

**Sacramento Redistricting Citizens Advisory Committee
Citizen Correspondence - June 13, 2011**

From: Arturo Venegas <artvenegas@gmail.com>
Date: June 13, 2011 1:43:07 PM PDT
Subject: Future Council District Boundaries

Dear Commissioners,

You have a very difficult task in helping to determine the future representative district boundaries of our community. For the hard work and commitment that you have assumed, please allow me first to thank you. Additionally, as an active community member and resident in Sacramento, I would like to share my comments on the next steps the Commission will take.

As you move towards your next task in reducing the number of maps that have been submitted to the Commission for consideration, the following maps are those that the Latino community of Sacramento considers of high importance: 1, 2, 8, 14, 15, 17, 24, and 27. As you proceed through the difficult task of addressing the interest of all concerned, I ask you to consider the need to establish districts that also balance representative opportunities and/or don't divide communities of interest.

Again thank you for your consideration and your contribution to our community. Best wishes,

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From: Brian Rivas <brianrivasforscoe@gmail.com>
Date: June 12, 2011 5:56:13 PM PDT
Subject: Draft Maps for Redistricting

Dear Commissioners:

Thank you for your work in service to our community in redrawing the City Council district boundaries. As an active member of our Latino community, I'm writing to comment on some of the proposed maps that have been submitted for your review.

I am advised that you plan to eliminate 10 maps from further consideration. Please do not eliminate maps 1, 2, 8, 14, 15, 17, 24, and 27. These are the maps many within the Latino community consider of high priority as they reflect Sacramento's Latino communities of interest, and would provide fair representation. Please keep these maps among those you continue to consider.

Thank you.
Brian M. Rivas
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From: "Maria Morales" <maria@jimgonzalez.com>

Date: June 13, 2011 1:03:35 PM PDT

Subject: Latino representation - please preserve the following maps...

Dear Commissioners,

As a Latina businesswoman and an active member of the Latino Community in Sacramento, I would like to share my comments regarding the Commission's upcoming decisions relative to re-districting.

As you prepare to eliminate ten maps from the list of maps submitted to the Commission, I ask that you do not include the following maps: 1, 2, 8, 14, 15, 17, 24, and 27. These are maps the Latino community considers a high priority, as they do a better job of reflecting Sacramento's Latino communities. **Therefore, I ask that you do not include them as part of the 10 maps that you plan to eliminate.**

Thank you for your consideration.

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From: Carlos Alcala <cmaslaw@yahoo.com>

Date: June 13, 2011 12:08:56 AM PDT

Cc: Taty Aguilera <neptalyaguilera@gmail.com>

Subject: Redistricting

Reply-To: Carlos Alcala <cmaslaw@yahoo.com>

I am very concerned that you may intend to adopt maps that will dilute Latino voting power. Our community is not fairly represented by the Anglo majority. Examples abound. Our views will never be considered in decision making so long as we are required to rely on benign dictatorship. Please do not include the maps that stand some chance of fairness to Latinos in your cut. I realize that we are a minority on your commission and that your only priority is not fairness to Latinos, but understand that if our society is to heal the wounds of discrimination it will only be done by including all communities in decision making. Otherwise we condemn our children and our grandchildren to the divisions that run deep in our community today.

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Subject: Draft Maps for Redistricting

Dear Commissioners:

Thank you for your work in service to our community in redrawing the City Council district boundaries. I write to you as the president of the Latino Democratic Club and an active member of our local Latino community. I would like to take this time to comment on some of the proposed maps that have been submitted for your review and that will come before you soon for a decision to pass to the City Council.

I am advised that you plan to eliminate 10 maps from further consideration. Please do not eliminate maps 1, 2, 8, 14, 15, 17, 24, and 27. These are the maps many within the Latino community consider of high priority as they reflect Sacramento's Latino communities of interest, and would provide fair representation. Please keep these maps among those you continue to consider.

Thanks for your consideration,

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Lobbyist Liaison
California Latino Capitol Association

From: Gustavo Arroyo <gustavoarroyo1@gmail.com>

Date: June 12, 2011 9:17:32 AM PDT

Subject: Please preserve the following maps

Dear Commissioners,

As an active member of the Latino Community in Sacramento, I would like to share my comments on the next steps the Commission will take. As you move with your next task to eliminate ten maps from the list of maps submitted to the Commission, I ask that you do not include the following maps: 1, 2, 8, 14, 15, 17, 24, and 27. These are maps the Latino community considers of high priority since they do a better job at reflecting Sacramento's Latino communities of interest. Therefore, I ask that you do not include them as part of the 10 maps that you plan to eliminate.

Thank you for your consideration.

Gustavo Arroyo
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From: Eduardo de León <edeleon@lasac.info>
Date: June 12, 2011 6:22:49 PM PDT
Subject: Latino Community - Request to no Eliminate Maps
Dear Commissioners,

I am the Academic Director of the Language Academy of Sacramento, a K-8 Two Way Spanish Immersion Charter School in South Sacramento. We are a school with over 80% Latinos, most of whom fall below the poverty line and would benefit from many of the difficult decisions that have to be made with regards to mapping and redistricting. As an active member of the Sacramento Latino Community in Sacramento, I would like to share my comments on the next steps the Commission will take.

As you move with your next task to eliminate ten maps from the list of maps submitted to the Commission, I ask that you do not include the following maps: 1, 2, 8, 14, 15, 17, 24, and 27. These are maps the Latino community considers of high priority since they do a better job at reflecting Sacramento's Latino communities of interest. Therefore, I ask that you do not include them as part of the 10 maps that you plan to eliminate.

Thank you for all the work that you do to ensure that Latinos, and other high priority groups, interests are considered.

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From: Gloria Hernandez <gloriahe@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jun 13, 2011 at 7:54 PM
Subject: do not eliminate these maps, please!

Dear Commissioners,

As an active member of the Latino Community in Sacramento, I have a strong opinion on which maps should not be eliminated. I ask that you do not include the following maps: 1, 2, 8, 14, 15, 17, 24, and 27. These are maps the Latino community considers of high priority since they do a better job at reflecting Sacramento's Latino communities of interest. Therefore, I ask that you do not include them as part of the 10 maps that you plan to eliminate.

Thank you for your consideration.

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From: Raquel Simental <raquel.simental@gmail.com>
Date: June 12, 2011 4:49:11 PM PDT
Subject: Input on Redistricting Maps from Raquel Simental
Dear Commissioners,

I want to first thank each one of you for your time and commitment to the City of Sacramento's Redistricting process. I appreciate all the time and effort you all have spent deliberating this very important process.

To that end, I understand that on Monday, June 13th, the commission has been tasked with deciding on which 10 maps to cut. You have a tough job ahead of you, but would like to offer you my thoughts of which maps, in my humble opinion, are worthy to consider keeping and would ask that the commission NOT cut.

After much analysis and deliberation on the impacts the Latino COI, I ask that the following maps NOT be cut: 1, 2, 8, 14, 15, 17, 24, and 27. These are maps the Latino community considers of high priority since they do a better job at reflecting Sacramento's Latino communities of interest. Therefore, I would appreciate if you do not include them as part of the 10 maps that should be eliminated.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, I am available via e-mail at 916.833.1909.

Sincerely,
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