



**CITY OF OAKLAND  
REDISTRICTING COMMISSION  
(SPECIAL MEETING)**

**Meeting Agenda**

**Monday, November 15, 2021**

5:00 PM

Via Teleconference

Redistricting Commissioners: Benjie Achtenberg, Amber Blackwell, Daniel Chesmore (Alternate), Gloria Crowell, Lilibeth Gangas, Shirley Gee, Stephanie Goode, Masoud Hamidi, Paul Marshall, Tracy Richmond McKnight, Diana Miller, Tejal Shah, Bharat Singh (Alternate) Jan Stevens, and Mary Velasco.

Commission website: [www.oaklandca.gov/redistricting](http://www.oaklandca.gov/redistricting)

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**1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**

**2. Open Forum**

Speakers will be called on by the facilitator as speakers “raise their hand” through video conference or by telephone. All speakers will be allotted a maximum of two minutes to address the Commission, unless amended by the Chair.

**3. Disclosure Requirements by Commissioners**

Pursuant to Rule 13 of the Redistricting Commission’s Rules of Procedures, Commissioners shall verbally report any contacts with the purpose of influencing the decision-making authority of the Commission. Contacts shall include, but is not limited to, verbal or written communications from a City Council Member, School Board Member, locally elected official, public entity, partisan lobbyist, or individual speaking on behalf of the aforementioned offices or entities.

**4. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The Commission will vote to approve the meeting minutes for the following meeting:

- [October 27, 2021](#)
- [November 1, 2021](#)

**5. Resolution to Continue Teleconference Meetings**

The Commission will consider re-adoption of a resolution determining that conducting in-person meetings of the Oakland Redistricting Commission and its committees would present imminent risks to attendees’ health, and electing to continue conducting meetings using teleconferencing in accordance with California Government Code Section 54953(e) as amended by California Assembly Bill No. AB-361 (September 16, 2021).

- [Proposed Resolution](#)

**6. Outreach Efforts Updates**

The Commissioners will provide oral updates on outreach efforts including feedback received at previously held redistricting workshops.

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**7. Baseline Criteria Recommendation**

The Commission will receive a report and take possible action on recommendations to establish baseline criteria in development of draft map proposals.

- [Recommendation from the Communications Ad Hoc Committee](#)

**8. Public Testimony Regarding Redistricting & Draft Map Discussion**

The Commission will receive public testimony regarding proposed draft maps. Each member of the public will be given 2 minutes to speak regarding any proposed map. After all public comments have been received, the Commission may discuss public comments or concerns. The Commission will continue to receive public input after this meeting. The Commission may take action regarding any proposed map including eliminating maps from consideration, review maps proposed prior to this meeting, discuss details of the maps under consideration, may direct or make changes to any map under consideration, and may direct the creation of new maps.

- Draft district map proposals – all maps and PDFs available at: <https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/district-map-proposals>
  - [Draft Map A](#) - minimal changes to the existing district boundaries using traditional criteria.
  - [Draft Map B](#) – minimal changes to the existing district boundaries using traditional criteria and factoring communities of interest testimony received by the Commission at time of production.
  - [Draft Map C](#) – using traditional criteria but not beginning with the existing district boundaries as the starting basis.
  - [Draft Map D](#) – using traditional criteria but not beginning with the existing district boundaries as the starting basis. Draft map also factors communities of interest testimony received by the Commission at time of production.
  - [Draft Map E](#) – this map was requested by the Commission using the following criteria: Do not have a “hills only” district; Keep other neighborhoods intact as requested, including: Glenview, District 2, Rockridge, West Oakland, Dimond, Lake Merritt (around the Lake Merritt shore), Piedmont Pines; Make the density of each district closer to average (closer than allowed deviation), adjusted for economic, racial diversity, includes business districts, environmental areas/parks without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest; Keep an influence level of 30%.

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- [Draft Map F](#) – this map was requested by the Commission using the following criteria: Use Draft Map A as a guideline; Do not have a “hills only” district; Make the density of each district closer to average (closer than allowed deviation), adjusted for economic, racial diversity, includes business districts, environmental areas/parks without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest; Change the map identification from letters to a letter plus a number format (i.e. A1, B2, C3, etc.)
- [Draft Map G](#) – this map was requested by the Commission using the following criteria: Use Draft Map B as a guideline; Make the density of each district closer to average (closer than allowed deviation), adjusted for economic, racial diversity, includes business districts, environmental areas/parks without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest; Keep other neighborhoods intact as requested, including: Glenview, District 2, Rockridge, West Oakland, Dimond, Lake Merritt (around the Lake Merritt shore), Piedmont Pines; Change the map identification from letters to a letter plus a number format (i.e. A1, B2, C3, etc.)
- [Draft Map H](#) – this map was requested by the Commission using the following criteria: Use Draft Map D as a guideline; Make the density of each district closer to average (closer than allowed deviation), adjusted for economic, racial diversity, includes business districts, environmental areas/parks without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest; Keep other neighborhoods intact as requested, including: Glenview, District 2, Rockridge, West Oakland, Dimond, Lake Merritt (around the Lake Merritt shore), Piedmont Pines; Change the map identification from letters to a letter plus a number format (i.e. A1, B2, C3, etc.)
- Maps submitted by the public – maps submitted by the public are located on the following website: <https://districtr.org/event/Oakland>.
- [Online Survey Responses](#)

**9. Adjournment**

The meeting will adjourn upon the completion of the Commission’s business.

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**1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**

Quorum was determined and the meeting started at 5:05 pm.

Commissioners present: Benjie Achtenberg, Gloria Crowell, Lilibeth Gangas, Shirley Gee, Stephanie Goode, Masoud Hamidi, Paul Marshall, Diana Miller, Tejal Shah, Jan Stevens, and Mary Velasco.

Commissioners excused: Tracy Richmond McKnight.

Commissioners absent: Amber Blackwell

Alternate Commissioners absent: Daniel Chesmore, Bharat Singh.

City staff present: Richard J. Luna, Corey Alvin.

City Attorney staff present: Mitesh Bhakta.

**2. Open Forum**

Public comments were provided by the following speakers:  
Stuart Flashman

**3. Disclosure Requirements by Commissioners**

Commissioner Shirley Gee stated she sent the Commission's press release announcing the additional meetings to the City Council Members, School Board Directors, and other community organizations.

Chair Lilibeth Gangas stated she contacted District 3 Council Member Carroll Fife to attend an upcoming outreach event and that Commissioner Tracy Richmond McKnight would attend the event.

There were no public comments on this item.

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**4. Outreach Efforts Updates**

City staff member Richard J. Luna stated the Commission held their first public workshop on Tuesday, October 26, 2021. The workshop was attended by Commissioners Achtenberg, Gee, Marshall, and McKnight, included a website demonstration and question-and-answer session with the public and the Commissioners in attendance.

Charisma Acey provided outreach updates to the Commission, including additional organizations that were contacted and upcoming in-person events where the public can learn about redistricting.

Public comments were provided by the following speakers:

Leonora Sea  
Iris Merriouns

The Commission recessed between 5:42 to 6:01 pm.

**5. Redistricting Testimony**

A motion was made by Gloria Crowell, seconded by Stephanie Goode, to open the public hearing. The motion passed with 11 ayes (Achtenberg, Crowell, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Hamidi, Marshall, Miller, Shah, Stevens, Velasco) one excused (McKnight) and one absent (Blackwell).

Commissioners took public testimony prior to discussing the draft district map proposals.

The following public speakers provided public testimony:

Janani Ramachandran  
Susan Piper  
Stan Weisner  
Leonora Sea  
Elizabeth Stage  
Theresa Nelson  
Reisa Jaffee

Written comments were submitted by the following individuals or groups:

Margie Lewis  
Sheryl Walton  
Susan Piper  
Ralph Cooke  
Sheryl Walton  
Tom Dapice  
Mailisha Chesney

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Marion Mills  
Owen Goetze  
Susan Piper on behalf of the Oakland Firesafe Council  
Jeffrey Kahn on behalf of the Rockridge Terrace Neighborhood Association

Commissioners then engaged in a discussion of the draft maps.

Commissioner Shirley Gee recommended the Commission should reconsider Draft District Map A based on comments made by the public.

Commissioner Diana Miller stated based on the feedback received, the Commission should request a new map be created where the Oakland Hills are not contained in a single district.

Commissioner Benjie Achtenberg recommended focusing outreach efforts in District 3, specially around Broadway and Jack London Square, and in District 7 since those areas had the largest growth in population.

Commissioners then requested making changes to the exiting maps. Deputy City Attorney Mitesh Bhakta advised the Commission that changes could be requested at the next meeting as the current agenda did not notice potential changes to the current draft district maps.

A motion was made by Shirley Gee, seconded by Gloria Crowell to close the public hearing. The motion passed with 11 ayes (Achtenberg, Crowell, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Hamidi, Marshall, Miller, Shah, Stevens, Velasco) one excused (McKnight) and one absent (Blackwell).

Commissioners also stated their intent to spend time at the next meeting focusing on specific areas of the draft maps, mainly where the district boundaries change from one district to another.

**6. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.



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**1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**

Quorum was determined and the meeting started at 5:02 pm.

Commissioners present: Benjie Achtenberg, Amber Blackwell, Gloria Crowell, Lilibeth Gangas, Shirley Gee, Stephanie Goode, Masoud Hamidi, Paul Marshall, Tracy Richmond McKnight, Diana Miller, Tejal Shah, Jan Stevens, and Mary Velasco.

Commissioners absent: none

Alternate Commissioners absent: Daniel Chesmore, Bharat Singh.

City staff present: Richard J. Luna, Corey Alvin.

City Attorney staff present: Mitesh Bhakta.

**2. Open Forum**

There were no public comments on this item.

**3. Disclosure Requirements by Commissioners**

Commissioner Tracy Richmond McKnight disclosed having a phone conversation with Council Member Carroll Fife to discuss redistricting outreach efforts. Additionally, Commissioner McKnight attended a Facebook Live event with Council Member Fife and demonstrated the website to the public including the current draft maps.

Chair Lilibeth Gangas stated she and Commissioner Stephanie Goode attended the Día de los Muertos event. It was also stated that Commissioner Diana Miller was in attendance.

There were no public comments on this item.

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**4. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The Commission reviewed the draft meeting minutes. A motion was made by Gloria Crowell, seconded by Paul Marshall to approve the minutes for the meeting of October 13, 2021. The motion passed with 13 ayes (Achtenberg, Blackwell, Crowell, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Hamidi, Marshall, McKnight, Miller, Shah, Stevens, Velasco).

There were no public comments on this item.

**5. Commission Deadline & Meeting Schedule**

City staff member Richard J. Luna reviewed the current meeting schedule for the Commission and the legislative requirement that the final map be posted for 14 days prior to final adoption by the Commission. Additionally, the Commission was briefed that the City Charter deadline to adopt the final map was December 31, 2021.

Commissioners engaged in a discussion of their deadline, the expedited time frame it had to adopt the final map given the delay in the U.S. Census data, and options for setting the final meeting date to comply with the City Charter deadline. Commissioners also requested changes to the existing maps, specifically in changing how the districts are labeled; however, City staff stated those requests should be taken under agenda item 7.

Commissioner Jan Stevens was excused from the meeting at 6:03 pm.

A motion was made by Stephanie Goode, seconded by Shirley Gee, to schedule additional meetings on December 13, 2021 and December 30, 2021. The motion passed with 13 ayes (Achtenberg, Crowell, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Hamidi, Marshall, McKnight, Miller, Shah, Velasco) one out of their seat (Blackwell) and one excused (Stevens).

Public comments were provided by the following speakers:

Joelle Crepsac  
Elizabeth Stage  
Rickisha Herron  
Iris Merriouns  
Dana Mills  
Sylvia

Written comments were provided by the following individuals:

Casey Farmer

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**6. Outreach Efforts Updates**

Elena Serrano provided outreach updates to the Commission, including organizations that were contacted, previous and upcoming in-person events where the public can learn about redistricting.

Commissioner Gloria Crowell exited the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Public comments were provided by the following speakers:

Joelle Crepsac  
Briana Horton  
Brooke Levin

**7. Public Testimony Regarding Redistricting & Draft Map Discussion**

Commissioners took public testimony prior to discussing the draft district map proposals.

The following public speakers provided public testimony:

Otto Peppindure  
Elizabeth Stage  
Leonora Sea  
Dana Mims  
Iris Merriouns  
Joelle Crepsac

Written comments were submitted by the following individuals or groups:

Nancy Safford  
Elise Bernstein  
Penny Righthand  
Shayne Del Cohen

Commissioners then engaged in a discussion of the draft maps.

A motion was made by Shirley Gee, seconded by Lilibeth Gangas, to bring back draft district map A for consideration. The motion passed with 11 ayes (Achtenberg, Blackwell, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Hamidi, Marshall, McKnight, Miller, Shah, Velasco) one absent (Crowell) and one excused (Stevens).

Commissioners then discussed having an all-hills district and the need to have more evenly balanced districts based on total population.

Commissioner Amber Blackwell exited the meeting at 7:39 pm.

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Commissioner Masoud Hamidi exited the meeting at 8:00 pm.

A second motion was made by Benjie Achtenberg, seconded by Tejal Shah, to create a new map that begins with the current district lines adjusting for new population shifts and factors economic and business district distribution. A friendly amendment made by Tejal Shah was accepted to keep the Rockridge, Glenview and current District 2 neighborhoods intact and to not have a hill-only district. A friendly amendment made by Stephanie Goode was accepted to include and distribute environmental areas and parks in the new map. A friendly amendment made by Shirley Gee was accepted to create the new map without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest.

A third motion was made by Lilibeth Gangas, seconded by Benjie Achtenberg, to extend the meeting to 9:00 pm. The motion passed with nine ayes (Achtenberg, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Marshall, McKnight, Miller, Shah, Velasco) three absent (Blackwell, Crowell, Hamidi) and one excused (Stevens).

The Commission then continued discussion on the second motion and corresponding friendly amendments.

A friendly amendment made by Diana Miller was accepted to keep Dimond, Lake Merritt, Piedmont Pines, West Oakland, and all neighborhoods intact as possible. A friendly amendment made by Tracy Richmond McKnight was accepted to place keeping neighborhoods intact in the final motion as a higher priority and grouped together. A friendly amendment made by Tejal Shah was accepted to list the top priority in the motion to not have a hills-only district. A friendly amendment made by Shirley Gee was accepted to keep an influence level of 30%. A friendly amendment made by Mary Velasco was accepted to group the neighborhoods in a single request. A friendly amendment made by Tracy Richmond McKnight was accepted to add the area around Lake Merritt shore.

The final second motion was stated as follows: Request a new map (E) that includes:

- 1) Do not have a "hills-only" district.
- 2) Keep other neighborhoods intact as requested, including:
  - a. Glenview (see submitted map)
  - b. District 2 (see current district lines)
  - c. Rockridge (see submitted map)
  - d. West Oakland
  - e. Dimond
  - f. Lake Merritt (around the Lake Merritt shore)
  - g. Piedmont Pines (see submitted map)

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- 3) Make the density of each district closer to average (closer than allowed deviation), adjusted for economic, racial diversity, includes business districts, environmental areas/parks without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest.
  - a. Keep an influence level of 30%.

The second motion passed with nine ayes (Achtenberg, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Marshall, McKnight, Miller, Shah, Velasco) three absent (Blackwell, Crowell, Hamidi) and one excused (Stevens).

A fourth motion was made by Lilibeth Gangas, seconded by Tejal Shah, requesting a new draft district map F that uses draft district map A as a guideline, does not have a hills-only district, makes the density of each district closer to average (closer than allowed deviation), adjusted for economic, racial diversity, includes business districts, environmental areas/parks without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest, with an influence level of 50%, and to do a systemwide change where the draft district maps would use numbers instead of letters. A friendly amendment made by Lilibeth Gangas was accepted to withdraw the systemwide change for district labels and to label the districts in draft district map F using the format: A=A1, B=B2, C=C3, D=D4, E=E5, F=F6, and G=G7.

Commissioner Gloria Crowell returned to the meeting at 8:50 pm.

A fifth motion was made by Shirley Gee, seconded by Stephanie Goode, to extend the meeting to 9:30 pm. The motion passed with 10 ayes (Achtenberg, Crowell, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Marshall, McKnight, Miller, Shah, Velasco) two absent (Blackwell, Hamidi) and one excused (Stevens).

The Commission then continued discussion on the fourth motion and corresponding friendly amendments.

A friendly amendment made by Shirley Gee was accepted to adjust the influence level to 30%.

Commissioner Tracy Richmond McKnight exited the meeting at 9:08 pm.

The final fourth motion was stated as follows: Request a new draft district map F that includes:

- 1) Uses draft district map A as a guideline.
- 2) Does not have a “hills-only” district.
- 3) Make the density of each district closer to average (closer than allowed deviation), adjusted for economic, racial diversity, includes business districts,

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environmental areas/parks without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest.

- 4) Change the map identification from letters to a letter + number format.
  - a. A=A1, B=B2, C=C3, D=D4, E=E5, F=F6, G=G7

The fourth motion passed with seven ayes (Achtenberg, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Marshall, Miller, Shah) two abstentions (Crowell, Velasco), three absent (Blackwell, Hamidi, McKnight) and one excused (Stevens).

Commissioners then discussed requesting a breakdown of the other category in all draft district maps. After discussion, Commissioner Benjie Achtenberg requested staff add a disclaimer on the website explaining what the other category represents.

A sixth motion was made by Stephanie Goode, seconded by Lilibeth Gangas, to extend the meeting to 10:00 pm. The motion passed with nine ayes (Achtenberg, Crowell, Gangas, Gee, Goode, Marshall, Miller, Shah, Velasco), three absent (Blackwell, Hamidi, McKnight) and one excused (Stevens).

A seventh motion was made by Stephanie Goode, seconded by Shirley Gee, to request a draft district map G and draft district map H that uses draft district maps B and D as the baselines, allows for a hills-only district, makes the density of each district closer to average (closer than allowed deviation), adjusted for economic, racial diversity, includes business districts, environmental areas/parks without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest, keeps other neighborhoods intact as requesting, including: Glenview, District 2, Rockridge, West Oakland, Dimond, Lake Merritt (around Lake Merritt shore), and Piedmont Pines, to add notes on the new maps that use others as a baseline where they are coming from, and to not include number labels on the new maps. A friendly amendment made by Shirley Gee was accepted to use the labeling format: A=A1, B=B2, C=C3, D=D4, E=E5, F=F6, and G=G7, on the new draft district maps and to update draft district maps A, B and D to use the same labeling format.

The final seventh motion was stated as follows: Create two new draft district maps G and H utilizing draft district maps B and D as baselines, and include:

- 1) Make the density of each district closer to average (closer than allowed deviation), adjusted for economic, racial diversity, includes business districts, environmental areas/parks without diluting the relative voting strength of communities of interest.
- 2) Keep other neighborhoods intact as requested, including:
  - a. Glenview (see submitted map)
  - b. District 2 (see current district lines)
  - c. Rockridge (see submitted map)

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- d. West Oakland
  - e. Dimond
  - f. Lake Merritt (around the Lake Merritt shore)
  - g. Piedmont Pines (see submitted map)
- 3) Note on new maps that use others as a baseline where they are coming from
- 4) Use same key as previous maps
- a. Change the map identification from letters to a letter + number format.
    - i. A=A1, B=B2, C=C3, D=D4, E=E5, F=F6, G=G7
    - ii. Systemwide change to all previously produced maps (A, B, D)

The seventh motion passed with five ayes (Gee, Goode, Marshall, Miller, Shah) one no (Crowell), three abstentions (Achtenberg, Gangas, Velasco), three absent (Blackwell, Hamidi, McKnight) and one excused (Stevens).

**8. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 pm.



CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

**OAKLAND REDISTRICTING COMMISSION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-004**

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**RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT CONDUCTING IN-PERSON MEETINGS OF THE OAKLAND REDISTRICTING COMMISSION AND ITS COMMITTEES WOULD PRESENT IMMINENT RISKS TO ATTENDEES' HEALTH, AND ELECTING TO CONTINUE CONDUCTING MEETINGS USING TELECONFERENCING IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e) AS AMENDED BY CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL NO. AB-361 (SEPTEMBER 16, 2021).**

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency related to COVID-19, pursuant to Government Code Section 8625, and such declaration has not been lifted or rescinded, See <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.4.20-Coronavirus-SOE-Proclamation.pdf> ; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, the City Administrator in their capacity as the Director of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), issued a proclamation of local emergency due to the spread of COVID-19 in Oakland, and on March 12, 2020, the City Council passed Resolution No. 88075 C.M.S. ratifying the proclamation of local emergency pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code (O.M.C.) section 8.50.050(C); and

**WHEREAS**, City Council Resolution No. 88075 remains in full force and effect to date; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends physical distancing of at least six (6) feet whenever possible, avoiding crowds, and avoiding spaces that do not offer fresh air from the outdoors, particularly for people who are not fully vaccinated or who are at higher risk of getting very sick from COVID-19. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>; and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC recommends that people who live with unvaccinated people avoid activities that make physical distancing difficult, See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/about-covid-19/caring-for-children/families.html>; and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC recommends that older adults limit in-person interactions as much as possible, particularly when indoors. See <https://www.cdc.gov/aging/covid19/covid19-older-adults.html>; and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC, the California Department of Public Health, and the Alameda County Public Health Department all recommend that people experiencing COVID-19 symptoms stay home, See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>; and

**WHEREAS**, persons without symptoms may be able to spread the COVID-19 virus, See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>; and

**WHEREAS**, fully vaccinated persons who become infected with the COVID-19 Delta variant can spread the virus to others, See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html>; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's public-meeting facilities are indoor facilities that are not designed to ensure circulation of fresh / outdoor air, particularly during periods of cold and/or rainy weather; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's public-meeting facilities are not designed to ensure that attendees can remain six (6) feet apart; and

**WHEREAS**, holding in-person meetings would encourage community members from different households to come to City facilities to participate in local government, and some of them would be at high risk of getting very sick from COVID-19 and/or would live with someone who is at high risk; and

**WHEREAS**, in-person meetings will bring community members who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms to leave their homes in order to come to City facilities and participate in local government; and

**WHEREAS**, some attendees would use ride-share services or public transit to travel to in-person meetings, thereby putting them in close and prolonged contact with additional people outside of their households; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 29, 2021, Commissioners adopted a resolution determining that conducting in-person meetings of the Oakland Redistricting Commission and its committees would present imminent risks to attendees' health, and electing to continue conducting meetings using teleconferencing in accordance with California Government Code Section 54953(e) as amended by California Assembly Bill No. AB-361 (September 16, 2021); now therefore be it:

**RESOLVED:** that the Oakland Redistricting Commission finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and hereby adopts and incorporates them into this Resolution; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** that, based on these determinations and consistent with federal, state and local health guidance, the Oakland Redistricting Commission renews its determination that conducting in-person meetings would pose imminent risks to the health of attendees; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the Oakland Redistricting Commission firmly believes that the community's health and safety seriously and the community's right to participate in local government, are both critically important, and is committed to balancing the two by continuing to use teleconferencing to conduct public meetings, in accordance with California Government Code Section 54953(e), a provision of AB-361; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the Oakland Redistricting Commission will renew these (or similar) findings at least every thirty (30) days in accordance with California Government Code section 54953(e) until the state of emergency related to COVID-19 has been lifted, or the Oakland Redistricting Commission finds that in-person meetings no longer pose imminent risks to the health of attendees, whichever is occurs first.

ADOPTED ON THIS \_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

November 10, 2021

**For consideration by the Oakland Redistricting Commission**

*Submitted by the Communications Ad Hoc Committee*

The purpose of this proposal is to establish baseline criteria for each draft district map proposal. We feel these baseline criteria reflect the values of the Commission and support the vision of the Commission to produce a fair and equitable map for all Oaklanders.

This is a proposal to include baseline criteria for all future draft district map proposals. Baseline criteria would automatically apply to all proposed draft maps, including revisions to existing draft maps and proposed new draft maps.

- Safety
- Crime prevention
- Fire prevention
- Illegal Dumping
- Schools/Education
- Parks/Open space/Environment
- Commerce/Business districts
- Unhoused population
- Farmers Markets
- Access to transit
- Grocery stores
- Hospitals/Urgent Care
- Incarcerated population

## DISTRICT 1 - Comments from the Public Survey

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest /Comments &amp; Questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Judith Huarte	No comments	Yes
Debra Israel	Tenant - active in advocacy around tenant rights/apt dwelling communities - coming together to support each other, especially during COVID and mutual aid, disaster prep. Housing/Homelessness - strong supporter of unhoused community members and there being adequate/quality services provided in the district Racial Justice/Equity - member of a racial justice group, part of groups that build neighborhood awareness of racist profiling/interventions to eliminate white supremacy/systems that uphold it. How will updates/info be shared with community?	No
C Leonard	My neighborhood has become so gentrified I almost have nothing in common with these folks. Sadly. What are your goals?	Yes
Ahmed Ali Bob	Geography, cultural landmarks, communities ties in my general vicinity that make me feel a sense of belonging. How do we center equity in the redistricting process to ensure representation and equitable distribution of resources?	Yes
Jeremy Gormley	Education equity and school desegregation. How do school boundries separate Students by Wealth and <i>Race</i> ?	Yes
Gracie Osborne	Definition: A community of Interest is a population with at least one commonality in their demographic. I think districts should include populations with different views, so splitting with no bias towards constitutes' political beliefs.	No
Owen	Bushels/Santa Fe, North/West Oakland/How will Oakland population growth modify the map?	Yes
Kevin	My community of interest is the community that wants to end the distribution of drugs to minors.	No
eren	The County of Alameda redistricting currently occurring is it should stay the same and should not change. Or it should change and be a bit more organized. Since I do not live in Oakland I still do think that it a necessity to redistrict the areas as it might affect a community in that area .	No
Kent Ly	My interest in my community is that I want all the districts to be equally represented and all the districts to be evenly populated.	No
River Tuason	My COI would be environmental issues. The trash cans all over the Emeryville area are always overfilled, I was wondering if we could find a way to frequently empty out these trash cans at least once a week.	Yes
Escher Pearce	I believe we should add a community of interest that is a equal mix of different ethnicity that share the same democratic interest.	No
Donovan	People should be grouped up by the number of population rather than by race, religious, ethnic, and economical groups.	No
Barry Fong	I believe that my community of interest in the county would be location and the have an even population split.	No
Becky Scribner	Piedmont Ave / Rockridge / Temescal... the area bordered by 580/Telegraph/13/Piedmont. All share common characteristics of having thriving business districts that draw visitors from within and beyond the neighborhood. And these neighborhoods have high walkability, which drives a shared need for public transportation and safety. Within our district, there is huge variability in school quality. How can we ensure equity across the public schools in our district when it comes to programming, facilities, teachers, and outside (PTA) funding? Can we require all PTA funds go into a shared pool equally distributed across the district?	No
Mai Dinh	I believe my community, the city of Oakland should be equality divided by their location.	No

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Matthew Kaplan	What is the commission looking to value/prioritize with redistricting?	No
Josh Shinoff	Claremont Hills/The district should be drawn to group the areas with common interests together, not arbitrary geographies	
Nigel Feng	I think my Community of Interest is by location in the City of Oakland.	No
Denise Dang	Can we please make the North and Eastern parts of District 1 above Hwy 24 part of Berkeley? Our area is neglected by Oakland given that it is so far away from the communities and would be better served by Berkeley given the proximity.	No
Brooke A Levin	Interested in having Lake Merritt defined as a Community of Interest. Now its in D-2 and D-3. With the population of D-3 exceeding the level for a district it should shift the boundry to D-2 and encompass the Lake.	Yes
Alice butler	5882 margarido dr was in the Hillcrest school district when we purchased this house in 1976. We sent our youngest child to Hillcrest. This area must be zoned for Hillcrest.	Yes
Jody London	I was on the School Board for 12 years (2009-2020). It is important that districts represent diverse socioeconomic groups. We inherited the redlined housing system that currently comprises our city. Can we use the redistricting process to address historic injustice and disproportionality?	No
casey farmer	Rockridge/See RCPC Letter	No
Shauna H Smith	Oakland Hill residents including Upper Rockridge share similar standards of living, transportation issues related to terrain and concerns about property crimes/I would like to see Upper Rockridge included in the Oakland Hill district which is reflected in Map D.	No
Chris Vernon	I think of my community of interest as being North Oakland, not so much the North Oakland Hills though/I think Draft Map B looks like the most reasonable of the four.	No
Matthew Bilotti	I checked your definition and it suggests that COIs need to be protected in a single district, or perhaps small number of districts, to protect their voice on the Council. I think that's a reasonable assumption for many COIs that might come to mind, but not for the affluent, largely caucasian community that tends to cluster in the hill districts and Rockridge. This community has historically not been marginalized, has an outsized voice on the Council today, and does not feel like a COI despite it being consolidated into a single district, such as in Draft Map D/The reason to prefer a map like Draft Map D is because it consolidates this community into a single district. We are doing this not because the hills and Rockridge community is itself a COI, but because by doing so it allows other districts to be much better reflective of their COIs. Draft Map D will give us a Council that is much more responsive to the communities that need its attention.	No
Jame Ervin	I live in the grey land of Grand Lake, Adams Point and Piedmont Ave/I reviewed maps C&D - and I did not understand the intent with the new lines - but unfortunately the level of detail for the new "hills districts" did not make it clear what was happening - these maps need to be zoomable so we can better understand the boundaries. The big thing I noticed was splitting up a lot of existing neighborhoods - like Rockridge and Glenview. It looks like the intention was to dilute voting groups, and connecting neighborhood that do not have much in common and further codify the "hills and flats" division. I would prefer to keep the existing boundaries - because C&D are not an improvement. I think that we need to go back to the drawing board on these proposed options - they are not great.	No

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Nisha Sudarsanam	I am Asian, dependent on public transportation and a recent house owner/None, mainly registered for meeting info and volunteer opportunities	Yes
Emily Nakashima	Temescal/Telegraph + the Piedmont Avenue area below Pleasant Valley. These two areas together with the space in between (Broadway area) encompass where I go to church, my starting points for public transit, where I most frequently go out to eat, where I go for exercise, etc. I feel that these two areas are similar in terms of culture and housing type (mix of single family and multi-family homes) and interests/I love that we're considering changes to the district shapes. Draft plans C & D are both favorable to me over the current arrangement, although I would prefer a plan that places the Piedmont Avenue area below Pleasant Valley in area A while moving the areas above and along Broadway Terrace to D. I think of those areas as having more of an affinity with "the hills" than the Piedmont Ave corridor, and less in common with anyone living on the flat lands.	No
Ronnie Spitzer	Rockridge/I suggest you reach out to your existing COIs and request they forward your information to other potential COIs and neighborhood groups. This will help your outreach.	Yes
Stuart Flashman	Rockridge/Needs much, much more outreach and community involvement /The Rockridge Area is my primary community of interest. It's boundaries extend from 51st St. on the South, Telegraph Ave. on the west, the Berkeley border on the north, and Broadway Terrace and Highway 13 on the east. It centers around the College Ave. commercial district and the various school attendance areas within Rockridge, which serve as unifying factors for its residents. also the attendance areas for Chabot Elementary School, Peralta Elementary School, Claremont Middle School, and Oakland Technical High School. A secondary community of interest is North Oakland, including the area from the Emeryville border on the west, the Berkeley border on the north, Macarthur Boulevard on the south, and Highway 13 on the east. While I live east of College Avenue, I feel much more commonality with the area west of College Avenue than with the Area east of Highway 13/Where did proposals C and D come from. Their division of the Rockridge area between two districts appears uninformed, bordering on outright malice.	Yes
Jonathan Gabel	Rockridge/Ditch maps C and D, which would split Rockridge in two.	No
Ivar Diehl	Eastlake neighborhood: very different from downtown, shares more with Chinatown. Flatlands: Very different priorities from more affluent hills area/I support redistricting map B. This map separates the flatlands from the hills, enhancing the weaker, less affluent flatlands. It also unites Chinatown and Eastlake which makes sense as these two communities are linked through the historic Cantonese community as well as other Asian ethnic groups	No
Kushal Modi	My COI is Rockridge, and Affordable Housing/The new D district (comprising of most of the Oakland Hills + parts of Rockridge) might be seen by many as the Berkeley-esque NIMBY community. The new "Hills District" also seems to include a lot of lower and upper Rockridge. Lower Rockridge has a bunch of condos + the future CCA dev - Upper/Lower Rockridge can support a lot more growth unlike the actual hills. I am concerned that NIMBY majority will do some harm to potential growth areas for housing particularly in lower Rockridge.	No

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Robert Prinz	NW Oakland/1) I discourage the commission from using freeways as boundary lines between districts. The freeways already divide our communities, this shouldn't be reinforced via political boundaries. We should be working to bridge these divides instead. 2) NW Oakland west of MLK Jr Way has experienced some of the most significant gentrification & displacement in all of Oakland over the past 10 years. But it has often gone overlooked because this part of the city gets lumped in with the wealthier parts of "North Oakland" and isn't then considered a priority area for planning purposes. I would like to see NW Oakland and West Oakland combined into one district, because these areas share a lot more commonalities than the rest of North Oakland east of MLK Jr Way.	No
Matthew Kaplan	Temescal, Mosswood, Piedmont Avenue/What is the ORC looking to accomplish?	No
Jennifer Jastrab	I live in Temescal neighborhood. I believe our community valued diversity, small businesses and creative entrepreneurs, but gentrification is changing our neighborhood. I moved to the Bay Area for graduate school in 2008, something I could no longer do in 2021. I lived on student loans and a \$10/hr job the school offered. It allowed me to rent a room for \$475. month and no more. I love the diversity of the bay, but I am afraid that the cost of purchasing or renting commercial and residential properties is contributing to segregated upper class neighborhoods. Artists, creative entrepreneurs and young families, people without inherited wealth, will look elsewhere for opportunities to build their lives. When every single family home in your neighborhood lists for 1 million plus, what kind of people does that attract?	No
Helen Smiler and Marlene Johnson	Rockridge - We are 45 year residents in the same house. We shop here and have neighbors and friends. Greater Oakland - We care about all the residents of Oakland especially the challenges many have with education, housing and employment. We are in favor of a plan that keeps current boundaries as much as possible. In our case, that would be Map B of those currently being considered. We are opposed to the plans like Map D that split Rockridge along College Avenue and north of the BART/Highway 24 overpass. We no longer have a child at home but when we did, she attended Chabot Elementary and Claremont Middle Schools, and had friends living on both sides of College Avenue. Had this new map been in place, those schools would not have been in our school board or council district. The Rockridge Community Planning Council (RCPC) is a well-established neighborhood organization. Their candidates' forums and monthly newsletter keep us well informed about our community. Imagine the confusion if the Rockridge area is split between two different districts and the RCPC has to try to cover both.	Yes
Elizabeth	I live in the North Hills, am concerned about public safety for the whole city, particularly the role of police, fire, public works, transportation, public health. The Commission is boxed in between a late census and the December deadline, leaving insufficient opportunity for community engagement. I'm not familiar with or involved in any of the organizations that are currently involved, don't feel represented at all.	Yes
Kara Durand	Hyperlocal community - walk to neighborhood public school, work, stores. The "hills district" maps (C and D) are astonishingly upsetting. The last thing Oakland needs is more segregation between "hills vs flats". I can palpably feel the "good tension" created in District 1 as it stands due to the mix of more affluent portions in Rockridge and my immediate neighborhood of Santa Fe/Longfellow. This is to be celebrated and perpetuated not eliminated.	No
Tim	North Oakland/Please don't perpetuate a "hills vs. flats" mindset in your district boundaries.	No

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Valerie Winemiller	Piedmont Avenue Neighborhood Improvement League (PANIL), steering committee member. Neighborhood assn since 1974/To be submitted separately	Yes
Piedmont Avenue Neighborhood Improvement League (PANIL)	<p>Neighborhood Association since 1974, also Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council for Oakland Police Beat 9.Feedback to be submitted separately</p> <p>suburb” neighborhoods. Map “A” works well. Maps “C” and “D” do not. The Piedmont Ave neighborhood goes from Broadway Street on the North to Oakland Avenue on the South and from MacArthur Boulevard on the East to the Mountain View cemetery on the West. I have lived in the Piedmont Avenue neighborhood at 4037 Howe Street for 46 years. I have been a member of, and active in, the residential neighborhood group, -- PANIL (Piedmont Ave Neighborhood Improvement League) and very active in Oakland politics for all that time. I served on the last two Charter revision Commissions and was on the initial Oakland Ethics Commission. I served as the first administrative assistant to the honorable Mary Moore, council member for District 2 (the Piedmont Ave neighborhood was then part of District 2 until the 1990 redistricting) and was extremely active in the 1980, 1990 end 2000 Oakland redistrictings. I was the lead Board member on the 2000 and 2010 AC Transit redistrictings, working extensively with IGS at UC Berkeley. I have participated in every statewide redistricting since 1970. The Piedmont Avenue neighborhood has a very strong identity. It has had a residential group (PANIL) since 1974 which is active in development, traffic, crime and other issues. (It serves as the NCPC for it’s beat, 9X.) It has a merchants’ group, PAMA (the Piedmont Avenue Merchants Association) for even longer than PANIL. PANIL and PAMA often cooperate on issues and projects. The Piedmont Ave neighborhood was constructed as an “streetcar suburb” to accept refugees from the 1906 earthquake. It has that in common with many of the neighborhoods in Oakland “Midlands”. They are all built around a series of streetcar streets many them centers of commercial districts. In the immediate vicinity of Piedmont Ave there was a streetcar on Broadway, on College Avenue, on Piedmont Avenue, on Grand Avenue, on Lakeshore Avenue, etc. Oakland Ave had a cable car. Those neighborhoods had some multiple residential development on the “streetcar” street and perhaps the adjacent street, then single family homes until you approached the next “streetcar” street where the pattern repeated. As such those neighborhoods, even today, have a very high “walk score” and “transit score.” For a full discussion of this development pattern, see the book “AC 15” by a geography professor at UC Berkeley (I can’t put my hands on my copy, or I would give you the author’s name.) In contrast, although Montclair had vacation cabins very early on, the full development of the hills occurred after World War II. As a result, all those neighborhoods from Montclair all the way down to Golf Links are highly car dependent with limited transit and limited ability to walk. Many of them do not even have sidewalks. In addition, districts in Oakland traditionally (at least prior to the 1980 redistricting) were hills to the Bay districts. Each of them included a high school and thus both the districts and the high schools were economically and racially integrated. Every district had to be attentive to the concerns of people who dwelt in the flats. As I said at the beginning, please keep the Piedmont Avenue Neighborhood together and keep it with other “streetcar suburb” neighborhoods. The Piedmont Avenue neighborhood in the past has been associated with “streetcar” neighborhoods to The heart of District 1 is the Rockridge shopping district surrounded by Rockridge and Upper Rockridge neighborhoods./Proposed</p>	Yes
H. E. Christian (Chris) Peoples	Map D is very flawed. It does not take in to account community interests.	Yes
CAROLYN MAHONEY	Rockridge- the area around and along College Avenue, north of 51st, east of Telegraph/Don’t split Rockridge into multiple	No
Greg Pasquali	districts	No

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest /Comments &amp; Questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Davin Fan Namrata	Rockridge/I just read about the two finalist proposals for redistricting. I am very against plan D which would split Rockridge into 2. My wife and I recently moved to Rockridge and love the local community here. We would be deeply disappointed if this community, which dates back nearly a decade would suddenly be now split in half. As someone who lives close to college Ave, I see that as the heart of rockridge, so it makes no sense to create a border there. Why do this? N/A /I support Draft Map B. That is basically the zone in which travel.	Yes No
paresh	Young, SF commuters who want a safe, walkable and healthy lifestyle for their growing families, including pets. Basically draw a 25-minute walk radius around MacArthur BART station...stretching from Emeryville to Piedmont, up to Rockridge and down to West Oakland/Keep Temescal and Longfellow together and think about what I said above.	No
Linden Julien-Lehr	My community includes diverse, low-income renters and small retail businesses in the flatland areas that are at risk of being pushed out of Oakland through processes of gentrification. I want to protect my community's ability to live and prosper in the city they have called home for years if not generations. I support Map A because it does not create a "hills" district that would concentrate power in the wealthiest areas of the city./I am opposed to an all-hills district, and believe as many districts as possible should have a mix of hills and flatlands because... • I don't want political power concentrated in the wealthy hills • Districts that are flatland-only will invite outside corporations and groups to "buy" Council seats and influence too much of our politics... • It minimizes the voices of tenants by creating a district with mostly homeowners • Most major public parks will be concentrated in the hills – and flatland communities will have less voice to advocate for greater access to them. • It will weaken the power of flatland communities. Right now, almost all council members are forced to listen to our voices because we are part of every council district. Please move forwards with Map A districting lines.	No
Peg Janosch	I have lived near near Piedmont Avenue for over 30 years. I am active supporting our local library (Friends of PAL), a member of our neighborhood association (PANIL and a reading partner in our local elementary school/I support Map B - this choice keeps or vibrant neighborhoods of Piedmont Avenue, Temescal & Rockridge intact & allows us to work together on common interest. Queer women, civil rights attorneys, young women/Creating a new district for just the hills will consolidate power with the wealthy. This is the exact opposite of how power needs to be distributed throughout Oakland. This is such a special city. Power consolidated in the hills puts that at risk	Yes
Victoria Larson	Piedmont Avenue neighborhood (between Broadway and Piedmont city line, W MacArthur and cemetery)/I support proposed map B and do NOT support proposed map D because D makes my COI into a lowland "tail" to an otherwise all-hills district, and separates us from the adjacent Temescal and Shafter neighborhoods which are much more similar in housing types (mixed single and multi-family) and issues like homeless encampments.	No
Arleen Feng	Upper Rockridge, Montclair/I do not support an all-hills district, even as someone who lives in Upper Rockridge. It would create even more socio-economic and racial segregation in Oakland than there already is.	No
Hannah Wolf		Yes

## DISTRICT 2 - Comments from the Public Survey

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest /Comments &amp; Questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Tom Coleman	I'm in the Adams Point Community. I am also a renter, and not a homeowner. I've lived in Oakland for 16 years at the same address. I am also a part of the Asian American Community, as well as diversity groups as part of the LGBTQIA+ community. As an avid video gamer enthusiast, I also am very familiar with looking at maps and borders and understanding political impacts of districts. I applied for the State Redistricting program many years ago. While I made it through two rounds, I ultimately did not get chosen. I would love to reengage with Redistricting in my own community.	Yes
Anna	Rancho San Antonio Neighborhood is VERY dangerous and DIRTY. Would like more resources to REMOVE the homeless encampment, and more police to stop the shootings, stop illegal dumping and prostitution and drug users.	Yes
Angela Crone	Closest business districts for essential needs (e.g Park Blvd & Lakeshore); Natural landmarks (e.g. Lake Merritt); Mixed use housing (e.g. diverse representation of apartments, single family homes)/What is your outreach plan?	Yes
Jason La	My COI should be divided by the location and have a even population split	No
Rebecca Dean	Lake Merritt/How will you ensure equal access to representation for communities in Oakland when we are such a diverse city?	Yes
Hydeh Ghaffari	I live along Lake Merritt. We would like to be able to walk safely to and from these areas without fear of being mugged. Without passing blatant drug dealers. And we would like to be able to drive on Grand, Bellevue and Perkins Avenues without blowing tires on potholes. While we want to see the homeless fed and safely sheltered, and the violence citywide reduced, we would like our immediate community concerns represented fairly, as well.	No
Mason Sam	Community of interests are defined as communities that share the same historic values. The district lines in Oakland feel natural and are split well. However, I believe that the district lines should still be split by wealth and population. For example, I would have the Oakland hills be divided into two separate districts and mold the three other districts in Oakland based on population.	No
Hanna Bliss	I live in Chinatown. So my only community is the commercial center. I am a huge fan of safe bike lanes. I especially like the ones where there is a clear barrier between the car traffic and bikes.	No
Anthony Rodriguez	I am not sure, I don't know what COIs are	Yes
Ryan Lester	Clinton, East Lake/District 4 seems like the oddest district to me... Primarily representing the Oakland Hills but them coming down and representing the "Fairfax" neighborhood in East Oakland (I used to live on Fairfax Ave). If CM Thao's budget priorities are any indication, her office is most focused on capital improvement projects to Oakland Hills Parks and restrooms vs. the more dire needs of her constituents in the "flats". I think such a lopsided district (mainly hills and a tiny bit of the "flats" does not ensure equitable representation to those flatland residents since the hills residents have more political capital). Are unhoused/homeless residents counted as "residents" of a certain district? I'd imagine 4-10k unhoused residents who primarily live in East and West Oakland would increase the weight of the districts those people live in. Separately, most of the population, population growth, jobs, transit and resources are in West and East Oakland vs. North Oakland and the Oakland Hills. I'd advocate for trying to divide the districts in a way that centers most of the districts in the "flats" while equitably distributing representation of the hills amongst the 7 districts. Also, the city should eliminate the at-large city council seat, at large seats are shown to be discriminatory and typically result in electing officials that are not representative of the places they serve.	Yes

## DISTRICT 2 - Comments from the Public Survey

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest /Comments &amp; Questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Matt Matusiewicz	I would love to engage with my community more and become more actively involved with community development in Oakland.	Yes
Mary Bowman	Lakeshore Homeowners Association/no gerrymandering	No
KR Hart	I vote for Plan D. I live in Grand Lake district: a mixture of retail and residential, experiencing rapid growth, paying extremely high property taxes and want to see that money used to benefit residents (not politicians). Why are the lines so crooked? Why isn't it just a grid?	Yes
Larry Long Huynh	Similar culture, schools, and people within common community interacts/NA	Yes
Uchenna Okoye	Highland, Bella Vista, NCPC 17XY/I like Draft A and B. They keep the basic districts together which have different types of constituents in each district, ensuring council members and school board members think of all parties. I don't like Draft C and D because it breaks the city up into districts where constituents will pull legislation & board decisions in more polarizing directions.	No
Bob Spencer	To me our COI is our geographic neighborhood where we share similar concerns with neighbors about public services. In those terms, would define our COI as the Grand Lake neighborhood. As a privileged white person, I don't think I need to be "protected" and therefore would not define my COI in socioeconomic terms. I think maps C and D best capture my COI based on how I define it in Question #4. I think map B does the worst job in that regard.	Yes
Kenneth Tan	Chinatown community members, voices of low-income immigrant communities, environmental justice advocates, voices of Chinatown tenants.I strongly oppose proposal C and D given they completely shift the demographic of the original district. The relationship that was built upon in the last 10 years by merchants, tenants, stakeholders with the last two councilmembers would be jeopardized by proposals C and D. Additionally, the shift for Chinatown into D3 would have an enormous impact on the councilmember given a huge wave of monolingual residents who are often underserved due to language capacity.	No
Steve Croft	Home and business owners. Obviously already overrepresented in terms of political power, but even if District 2 ends up redrawn to mostly cover rich white people I think this benefits other districts whose voices and interests don't get diluted.I'm glad to see that some of the proposals are not just incremental.	No
Austin Shapiro	My geographic area, from Chinatown to San Antonio/I don't like District C in draft plans C and D (which I would become a part of). Its boundaries seem unnatural to me, including part (but not all) of West Oakland, part (but not all) of downtown, and part (but not all) of my neighborhood east of Lake Merritt. It's barely contiguous -- it only looks contiguous because it includes unpopulated land and a narrow populated strip along the estuary.	No
Lena Liu	Chinatown, downtown Oakland, central part of Oakland/ What is the purpose of having different district zones?	No
Sean Sullivan	LGBT, low-income, Chinatown, small busines. The Commission should include LGBT people in its composition	Yes
Kevin Fong	I believe my interest of community should be divided into equal population and locations.	No
Julia Bell	I am a lifelong Oakland resident. I live, work and worship in the City of Oakland. For what it is worth, I have a B.A. Degree in Political Science. How can I help?	Yes

**DISTRICT 2 - Comments from the Public Survey**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest /Comments &amp; Questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Ian Robertson	<p>Based upon living and growing up for 30+ years in the same area, including a brief 8+ years period of living in Japan, I would say that my area doesn't have much of common interest. There are some but it feels so far and in between. As a matter of fact, and sadly nothing much has changed about how one feels and views about Oakland since I first moved here almost before 1990, if that is an option in the common of interest table. Despite the clean up of drugs, gangs, violence and whatnot the attitude since the 90s have remained the same: untrustworthy tans snarky to the bone. In fact, just walking down one of the streets and saying "hi" is something of a sin here. I wouldn't be surprised that upon this redrawing of this district of Oakland that I would find myself mysteriously in own district isolated from other districts and neighbors; because that's how much I feel that my district really cares about me and the community. In any case though there are some things that we share in interest as a community: 1) Dogs, everyone has a dog that they want you to meet badly. I wish there was a dog park, a really big one where all the dogs could meet. 2) Community Garden, despite my sorrowful outlook our district, our area is very big on community garden. 3) Trees! We can't get enough and our demanding a more productive way of protecting our trees. 4) Our diversity 5) The Armenian Church/How will you define a district with so many personalities.</p>	Yes
Lisa Ray	<p>My COI is the Lakeshore Homes Association and Crocker Highlands School. Existing District 2 boundaries are inclusive of the entire association and school. The boundaries are roughly Lakeshore Avenue, Trestle Glen, Excelsior Ave, Bates/Holman Roads, Midcrest &amp; Mandana/Both versions of proposed maps B &amp; D split the association into separate districts. The also split Crocker Highlands school from most of the residences that are currently in district of the school.</p>	Yes

**DISTRICT 3 - Comments from the Public Survey**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest /Comments &amp; Questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Karen Streichr	Residents and visitors to Lake Merritt could be in one district as we all have similar interests of keeping the Lake available for families, nature, peaceful activities. Loud music and commercial enterprises should not be part of this area.	No
Daniel Tischler	Downtown Oakland is the central hub of our city, but we don't have a single council district focused on our neighborhood. Instead, Downtown is carved up into districts with council members primarily focused on West Oakland and Eastlake/San Antonio. As a result there is no single council member focused on the unique conditions and needs of a dense downtown neighborhood. With new housing and a rapidly growing downtown population (much of which is too recent to even be captured in last year's Census), it's time for there to be a council district focused on Downtown.	Yes
MARIO PALESTINI	I live along Lake Merritt. The lake and park are our backyard. We welcome everyone to the lake but we want the area, its infrastructure, its natural habitat, its bird sanctuary, its peacefulness, its ordinances to be respected by all who come here. We shop and support retailers all along Grand and Lakeshore Aves. We would like to be able to walk safely to and from these areas without fear of being mugged. Without passing blatant drug dealers. And we would like to be able to drive on Grand, Bellevue and Perkins Avenues without blowing tires on potholes.	No
Penny Righthand	I live along Lake Merritt. The lake and park are our backyard. We welcome everyone to the lake but we want the area, its infrastructure, its natural habitat, its bird sanctuary, its peacefulness, its ordinances to be respected by all who come here. We shop and support retailers all along Grand and Lakeshore Aves. We would like to be able to walk safely to and from these areas without fear of being mugged. Without passing blatant drug dealers. And we would like to be able to drive on Grand, Bellevue and Perkins Avenues without blowing tires on potholes. While we want to see the homeless fed and safely sheltered, and the violence citywide reduced, we would like our immediate community concerns represented fairly. I believe it is near to impossible for one council member to represent communities whose needs are as different as West Oakland and Adams Point/Lake Merritt, so we all lose. And yet having a different council member fighting to improve each of those communities will benefit both, and, in fact, the whole city. I think your map D does the best job of bringing together COIs and keeping our districts demographically diversified.	Yes
Liz Brisson	Downtown Oakland (I live in Uptown which to me feels like part of the greater Downtown Oakland neighborhood). In general the area i most frequently travel within the neighborhood is bounded by I-980, Grand St, Lake Merritt, and 14th St.	No
Jay Toulouse	Renter, future homeowner, future parent, college graduate with student loan debt, commuter to greater SF Bay Area, person in recovery, community volunteer, scientist, person of faith, Lesbian, gender non conforming (GNC), Trans, business owner, worker in energy and green tech. Let's redistribute wealth from the hills to the flats and make sustainability and anti-recidivism priorities!	Yes

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest /Comments &amp; Questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
MavinCarter Griffin	Arts culture and racial equity we are the. Largest UNHOUSED community living both curb and deeply interested in our future our identity our story's. The City needs to recognize The Wood Street People's Collective as a Campus sovereign of west Oakland s UNHOUSED Panther and burner community and know we are voters and interested in something different than ANYTHING yet produced See Mavin Carter Griffin for more VITAL information. Repaiations Recovery and New innovation is our Community of random citizens proudly of Oakland.We want to be considered as neighbors and relivently a emerging cultural voice eminated from 15 years or more of homelessness. We are a voice and we are humans in interest without REAL INCLUSIVE NEWS OR ENTRY TO BE COUNTED AS THE HOUSED ARE.	Yes
Larry Platt, MD	Adams Morgan Lake Merritt/Please stop allowing the amplified music that is happening two or three times a week at the Boathouse. It is inappropriate and unhealthy and is enjoyed by only a few dozen people at the expense of hundreds of residents in my COI's.	Yes
Pedro Mendoza	I would define my community of interest as a public safety community	No
hussein omar	My community needs a lot of work but i would say we focus on drug abuse and speeding in my area	No
Adam	You can define them by their similar living qualities and their needs as a place of worship, groceries stores, liquor stores, schools, parks, and many others/Are there updates that can change the placement of the district we currently have today?	No
Susan Fox	Lake Merritt resident who values access to a city park for all Oakland residents/	No
Carol Wyatt	My community of interest is both economic and crime prevention oriented. Seeing more economic opportunities for our businesses and residents is imperative for poverty intervention. Seeing small incubator businesses in our corridors that allow us to hire locally and keep resources and dollars in our community is essential.	No
YaVette Holts	Black owned businesses/We are interested to keep our business members aware of the process of how and why redistricting happens and how district boundaries affect their bottom line	Yes
Ay'Anna Moody	I consider neighborhood and schools my COI. I want to make sure the next school bond measure passed goes to remodeling and supporting McClymonds HS. The school has needed these financial resources for quite some time	Yes
Steve Sims	Would you consider multi-member constituencies elected via proportional, ranked lists?	Yes
Cameron Robertson	My idea of a COI is a community where people share the same interests.	No
Tom Dapice	District 3 should be split into West Oakland and downtown / Lake Merritt so that West Oakland gets better representation.	Yes
Reisa Jaffe	My community of interest are people who are working to eliminate white supremacy and raise the quality of life of those most in need. Housing as a human right. Paying a living wage. People who understand public safety goes beyond policing. "As a new Commission, we want the community to know of the work we are doing and will strive to make the redistricting process as open and transparent as possible." - What specific things will you be doing to accomplish this goal?	No

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Mercedes S. Rodriguez	<p>This is all new to me. I would need to do more research and get a better understanding of COI. I would like to know why the Commission is seeking redistricting. What made the City decide that it should be redistricted. How will redistricting change my neighborhood? What changes are going to be made in District 3 where I live. I would like to compare the current District 3 with the new proposed District 3.</p> <p>I suggest you consider using school attendance boundaries as COIs. The current attendance boundaries are here: <a href="https://www.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=e2d956e81eaf4a45b24b705e76b7871e&amp;extent=-122.4784,37.7048,-121.9901,37.8847">https://www.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=e2d956e81eaf4a45b24b705e76b7871e&amp;extent=-122.4784,37.7048,-121.9901,37.8847</a></p>	No
Helen Hutchison	<p>Jack London Square/Please ensure that people of color, people who work multiple jobs, people with disabilities, and immigrants are able to vote.</p>	No
Julia Epstein	<p>I am the Advocacy Director (volunteer resident) for Beat8x Neighborhood Council of the City of Oakland Neighborhood Services. Neighborhood Services Beat 8x is supervised by Angela Moore (amoore@oaklandca.gov) and is bound by I-980 to the Lake and West grand up to 40th Street. After review of the Draft Maps B and D, Beat 8x Neighborhood Council supports Draft Map B. Our top Draft Map choice is still A</p>	No
Nathan Moon	<p>Adams Point Neighborhood Group/I am in favor of Map Draft D. This puts all the neighborhoods surrounding the lake in a common district with one representative council member.</p>	Yes
Mary Griffin	<p>Adams Point, Grand Lake area. I like living in an area with diverse populations, interests, economic status and nearby shops and services/ I appreciate this process taking place.</p>	No
Joan Straumanis	<p>Adams Point neighborhood/I am in support of Maps C and D but definitely NOT A or B. Adams Point is incredibly different from West Oakland and although it has far more voters than other parts of D3, we receive VERY little attention from our representative. They come to campaign and then we don't see them again. We have serious crime issues (my neighbor was held up at gun point on his porch and another punched in the face and mugged while she walked home from the grocery store). We should at long last be united with our neighbors into one district so that we can advocate for programs and resources that serve us more consistently.</p>	No
Jen Jackson	<p>Black, West Oakland, Entrepreneur/Small Business Owner, Women, Oakland Native , Arts and Culture, Organizing,</p>	No
Anyka Howard	<p>Advocacy/Policy/TBD</p>	Yes
Diana Ralph	<p>I strongly support Maps C and D (especially Map D), which would, among other things, place my neighborhood (Westlake/Adams Point) in the same council district as the other lakeside neighborhoods. We have lived here for many years and it has always been challenging having a voice in what is happening along the lake because most of our D3 councilmembers have been (appropriately) focused on the starkly different West Oakland concerns. Using an arterial like Broadway as a boundary makes far more sense than the current split along Grand, where merchants and residents on either side of the street share similar neighborhood concerns but are in different council districts. The one change to Map C/D that I'd consider is ending District A at West Grand (or ideally even further north, if possible) to keep more West Oakland neighborhoods together. This looks like it would be feasible as far as population numbers since District A is the most populous in both of these maps. Thanks for all of your work on this daunting task!</p> <p>Pass/Split my district</p>	No Yes

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Leniece Flowers	Lake Merritt, Northgate Waverly, Downtown/What safeguards are being put in place to ensure equitable allocation of resources, power, etc? Who will track/monitor/audit this potential for potential bias and unintended outcomes? Who will advocate for the most marginalized? Unhoused people, black and brown people, working class/low-income folk, and non-native English speakers?	Yes
EC Brandon	Westlake/Oak Glen neighborhood/Current District 3 has at least three very disparate areas; one or more align better elsewhere	No
MavinCarter Griffin	<p>Artist/ maker Business/ Developer Events planner Unhoused' advocate / person experiancing an unhoused' community. That the voices of the unhoused' are valid. That WE are treated as second class citizens but with in our plight there holds a key of possibility regeneration wisdom and social justice. Our voices are not heard as we have no practical entry to any venue to speak .If you are to hear us know that over a third of our people are satisfied and choose to self house in a port able affordable moveable home and be public enough to survive at what we can do ,recycle side hustle ,collect and resale odd jobs and each district holds out future to solvency.another third works in fact almost half. But must fight for our place in Oakland our curbing is how we maintain our income to provide for our familys and to survive. We need to be seen not as mentally ill or addicted but as citizens of struggle and our love for this city keeps us here where we started , where we belong. The other third of our people are mentally different but accepted by and large and depend upon our emerging community's for support comradery and belonging .in the community's set in West Oakland at Wood Street and to the East by Colluseum the curbs need only incentives and support more than ordinances and disregard. We are cut off from participating and exploited. Wood Street People's Collective has interest in a People's Campus to facsilitate learning survival and responsibility and good neighboring and vangarding under guidences of longtime builders of Black Roch City Burningman and guidences from Black Panther community. We have great need for utilizing land in the spaces as bases to survive. Some of us will never be housed in doors so dwelling with understanding and new services should be sollutionable . Not everybody feels that a home is a house. Or a house is inside . Consider this school for all people in the west Oakland district of Wood Street and consider it's designs by the collective. We the people means ALL THE PEOPLE and the West Oakland Community of unhoused' Persons is at well over 1000 people in D3. Housed or not , our community comes to get her and is from one place. Oakland. We want a mixed zone live work learn thrive ,events and leisure recreation and developement exposition center focused on home building portable affordable innovative housing. That is our ticket to rise to a sustainable level. Provided that the talents and local residents inside or outside are the first in line to use spaces.</p> <p>I hope we soon do not need to think of Pill Hill as primarily shaped by the several highway underpasses where our unhoused neighbors live. I would much prefer to feel part of the dining and shopping districts of Temescal, Kono/Northgate, or piedmont avenue, and to see a new strong one on MLK on the west side of the highway.</p>	Yes
Daniel Erwin	Adam's point resident/	No
Rachael Kirk-Cortez		No

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Haley Bash	<p>McClymonds neighborhood, West Oakland broadly. I am in support of Maps C and D but definitely NOT A or B. Adams Point is incredibly different from West Oakland and although it has far more voters than other parts of D3, we receive VERY little attention from our representative. They come to campaign and then we don't see them again. We have serious crime issues (my neighbor was held up at gun point on his porch and another punched in the face and mugged while she walked home from the grocery store). We should at long last be united with our neighbors into one district so that we can advocate for programs and resources that serve us more consistently.</p>	No
Paulo (Paul) Sousa	<p>Live in the Prescott neighborhood of West Oakland/ I don't think that boundaries should be redrawn to include further out neighborhoods like Fruitvale into the same district as West Oakland. The map options where West Oakland and closer-by neighborhoods are grouped together make a lot more sense.</p>	No
Jodi Durst	<p>Working class, low income, includes members of LGBTQ, ethnically diverse, diverse age groups, renters/not homeowners, ideologically speaking left-leaning progressive to radical left (socialist, anarcho-syndicalist), diverse in education level (high school thru post grad. Would love to know what reasons the city has for redistricting in the first place and what are the thoughts for each of these proposed maps</p>	No
Michael Zelinski	<p>West Oakland/ We need a map that separates the populations that live in the hills and the flat lands. People in the hills vote for candidates that are out of touch with the reality occurring in the flats. This is mostly a problem with Carroll Fife and West Oakland.</p>	No
Nathan Moon	<p>I am the Advocacy Director (volunteer resident) for Beat8x Neighborhood Council of the City of Oakland Neighborhood Services. Neighborhood Services Beat 8x is supervised by Angela Moore (amoore@oaklandca.gov) and is bound by I-980 to the Lake and West grand up to 40th Street. After review of the Draft Maps B and D, Beat 8x Neighborhood Council supports Draft Map B. Our top Draft Map choice is still A</p>	Yes
MavinCarter Griffin Brittany Rae Buckmire	<p>Artists makers unhoused' Black Panthers Burningman multi cultural multi racial 30 - 70 yrs old , political, urban gig work side hustle ,auto motive performance and music pagan hipster hobos , without live in children . Asain hispanic white middle aged entertainment nerds salvage and recycle culture Blm black urban 20s LGBT , Tiny house and RV culture , urban arts ,historic district , That a campus for Oakland Community Arts and Sciences with resources should be followed thru on Wood Street and Port based upon the curb and urban transformation from unhoused' to new mobile community leadership . Should have focus on the power points of Of aklands People it's Industrial fortitude and it's out of box possibility. Arts Culture new business Media to public connectivity training and habitat experiments for new architecture are bankable lift in restoring the city with a resource that can turn any available open space or building into a multi purpose station for community. Makers or recyclers or writers or whomever .the 3d district to port should sustain train and engage provide perminant housing options that can be stationed or travel in plug and play theme. More of an adult zone focused on the emerging blend of cultures and generations from Boomer to X Y Z and Millinial. It's a play oriented work hard play yard zone with needs in stimulation education stablization and public engagement activity. If the people in this district area were enlisted in a series of enrichment activity opportunity</p> <p>What steps is the city taking to increase equity through this redistricting?</p>	yes Yes

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Devon Wright	I define COI as someone who is interested in making their city/surrounding better through economic/educational/volunteer development/How will you make the decision? Downtown and uptown Oakland is drastically changing due to the construction of new condos. I vote for D :)	Yes
Savannah Sellman	Relationship to the community/What are the benefits and drawbacks of consolidation?	Yes

## DISTRICT 4 - Comments from the Public Survey

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Santiago Rascon	A community of interest is a community who has similar ideals and morals, thus they lead themselves in a headstrong way in order to maintain such ideals and morals.	No
Mason Sam	Community of interests are defined as communities that share the same historic values. The district lines in Oakland feel natural and are split well. However, I believe that the district lines should still be split by wealth and population. For example, I would have the Oakland hills be divided into two separate districts and mold the three other districts in Oakland based on population.	No
Cameron Robertson	My idea of a COI is a community where people share the same interests. Nice Work I guess	No
Cesar Ramirez	Economic Interest /try to have an even split of people.	No
Ed Gerber	Montclair & adjacent hill areas/I believe the Commission should have an in-depth presentation of the conceptual alternatives open to it. For example a continuation of the current system with a number of districts which go flats to hills vs a system which would focus more on community of interest. No attention should be given to the effect on incumbent CMs.	Yes
Rory Brown	I am very interested in West and East Oakland, as an African-American am very interested in quality of life for all people of color in Oakland particularly black and brown folks. Community defined neighborhoods make a community not marketing defined neighborhoods.	Yes
Kimberly Hudson	African-American (ADOS)/How will Oakland's African-American homeless and under-housed be considered or counted in the redistricting efforts?	No
Tara	I am a first time homeowner and BIPOC cooperative business owner (my co-op is located in downtown Oakland). My communities are queer and trans people, BIPOC (I am Filipinx), artists, lower middle class, children of immigrants. I'm originally from the Sacramento area and moved to Oakland in 2014. My communities are queer and trans people, BIPOC (I am Filipinx), artists, lower middle class, children of immigrants.	No
Joseph Karwat	My COIS are not related to any ethnic or economic grouping that would be district centric. Can you be a bit more transparent as to your priorities and methodology. Are we rebalancing the districts based on population, income, ....	Yes
James Wood	I live in a rich, diverse community near Dimond Park. I attend church in the Fruitvale, shop in the Fruitvale and go to many businesses in the Laurel. Giving voting patterns I believe that those living in the hills have a power beyond their numbers in determining outcome of elections. Representation should begin with a diversity of population	Yes
Christopher Gulli	Montclair, Oakland Hills/What is the timeline for producing the districts?	Yes
Susan Sache	How can our districts help bring our various neighborhoods and people together?	No
Lauren	How are you advertising these meetings? How are you getting feedback from people? How are you bundling outreach about them with other services people are already receiving? What are the goals, and are they the same as the last redistricting process?	Yes
Sandra More	Sing Thing Family Singing, Friends of Sausal Creek, Regional Parks, Friends of Dimond Park, Friends of the Dimond Library. Just a hope that you will be fair and you will take racial barriers into consideration	No
Philip La Barbera	Oakland hills, Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone/The district lines seem to encompass communities/areas of the city which do not have common priorities. Indeed, there sometimes seems to be animosity between these communities which results in the council member having to 'choose sides' rather than represent constituents equitably.	Yes

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Christine Rall	My neighbors are working class people from diverse cultures. The housing is mixed and we only have a few community meeting places; Melrose library and various churches. No banks or major grocery chains. What are your goals that will matter to the community?	No
Lisa Orta	My COI is racially and ethnically diverse, LGBTQ identified, and professional. How will redistricting foster equity and inclusion with respect to the distribution of city resources?	No
Deb	First generation Asian-American; PD supporters. Asians against violence/	No
Lisa Ruhland	Middle class homeowner. Oakland native Patriotic American	Yes
Pamela Eguchi	I consider my COI to be where I've lived for 34 years, where I know the vendors and say hello to my neighbors, go to the library, enjoy the park and trails and shop, eat, volunteer and walk each day. My COI takes pride in the annual Oaktobefest where parking at the middle school would now be in a separate district. Dividing the community along Lincoln would diminish the political clout of the community East of Lincoln as fewer businesses are located there/I strongly oppose Proposal D - breaking up the Dimond District along Lincoln Avenue and below Wilbur/Whittle. Where I've lived for 34years, where I shop, eat and walk every day would now be considered a separate district.	Yes
Joe Oshinsk	Piedmont Pines Neighborhood Assoc/What are the efforts underway to address wildfire hazards in the Oakland hills?	Yes
Kathy Kenworthy	My COI includes the Dimond Business District where I shop regularly, go to the Dimond Library, and Dimond Park. These places all belong in a single district. I think that if the Business District is separated, our council person will not be motivated to represent us well, since we'd be only a tiny part of two totally separate districts/Please DO NOT divide the Dimond District down Lincoln and Fruitvale. The Dimond Business District is on both sides of Fruitvale, and splitting it there would put some of our businesses in one District and some in another. That would make it hard for the district to work together on our common problems of crime, litter, and more. The split line used to be down Park Blvd. Moving it to Fruitvale just moves the same problems of separating a community of interest for no apparent good reason to our neighborhood instead of leaving the problem in the Glenview 'hood. How about combining Glenview and Dimond with whatever other districts you need to make the total population right? Maybe add in Fruitvale? Also, please DO use the 580 freeway as a dividing line, rather than using MacArthur. A lot of the Dimond businesses are on the east side of 580, but the west side of MacArthur. The freeway is a less divisive dividing line than MacArthur would be.	No
Michael P. Meyer	Single-family home neighborhood in the Oakland Hills. LGBTQ community/I like Draft Plan D because the hillside community is largely in one district and the northern-most district includes neighborhoods that resemble Berkeley in character. It also keeps most districts pretty close to their existing boundaries.	Yes
Andrew Norton	most aligned with current District 4 map, Please leave District 4 boundaries as close to current boundaries	No
Kevin Whittinghil	Dimond District resident/Draft maps C and D divide the Dimond District by Fruitvale Avenue. I strongly oppose dividing the Dimond community into two separate districts. As a board member of the Dimond Improvement Association, this division would make advocacy for all residents and visitors to the Dimond all the more cumbersome and difficult. Please keep the Dimond District commercial area which begins north of the 580 and whose main thoroughfares are Fruitvale and MacArthur, within one district.	Yes

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Rachel Laws	Common fire district, I like the proposed maps Plan A and Plan B. I believe my Lower Redwood heights neighborhood should be included in the fire district.	No
Ronald Wacker	Piedmont Pines/I am Vice President of the Piedmont Pines Neighborhood Association (PPNA) but am submitting this comment as a personal comment, pending Board action on re-districting. I am very concerned that reducing the number of Council members that represent portions of the Hills, potentially to one, would re-introduce an era of "Hills vs. Flatlands" City Council decision making. We have worked hard to eliminate this divide which, used to characterize wildfire preparedness and vegetation management resources. We were able to overcome this because three council members have portions of the Hills in their districts. If option D is selected, the Hills would have only 1 Council member. Generally, it is good that each Council member needs to represent different constituencies and the way to assure this is to encourage diversity WITHIN each district.	Yes
Phyllis	Mixed race and income/In most of the proposals, the higher income and little people of color are singled out. I believe this is an issue. It will put more friction between the higher income area with less people of color against each other. Oakland is a mixing pot of race and culture. Let the map reflect that. I believe plan a with little change to the mix is the best.	No
Raghu Redd	I am Asian, but I define my community not by my ancestry but by my neighborhood (Oakmore). My immediate neighborhood is pretty diverse, neighbors own their homes, and my neighborhood is full of young highly educated families interested in sending kids to high performing public schools or private schools if that's not possible. I shop locally in Montclair village and along Park Blvd in Glenview. I am hoping that at some point if I ever have kids they'll be able to go through the public school system like I did to schools we're zoned in - Glenview, Edna Brewer, and to a school we're not zoned in - Oakland Tech (but if that's not possible then I will most assuredly send them to private schools). When would we see the proposed school zones? That's the real question that I want to know more about.	Yes
Kim Coulthurst	Dimond/Why are the hills their own district in every map? Why don't the district lines go straight across from the estuary to the hills? All the wealthy people in one district??	No
Owen O'Malley	Laurel District/Redwood Heights/As someone born and raised in Laurel/Redwood Heights, it feels very strange to not have Crestmont (or more specifically the Lincoln Square Shopping Center) as part of the district (as in Maps C & D) because it is so central to the citizens of the district. (I notice similar weirdness in C&D separating the Rockridge shopping center from many of its neighbors, but that's not part of my district).	No
Marie Eskandar	Davenport Neighborhood Watch, a community of long-time residents, located in the 'wedge' between 580 and Hwy 13. Includes many newcomers in the last 5 years. IMO, the diversity of Dist. 4 as a whole has not been well-served by the current Council rep., S, Thao. The current carve-out of Dist. 4 that exists along Foothill Blvd. seems quite "artificial".	No
n/a	Homeowners in the hills of Oakland, own cars and drive to bart or destination rather than bus. Not a lot of trash left generally on the street or street sweeping needed, constantly fined by the fire department. When considering lines please consider walkable schools. We have a great walkable school in redwood heights yet are put at a school completely in a different part of town. I think purposed map plan b is more accurate.	No

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Deborah G Bardon	Oaklander first. Oakland Hills resident second. Senior citizen and property tax payer third/ I am concerned about placing all "Hills" home in one homogenous district. While it would be one of the largest districts geographically and will provide the greatest amount of tax dollars from property tax assessments, the representation will be reduced to only one council person representing the needs of the entire district. Currently several council people have to balance the needs of "Hills" residents with other neighborhoods, giving more than one voice to multiple needs.	No
Justin McDavid	Shared access and utility lines. Higher opportunities for interaction. It seems strange to me that (some) current district boundaries and proposed redistricting boundaries are streets, rather than areas with common street-access. It would seem to me that I am going to have more interaction with the neighbors I share a street with than I would with the neighbors I share a block/back fence with. I know that would make line-drawing for districts more more of an effort, but it seems like it would better capture community lines.	No
Joan Warren	Dimond District/ Please do NOT adopt your Redistricting Plan D. That would: put me in a different district from my neighbors across the street as well as divide our major shopping district (Fruitvale Ave.) right down the middle. Our district would be much better served by one Councilmember who could serve us more effectively as we identify as a united community/neighborhood. The Courtland creek/ frances st area of district 4 has always felt like part of district 6 Maxwell park yet is not technically.	No
Jessica Bognar	Continuing to separate this part of the area by district seems illogical and counter productive. To create a better community this area should be combined vs another weird line drawn for this small area.	Yes
Michael Evans	I live in Redwood Heights, and I define my community of interest as one with shared level of education, work ethic, and recreational interests/ If the choice for redistricting, is reduced to either map D or B - I request the commission choose map B. I do not believe that map D respects the Redwood Heights community of interest. Thank you.	NO
Pamela Eguchi Kalliope Bellesis	I consider my COI to be where I've lived for 34 years, where I know the vendors and say hello to my neighbors, go to the library, enjoy the park and trails and shop, eat, volunteer and walk each day. My COI takes pride in the annual Oaktobefest where parking at the middle school would now be in a separate district. Dividing the community along Lincoln would diminish the political clout of the community East of Lincoln as fewer businesses are located there. I strongly oppose Proposal D - breaking up	Yes
Peter	Unsure/ Keep D4 on same side of hwy13 (eliminating Montclair and joining Glenview LGBTQ/ Make sure underserved communities are incorporated into better served in order to reap the benefits of wealthier tax brackets	No
E Spears	Shared living standards - residents need to respect each other and care about the community/city in which they live -- keep area around residence clean Safety - crime is too high - muggings, car-jacking, drug dealing in plain-site Potholes and streets need repaving Trash needs to be cleaned up along streets, freeway underpasses Homelessness -- clean up areas; designate specific places where the homeless they choose not to be housed can live in a clean/safe environment.	No
Carol Northrup	The district lines should make sense, not have to rely on obscure technocratic justification. They should incorporate well-thought out demographic predictions.	No

**DISTRICT 4 - Comments from the Public Survey**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Jody Lerner Dania Stotts	Commercial areas, school boundaries, recreational opportunities/I think that splitting the Dimond commercial district is a bad idea. We've worked so hard to get and keep it thriving! I also don't like the idea of lumping all the high-value (hills) properties together. We should work together on issues like rent control, housing availability, fire safety, and access to recreation. Montclair/Please keep as-is (option A), with heterogeneous districts!	No No
Elaine	This is Ridiculous. I moved to Oakland because of it's diversity. To make maps based on COI defeats the whole idea of diversity/Keep the old map or map A.	No
David Liebman	As a District 4 voter, and a resident of the hills, I define my COI by the unique concerns facing residents of the hills, most of which center around fire prevention and land management/While redistricting according to COIs may provide "effective and fair representation" in that each district will be more likely to elect people of their own race, my observation of the current and previous city councils is that it's likely to result in acrimony and gridlock as each councilmember seeks to gain advantage solely for a given subset of population. I believe that the city council will be more effective if its members represent multiple COIs and are incentivized to integrate multiple viewpoints. Of all the plans currently under consideration, only map A provides this.	No
Macy Cornell Sean Schoonmaker	Our community is in the very high and high fire severity zone of Oakland and the East Bay Hills, is extremely concerned with the current direction of the Commission in its effort to balance communities of interest and demographics in the redrawing of Council and School District boundaries/We don't believe that placing most of the "hills" neighborhoods into one massive district serves our City. Oakland is a vibrant city with as many opinions as races, ethnicities and communities of interest. What makes Oakland livable and dynamic are the many opportunities for cross fertilization of ideas and opinions. Isolating one group from another, as would happen with Maps B, C and D, runs counter to that which makes Oakland Oakland. It would further exacerbate the "hills" vs "flats" dynamic that already pits residents against each other instead of recognizing what we have in common. Limited resources and competing priorities make everyone feel shortchanged in influence and services. We need elected officials who listen to and represent the full range of Oakland's population so they create policies that benefit the whole city.- My vote is to keep the district maps the SAME- May A please Merriewood, Montclair/Would just like to see it logically mapped - no crazy zone bits extending like tentacles	No Yes

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Otto Pippenger Michael Sherwood	<p>I am a lifelong renter, and a resident of Laurel/Lower Diamond, as well as someone invested in the wellbeing of Oakland's flatlands/I am greatly disturbed by a number of changes either proposed or discussed- the splitting of West Oakland, the splitting of the port into a wider number of districts, and an overall trend which seems to concentrate wealth and power while breaking up many long standing communities who lack a representative thus far in the process despite the progressive language being used. First and foremost I am appalled at the number of maps that take my neighborhood- a warm and diverse space- and amputate it from D4 into D5, usually in the course of creating an All-Hills District. I do not want to see more working class areas split and subsumed. While I am pleased with the results of the most recent meeting, in which the preservation of neighborhoods, including Dimond was adopted as a priority criteria for your redistricting partner agency, there is a fair amount of ambiguity- my neighbors and I refer to Laurel or sometimes Lower Dimond (the rectangular area below 580). In this process I have also seen it referred to as Bartlett- I do not know where this originates from. In any case, the use of the highway is the kind of arbitrary distinction which can only make sense from the remote perspective of cartographic aesthetics; in reality it sunders an area of real warmth and unity from a great many resources, including the only real grocery store, restaurant, and other necessary businesses or services in the area. While obviously these things will still be only a few blocks away, having even less democratic say in the process of urban development is incredibly disheartening, especially as the last few years have seen such positive trends towards a better distributed and more accessible neighborhood. Whatever you call it- Laurel, Lower Dimond, or even Bartlett, I ask in the strongest possible terms that this committee move forward with what was originally known as Map A and it's later iterations, or else make it clear and unequivocal that keeping this area intact is a high priority in any proposed map created by the committee &amp; it's partners. Thank for your time and consideration.</p> <p>Oakland in its entirety/Please leave District 4 the way it is.</p>	No No
Richard Cooper	<p>My community of interest is multi-cultural, multi-ethnic, and economically diverse/Please retain map A. The other plans create, for lack of a better term, a ghetto of rich, white hills residents. This is no way to build an inclusive and diverse community.</p>	No

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Janani Ramachandran	<p>Summary: Keep the Dimond and Laurel intact (including neighborhoods below 580) and adopt map A. Comment: I live right below the 580, in an area that most of us residents consider to be Lower Dimond, or sometimes a part of the Laurel, but the Commission has called "Bartlett" (most residents I know have never heard of that name). I strongly support keeping my community together - a community that has remained a part of District 4 for many, many decades and iterations of redistricting. We should not use arbitrary lines of a highway like 580 to divide our communities. I support the boundaries of Map A that uses Brookdale Avenue as a boundary line. There are several reasons why we should remain intact, and why we should not have an all-hills district: 1) Fire safety: Even though I live in the flatlands of D4, my community will be greatly affected by fires because we are an immediately neighboring community to the hills. An "all-hills" district would reduce the number of city council representatives with fire danger on their mind. Many of us are increasingly worried about this as fire season worsens due to climate change. We need more leaders concerned about fire safety, vegetation management, illegal fireworks, and regional strategies to address the issue. The district as it is drawn in Map A contains neighborhoods – including in the flatlands – that all have fire safety on our mind, and it would be unfair to divide us and minimize our voices. 2) Small businesses: My community in the Dimond has had a long history of a thriving local business scene. In recent years, my local neighborhood associations in and around the Dimond has been fighting hard to establish a Business Improvement District, which would benefit neighboring residents of the Lower Dimond like myself. I want to remain a part of the Dimond community and continue to advocate for a Business Improvement District to support our wonderful small businesses. A BID would benefit neighboring residents like me to act on issues we all care about - including public safety, illegal dumping, safe streets, etc. Similarly, the Laurel business district adjacent to me on the other side is inextricably linked to communities and businesses in Allendale, which is immediately below the 580. Most of my neighbors in Allendale consider themselves to be a part of the Laurel, and neighborhood associations have invested much energy in establishing the Laurel Business Improvement District. As a resident of the same community just minutes away, I similarly care about improving Laurel's BID and making it a safer, more thriving, non-downtown area that Oaklanders can enjoy. 3) Parks: As a public transit rider, I love that I can take a short 10-15 min bus ride away to beautiful parks in my District, including Dimond Park, Joaquin Miller, and the park around Redwood Heights Rec Center. It's important to keep the portion of the flatlands where I live connected to these beautiful parks so that all of us can enjoy them (not just hills residents) and continue to advocate for greater access. 4) Services: My neighborhood - which again, we consider a part of the Dimond / Lower Dimond - has long advocated for many services our community now benefits from. This includes opening the first Farmer Joe's - and then advocating for things like unionization of workers. This also includes advocating with our local D4 councilmember for a farmer's market - which she received funding for, and is currently slated to be in my neighborhood, in the Neighborhood, shared values. we identify as Oaklanders NOT residents of a particular District/Why are you lumping the hills into a single district? That appears to be a ploy to dilute the political influence of a geographic area. Stop dividing this city along racial and economic lines. keep the hills districts as they are.</p>	No
Brian. H.		No

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Kimberly Reifel	Within this context, I define my community of interest as Oakland. It's very unclear that there would be any special benefit to defining it along socioeconomic or other such lines. We're all one community, sharing one set of resources, balancing multiple perspectives and viewpoints about how to ensure the community thrives. Dividing that community up for the purposes of letting the COIs fight it out for necessary resources will result in deeper divisions between those groups that what currently exists, and again, for no appreciable apparent payoff. Sounds like it will promote a confederacy of cliques rather than a diverse and unified city/I strongly support the idea of having an East-West orientation to the mapping, as outlined by the Piedmont Pines Neighborhood Association and the Oakland Fire Department. Oakland is one community, of immense diversity, along a number of different lines. Our diversity is the source of our strength. That should be reflected in the standards we use for districting. The other key is simple: the lines that define the districts should be those that best support an equal ability to exert voting power and influence over community affairs.	Yes
Nancy Franklin	I define my community of interest as the contiguous geographical area of the Oakland hills/I would like all the Oakland hills to remain one large district.	no
Meri Soll	Fire saftey/Please use Map A	No

## DISTRICT 5 - Comments from the Public Survey

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Mixtli	Our religious heritage, sexual orientation, and gender should not be used to divide us people	No
Luz	My community of interest in Oakland is that we should be equally split. This means that we should not be divided categories based on our skin color, gender, or sexual orientation.	No
Maria Longinos	I would define community of interest as poeple that share the same values. I think Oakland should be splitt according to which part of Oakland they live in. For example grouping Oakland hills together rather than grouping East Oakland with the hills.	No
Hellen Martin	In my community of interest of the City of Oakland, people that live in the same community should be grouped together.	No
Christopher Nguyen	I define my community of interest as ethnic, racial, and religious groups. I believe a few community of interest's that should be implemented into the City of Oakland is primarily location, racial groups, and religious belief groups.	No
Ximena Sanchez	For my community of interest I would think that districts should be divided by location and equally spacing districts.	No
Xavier Alonga-Piring	A community of interest should be grouped by the location and population of the area.	No
Edward McNichols	Dimond/Laurel . Walkable from the neighborhood. Nearly all commercial, community, and social activities in my neighborhood are conducted there but we are not in the district. Neighborhoods should be districted with the community of interest nearest to them	Yes
Kathleen Archambeau	Glenview Neighborhood; LGBTQ/Survey residents before making decisions — Bravo!	Yes
Catherine Barale	Glenview/A major concern for us is dealing with crime in Oakland overall and our area in particular. One thing we discuss is moving out of Oakland to a lower crime city. Recent City Council decisions have made this issue even more significant.	No
Joanna Alvarez	What does the Oakland Redirecting Commission? Might volunteer if I know what it is I would be doing	Yes
Bob Feinbaum	This poorly defined concept leads to balkanized representation rather than representation that benefits the entire community. That is why Oakland's current city council is perhaps the worst governing body in California. We need smart, fair, responsible leaders not politically correct hacks who are only concerned with "their people" and not anyone else. The districts are currently drawn to favor incumbents. Draw fair districts that encompass all types of voters	No
Harriet C Hutchinson	I am VERY concerned that no OUSD board member or administrative staff member knows that this committee is meeting! Also, ALL of the public meetings are the same day and time as the OUSD school board meetings!	Yes

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Caleb Smith	I live in the Glenview. I consider myself to be part of the "foothills" community of interest. I define this community of interest as being all the neighborhoods below Highway 13 and above Highway 580. This would be Glenview, Diamond, Laurel, etc. This is a natural community of interest because we all go to the same neighborhood retail (Glenview or Diamond), all access the same public library (Diamond) and have a somewhat similar set of concerns (traffic safety and property crime, though more concern about violent crime than those above Highway 13 and less concern about illegal dumping than those below Highway 580). We have a distinct voice, vote distinctively, and our schools are some of the most integrated in Oakland. Please put Glenview in the same council district as the Diamond and Oakmore neighborhoods (and ideally the Laurel). Whether this means expanding District 5 or simply moving Glenview into District 4, this would give the foothills a strong voice instead of leaving them awkwardly split between two districts	No
Michael Gabriel	Glenview District/Glenview should be in one District. It is currently split between 2 districts.	Yes
Chris Harper	Dimond and Glenview/I am particularly interested in Districts 4 and 5. I have lived in what is currently District 5 for 27 years. My community service takes place in District 4 (Dimond). The last 4 District 4 council members know my face and name. Through no fault (as far as I know) no District 5 representative knows my name. The gerrymandered districts create inefficiencies and hamper the effectiveness of representative government. Please consider adding *all* of the Glenview neighborhood to District 4. This will benefit both District 5 and 4 residents.	Yes
Jody Silver	How many districts are being considered? How are people who are usually underrepresented going to be better considered in the redistricting process?	No
Josh frank	Not a concept I've ever considered. Maybe sharing socioeconomic disposition, geographic location? What criteria will you use to redistrict ?	Yes
Corinne DeLuca	Diversity, opportunities for diverse populations to own in our neighborhood, school excellence, community crime watch, school yard access during off school hours.	No
Lisa Zemelman	District 4 and 5 are ridiculous shapes—I do not believe the councilperson for either area addresses issues on the side of 580 that is separate from the bulk of their district. I used to be in district 4 (represented by Jean Quan) and was at some point moved into district 5, now represented by Noel Gallo. I notice all of Gallo's efforts are aimed at the area around International Blvd. and Sheng Thao's efforts are focused on the hills.	No

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Mailisha Chesney	I spend the most time in the Dimond District. I also connect with Glenview, Montclair, Piedmont Ave., Temescal, and Rockridge. I like the Laurel District too, but it's kinda scuzzy these days. My concern is that Oakland is a very segregated city - there are little pockets of "like-kind people," but there isn't as much true integration as there should be in a city this diverse. And nowhere is it as evident as in our schools. For example, you will see that schools with a lot of black children will often NOT have hardly any white children. The kids at Chabot Elementary look very, very different from the kids at Manzanita, as an example. There are many complicated reasons for this - mostly outright racism and anti-black bias. True, meaningful integration should be our top priority. It is the only way we can move forward and truly educate everyone in a more equitable way. Plus, we ALL need that integration for our betterment.	No
Ilene Philipson	I think District 5 is divided up in such a way that our Council Member represents the majority of the district which lives below 580 rather than the smaller number of residents living above 580. The Glenview seems to be gerrymandered into District 5 whereas I think we should be in District 1 or 4.	No
Elisha Greenwell	Black Women Homeowners Artists Organizers Entrepreneurs Dancers/How can we ensure every district has access to similar level of resources including public transport, green space, retail, nightlife, etc.	No
Cynthia Elliott	Maintain the Latinx culture in D5. Keep D5 affordable for working class, artists & multigenerational families.	No
Audrey	Black Oaklanders, working class/Who is on the commission, how are communities actively recruited?	No
Ismael Plasencia	Equity and inclusivity	No
Feleciai Favroth	Concerned about lack of businesses in East Oakland	Yes
Ometha Harris	Does doing this help or f further alienate the poor and the black population of Oakland Jingletown neighborhood (geographic). The arts/ culture/ design community (shared interest and skills across the city).	Yes
Annie Ledbury	Community organizing and creative resident engagement. Im a third generation Fruitvale resident . my COI is wide...the Creative communities; marginalized groups; women; seniors etc.../what are the criteria you are using to redraw districts or create new ones? How will the demographics of the city be	
Diane Sanchez	represented in an equitable way on city council responsibilities and distribution of funds etc	Yes
Jeff Knowles	Unknown/I like Map D for district D, but Map B is better for districts C, B, and E. I do not understand the strange shape C wrapping from West Oakland up into the Tuxedo. That district person will be pulled in too many directions	No

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Hugh Morrison	<p>Glenview - Foothills/1. Glenview should not be lumped into the massive hills district. Hills speeders drive down Park Blvd exceeding the speed limit, often by up to 60mph. They have fought our efforts to get OakDOT to reduce speeds on Park Blvd so our kids can safely walk to school at either Glenview ES or Brewer MS. B/c of their opposition OakDOT killed a plan to make Park Blvd safer. As it says on the City website: "There is not stakeholder agreement on a preferred alternative." &amp; "Along Middle Park Blvd, there were similarly strong concerns regarding speeding and pedestrian safety. While some stakeholders strongly supported a road diet, other stakeholders were concerned with commute hour traffic accessing I-580". <a href="https://www.oaklandca.gov/projects/park-boulevard-corridor-study">https://www.oaklandca.gov/projects/park-boulevard-corridor-study</a> 2. Glenview is a FootHill community, with parts of it on MacArthur Blvd. Where MacArthur Blvd is above 580, 580 should be the boundary of the District. Otherwise the lower side of MacArthur Blvd will be separated from both it's Glenview community (&amp; other neighborhoods in similar situations), as well as the schools their families attend (Glenview ELS &amp; Edna Brewer MS). If you keep lower 1/2 of MacArthur in a separate district, artificially separating it from it's neighborhood, it will be ignored by the new District it is in, and which it has little connection to. Instead the boundary should be at 580.</p>	No
Tayo Lanlehin	<p>The community of interest I belong to is the Dimond/ laurel district. Even though I live on pleitner avenue, between school and nicol. I feel strongly attached to the Dimond district as that's were I go for shopping and entertainment. Currently district 5 ends on pleitner avenue, just before school avenue. I am in support of plan D/There is not enough outreach being done. How does the commission expect to up This?</p>	Yes
Chris Cassidy	<p>I don't understand this question, even considering the link provided/B looks the fairest to me. Any map that diminishes the power of W. Oakland votes, or those of folks living in the low lands of E. Oakland, is problematic. B does the best job at avoiding that</p>	No

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Kevin Dalley	<p>My first COI is Resident of Glenview neighborhood The geographic area is in the web site below, roughly between Leimert and 580, and from the city of Piedmont to Canon Ave It's a neighborhood centered around the business district on Park Blvd, between Wellington and Hampel Many residents walk and cycle to the business district, making traffic safety along Park Blvd essential There are also bus lines on both Park Blvd and MacArthur, going to downtown Oakland, SF, and along MacArthur to Kaiser Here's a map and description of Glenview <a href="https://oaklandwiki.org/Glenview">https://oaklandwiki.org/Glenview</a> My second COI is as a cyclist and pedestrian centered on Glenview, traveling to downtown Oakland, west Oakland, Dimond business district, and beyond Because of the bike and pedestrian COI, my neighborhood does not easily connect to the upper hills. The residents of that area are more likely to drive than walk, cycle, or take the bus. Many of these residents drive at high speed on Park Blvd, not respecting the safety of the residents/Because of the bike and pedestrian COI, my neighborhood does not easily connect to the upper hills. The residents of that area are more likely to drive than walk, cycle, or take the bus. Many of these residents drive at high speed on Park Blvd, not respecting the safety of the residents. For this reason, it is a mistake to combine Glenview with the hills, as in map A and map B Glenview residents have been working toward pedestrian safety for over 20 years, and we should not be combined with the upper hills, which endanger the lives of our residents. Maps C and D are better matches for Glenview. Glenview residents have walking, cycling, and transit use more similar to areas around the lake, including Grand Lake. Map C is probably the best fit. This map does not go too far toward 13, and D is my second choice. All 4 maps have one shortfall, which can be easily remedied. East of Beaumont, the maps split Glenview at MacArthur Blvd, with residents on the northern side of MacArthur in a different district than the residents south of MacArthur, but still north of 580. A more sensible area to split the district at 580. This change would not greatly effect the populations in the districts, but it would allow all of the residents of Glenview to be in one district. It really does not make sense to have residents between MacArthur Blvd and 580 be in the same district as residents south of 580. Traveling across the freeway by foot or bike takes some effort. People do not easily mingle across the freeway. The building of 580 permanently split these neighborhoods, and the district lines should recognize this split, even if many wish that 580 had not been built.</p>	Yes
Sandra Montgomery	<p>Glenview District residents, businesses, schools, parks/Utilize the boundaries of above 580/Macarthur blvd up Park Blvd to Highway 13.eastern boundary to include Dimond canyon , excluding Fruitvale ave</p>	No
David Dologite	<p>Glenview/Dividing Glenview along north/south side of Macarthur Blvd rather than the Interstate 580 freeway that is literally immediately south of Macarthur Blvd makes ZERO sense. The FREEWAY should be the divider. It's the only rational border.</p>	No
Ashley Cook	<p>I consider the Glenview neighborhood my primary community/neighborhood/At the south edge of Glenview all 4 maps put a district border through the middle of MacArthur Blvd, separating a strip of residents from the rest of the neighborhood. It would be a minor change to put the border at the 580 freeway instead. I live on the south side of MacArthur, bordering the 580, and would favor remaining in a district with the rest of Glenview, which is a relatively tight knit community.</p>	Yes

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Sally Steele	My community of interest is based on where my family and I spend most of our time and where our community relationships are. The current boundaries do not reflect this, placing Glenview in the same district as the hills and separating us from the communities to which we are in physical proximity (Trestle Glen, Lakeshore, etc.). Proposed Maps C & D more accurately reflect Glenview's actual community ties with all its diversity - where we shop, dine, walk, meet with friends, work, and worship/Please consider geography - where people physically move about in their day-to-day lives. I believe maps C & D are a greater reflection of this than current district lines or the other proposed options.	No
ruth stroup	Glenview, Oakmore, Dimond Heights/being in D5 has been a disaster for Glenview. We get very little support from our current council person who focuses almost entirely on the Fruitvale district. We are more suited to D2 or D4. Because of the traffic issues on Park Blvd between 580 and 13, I think it's important for Glenview and Oakmore to stay together	Yes
Mike Bradley	My COIs are based on where I go to shop and eat, and the people I meet when I go there. My immediate COI is Glenview and the Dimond. I live there and shop there and feel a sense of kinship with the people there. A broader COI would extend through Lakeshore to Piedmont Ave or even Broadway, and down into San Antonio and Fruitvale. An even broader COI would extend up to Rockridge for the restaurants and over to the Laurel. I also go to Jack London Square a lot and like it. I feel no kinship whatever with Montclair and the hills neighborhoods or the people who live there/A couple of decades ago the City adopted Estuary-to-hills districts. Why did the city reject them? No real COIs there, I guess. Anyway, you have a tough job and I thank you for taking it on. Good luck!	No
Zachary Kelly	Middle class non-tech worker/What natural/physical barriers are regularly used to separate districts? And do these still need to be considered?	Yes
Cynthia Elliott	Maintain the Latinx culture in D5. Keep D5 affordable for working class, artists & multigenerational families. None yet	No
Elizabeth Brenum	Middle to lower class, urban, near Fruitvale, majority Latino/ How will power be distributed so that higher income people in the hills not dominate Oakland's resources?  stores to support businesses in these districts, residents from these 3 neighborhoods volunteer at Sausal Creek and Joaquin Miller, and we share recreational facilities such as Lion's Pool in Diamond Park. For adequate representation we belong in the same district. Please keep all of the Diamond and Laurel together including the area below 580 up until Brookdale Avenue. I'm strongly favor of implementing the boundaries of "District D" in MAP A!/I'm very much against an all hills district as proposed in	Yes
Ms. Joaninha	Maps B, C, and D because this would separate communities of interest that belong together, An all hills district does not give	no
Howard Egerman	Hispanic/Why have all hill	No
Rhonda Giarretto	LGBTQ. Older, multi-racial/If due in December getting close to the wire,	

## DISTRICT 6 - Comments from the Public Survey

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Yarely	I would define my community of interest as being segregated by even numbers and communities we have self-segregated.	No
Mai Dinh	My interest in my community is have equality for all. I believe my community, the city of Oakland should be equality divided by their location.	No
mario gilberto monterroso	my community interest in low-income and there is a mix of Latin Americans and Americans. A district should have opposite demographic so they can how completion between each other.	No
Alisson Herrera	I define my community as a good place where neighbors share same cultures and get along even if it is dangerous. I would say that the cops should always be checking the area to reduce crime	No
jeremiah	You can define them by similar living qualitys and the need of them like places or worship, lique stores, schools and many more.I feel like we could use ethnicity and should be taken into accountability because peidmont have a better education then west oakland.	No
Amy Tharpe Peterson	African-American, low-to moderate income renters and homeowners, local businesses, and the homeless. I would like to ensure that Oaklands districts represent the economic and social diversity that is unique to the City. We should not homogenous districts.	Yes
Ruben Briones	My community of interest includes the Seminary area. It is usually cut off at 57th but it's really 55th. We also belong to the International Blvd corridor since we are only 2 blocks away. Lastly, we are bounded by the NCPC 27Y. Splitting up the Bancroft or Foothill Blvd does not work. For example, we have a tremendous problem with speeding along that corridor. Having to coordinate with 2 council members is a challenge because they are not political allies.	No
Jasmine Gonzalez	The deep east Oakland community is a community plagued by inequitable and racist practices. We have been dealing with illegal dumping for over a decade. Lawlessness prevails. We are afraid of walking in our own communities. We are disproportionately affected by environmental toxins and pollution coming from racist city permitting processes. The relationship with city officials appears to be most present around election time. The mayor and Loren Taylor cross picket lines to make partner up with mass polluters such as AB&I Foundry plant. How can redistricting improve living conditions for the deep east Oakland community?	No
Maxine Visaya	Maxwell Park/Strive to be inclusive and equitable in this process	No
Prescott	Located between seminary and 73rd st and between MacArthur and the MLK shoreline./How can our district boundaries build more power and connect for our communities and especially those who are burdened by financial and housing issues?	Yes
Yolanda Scott	How will redistributing positively impact d6 and d7?	No

## DISTRICT 6 - Comments from the Public Survey

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Peter Schoewe	Maxwell Park/There is a perception that the last redistricting process, specifically the move of a portion of Maxwell Park from District 4 to District 6, and the jagged borders of District 4, 5 and 6 within Melrose, were politically motivated to remove a council member from office--and that decision resulted in fragmented representation and attention from the city council for the Maxwell Park and Melrose communities over the past decade. For that reason, I'm excited that there is an independent commission to decide the district boundaries this decade--and I'd like to ensure that they consider the context of how the boundaries were set in 2010 against the interests of the Maxwell Park and Melrose communities.	Yes
Morgan Staples	Live in Havenscourt, active in Havenscourt Neighborhood Association. Work in Fruitvale as Educator/I want to make sure that	Yes
Crystal Bussey	districts are not drawn to isolate East Oakland from neighborhoods on the hills side of 580! African American families/Plan D is overtly classist	Yes
Maxine Visaya	Maxwell Park Mixed Demographics Parent of young school children Attend local public &/or charter school Work in	No
Desiree Turner	Oakland/Strive to be inclusive and equitable in this process.	No
ray morgan	Stopping illegal dumping. Why is redistricting occurring?	Yes
	concerned resident. not enough people no or understand what is happening.	Yes
Tricia Penny	Homelessness,crime,lack of community,no quality food stores ,no financial education. Why aren't there and businesses in the	
James Owen	district 6 area,outside of Liquor stores, churches, check cashing and gas stations. I've been told the businesses won't come due to	
	crime, however these places are thriving under the same situation	No
	LGBTQ/Maxwell Park should be included in district 4	No
Kedar Korde	East Oakland Oakland Hills Latinx Asian Indian/How does Oakland school redistricting allow for integration of children from	
	different economic and ethnic backgrounds to attend schools together to allow for equity in education? Are property taxes,	
	income, and housing prices a consideration along with location for redistricting? And if so, is it through consolidation of certain	
	high income households having their own school district?	Yes
Megan Montanti	Havenscourt, East Oakland, near the coliseum/I am shocked to see Oakland is considering redistricting. I like the current districts	
	being a blend of different economic neighborhoods. The new map suggestions show districts split along homes in the hills and in	
	the flats. These new districts will further disadvantage folks in the flats even more. D6 and D7 are hurting in many ways. D6 is a	
	food apartheid, there are few small businesses enticed to open shop here. The playgrounds are run down, have no public	
	bathrooms, some even lack permanent trash cans. Illegal dumping of trash and cars has increased. More and more young	
	families are moving into homes elderly people leave but are bringing babies and kids who deserve to grow up in a healthy, safe	
	part of Oakland too. I am against redistricting seemingly along the lines of property value.	Yes

## DISTRICT 7 - Comments from the Public Survey

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Interest/comments and questions</u>	<u>Willing to Volunteer</u>
Jose Isido	My interest in the community is a better way of dividing the districts in a more balanced way regardless of economic status.	No
Alexandra Sandoval	I think the City of Oakland is split well but should be split based on wealth and population.	No
Alvaro Esquivel	My definition of COI is people who have similar demographics like wealth and political views. Districts should be unbiased and evenly split in demographics to create competition and create motivation to vote.	No
Hugo Zelada	My community of interest is low income and majority African American. I think the community should be split by population and opposing demographics.	No
Taliyah Jones	A community of interest that I have is that ethnicities should be divided into certain locations.	No
Frank	My community of interest is one that values its neighborhood and wants to see changes in the streets and one that cares for its community. I think that the lines should be drawn by populations.	No
Natalie	The City of Oakland should be grouped by location.	No
Erika Quintero	I think Oakland should be divided by even numbers.	Yes
Alicia Herrera	I define communities of interest by the locations they are in, and the resources that are accessible to them. I believe the city should provide at least two resources, (if needed) for each community. These resources can be helpful for any necessities (ex. food, clothes).	Yes
Joselyn	In the City of Oakland, my community of interest would be dividing people by location.	No
Kidist	The name of the community and its shared culture or characteristics. how can I help the districts	Yes
Eve Delfin	What's the purpose of redistricting? What is the goal of redistricting?	No
Merika Reagan	Deep East Oakland	Yes
Dian J. Harrison	Resident of the City of Oakland (District 7), and involved in several community based organizations, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Black Women Organized for Political Action, where I live (Black community). There needs to be transparent communications with the community to ensure that citizens know when the meetings are and where they can get information.	Yes
Allie Whitehurst	I'll try to attend meetings to get a better understanding of how the commission will make decisions.	Yes
TJ Shah	East Oakland resident, Brookfield Village, person of color.	No
sylvia	I'd like to know about the public hearing dates. Have those been scheduled? My community is Cox (District 7) is very diverse and of various income levels. There very few successful business in the community and few that are not hispanic the stores seem to be for them only Lots of room for improvement. There needs to be	No
Michael McDaniel	efforts to improve the business community between 73rd and 98th	Yes
David Banks	More restaurants. Access to maker spaces. Community spaces. How do I become a representative?	Yes

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John Accinelli	<p>“The Hills” Multiracial Affluence Very High Fire Danger Zone Region Private School path over public If Public school, they attend Skyline Higher Property Tax Rates Diminished Police Presence. Plan D map zone D should include Sequoyah Hills. The main problem is that district 7 hill region does not identify with East Oakland and refers to itself as the South Oakland Hills. Our voice for policing and services are lost in the noise of the flatlands and foothills below us. We relate more closely with our Keller Ave neighbors and once had property crime stats in alignment with Hansom Drive and lower Skyline Blvd. 20 years ago.</p>	Yes
Brian King	<p>African American, Hills Resident, home owner, rental property Owners, parent of school age children/Interesting how the south end of the hills, with the majority of people of color that live in the hills will continue to get lumped into the East Oakland district that runs to the waterfront, while the wealthy white district to the north gets separated out into their own district. How about splitting this district as well? What is there in common with the flats other than color? And how about eliminating the Council Seat at large? What purpose does it have? I live near Frank Ogawa’s home, and when the seat was established it was to give the Unrepresented Asian community a seat. Not the real estate developers.</p>	Yes
Denise Lee	<p>Eastmont hills, moderate democratic, middle class professional/Due to changing demographic of incoming population, I feel redistricting is necessary</p>	Yes
Jennifer Formoso	<p>Not sure what this means. I live in the Sequoyah area of District 7/I think it is a mistake to divide the districts in a way where it appears to be divided by wealth. As in the hills are one section as in D and C. It think keeping the sections as they are does not create the bickering and division that cutting one area out of the districts will do. I think A and B using the current district sections will work better.</p>	Yes
Damion Scott	<p>NA</p>	No
Megan Stewart	<p>I don't know/I'm concerned about some of the proposed maps that seem to further isolate East Oakland. What happens to those schools? Our neighborhood is already underfunded, overpoliced, and overlooked by many.</p>	No
Ambi Bohannon Jones	<p>My COI are: Individuals and families who live in high fire danger areas within Oakland Middle-income Oakland families with children Black / African American Oaklanders/I really feel like the current boundaries for District 7 disenfranchise communities above 580. Issues of crime, dumping, fire danger, park neglect are rarely addressed or even taken seriously given the pressing issues of the larger District.</p>	Yes
Bethsaida Ruiz	<p>Millsmont/Eastmont Deep East Oakland/N/A</p>	Yes
Mary Forte	<p>East Oakland Foothills - 82nd to 98th Avenues &amp; MacArthur Blvd to 580 freeway/Quality of life issues should help define district boundaries</p>	No
Tracy Perron	<p>East Oakland very much lacking in economic growth. No chance for Economic promise or develop, constantly kept in deficit and destruction. Plan D map zone D should include Sequoyah Hills. The main problem is that district 7 hill region does not identify with East Oakland and refers to itself as the South Oakland Hills. Our voice for policing and services are lost in the noise of the flatlands and foothills below us. We relate more closely with our Keller Ave neighbors and once had property crime stats in alignment with Hansom Drive and lower Skyline Blvd. 20 years ago.</p>	Yes

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Andrea Jones	Parents of school aged children, recreation and parks, Healthy grocery shopping, public safety, quality transportation infrastructure (smooth roads, clean off-ramps, landscaped medians) /Are you committed to dismantling racial injustice in the way district lines are drawn?	Yes

## NO DISTRICT ID - Comments from the Public Survey

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Genesis	My definition of a community of interest is when a group of people share the same need or want among them. My specific COI is one that is concerned about housing and social injustice in Oakland.	No
Phillip Ta	I define my community of interest as morals	No
Christina Ferracane	City staff person [this question seems esoteric]	No
Jonathan Fong	Oakland Chinatown, Jack London neighborhood/Please keep in mind the racial equity disparities that are so acute still for Oakland, such that redistricting supports political power for those that need it the most to address their needs.	No
Doug		No
Olga Crowe	I work for the City of Oakland and am interested in all of it.	No
Brittani Rudick	Electric Vehicle Manufacturer	No
Joel Freid	My neighborhood, Crocker Highlands/None	No
Nick Pilch	N/A - I just want to sign up to be notified of news, meetings, etc.	No