



Independent Redistricting Commission

Public Comments

January 18, 2022

Hello Escondido Redistricting Commissioners,

I'm sorry that I am not able to attend tonight's meeting, but wanted to share my thoughts. First, I'd like to thank you all for your work to create districts that will result in better representation on the City Council for all Escondido residents. To best serve the diverse population of our city, it is important to strengthen the representation of the Latinx community and large number of renters. It is also necessary to address the needs of the Eastern part of the city, which encompasses a large agricultural area and an area especially prone to high winds, and therefore high fire danger.

I have seen a map currently being considered, and really like the fact that it contains 2 districts in the city center, where there is a high population density, as well as a high number of renters. The division of the outlying areas into 2 other districts also groups areas with similar needs and concerns (i.e. fire) as well.

I have found the area currently labeled as District 3 to be confusing. Can that please be relabelled as District 1, as it includes most of the original District 1?

Thank you again for your time and attention to this important matter!

Debbie Resler

I want to thank the committee for the hard work they are doing with the redistricting. Thank you for allowing the public to comment. Last week I mentioned that I live in a high fire risk area in District 2. The high winds whip through this area. In 2003 and 2007, the threat of fires was so severe, that I had both cars ready to evacuate in case we had to. The traffic coming down Bear Valley from Valley Center onto El Norte Parkway and Washington avenue was at a standstill. Fortunately, we did not have to evacuate either time. Dixon Lake is on the hill by my house. I could see flames above my street. We need to have leaders that understand what a high fire risk this area is. Our leaders need to understand the fire emergencies demonstrate the need to control development and city planning. Thank you. Jenni Crimm

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Item # 2

Subject Redistricting

Position In Favor

First and Last Name Joanne Tenney

Are you an Escondido Resident? Yes

Comments

Thank you for your hard work incorporating all the comments community members are making regarding the maps. Please keep the Districts numbers the same to prevent redistricting confusion when the maps are finalized. Thank you, too, for all the hard work the demographer is doing for the visualization of the maps at each meeting.

Dear Zack,

I want to thank you for all your help in the redistricting meetings. I appreciate your emails, how you help keep the meetings moving along and that you read into the record all correspondence and let everyone speak. It seems to me the city IRC is being run better than the one for Supervisor even though they had more people involved, mainly thanks to you.

Thank you for all that you do,

Linda Wilkinson

For District 2, will the next Redistricting Meeting be tomorrow at 6 pm at the Park Avenue Senior Center? I saw recent article about the first 2 meetings for D2, where attendance was low, so I plan to attend. I wanted to be sure the in-person meetings weren't canceled due to covid. Or can people attend on Zoom? Thank you. Patricia Borchmann

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Item # 1

Subject Re-Districting

Position No Position

First and Last Name Rick Paul

Are you an Escondido Resident? Yes

Comments

Dear Commissioners,

Please consider adjusting the fewest boundaries possible. For the last 10 years, voters have been getting used to being in their particular district. Unless someone has specifically asked to be moved, you should consider that they probably have become accustomed to their district (and would like to stay there).

Thank you for your consideration.

Rick Paul

Dear Commissioners

Thank you for your help and assessment as we work together to help create districts for our Escondido. I hope the work we do will help strengthen the representation of Latinex renters and an Eastern district that will represent the high fire and agricultural areas of our city. I have one more ask! Could please renumber District 3 to District 1. I think it would make more sense since that area of the map encompasses most of the original District 1. Thanks for your consideration of this matter.

Thanks Again,

Sandra Lang