we will have to determine how to weight and incorporate that input. The subcommittee has attempted to parse it so that we can discuss specific requests and begin to formulate the criteria we will use to make decisions. But we have also come to realize that there is no neat, compact means of categorizing, processing, and using public input. Redistricting touches every aspect of city life and is therefore complex. We'll continue to attempt to digest the input we're given but it is incumbent on all of us to read, consider, and act on the valuable input we receive.

If YES, entire Commission will assess what considerations there are for applicable boundary/district changes													
#	Date Received	District	Submitted By	COI Summary	General Geographic Region	Approx Location for Map Pin	Approx Location Comments	COI Themes	Is COI mappable? (Y/N)	Boundary Change Requested by Submitter (Y/N)	Boundary Change Recommended by Cx (Y/N)	Rationale for Recommendation by Cx	Notes
1	7/19/2021	7	Raina Zhao on behalf of ASUC	UC Berkeley student body	District 7, south of UC Berkeley campus. Most students live within 1 mile of campus.	2490 Channing Way, 94704		STUDENT REPRESENTATION	YES	STUDENTS SHOULD BE GROUPED TOGETHER			
2	7/20/2021	2	Joanna Louie	Infrastructure; crime; pollution	South west Berkeley	2995 San Pablo Ave, 94702		NEIGHBORHOOD EQUITY; CRIME	NO				
3	7/20/2021	5	B. Yoder	Safety concerns	Ada Street between Ordway and Acton. Ada between Acton and Sacramento, folks on Acton and on Ordway from Hopkins to Rose, a few folks on Hopkins just below and just above Orway.	1400 Ada St, 94702		NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS; SAFETY	YES	MAINTAIN COI			
4	7/20/2021	5	Margot Dashiel	Close proximity; neighborhood area	Ada street	1400 Ada St, 94702		NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS	YES	MAINTAIN COI			
5	7/21/2021	5	Joe Berry	Demographics; Development	Lower hills, near Marin/Arlington Circle.	2100 Marin Ave, 94707		AFFORDABLE HOUSING; HOUSING EQUITY	NO				
6	7/21/2021	5	John	Gardening, art, music, food, being outdoors	Ada Street between Ordway and Acton.	1400 Ada St, 94702		NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS	YES	MAINTAIN NEIGHBORHOOD CONTIGUITY			
7		1	Prateek Haldar	High quality schools, development at North Berkeley BART, affordable housing, creation of bike lanes, improving vibrancy of Hopkins/Gilman shopping/restaurants	Bound by Hopkins Street on the north, Sacramento on the west (or San Pablo) MLK on the east, and Cedar on the south.	1359 Rose St, 94702		HOUSING EQUITY; HOUSING DEVELOPMENT; NO BERK BART	NO				
8	7/28/2021	5	1546 Milvia	Gerrymandered out of District 4. Neighborhood/block split in 2	Milvia at District 4/5 - split the 2 sides of the block and put in District 5	1450 Milvia St, 94709		COUNCILMEMBER RESIDENCY; NEIGHBORHOOD SPLIT	YES	BOUNDARIES SHOULDN'T BE DRAWN BASED ON COUNCILMEMBER RESIDENCY			
9	7/28/2021	None		Helping each other- sharing tools, offering rides, celebrating wins, informing each other about noisy construction, or house repairs	Tilden Park to the east and south, grizzly peak to the west and Cragmont to the north	50 Whitaker Ave, 94708	(Unclear geographic location. Selected Grizzly Peak Park address.)	NEIGHBORHOOD DESCRIPTION	NO				
10	7/30/2021	8	Vincent Casalaina	Crime reduction, maintaining characteristic housing (single-family or single family + ADU), transit	Willard neighborhood. Telegraph/Parker & College/Ashby.	2730 Hillegass Ave, 94705		IMPROVED RESOURCE/SERVICE EQUITY; TRANSPORTTION; CRIME; SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING	NO				
11	8/16/2021	5	No name (kktompkins@gmail.com)	Beautification, Solano Ave corridor development, property crime	Far north Berkeley adjacent to Solano Ave to Albany border in the west.	1559 Solano Ave, 94707		NEIGHBORHOOD DESCRIPTION; CRIME	NO				
12	8/20/2021	2	No name	Schools, garbage; effects from nearby homeless population	Fourth & Fifth, from Dwight to Addison	800 Bancroft Way, 94710		NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY; HOMELESSNESS	NO				

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13	8/26/2021	None	No name	clean air, affordable low density housing, transportation networks that dont smash thru our neighborhoods, slow streets, public safety, litter and street trash, childcare, parks, trees, community green space	north west berkeley - west of San Pablo to University	1529 Sixth St, 94710		NEIGHBORHOOD EQUITY/SERVICES; INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY/ DEVELOPMENT/POLLUTION	NO				
14	8/26/2021	1	nan@essentialbusinessbehaviors.com	Families, safety, community	North Berkeley BART, Adult school on Virginia, Rose St. on other side of Cedar-Rose Park, San Pablo Avenue, Cedar Street	1201 Virginia St, 94702		HOMELESSNESS; NORT BERK BART; HOUSING DENSITY	NO				
15	9/12/2021	3	No name	More racially mixed than North or Central Berkeley	Corner of Parker and McGee	1700 Parker St, 94703		RACIAL DIVERSITY; PROPERTY VALUES	NO				
16	9/12/2021	None	No name	International Coastal Clean-up month; Disaster Relief Cmmittees; Food/beverage committee; Clean-up committee	B/W West Berkeley and North	1720 Eighth St, 94710	Changed it to James Kenney (Unclear geographic location. Picked an intersection in Northwest Berkeley neighborhood for pin.)	AFFORDABILITY; INCLUSION; WATERFRONT CLEAN-UP	NO				
17	9/14/2021	6	No name	Context (scale & mix), distant views, especially of the bay and the coastal hills; mainly a residential area with single-family homes, many with secondary units, typically with backyards and gardens; could see a mix of smaller vehicles and better transit, but it needs to be phased in , grandfathering older residents who depend on cars. Streets could be rethought. Filling every backyard with an ADU or building out single-family sites would be a mistake, but a thoughtful mix would be fine. Same comment about the Shattuck corridor - do't overload it. Some density but not a view-blocking wall.	Oxford Street and east. Odd situation where three districts overlap and near neighbors are represented by Hahn, Harrison, and Wengraf, whose districts differ substantially. District 6 should take in the north Shattuck corridor. We are closer to Thousand Oaks (Hahn) than the west side of Shattuck (Harrison) in interests, I sense.	1600 Oxford St, 94709		HOME OWNERSHIP; VIEW PRESERVATION; DISTRICT BOUNDARIES (5&6); MAINTAIN SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING	YES	MAINTAIN COI			
18	9/23/2021	2	Veronica	Latinos with long history of home ownership and multiple generation households	5th street and San Pablo, between University and Dwight	920 Allston Way, 94710		SERVICE ALLOCATION; RACIAL EQUITY; HISTORICAL LATINO NEIGHBORHOOD; RESOURCE EQUITY; MULTIGENERATIONAL LIVING	NO				
19	9/27/2021	2	Sheryl	public safety, education, beautification	San Pablo Park neighborhood, West Berkeley, Left Bank are all names used for D2	2501 San Pablo Ave, 94702		HOMELESSNESS; INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION; DIVERSITY; PUBLIC SAFETY	NO				
20	9/28/2021	2	Ms. Ty	Crime reduction, clean streets (eliminate illegal dumping), affordable housing	South Berkeley	3100 Adeline St,94703	(Unclear geographic location. Selected park near Sacramento and Fairview.)	FORGOTTEN NEIGHBORHOOD; ILLEGAL DUMPING; CRIME; AFFORDABLE HOUSING	NO				

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21	9/28/2021	3	Ayanna Davis	Berkeley Black Community, State of Black Berkeley	My community of interest is South West Berkeley beginning at Cedar and 4th Street and ending at 62nd and Adeline. West Berkeley, South Berkeley, Loren District	2546 Tenth St, 94710	(Large geographic location. Selected an address central to the described area.)	HOUSING/RESOURCE EQUITY; POVERTY; FOOD INSECURITY; HEALTH/ECONOMIC EQUITY; HISTORICAL BLACK NEIGHBORHOOD	YES	No, MAINTAIN DISTRICT 3			UNDERFUNDED?
22	9/29/2021	1	James	Public safety (homelessness/mentally ill people)	Gourmet Ghetto	1549 Shattuck Ave, 94709	(Unclear geographic area. Selected address in North Shattuck neighborhood.)	PUBLIC SAFETY; HOMELESSNESS; MENTAL ILLNESS	NO				
23	9/29/2021	3	No name	diversity in ppl and architecture. nice flat and walkable, close to SF, Oakland, easy access;	South Berkeley	3075 Adeline St, 94703	(Unclear geographic area. Selected address near streets named in COI form.)	HOMELESSNESS; CRIME; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; RESOURCE EQUITY; DIVERSITY	NO				
24	10/2/2021	4	No name	Safe neighborhood (walkable/bike friendly); traffic concerns, homelessness/littering, UC Berkeley take over of town.	Central Berkeley between Sacramento and downtown.	2246 McGee Ave, 94703		PUBLIC SAFETY; TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; HOMELESSNESS; RELATIONSHIP WITH UCB	NO				
25	10/8/2021	5	north Shattuck	Environment, trees, city upkeep, art, ease of shopping, parking, good food, lovely parks, socializing, access to BART.	Marin Circle to University Avenue, from Grizzly Peak to Sacramento streets. Name provided: North Shattuck	1444 Shattuck Pl, 94709	Changed the pin to the Safeway in North Berkeley	TRANSPORTATION; FIRE SAFETY/EVACUATION; ROADWAY CONDITIONS; HOMELESSNESS	NO				DISTRICT 5
26	10/16/2021	8	Elizabeth		Elmwood District	2703 Stuart Street, 94705		None	See map	See map			MAP
27	10/16/2021	2	Ben Gardella	Strawberry Creek Park	Alston, Sacramento, Sacramento and Dwight Street Name provided: Poet's Corner	1314 Bancroft Way, 94702		MAINTAIN COI; NEIGHBORHOOD CONTIGUITY; PARK	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT			
28	10/16/2021	2	Heather Clauge	Strawberry Creek Park	University to Dwight, Sacramento to San Pablo Name provided: Poet's Corner	1298 Bancroft Way, 94702		PARK/RECREATION; HOMELESSNESS; COI NEIGHBORHOOD CONTIGUITY	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT			
29	10/17/2021	2	Douglas Smith	Families raising young children, retirees and elders aging in place, multigenerational housing--all of whom patronize the businesses along the San Pablo and University corridors and make use of primary parks like San Pablo Park, Strawberry Creek Park & Aquatic Park. Neighbors band together to monitor safety & crime, pedestrian/bike safety, working closely with our new Councilmember Taplin. There is a cohesive atmosphere which underscores a sense of this being a true community of individuals, looking out for each other.	South to San Pablo Park, the 9th Street Bike Boulevard to the west, north to University Avenue, and east to Sacramento Street. University Avenue does seem to be a true dividing line and an appropriate boundary between D2 and D1; somehow San Pablo does not divide the Community. Name provided: Poet's Corner	1312 Bancroft Way, 94702		MULTIGENERATIONAL HOUSING; PARKS & RECREATION; SAFETY; CRIME	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT			

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30	10/17/2021	1	No name	Preserving residential character of neighborhood for livability. Safety of residents (crime prevention and optimal traffic/pedestrian flow). Diverse demographics.	San Pablo to the west, University Avenue to the South; Shattuck to the East; and Vine to the north. Name provided: Northbrae	1619 Edith St, 94703		TRAFFIC/TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; POPULATION DENSITY; NEIGHBORHOOD LIVABILITY; ZONING; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION	YES	PRESERVE RESIDENTIAL CHARACTER			
31	10/18/2021	2	No name	commitment to Family, school, community events, shared political affiliations, diverse cultures, mixed low and middle income housing and proximity to shopping. We enjoy our Great walking and biking score!	From the Bay to Sacramento Street; from University to Bancroft. Connected to neighbors, particularly on Byron Street and Cowper. Name provided: Poet's Corner	2228 San Pablo Ave, 94702		TRAFFIC CONTROL; STREET PAVING; DENSITY; ECONOMIC DEV; FERRY; MIXED HOUSING	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT			
32	10/18/2021	2	Ariel Smith-Iyer	Appreciation for diversity; common interest in continuing to be a place for all in the neighborhood. Strawberry Creek Park is an important community meeting place; area surrounding the park, Corp Yard, and bowling green vacant lot should remain together to collectively decide the future of the space.	San Pablo to Sacramento; University Avenue to Dwight Way. Name provided: Poet's Corner	1302 Bancroft Way, 94702		TRASH COLLECTION; PARKS & RECREATION; OVER POPULATION; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; DIVERSITY	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT			
33	10/18/2021	2	No name	Traffic and speeding	West Berk Flat Lands between Sacramento & San Pablo.	2500 Bonar St, 94702	Incomplete boundaries; selected address at intersection of Dwight Way & Bonar Street.	TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; SERVICE ALLOCATION; TRAFFIC SAFETY	NO				

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34	10/26/2021		No name	Communities of interest that previous cycles of redistricting have dismissed: 1. Prospect Street is a community of interest currently split between District 7 and District 8. The east side of Prospect is in District 8, and the west side is in District 7. Both sides of the street should be in the same district. Both sides of Prospect Street have more in common with Southside than with Panoramic Hill or Elmwood-Claremont. 7. Clark Kerr Campus is in District 8. The students who live there have more in common with Southside than with Elmwood-Claremont. 8. Redwood Gardens, a senior housing facility located on the Clark Kerr Campus, has more in common with Elmwood-Claremont neighbors than with students and should be considered a community of interest separate from students' community of interest. 9. Faculty housing on Clark Kerr Campus is a community of interest that has more in common with Elmwood-Claremont than with students. 10. The blocks within Dwight-Waring-Derby-Telegraph have more in common with Southside than with Elmwood-Claremont. 11. I House and the student co-ops behind it are in District 8. The residents of these dorms have more in common with Southside than with Elmwood-Claremont. 12. The blocks within Cedar-Oxford-Hearst-Arch are part of Northside and not split between District 5 and District 6. Northside should extend to Walnut, maybe even Shattuck. 13. The blocks within Sacramento-Ashby-California-border are in District 2. They should be in District 3. 14. The blocks within University-Acton-Allston-Sacramento are part of Poet's Corner, which is in District 2. 15. Part of Cragmont is in District 6, and		2180 Milvia Street, 94704	Not specific to one address or area; used Civic Center address as a general location,	None	See map	See map			MAP
35	11/3/2021	1	Phil Allen	By the looks of things in my part of D-1, this is a townish and family (dwellings) area of the city. I see family activity and the retail and recreational which sustain them. There is no overt presence of UC students; they seem to be elsewhere. Retired friends gather here, internet junkies there. San Pablo Avenue provides a traditionally gritty 'home' to a constant presence of lost and forgotten citizen/ghosts and their movable social spots.	My 'felt' boundaries, running from close-by San Pablo/Delaware as center, are: Addison (south); 9th St. (west); Gilman (north), indeterminate (east). Names provided: Cutthroat Corner or Almost Oceanview	1740 San Pablo Avenue, 94702	Incomplete boundaries; selected intersection of San Pablo/Delaware.	RETURN TO PAST; HOMELESSNESS; MENTAL ILLNESS; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; FORGOTTEN CITIZENS	NO				

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36	11/6/2021	5	Barbara Ann Yoder	I am part of a vibrant neighborhood group established probably in the 1980s, when former fire chief Bill Brock and his wife initiated annual gatherings during National Night Out. For the last 13 years since I moved to Ada Street, our neighborhood group has worked together sharing safety concerns and looking out for each other. We currently have 65 households in our group. We are in touch via email. We meet annually. We know each other by name. We have a neighborhood earthquake cache and a neighbor on Ordway offers trainings. All of Ada Street below Sacramento should be in District 1, where we used to be. When the lines were redrawn, they went right down the middle of our street. As a neighborhood we are impacted by development plans at N. Berkeley BART, Ruth Acty School traffic and events, Cedar-Rose Park events, traffic on Hopkins and the Ohlone Greenway—all in District 1. We should be rejoined with District 1.	Our neighborhood group currently includes 65 homes along Ada Street from Ordway to Acton and about halfway up the next block toward Sacramento. It includes most homes on Ordway from Hopkins to Rose, several homes on Rose and on Hopkins that back to Ada between Ordway and Acton, and most homes on Acton from Hopkins to Ada. Everyone in these blocks are welcome in our group. When you redraw the lines, if a street needs to be split down the middle, it shouldn't be a quiet short street like Ada; it should be a busy through street with double yellow lines, like Hopkins from Ordway to Acton. Also, if Ordway between Hopkins and Ada is split down the middle, it too should be reincorporated into District 1.	1400 Ada St, 94702	Appended to COI Form #3 (submitter's first COI form)	NEIGHBORHOOD CONTINUITY; TRAFFIC SAFETY; BART; RESIDENTIAL CHARACTER	YES	REJOIN ADA ST TO DISTRICT 1				

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37	11/8/2021	3	Carl McPherson	Students & Renters	There is considerable overlap between renters and students, and we are concentrated in the areas around Berkeley main campus and the two BART stations. As I look at the maps already submitted, I think that Alfred Twu's "Compact Donut" map does a good job of collecting the main student populations into 2 districts on the southside and the areas just west and north of the main campus. It's unfortunate that we don't have 9 districts to work with, as I think—for population balancing purposes—Alfred Twu's map is unable to extend far enough North-South along the Shattuck corridor or far enough south on the Telegraph corridor to create 3 renter/student districts (Southside, Northside and "Westside"). Stephen Young's excellent map (which has several nice innovations, including taking the hillier parts of current Districts 5 and 6 and combining them into a single district) creates a district for the	1947 Center Street, 94704	(Unclear geographic boundaries; selected 1947 Center Street as central location).	ADD ANOTHER STUDENT DISTRICT; UP-ZONING (HOUSING DIVERSITY); PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	YES	STUDENT REPRESENTATION				
38	11/8/2021	4	David Ushijima	The community in this neighborhood is tied together not only by our geographical proximity and walkability of the neighborhood but our shared interest in many activities that are within walking distance in the nearby Downtown and Theatre districts. Also because of our close proximity to the University, we also share the common interests of cultural and intellectual events held on the UC Berkeley campus.	Dwight Way (south), University Avenue (north); MLK (east), Sacramento (west). Name provided: Spaulding-McGee tract. Please do not break up this community by drawing lines which would bisect the natural geographic boundaries of this community.	1700 Bancroft Way, 94703		CULTURAL ACCESS; RELATIONSHIP WITH UCB	YES	NEIGHBORHOOD CONTIGUITY DIST 4				



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39	11/12/2021	4	Stephanie Allan	<p>As a resident of the Flatlands since 1969, I have a strong interest in how District 4 is drawn or redrawn. When I first moved here, the neighborhood bounded by Shattuck/University/Sacramento/Dwight Way was primarily a working class area, predominantly white, but with some black families on Jefferson and Spaulding. It was a fairly tight community, located between the student/University area to the east, the historic black community to the west. There were lots of families here and a lot of kids. My son grew up &amp; went to Washington school in this area. I worked hard to build a tot lot on Roosevelt and get a barrier at Channing &amp; Roosevelt as well as a stop sign on McGee. (Pedestrian safety is still a major worry here, though) The housing used to be affordable. No longer, of course, like the rest of Berkeley.</p> <p>My neighborhood on Channing Way has been affected by the homeless crisis. Because we have a free box on Channing, between Roosevelt &amp; McGee, we get a lot of homeless traffic from Downtown. Also, until we, reluctantly, agreed to have parking restrictions, the streets were jammed with UC students' parking. We supported making Channing Way a bike street although the condition of the road makes biking hazardous.</p> <p>The park area on the Ohlone strip was a great addition to the area. Aside from the park at Washington (where I participated in the redesign and addition of a regulation size basketball court when I was chair of the remodel committee) and the Tot Lot on Roosevelt, there isn't a lot of open space in our neighborhood. Civic Center Park was for so many years not a hospitable space. There is still a great deal of drug dealing going on there, probably migrating down from Shattuck.</p> <p>While much has changed, a lot hasn't. There's still a strong</p>	University/Shattuck/Dwight Way/Sacramento Name provided: The Flatlands	1712 Channing Way, 94703		TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; PARKS & RECREATION; CRIME	YES	NEIGHBORHOOD CONTIGUITY DIST 4				
40	11/13/2021	2	No name	Strawberry Creek Park brings our neighbors together - park should be in one district with all of its surrounds.	Strawberry Creek	1260 Allston Way, 94702	Strawberry Creek address	STRAWBERRY PARK IN ONE DISTRICT; NEIGHBORHOOD CONTIGUITY	YES	NEIGHBORHOOD CONTIGUITY DIST 2				
41	11/14/2021	2	No name	Culture, history, community - preservation of those. Black Repertory Group has been a vital part of that for almost 60 years. Redistricting such that would exclude Black Repertory Group from district 2 will mean that Black Repertory group and the commitment BRG has to district 2 and the community has to BRG are not being recognized or considered. please keep Black Repertory Group in district 2	South Berkeley, Adeline Corridor Name provided: District 2	3201 Adeline St, 94703	Used Black Repertory Group address	BLACK CULTURAL COHESIVENESS/HISTORY	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT			DISTRICT 2 OR 3?	
42	11/14/2021	2	Monika Scott	I live and work in the Lorin District. The Lorin District 2 is historical African American community. I would like the community to remain unchanged and that Black Reperatory Group remain in the district.	The Lorin / District 2	3215 Adeline St, 94703	Address next to the Black Repertory Group	CULTURAL COHESIVENESS; MAINTAIN HISTORICAL BLACK COMMUNITIES; LORIN DISTRICT	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT			DISTRICT 2 OR 3?	

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43	11/15/2021	3	No name	<p>Protect neighborhood resources of light, air, space, open areas, common spaces. Help neighbors and be vigilant for diverse communities who have been marginalized/victimized - particularly Muslim people, Asians and African Americans who reside in our immediate neighborhood. We live near/adjacent to Shattuck, with lots of traffic in and out of Berkeley and so we keep an eye out for each other.</p> <p>Socializing in the neighborhood is important - especially since the pandemic. Our door gatherings are now a thing. Watching our for children and making sure that traffic -vehicular and pedestrian- respect the ability of children to run around and play outside in a positive environment. Solar access for gardens and solar panels is a concern in our neighborhood in every house. Our western sky/space is especially important for the sunlight, air and views. The area is densely populated with small houses, apartments, coop houses and group living. With this density and close proximity people are</p>	Walker Street has become our gathering spot - that runs between Derby and Ward that runs from Shattuck on the West to east of Fulton. We also have gatherings on Fulton with the blocks running East up towards Telegraph. Walker Street is a frequent name for our neighborhood.	2655 Shattuck Ave, 94704	Used intersection of Walker Street and Shattuck Avenue	<p>NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES;                      TRANSPORTATION SAFETY;                      MARGINALIZED COMMUNITY; RESOURCE EQUITY</p>	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT			

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44	11/14/2021	3	C. Hutching	<p>Many African Americans (AA) moved to South Berkeley during WW2 to support the war effort. They were restricted from living in other parts of Berkeley due to redlining laws. Together, with other newcomers from Asia and Central America, they shaped the neighborhood into a thriving community which reflected their cultural, artistic, religious and political beliefs. Key tenets of our historical neighborhood are shared by my community members today. Those beliefs include, but are not limited to, respecting the civil rights for every citizen, housing rights for all, rights to jobs and a right to worship. The faith community is actively engaged in supporting the values upheld by my community and is represented with churches scattered around South Berkeley. For example, The Church by The Side of the Road located east of Shattuck on Russell St. is leading a consortium of church leaders in the mentoring of young people. The Ephesian Church, with the active support of community groups in this area, is committed to building low/low-income housing on its site. The Buddhist Temple on Russell is also engaged in service in the community and is a welcoming place to families and neighbors for outdoor weekend lunches. There are many places of interest and programs serving my community like Kiwi Pediatrics on Alcatraz, Healthy Black Families, The Farmer's</p>	<p>This area is known as South Berkeley. The current geographic location is Dwight Way on the North, Ellsworth on the East, 62nd on the South and Sacramento and California on South.</p> <p>The eastern swath of this area (from Dwight on the North going south on Ellsworth to Ashby and moving slightly westward at Deakin) should remain intact to represent the shared interests (stated above) of this community.</p> <p>Additionally, the southern swath of this District (going from Dwight on the North to 62nd on the South) is instrumental in reflecting the common shared interests of our community.</p> <p>Based on the maps that have been submitted to date, Howard Rosenberg's map looks the closest</p>	1730 Oregon St, 94703	Used Grove Park address	<p>BLACK CULTURAL COHESIVENESS; FAITH COMMUNITY; TRANSPORTATION; MAINTAIN HISTORICALLY BLACK NEIGHBORHOOD; PUBLIC SAFETY; INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION</p>	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT				REFERENCE HOWARD ROSENBERG MAP

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45	11/14/2021	1	Meryl Siegal	<p>There are several common interests in our community: we are a transit oriented community bounded by BART, AC Transit and cars looking for parking once BART depletes the number of spaces. It makes sense to sever the district at Sacramento Street since the communities East of Sacramento do not have the same interests, development and history as the communities West of Sacramento. It is a community of interest because it has a major street that runs all the way to the hills and down to the Bay, East to West. It is a community of interest because it includes a highway as a street (San Pablo Ave). Furthermore, the community is also one that experiences toxic fumes from industrial corporate concerns. Finally, it is a community of interest because several of the houses are still owned by people of color who were not allowed to buy homes east of Sacramento.</p> <p>The community houses several families. It really is a community about families, schools and play grounds. The community is a conduit for evacuation from the hills if</p>	<p>Geographically it is a community of interest because it includes the Berkeley Marina district and so should expand past University (not stop there as it does now). Geographically, the community is flat and down hill from the rest of Berkeley. The community is also an international community from the Brazilian cultural center, to Spanish table, to the Halal restaurants, our community is international and cosmopolitan.</p>	1529 San Pablo Ave, Berkeley, CA 94702	Used address central to current District 1 (intersection of San Pablo and Cedar)	TRANSPORTATION; INDUSTRIAL/ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION	YES	EXPAND DISTRICT			BNC REDISTRICTING MAP

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46	11/15/2021	7	No name	Renters; pedestrians, cyclists, and transit riders; students.	This is concentrated in the areas with a high density of renters, including Downtown, southside blocks south of the current District 7, Clark Kerr campus, and "northside" up to Virginia Street  The renter community is overwhelmed in the current districting by being split among districts dominated by homeowners. Renters vote less frequently than homeowners as a community and are therefore further drowned out. We need an additional district that protects and represents the significant number of renters in the City, such as the donut district on the map proposed by Alfred Twu, one draft example attached.	2355 Telegraph Ave, 94704	Incomplete boundaries provided; selected address at Durant/Telegraph	RENTERS/STUDENT COMMUNITY; TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; HOMELESSNESS	YES	ADD NEW DISTRICT			MAP ATTACHED

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47	11/15/2021	4	Ben Gould	<p>1. Housing affordability; 2. Bike/pedestrian/transit access &amp; safety; 3. Homelessness</p> <p>Downtown Berkeley is an incredibly diverse community of over 6,000 residents, 95% of whom are renters. Downtown is comprised of students, young professionals, immigrants, families, retirees, and long-time residents alike, including both housed and unhoused neighbors.</p> <p>Downtown has been historically considered "everyone's neighborhood" because of the diverse commercial and leisure activities and the access to transit and major institutions (UC Berkeley, LBNL, City of Berkeley). However, for the thousands of people who call Downtown home on a daily basis, it is also a residential community, where we need to be able to get home safely and comfortably at night, have non-automotive transportation options that make it easy to get to our destinations, and have enough housing options and tenant protections to keep rent affordable. City Council has historically neglected the residential experience in Downtown Berkeley.</p> <p>Downtown Berkeley is most similar to the mixed-use and medium density neighborhoods immediately north and south along Shattuck Avenue. Because the most unifying experience of living in Downtown is "renters who don't have cars", other neighborhoods with high concentrations of renters who don't have cars are particularly good matches for joining into a Council district. Other campus periphery areas, such as Northside or Southside, are good candidates.</p>	Hearst to the north; Oxford/Fulton to the east; Dwight to the south; MLK to the west. Name provided: Downtown Berkeley	2272 Shattuck Ave, 94704		TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; HOMELESSNESS; HOUSING AFFORDABILITY; TRANSIT ACCESS; TRANSPORTATION; RENTER/ STUDENT REPRESENTATION	YES	ADD NEW RENTER/STUDENT DISTRICT			ALFRED TWU MA

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48	11/15/2021	3	Berkeley Branch of the NAACP	<p>Berkeley's Black community; churches, businesses, homeowners and tenants in primarily South Berkeley's area which now falls into "District 3." History and ancestors in common; many of us moved in the migration west from the Deep South after slavery and Jim Crow, many of us share a deep and abiding faith in God (Black Christian Churches are historic pillars of the city for a hundred years: Church by the Side of the Road, McGee Ave Baptist Church, St. Paul's AME Church, Ephesians Church, Phillips AME, etc).</p> <p>Black academics, artists and activists are a core part of our community; housing should be available to ensure Black members thrive in our historic district that should be deemed the Black Community Historical Zone. The Adeline Corridor and So Berkeley needs to not be further displaced or diluted. Berkeley NAACP, BEEMA and other Black organizations in Berkeley strongly urge that District 3 remain without alteration. Specifically: McGee Ave Baptist Church should not be placed into District, 2, nor should Church</p>	Current District 3	1730 Oregon St, 94703	Used Grove Park address for pin	HISTORICAL BLACK/MUSLIM NEIGHBORHOOD; FAITH BASED COMMUNITY; ACCESS	YES	MAINTAIN DISTRICT 3			MAP ATTACHED

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49	11/15/2021	1	No name	Working-class neighborhood, which includes many Craftsman-style homes (and a few Victorians), built by blue-collar workers for their families. It also retains a - albeit diminishing - level of racial and socioeconomic diversity as one of the only neighborhood in which restrictive covenants were not placed on housing (as a formerly redlined area). This area bounds the MU-R and MU-LI areas, and neighborhoods have striven to coexist with industry that would now be deemed to be incompatible with residential - and has embraced the ecosystem of small manufacturing, arts, and crafts businesses, some of whose owners reside in live-work units in the neighborhood.	The Oceanview District is roughly bounded by San Pablo on the East Side, the waterfront on the West Side, Gilman St. on the North Side, and University Ave. on the South Side. However, our community arguably has more in common with the entire area below San Pablo than other neighborhoods. We certainly have more in common with other areas below Sacramento (roughly bounded by the North Berkeley BART) than areas to the east of Sacramento. Name provided: Oceanview District  For your consideration, a West Berkeley Business District oriented map proposal has been created (most districts except 2 are within less than 1% of the threshold for compactness, the least compact district is D6 and it's within 3.6%).	1720 Eighth St, 94710	Used James Kenney Community Center	SINGLE FAMILY ZONING; LOCAL/SMALL BUSINESSES; WORKING CLASS NEIGHBORHOOD; HOUSING DENSITY; MANUFACTURING/ARTS & CRAFTS; LIVE/WORK UNITS; LIGHT INDUSTRIAL; COMMON CULTURE	YES	MAINTAIN OCEANVIEW DISTRICT			MAP ATTACHED
50	11/15/2021	4	Wendy Alfsen & Nancy Holland	Geographic, historical, economic, cultural, and racial/ethnic diversity interests; common intrests in quiet with less noise, less litter, less flooding, less air pollution, fewer vehicles, improved traffic safety, reduction of danger from cut-through & commute traffic; religious centers.	See map attachment to COI form Name provided: Greater Flatlands	1607 Bancroft Way, 94703	Used intersection of McGee Avenue & Bancroft Way.	MAJOR TRAFFIC ARTERY; TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; DENSITY; TRAFFIC	YES	RECONFIGURE DISTRICT			MAP INCLUDED



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51	11/16/2021	3	No name	<p>Sun, air, and space are resources we want to protect.</p> <p>We have just enough space, and we get along well and watch out for each other. This is important because we have small children, senior citizens and members of marginalized communities that have seen a lot of hatred: Muslims, Asian, and African American. We keep an eye out for our neighbors and have a history of showing up, in person to take care of mutual concerns.</p> <p>We love the sound of children playing outside, and during the pandemic our outside space on Walker Street became the focus of neighborhood out door gatherings. These gatherings were about the only "socializing" any of us did for a year.</p>	Shattuck to the west. Comprises Derby and Ward all the way past Fulton. Name provided: Walker Street / Le Conte	2108 Derby St, 94705	Used intersection of Derby Street & Walker Street.	INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; HOUSING DENSITY; HOMELESSNESS; ECONOMIC/RACIAL DIVERSITY	YES	KEEP NEIGHBORHOOD BOUNDARIES-DISTRICT 3			
52	11/16/2021	1	Afi Kambon for Berkeley Visionary Equity Summit Alliance	Historically Black community. A place of inclusion, tolerance, and caring; youth and elders connecting; affordable housing and a fair and inclusive approach to development that benefits low-income residents including a right of return for those displaced or unhoused, and safe community policing.	Maintain current District 1 boundaries; at least as far east as Sacramento Street, the former "color line."	1531 San Pablo Ave, 94702	Intersection of Cedar & San Pablo.	HISTORICAL BLACK NEIGHBORHOOD; AFFORDABLE HOUSING; LOW INCOME RESIDENCE; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; SENIOR RESOURCE EQUITY; CRIME/POLICING	YES	KEEP BOUNDARIES			

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53	11/16/2021	2	Betsy Morris	I am a 30 year old resident of historic West Berkeley (split between District 1 and 2), and a current member of the Poet's Corner Advocates for the Unhoused and the Berkeley Visionary Equity Alliance. We want an inclusive community, and are working with existing institutions like Women's Day Time Drop In Center and Youth Spirit Artworks to recognize the massive displacement of the Black and Hispanic community members. We support a variety of truly affordable housing strategies to reintegrate, including "good neighbor" shelters, tiny home villages, and safe parking lots while more affordable housing can be built.	Current boundaries work well (University, Sacramento, and Dwight Way). Strawberry Creek Park neighborhood with Berkeley Youth Alternatives, the park, the corp yard, Daytime Drop In Center and Strawberry Creek Lodge, Berkeley Youth Alternatives, belong in District 2. West Berkeley from south of University Avenue, to the Marina, Aquatic Park and east to Sacramento Street (the old de facto "color line" reflect. I am suprised to see the decline of West Berkeley and the Oceanview Neighborhood in favor of "South West Berkeley" and Northwest Berkeley." San Pablo Park was/is a distinctive neighborhood. The displacement of Black neighbors is striking west of San Pablo - the current census map looks scrubbed.	2246 San Pablo Ave, 94702	Used intersection of San Pablo Avenue & Bancroft Way	SHELTERS; DIVERSITY; DISTRICT INEQUITY; HOMELESSNESS; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; AFFORDABLE HOUSING; DISPLACEMENT OF COMMUNITIES OF COLOR	YES	MAINTAIN CURRENT BOUNDARIES			



City Clerk Department

December 1, 2021

To: Independent Redistricting Commission  
From: Mark Numainville, Commission Secretary  
Subject: Redistricting Map Review and Development Process

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The period for public submission of redistricting maps ended on Monday, November 15, 2021. A total of 29 maps were submitted for the Commission's consideration. Staff converted hand-drawn map submissions into electronic formats in order to provide accurate population and demographic data.

The review of public maps and development of a final map must include analysis of the criteria in the City Charter, provided as Attachment 1. The plans from the public provide valuable input to the Commission in the form of common themes and specific interests expressed, but they are not required to be the template from which the Commission determines the final boundaries. The ultimate discretion on final boundaries lies with the Commission.

The discussion of public maps and Community of Interest (COI) forms will continue through the end of 2021 and into January of 2022. The Commission will then transition into the map drafting phase and adoption of a final map in March 2022. All maps and COI forms are available online through the City's redistricting web page at [cityofberkeley.info/redistricting](http://cityofberkeley.info/redistricting).

#### The Process in Other Jurisdictions

Other comparable jurisdictions with independent commissions employed the services of consultants to run the bulk of the redistricting process. The consultants perform the analysis of COI forms and public map submissions and present their recommendations to the commission or governing body for consideration. The consultants also draft the maps for consideration based on input from the commission or governing body. In Berkeley, we have used consultants in a more limited fashion for services such as commissioner training, preliminary data analysis, creation of the paper map tool, hosting of the online mapping tool, and on-call periodic advice.

Berkeley's Proposed Process

The Berkeley process is conducted primarily by City staff and the 13 members of the Commission. Commissioners selected from the community, and experienced City staff have the best understanding of the legacy of Berkeley redistricting, Berkeley neighborhoods and Communities of Interest, and the physical features of the city that could impact district boundaries. In developing the process below, staff has obtained information from other jurisdictions with redistricting commissions and distilled it into a process that will work within existing resources and expertise of the Commission.

The process has been linked to the regular meeting schedule adopted by the Commission. Additional special meetings may be added as needed to complete the analysis and map drawing. The proposed timeline and process may be adjusted by the Commission as needed.

**Proposed Council District Map Review and Development Process**December 15 Regular Meeting

1. Map and COI Subcommittee presents the completed Map Matrix (published in advance of the meeting).
2. Review Map Matrix with basic information provided by the Map and COI subcommittee with full Commission for discussion and possible revision.
3. Full Commission discusses required criteria in City Charter and State Law (Legal Support).
4. Appoint Final Report Writing Subcommittee.

January 10 Regular Meeting

5. Map and COI Subcommittee submits report on grouping of public maps with common themes (such as):
  - Minor Change to Existing Districts
  - Significant Change to Existing Districts
  - West Berkeley (north-south or east-west boundary)
  - North Berkeley (north-south or east-west boundary)
  - Creation of a second "student district"
  - Northside in/out of "student district"
6. Full Commission discusses theme groupings for additions and/or revisions.

January 27 Regular Meeting/Public Hearing #3

7. Full Commission discusses and reviews compliant public plans and analysis of required criteria – including COI forms received.
8. Full Commission provides direction to staff on the number of draft maps desired and significant map elements desired in the draft map options (elements from public maps, COI forms, public comments, commissioner research).

*Date TBD – Special Public Meeting for Draft Map Review*

February 17 Regular Meeting/Public Hearing #4

9. Staff presents multiple draft maps for commission and public review.
10. Full Commission receives community input on draft maps and provides direction to staff on any revisions.

*Date TBD – Special Public Meeting for Draft Map Review*

February 28 Regular Meeting/Public Hearing #5

11. Final draft map(s) presented to Commission and the public.
12. Commission direction to staff on final single draft map.

March 16 Regular Meeting

13. Commission adopts final map and report.

March 22 City Council Special Meeting

14. City Council adopts first reading of final map ordinance as approved by IRC pursuant to the City Charter.

April 12 City Council Regular Meeting

15. City Council adopts second reading of final map ordinance as approved by IRC pursuant to the City Charter.

Review of Required Criteria

The required criteria for a compliant map are contained in the Fair Maps Act and the Berkeley City Charter. The criteria do not have a ranked priority; however, there are some criteria that have a “yes/no” answer while others have a subjective or comparative analysis. If a map cannot answer “yes” to both “yes/no” criteria, then it is not compliant with legal requirements and should not be considered. All the criteria are interrelated, and depending on the issues presented in the maps and the competing communities of interest, certain criteria may be prioritized over others in pursuit of the most compliant map possible.

**Yes/No Criteria**

*Nearly Equal Population:* Acceptable difference between the smallest and largest district is no more 1,556 people or 10% of the equal district population number of 15,554. As an example, if the smallest district is 3% under the equal district population number, and the largest district is 4% over the equal district population number, the variance is 7%, which is within the allowable 10% threshold.

*Contiguity:* All parts of a district are connected to one another. There cannot be any “islands” – all parts of a district must be connected.

### **Comparative Criteria**

*Topography/Geography:* Does the map account for significant topographical or geographic features? This usually refers to hills, valleys, ridges, open spaces, rivers, etc. It is not a disqualifying feature to cross a significant feature provided that it is justifiable under other criteria considerations.

*Cohesiveness/Integrity:* Do the district boundaries makes sense given the defined neighborhoods and communities of interests that have been identified? In this instance there may be more than one right answer as there may be competing communities of interest identified in overlapping or nearby areas.

*Compactness:* “You know it when you see it.” More technically defined as “not bypassing nearby populated areas in favor of more distant populated areas,” compactness refers to the shape of the district. A circle is the ultimate “compact” shape and shapes that have narrow or meandering arms or tentacles would be comparatively less compact.

*Communities of Interest:* Geographic integrity of a neighborhood or community of interest. 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.

Such shared interests include but are not limited to those common to areas in which the people share similar living standards, use the same transportation facilities, have similar work opportunities, or have access to the same media of communication relevant to the election process, as well as neighborhoods, students, organized student housing, shared age, and racial demographics. Communities of Interest shall not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

*Easily Understood Boundaries/Major Traffic Arteries/Geography:* The City Charter directs the Commission to use easily understood boundaries like major traffic arteries, but only to the extent that they are consistent with communities of interest.

### **Other City Charter Requirements**

#### *Political Considerations*

The new Council Districts cannot be drawn for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against an incumbent, political candidate, or political party.

#### *Use of Current Districts*

The Commission is not required to use the existing boundaries as a starting point; however, the Commission may consider existing district boundaries as a basis for developing new district boundaries. If the map that the Commission adopts deviates substantially from the previous district boundaries in order to reflect population growth, protect communities of interest or better comply with the redistricting criteria in the City Charter, it must issue a report explaining its reasons for doing so.

*Incumbent Councilmembers*

The Commission shall not consider the residence of sitting Councilmembers. The residence address of the sitting Councilmembers has not been published or provided to the members of the Commission in any manner.

Preliminary Federal Voting Rights Act (FVRA) Analysis

The FVRA helps to ensure that there is no denial or abridgement of the right to vote on account of race, color, or membership in a language minority group. Council districts can be adjusted to help remedy such abridgement if the historical and demographic data provide adequate justification.

Preliminary analysis of Berkeley's demographics by the redistricting consultant appears to show that the demographics in Berkeley do not provide adequate populations to justify significant FVRA considerations and the creation of a majority minority district(s) in the 2020 map. Staff will consult with legal counsel to determine if a more comprehensive FVRA analysis is warranted.

Attachments:

1. City Charter Section 9.5(f) - Criteria for redistricting

**City Charter Section 9.5(f) - Criteria for redistricting.**

(1) The Commission shall adjust the boundaries of City Council districts in a manner that complies with the Constitution and statutes of the United States and the State of California, in order that the eight City Council districts shall be as nearly equal in population as may be according to the most recent decennial federal census, except where deviation is required to comply with the Federal Voting Rights Act.

(2) In establishing and modifying district boundaries, the Independent Redistricting Commission shall take into consideration topography, geography, cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity and compactness of territory of the districts, as well as existing communities of interest as defined below, and shall utilize easily understood district boundaries such as major traffic arteries and geographic boundaries to the extent they are consistent with communities of interest. The geographic integrity of a neighborhood or community of interest shall be respected to the extent possible without violating State or Federal law or the requirements of this Section. For purposes of this subsection "communities of interest" shall mean the following: A community of interest is a contiguous population which shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Such shared interests include but are not limited to those common to areas in which the people share similar living standards, use the same transportation facilities, have similar work opportunities, or have access to the same media of communication relevant to the election process, as well as neighborhoods, students, organized student housing, shared age, and racial demographics. Communities of interest shall not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

(3) Districts shall not be drawn for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against an incumbent, political candidate, or political party.

(4) The Independent Redistricting Commission may consider existing district boundaries as a basis for developing new district boundaries. Should the Commission deviate substantially in its redistricting plan from the previous district boundaries in order to reflect population growth, protect communities of interest or better comply with the redistricting criteria in the Charter, it shall issue a report explaining its reasons for doing so.

(5) The Independent Redistricting Commission shall not consider the residence of sitting Councilmembers.

(6) If the Independent Redistricting Commission adopts a redistricting plan that removes the residence of a sitting Councilmember from their then-current district, that Councilmember shall continue to serve on the City Council until the expiration of their term.