

TO: Mayor and Council Members
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DATE: November 10, 2021

SUBJ: UPDATED COUNCIL MEETING MATERIALS – November 10, 2021

PUBLIC HEARING:

(8) Redrawing of City Council Member District Boundaries. (City Attorney)

The attachment regarding the above-mentioned Item will be presented at the November 10, 2021, City Council meeting.



Redistricting 2021 Second Public Hearing



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2021 City of Santee Redistricting

The 2021 redistricting process:

- Project timelines
- Key deadlines
- Next steps and hearings



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City of Santee

Council Members hold 4-year terms
Went to districts in 2018

- Districts 1 & 2 terms begin following election in November 2022
- Districts 3 & 4 terms begin following election in November 2024



Redistricting Process

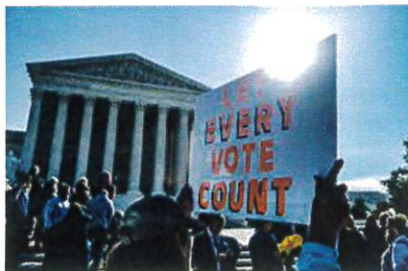
Step	Description
Initial Pre-Draft Hearings (2)	Held prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input from the community Identify “neighborhoods,” “communities of interest,” and “secondary areas.”
Initial deadline for draft maps	Deadline for the public to submit draft maps for inclusion in the next hearing packet and presentation
Release draft maps	Draft maps posted to project website
Public Hearings (post-map) (2)	Public Hearings to discuss and revise or adopt the draft map(s)
Map adoption	Map adopted via ordinance or resolution. Final map must be posted at least 7 days prior to adoption. May happen at Hearing 4.



Redistricting Rules and Goals

Federal Law

Equal Population
Federal Voting Rights Act
No Racial Gerrymandering



California Criteria for Cities

Geographically contiguous
Geographic integrity of a local neighborhood, communities of interest
Easily identifiable and understandable – use of local landmarks/boundary lines
Geographically compact

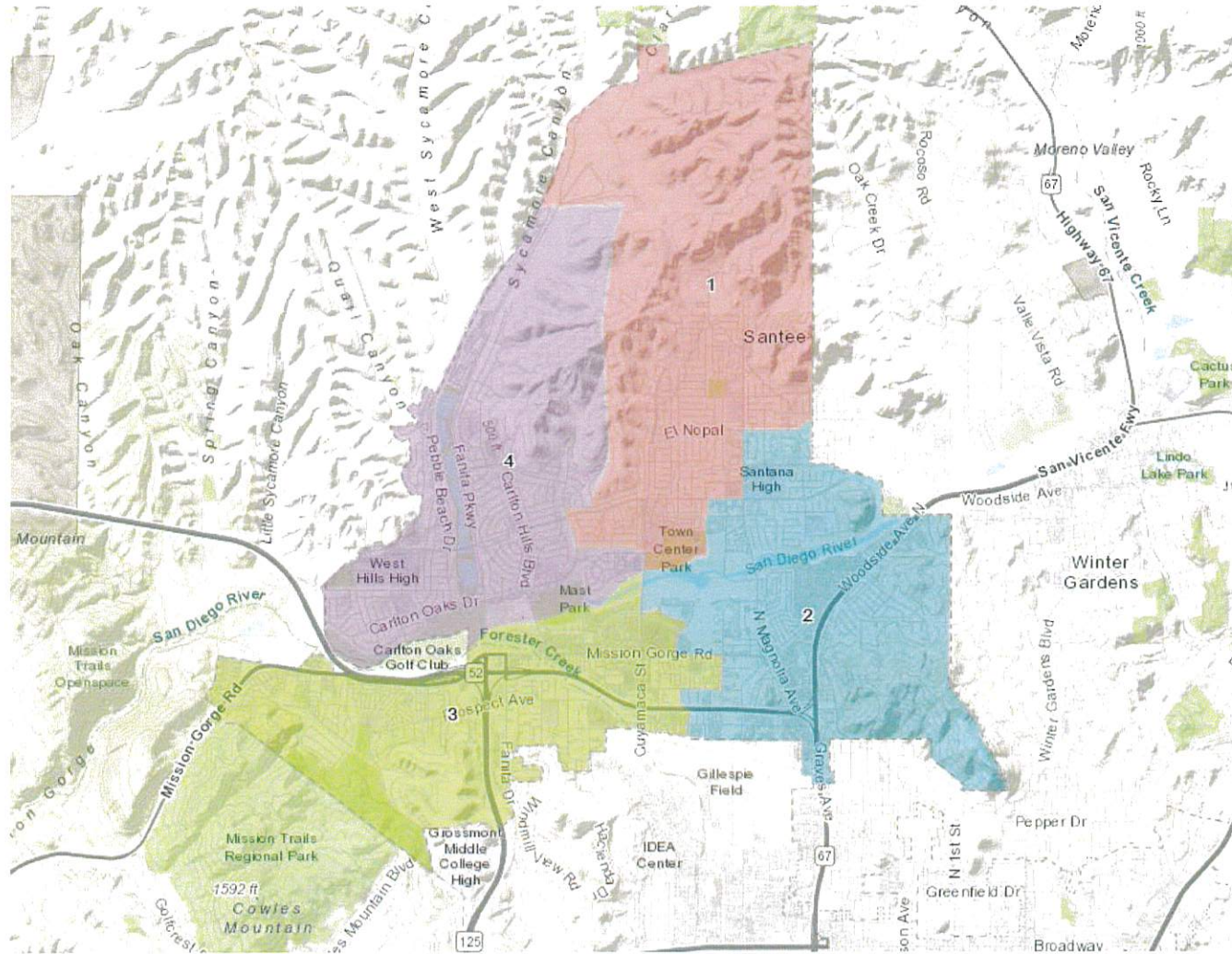
Other traditional principles

Minimize voters shifted to different election years
Respect voters' choices / continuity in office
Future population growth
Preserving the core of existing districts



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Existing Districts



Housing Stats



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Existing Districts with 2020 Census Data Overlay

District	Total_Population	Raw Deviation	% deviation	Latino	CVAP19 Total	CVAP19 NL White	CVAP19 NL Black	CVAP19 NL Hispanic	CVAP19 Not Hispanic	CVAP19 NL AIAN	CVAP19 NL ASIAN	CVAP19 NL Hawaiian	CVAP19 NL Other
1	14,520	-520.5	-3.46%	2,701	10,273	7,660	311	1431	8,890	31	430	44	127
2	15,650	609.5	4.05%	3,748	12,346	8,781	440	1792	10,519	122	822	49	75
3	15,363	322.5	2.14%	3,392	10,952	7,913	207	1741	9,207	105	569	28	60
4	14,629	-411.5	-2.74%	2,706	10,455	7,842	109	1420	9,015	37	587	3	100

Total Population: 60,162
 Ideal Population: 15,040.5
 Total Deviation: 7.51%



Findings

- Total Deviation is within the “acceptable” range at 7.59%
- Creating a majority/minority district *may not* be possible, given the number of minority residents/voters and the dispersed nature of their residences.
- Current district boundaries may be adjusted for population balance



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Preeminent Considerations

- Equal population (one person/one vote)
- Racial minority voice
- Geographically contiguous districts
- Measured objectively



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Important Considerations "Communities of Interest"

- Physical boundaries
 - Natural or artificial barriers
 - Roadways, rivers, railways
 - Parks, schools, and other landmarks
- Geographic integrity, compactness



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Important Considerations

"Communities of Interest"

- Political boundaries
 - School attendance areas
 - Special district service areas
 - Federal, state, and county divisions



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Important Considerations "Communities of Interest"

- Not:
 - Incumbents' residences
 - Political affiliations



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Public Hearing & Discussion

- What is your neighborhood and what are its boundaries?
- What other notable areas are in the city, and what are their boundaries?
- Inform the public on how they can participate



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Public Hearing & Discussion

➤ Any questions about what's next?

Following tonight's hearing, BB&K will begin drawing maps for consideration at the 3rd Public Hearing.



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Sources of Information

- Demographic data
- Staff expertise
- Public input



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Timeline & Next Steps

- The prisoner-adjusted census data was released by the state on September 20, 2021.
- Two additional public hearings must be held before the Council may vote on a proposed final boundary map.
- The approved map must be submitted to the County Registrar of Voters no later than April 17, 2022.



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Timeline & Next Steps

Summer 2021	Mapping software released to the public.* * Estimated time
October 13, 2021	1 st public hearing Held prior to the release of draft maps
November 10, 2021	2 nd public hearing Held prior to the release of draft maps
November 15, 2021	Mapping tool released to the public
Fall/Winter 2021/22	BB&K to prepare draft maps using 2020 census data
TBD	Deadline for the public to submit draft maps for consideration at 3 rd public hearing
TBD	Publish draft map(s)
TBD	3 rd public hearing Consideration and input on proposed draft maps
TBD	4 th public hearing Council to introduce ordinance approving final maps.
April 17, 2022	City deadline to adopt ordinance after 2 nd reading (effective immediately) and to submit map to Registrar.
November 2022	2022 election



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