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City of Davis  
Redistricting 2021-22



# Agenda

Things we will cover:

- Communities of Interest
- Public Testimony on Communities of Interest
- Public Hearing Schedule

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**While communities of interest may include race, it cannot be the *predominant factor* in drawing district boundaries.**

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- Historical communities
- Economic interests
- Racial composition
- Ethnic Areas
- Cultural amenities
- Religious facilities
- Immigrant communities
- Languages spoken
- Geographic features
- Neighborhoods
- Economic opportunity zones
- Tourism Areas
- School districts
- Outdoor recreation areas
- Communities defined by natural resource features
- Downtown / Urban
- Rural or Agricultural
- Homeowner or Renters
- Creative arts communities
- Media markets
- *Many, many more*

# What is NOT a Community of Interest

Preventing a Districting from becoming a Gerrymander

The Fair Maps Act explicitly prohibits these groups from being considered as communities of interest

- Political party affiliation
- Incumbents
- Political candidates

It also is hard, in redistricting to truly utilize:

- *Groups of similarly minded people who do not share a similar geographic location or are citywide.*

# Communities of Interest

## Three Critical Questions in Defining YOUR Community

- Does the community have a shared culture, characteristics or bond?
- Is the community geographic in nature? Is the community able to be mapped?
- Describe the community's relationship with the jurisdiction and how it is affected by the policy decisions made by the elected officials.

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**YES!** Historical communities and areas with historic discrimination can and should be recognized as a community of interest when drawing maps.

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**NO!** It is important that a community of interest is distinct enough to draw on a map. This group overlaps throughout the entire state, and it is unlikely that a governing agency has any say over these issues.

# Community of Interest Forms

## Submitting Your COI Form

Input can be provided in public hearings or using our “Community of Interest Survey Form” on the city’s redistricting website.

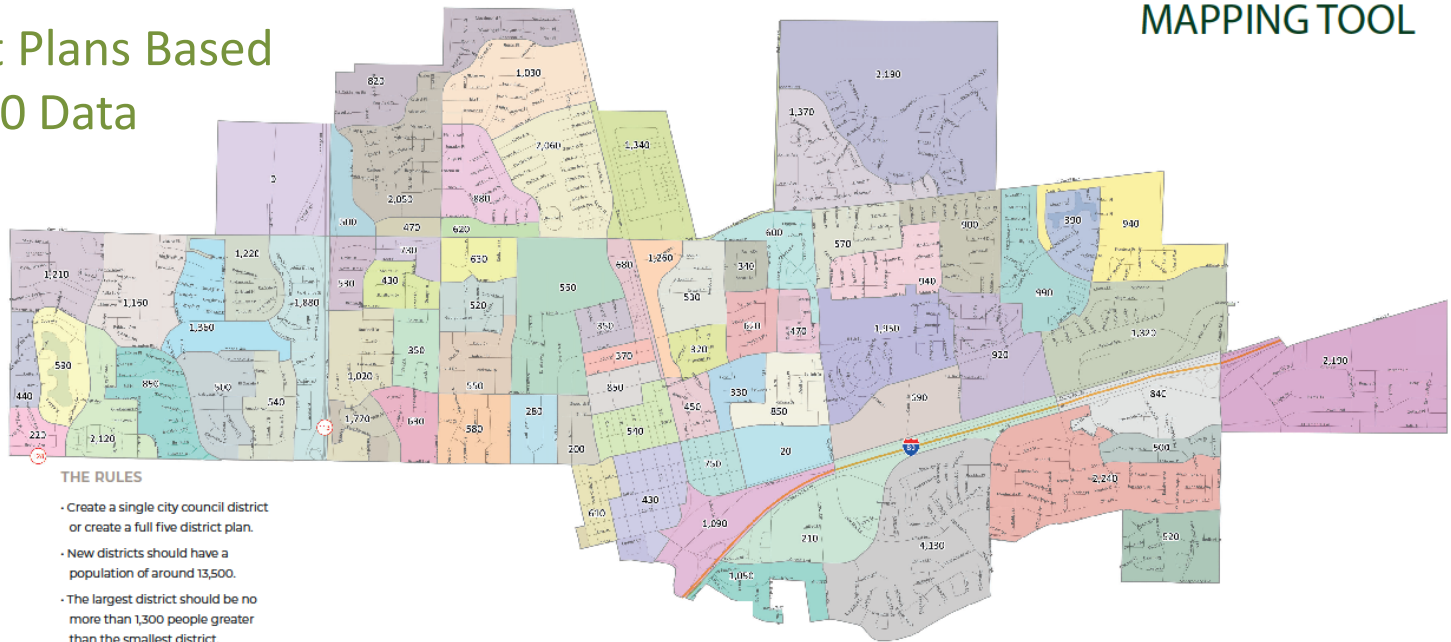


# Map Submissions

Two types of expected input:

- Community of Interest Maps
- District Plans Based on 2020 Data

**REDISTRICTING  
MAPPING TOOL**



**THE RULES**

- Create a single city council district or create a full five district plan.
- New districts should have a population of around 13,500.
- The largest district should be no more than 1,300 people greater than the smallest district.

**ABOUT THE BLOCKS**

Each of these blocks is drawn within City of Davis precincts. The numbers are a rounded number based on the final census data adjusted by the State of California.

**DISTRICT 1**

**DISTRICT 2**

**DISTRICT 3**

**DISTRICT 4**

**DISTRICT 5**

Write in the population estimates for each of your drawn districts.

*-13,500 Target Population Per District*

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# Communities of Interest

## Drawing YOUR Communities of Interest

There will also be laminated paper maps for the public to use to draw their own community of interest.



# City of Davis Redistricting Timeline

<i>Jan. 4, 2022</i>	<i>Draft Maps Released</i>
Jan. 11, 2022, 6:30pm	City Council Meeting: Draft Maps
<i>Jan. 25, 2022</i>	<i>Second Draft Maps Released</i>
Feb. 2, 2022, 6:30pm	City Council Meeting: Draft Maps
<i>Feb. 8, 2022</i>	<i>Final District Maps Released</i>
Feb. 15, 2022, 6:30	City Council Meeting: Vote on Final Map

# City of Davis Redistricting Website

<https://www.cityofdavis.org/districts>



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