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CA Citizens Redistricting Commissioner on Afternoons with Addis
May 19th, 5:30, via Facebook live and Zoom

Commissioner Fornaciari of the California Citizens Redistricting Commission will be featured by Morro Bay Councilwoman Dawn Addis on *Afternoons with Addis*, Wednesday, May 19th, 5:30pm via Zoom and Facebook Live.

In 2008 California passed the Voters FIRST Act that created the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission. The Voters FIRST act took the power of redistricting away from the legislature to prevent gerrymandering - or the act of changing district lines to cluster voters to control who can win. Councilwoman Addis will be discussing the process and importance of redistricting with Commissioner Fornaciari.

“Redistricting can have huge consequences on the Central Coast,” Addis said. “As district lines are redrawn voters may end up in new districts, with different choices of representatives than the ones they have come to expect. It's important that drawing the new boundaries be a transparent and fair process so that San Luis Obispo elections maintain their integrity. I thank Commissioner Fornaciari for giving his time. ” Councilmember Addis encourages the public to join this briefing to learn how redistricting happens in California and how people can provide input for the process. More information can be found at @DawnAddisCityCouncil on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DawnAddisCityCouncil>

About Councilmember Addis

Dawn Addis was elected to Morro Bay City Council in 2018. Addis is one of two members on the City Council Power Plant Subcommittee. She is also the City Council Liaison to the Homeless Services Oversight Council, the Morro Bay National Estuary Program, the Harbor Advisory Board, and the We Are the Care Initiative. Addis was named Congressional Woman of the Year by Congressman Carbajal and was his guest at the President's State of the Union address in 2018. In 2020 she ran for State Assembly and was the top vote-earner ever for her party.

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