



November 2, 2021

To The Redistricting Commission,

Thank you again for your efforts, engagement, and staying up past midnight during the last commission meeting on October 28th.

A map was created at the end of the meeting (noted as D-4 by Redistricting Partners) with a southern border of Husted Avenue for D6. The D-4 map appears to balance the population between all districts with comprehensible borders. Unfortunately, this map is still not posted on either the [San Jose commission legislation site](#) or the [San Jose City Clerk map site](#).

Although the D6 boundary of the D-4 map does not go further south to Foxworthy Avenue, having Husted Avenue as a consistent boundary is a fair compromise based on the circumstances. Husted Avenue as a southern horizontal boundary provides incremental progress towards reuniting the Willow Glen neighborhood as shared in our original letter. WGNA understands the commission's constraints but also flexibility in making a recommendation.

As far as other map proposals, we still have not been contacted by the interest group even though commissioners asked the question/made the request. We are also wondering why their map is posted on the [San Jose commission legislation site](#) while the Commission D-4, other community and individual proposed maps are not.

Additionally, the interest group speaker during their introduction mentioned the Franklin McKinley school district is in D6. This is not accurate, as the [school district boundaries are east of Highway 87](#).

Furthermore, the comments from the interest group lack consistency regarding communities of interest to draw drastically different boundaries which are neither contiguous, compact, or easily understood. The interest group speaker appeared to dismiss the substantial public record from Willow Glen residents.

In contrast, WGNA was contacted several times by bona fide neighborhood groups regarding the [Community Map](#). WGNA prefers the Community Map over the special interest map since it is thoughtful, keeps neighborhoods together, and does not have a hidden agenda.

With that said, WGNA still prefers the unposted D-4 Husted Dr map since it includes a larger section of Willow Glen (Husted-Booksin-Curtner-Meridian). Otherwise, the Community Map would be our second choice since the map has a smaller portion of Willow Glen included (Husted-Booksin-Briarwood-Curtner).

One observation we would like to share after watching the last recorded meeting, we hope the commission understands most members of the public are not affiliated with interest groups, typically do not engage in municipal government, and are unable to stay up past midnight along with the dedicated commissioners and city staff.

It seems plausible the commission could be done by 11/4/21 based on the coalescing progress which would be ideal for all involved.

With gratitude for your commitment and service.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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