

County of Santa Clara  
2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission



**DATE:** September 22, 2021, Regular Meeting

**TIME:** 6:30 PM

**PLACE:** **\*\*By Virtual Teleconference Only\*\***

**AGENDA REVISED 09/17/2021 3:35 PM**

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Members of the Public may provide public comments at this meeting as follows:

- Written public comments may be submitted by email to [2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org](mailto:2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org). Written comments will be distributed to the Commission and posted to the agenda outline as quickly as possible.
- Spoken public comments will be accepted through the teleconference meeting. To address the Commission, click on the link above for the appropriate meeting to access the Zoom-based meeting. Please read the following instructions carefully.

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2. You will be asked to enter an email address and name. The Clerk requests that you identify yourself by name as this will be visible online and will be used to notify you that it is your turn to speak.
3. When the Chairperson calls for the item on which you wish to speak, click on “raise hand.” The Clerk will activate and unmute speakers in turn. Speakers will be notified shortly before they are called to speak. (Call in attendees press \*9 to request to speak, and \*6 to unmute when prompted.)
4. When called to speak, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted.

## Opening

1. Roll Call.
2. Public Comment.

This item is reserved for persons desiring to address the Commission on any matter not on this agenda. Members of the public who wish to address the Commission on any item not listed on the agenda should request to speak at this time. Individuals will be called to speak in turn.

Speakers are limited to the following: three minutes if the Chairperson or designee determines that five or fewer persons wish to address the Commission; two minutes if the Chairperson or designee determines that between six and fourteen persons wish to address the Commission; and one minute if the Chairperson or designee determines that fifteen or more person wish to address the Commission.

The law does not permit Commission action or extended discussion of any item not on the agenda except under special circumstances. If Commission action is requested, the Commission may place the matter on a future agenda. Statements that require a response may be referred to staff for reply in writing.

3. Approve Consent Calendar and changes to the Commission's Agenda.

Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be considered at the end of the regular agenda for discussion. The Commission may also add items on the regular agenda to the Consent Calendar.

Notice to the public: There is no separate discussion of Consent Calendar items, and the recommended actions are voted on in one motion. If an item is approved on the consent vote, the specific action recommended by staff is adopted. Members of the public who wish to address the Commission on Consent Calendar items should comment under this item. Each speaker is limited to two minutes total.

## Regular Agenda - Items for Discussion

4. Receive report from the Office of the County Executive relating to procedures for remaining 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission meetings. (ID# 107690)
5. Consider recommendations relating to Communities of Interest. (ID# 107713)

Possible action:

- a. Receive report from the Office of the County Executive.
- b. Receive public testimony.
- c. Receive testimony from Communities of Interest representatives.

- d. Receive testimony from Supervisorial District Four Commissioners Velazquez, McAllister, and Nguyen.
- e. Receive verbal report from Redistricting Partners relating to summary of testimony and potential impacts.
6. Receive report from the Office of the County Executive relating to 2021 redistricting process. (ID# 107672)
7. Propose future agenda items.

### **Announcements**

8. Announcements and correspondence:
  - a. Chairperson's announcements.
  - b. Commissioners' announcements.
  - c. The County of Santa Clara provides reimbursement to appointed Commissioners for family care expenses incurred during the time spent performing their official County duties. For additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (408) 299-5001.

### **Consent Calendar**

9. Approve minutes of the September 1, 2021 Regular Meeting.

### **Adjourn**

10. Adjourn to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., by virtual teleconference.
11. Appoint Zhaohui Hong to Seat No. 12 of the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission. (ID# 107717)

**County of Santa Clara**  
**Office of the County Executive**



107690

**DATE:** September 22, 2021

**TO:** 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission

**FROM:** Miguel Marquez, Chief Operating Officer  
 Melanie Jimenez Perez, Program Manager II  
 Danielle Christian, Legislative Manager

**SUBJECT:** Procedures for Remaining Commission Meetings

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Receive report from the Office of the County Executive relating to procedures for remaining 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission meetings.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

The 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission is beginning the Communities of Interest process. A community of interest (COI) is a neighborhood, community, or group of people who are likely to have common policy concerns and who might benefit from being in a single district. Consideration of COIs is essential to successful redistricting, particularly since counties are required to prioritize communities of interest and local neighborhoods in drawing district boundaries above other criteria such as cities and designated census designated places. Listening to residents allows for development of knowledge about what communities exist, and how they interact with the County. In October, once census data is available, the mapping process will occur and be concurrent with the receipt of COI testimony. The public will be able to submit draft plans and provide feedback on any plans created by staff, consultants, or the Advisory Redistricting Commission.

Meaningful community engagement can take shape in a variety of ways and requires time and flexibility as well as the establishment of procedures for the upcoming meetings to set expectations and provide for efficient and effective use of the Commission's time.

The Commission will receive communities of interest input four ways: public testimony at Commission meetings, Commissioner testimony at meetings, agendaized presentations by community organizations, and submittal of COI forms. Staff recommends the following time allowances for testimony at Commission meetings:

Members of the Public	2 minutes
Commissioners	3 minutes

Community Organizations	5 minutes
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Communities of Interest testimony should address the following questions, which are established on the COI form:

1. What binds your community together or creates its shared identity? Are there common interests or issues in your community? Describe how they are important.
2. Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the physical boundaries? Are there nearby areas you want to be with? Include any key landmarks such as parks, county facilities, schools, churches, or other boundaries.
3. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in the Board of Supervisor redistricting process? Please describe how the issues before the Board of Supervisors have an impact on your community.
4. What else would you like to tell us about your community? How would keeping your community intact enhance the quality of its representation?

Unlike the public comment portion of Brown Act body meetings, which the law does not permit Commission action or extended discussion of any item not on the agenda, Commissioners are encouraged to ask members of the public questions about their testimony to ensure understanding of the information provided or to obtain information that answers the four above questions. When the mapping sessions begin, Commissioners are encouraged to ask questions to understand the map boundaries and factors considered when drawing them.

On process, Staff recommends that each Commissioner have one opportunity to ask questions of each presenter immediately after the information is provided to the Commission. While there is only one opportunity to ask questions, Commissioners will not be limited in the length of time they have to engage with the public, community group, and/or staff. Commissioner discussion about the comments received and how it might guide the development of a map(s) is recommended to occur after the conclusion of all testimony/presentations.

As previously communicated to the Commission, the County is required to ensure non-English speaking communities may participate in the redistricting process. Language interpretation services must be available in Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, and Tagalog upon request but, when possible, Administration will leverage existing resources to provide interpretation services in other languages. If language interpretation services are needed for a Commission meeting, they can be requested through the Office of the Clerk of Board at (408) 299-5001, no less than three business days prior to the meeting. This information is also included on each Commission meeting agenda in Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, and Tagalog.

### **CHILD IMPACT**

The recommended action will have no/neutral impact on children and youth.

**SENIOR IMPACT**

The recommended action will have no/neutral impact on seniors.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

The recommended action will have no/neutral sustainability implications.

**BACKGROUND**

Every 10 years, following the release of data from the decennial Census, jurisdictions that elect members of their legislative body by districts must revise district boundary lines to ensure the districts are consistent with federal, state, and local legal requirements.

In April 2021, the Board of Supervisors established a framework for the 2021 Redistricting Process, which included the establishment of a fifteen-member 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission. The framework also included the use of a consultant to help facilitate community engagement and participation in the Redistricting Process.

**CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

The Commission would not receive this report on procedures for the remaining 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission meetings.

County of Santa Clara  
Office of the County Executive



107713

**DATE:** September 22, 2021  
**TO:** 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission  
**FROM:** Miguel Marquez, Chief Operating Officer  
 Melanie Jimenez Perez, Program Manager II  
 Danielle Christian, Legislative Manager  
**SUBJECT:** Communities of Interest Testimony from District 4

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Consider recommendations relating to Communities of Interest.

Possible action:

- a. Receive report from the Office of the County Executive.
- b. Receive public testimony.
- c. Receive testimony from Communities of Interest representatives.
- d. Receive testimony from Supervisorial District Four Commissioners Velazquez, McAllister, and Nguyen.
- e. Receive verbal report from Redistricting Partners relating to summary of testimony and potential impacts.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

At the September 1, 2021 meeting of the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission, (Item No. 6), the Commission approved a targeted outreach schedule as follows:

Date	Supervisorial District
September 22, 2021	District 4
September 29, 2021	District 5
October 6, 2021	District 2
October 13, 2021	District 3
October 20, 2021	District 1

This report outlines the proposed process for conducting Communities of Interest presentations. To start the Communities of Interest item, the Office of the County Executive will provide a reminder of what is considered a community of interest and an overview of the supervisorial district, including information on existing representation, cities, and neighborhoods. After the presentation from the Office of the County Executive, the Commission will have the opportunity to ask questions of staff and then will receive public testimony, group presentations, and hear from commissioners representing the supervisorial district. Testimony shared with the commission should cover the following questions that are outlined on the Community of Interest form:

- Does your community have a shared culture, interests, activity, business, or bond?
- Does your community live in a concentrated area?
  - Can you draw your community on a map?
  - Is there density within your community (many people in your community living closely together)?
- Describe how your community is affected by policy decisions made by the Board of Supervisors.

The final component of the Communities of Interest item will be a verbal report from Redistricting Partners to summarize testimony received during the meeting and submissions received and published on the County's redistricting website

([www.sccgov.org/2021redistricting/COI](http://www.sccgov.org/2021redistricting/COI)). Members of the public, groups or organizations, and Commissioners are invited to submit their own Community of Interest Form or draw their community on the County's redistricting website to be discussed by the Commission.

The summary by Redistricting Partners will identify potential impacts associated with the received testimony and they will facilitate a discussion amongst the Commissioners of their viewpoints, what testimony might be missing, and what factors could be incorporated into future mapping sessions. The information below provides additional information on each component of the meeting.

### Public Testimony

All members of the public will be given the opportunity to share information on their community of interest for up to two minutes. This information will be shared as public comment and the Commission will have an opportunity to discuss at the end of the item. If members of the public wish to also submit their testimony in writing, or provide additional information, they can email the redistricting team ([2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org](mailto:2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org)) to have their testimony added to the County's redistricting website ([www.sccgov.org/2021redistricting/COI](http://www.sccgov.org/2021redistricting/COI)).

### Communities of Interest Representatives



Groups or organizations who sign up in advance by emailing the redistricting team ([2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org](mailto:2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org)) will have up to five minutes to make a presentation. After each presentation, the Commission will have the opportunity to ask questions of the presenters. Staff will work with groups to have presentations added to the agenda as quickly as possible. For the meeting on September 22, 2021 staff has contacted representatives from Asian Law Alliance, Equality California, and the League of Women Voters to present.

### Supervisorial District Four Commissioners

Commissioners McAllister, Nguyen, and Velazquez will have up to three minutes to share information on their neighborhood and important information on their current district. Information can be shared verbal or submitted to staff to be added to the agenda. For future meetings, Commissioners will be asked in alphabetical order to present for their respective supervisorial district.

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### **SENIOR IMPACT**

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### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

The recommended action will have no/neutral sustainability implications.

### **BACKGROUND**

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### **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

The Commission would not receive this report on communities of interest.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- COI Presentation (PDF)

# County of Santa Clara 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission

Communities of Interest



# Communities of Interest

- ▶ Bringing like people together for representation
  - ▶ Communities of interest are the building blocks of districts.
  - ▶ A community of interest includes ethnic and language minorities and other groups.
  - ▶ While communities of interest may consider race, it cannot be the *predominant factor* in drawing district boundaries.

# Communities of Interest

- Historical communities
- Economic interests
- Racial composition
- Ethnic areas
- Cultural amenities
- Religious facilities
- Immigrant communities
- Geographic features
- Neighborhoods
- Economic opportunities zones
- LGBTQIA+ communities
- 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
- Senior citizens

# What to Share with the Commission

- ▶ Does your community have a shared culture, interests, activity, business, or bond?
- ▶ Does your community live in a concentrated area?  
Can you draw your community on a map?  
Is there density within your community (many people in your community living closely together)?
- ▶ Describe how your community is affected by policy decisions made by the Board of Supervisors.

# County Services

The County of Santa Clara provides essential services that people need on a daily basis to work and live in Silicon Valley. Whether residents need a marriage license, access to children's health services or want to know about local recreational facilities, the County of Santa Clara delivers the services and information they need.

- ❖ Alcohol and Drug Services
- ❖ Child Welfare
- ❖ County Expressway System
- ❖ Elections and Voting
- ❖ Foster Care
- ❖ Health Care
- ❖ Housing
- ❖ Mental Health Services
- ❖ Law Enforcement and Public Safety
- ❖ Property Assessment and Taxes

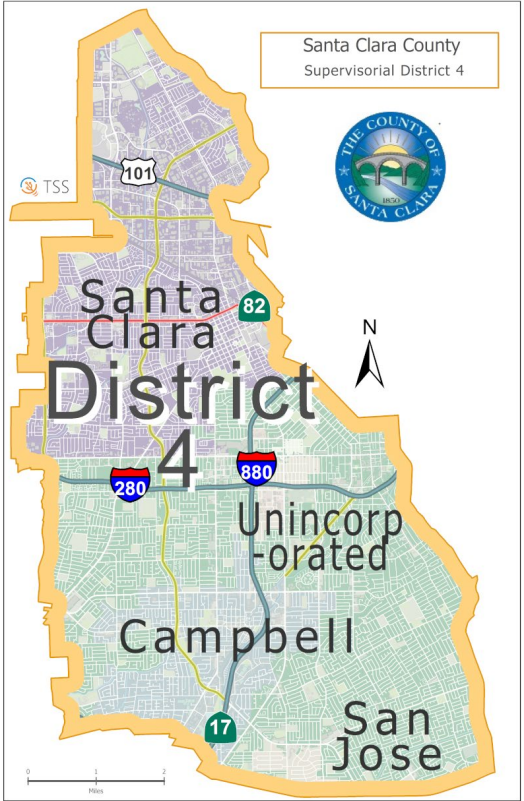
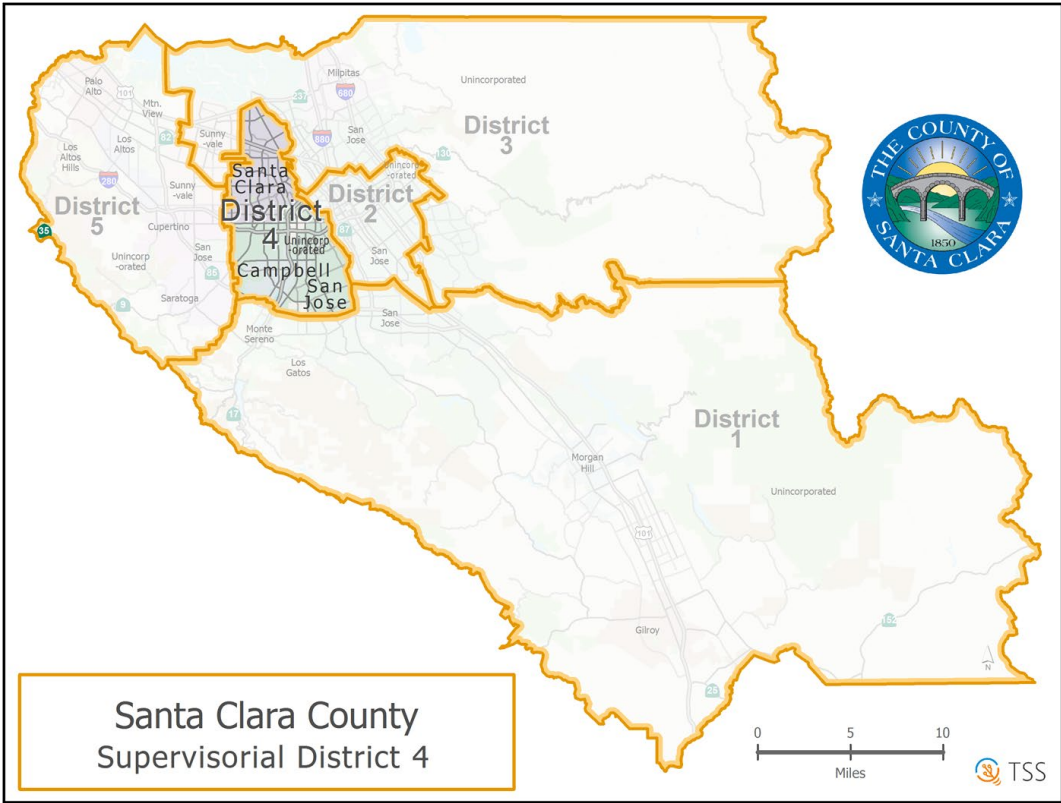
# Downtown San Jose COI

- ▶ Residential neighborhood in downtown San Jose. A common interest is maintaining the small neighborhood feel within the urban core and one concern is growing homelessness in the area and County.
- ▶ The community is in a concentrated area, and it can be drawn on a map. Highway 280 to the south, 17<sup>th</sup> Street to the east, Santa Clara Street to the north, and 10<sup>th</sup> Street to the west. The community has a mix of single-family homes, apartments, and student housing.
- ▶ Our community is affected by Board decisions related to homelessness, mental health and substance use disorder treatment services including the placement of residential facilities for community-based care, and public transportation.

# Santa Clara Valley Medical Center COI

- ▶ Residential neighborhood adjacent to Santa Clara Valley Medical Center. A common interest is the hospital's impact on the neighborhood.
- ▶ The community is in a concentrated area, and it can be drawn on a map. It is south of SCVMC and within the boundaries of Highway 17, Bascom Road, and railroad tracks at its south end. The community has a single-family homes, duplexes, condominiums, and some apartments.
- ▶ Our community is affected by Board decisions related to SCVMC. For example, community members often see people walking around in hospital scrubs or socks and/or wearing hospital wristbands. We are concerned about the vulnerability of these patients, especially in inclement weather.





# Santa Clara County Supervisory District Four

# District Four

Represented by Supervisor Susan Ellenberg

District Four includes:

- Unincorporated communities of Burbank and Cambrian
- City of Campbell
- City of Santa Clara
- Portions of San Jose



# District Four City of Campbell Neighborhood Associations

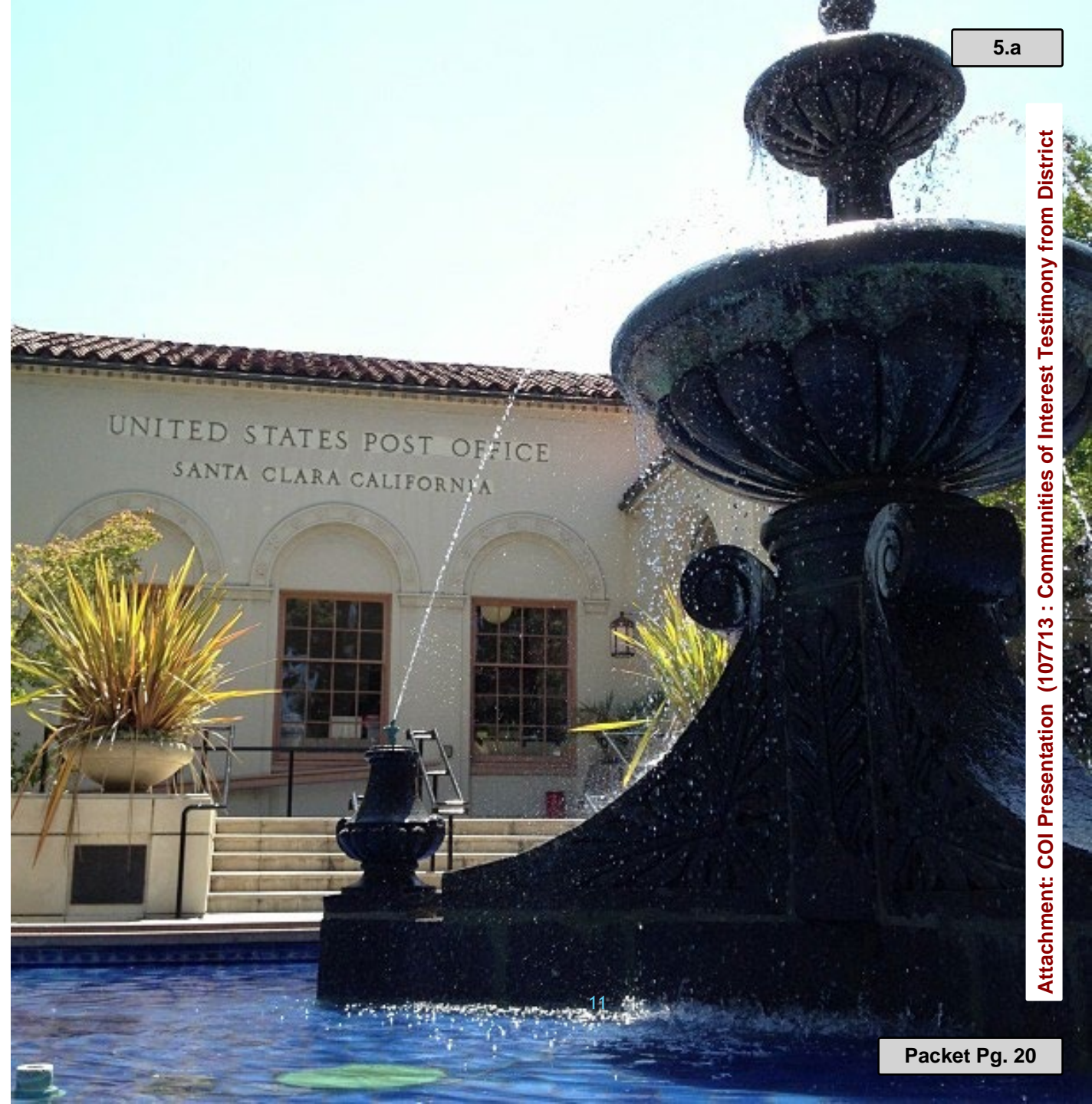
- ▶ Campbell Community Center Neighborhood Group
- ▶ Campbell Village Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Central Hazelwood Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Downtown Campbell Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Four C's Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Hamann Park Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Moreland West Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Pruneyard-Dry Creek Neighborhood Association
- ▶ San Tomas Area Community Coalition
- ▶ San Tomas West Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Westmont Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Westchester Park Neighborhood Association





# District Four City of Santa Clara Neighborhoods/Neighborhood Associations

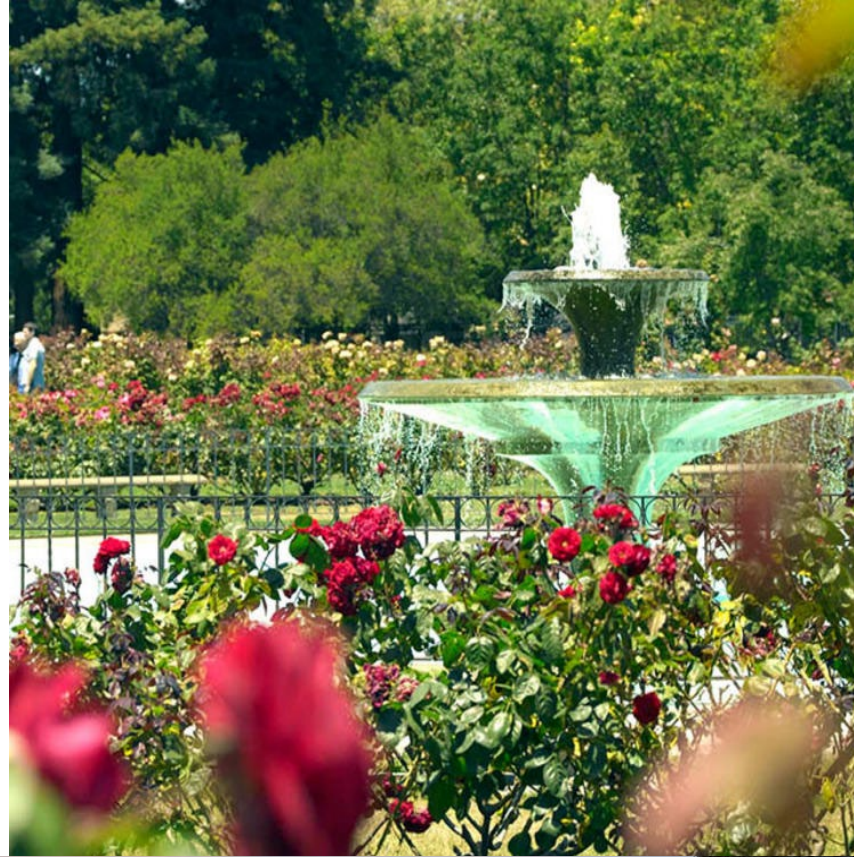
- ▶ Central Santa Clara
- ▶ College-Camino-Hilmar
- ▶ Old Quad Residents Association
- ▶ River Oaks Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Rivermark
- ▶ San Tomas Woods
- ▶ South of Forest Neighborhood Association





# District Four Burbank, Cambrian, and San Jose Neighborhood Associations

- ▶ Buena Vista Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Burbank Community Association
- ▶ Burbank/DelMonte Neighborhood Advisory Committee
- ▶ Cambrian Community Council
- ▶ College Park Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Delmas Park Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Shasta Hanchett Park Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Association
- ▶ Willow Glen Neighborhood Association



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# Questions?

# What to Share with the Commission

- ▶ Does your community have a shared culture, interests, activity, business, or bond?
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- ▶ Describe how your community is affected by policy decisions made by the Board of Supervisors.



County of Santa Clara  
Office of the County Executive

107672

**DATE:** September 22, 2021

**TO:** 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission

**FROM:** Miguel Marquez, Chief Operating Officer  
Melanie Jimenez Perez, Program Manager II  
Danielle Christian, Legislative Manager

**SUBJECT:** Update on the 2021 Redistricting Process

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Receive report from the Office of the County Executive relating to 2021 redistricting process.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

The Redistricting Team will provide the Advisory Redistricting Commission an update on the Commission's workplan and organizations that are new outreach partners for the redistricting process. As of September 14, 2021, the following 16 organizations have been added to the outreach partners list and the complete list remains on the redistricting website:

<https://countyexec.sccgov.org/2021-redistricting-process/communities-interest/2021-redistricting-outreach-partners>

1. Avenidas
2. California Native Garden Foundation
3. Downtown Streets Team
4. Leadership Sunnyvale
5. Livable Sunnyvale
6. Maker Nexus
7. Rotary Club of Sunnyvale
8. Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society
9. Silicon Valley Transit Users
10. Silicon Valley Youth Climate Action
11. Sunnyvale Community Services



- 12.Sunnyvale Democratic Club
- 13.Sunnyvale Heritage Park Museum
- 14.Sunnyvale Mobile Home Park Alliance
- 15.Third Street Community Center
- 16.Youth Public Policy Institute

Five additional “Community Input” items were received by September 13, 2021. These are Items 5 through 9 on the table below and include two Community of Interest (COI) Forms (Items 5 and 7) and corresponding maps (Items 6 and 8) as well as one public comment (Item 9). All Community Input received is posted to the redistricting website (<https://countyexec.sccgov.org/2021-redistricting-process/communities-interest>) and are outlined below:

Submission #	Submission Type	Submission Type Name
1	Map	Mt. View Senior Mobile Home Parks (MHPs): <a href="#">Map of Senior MHPs.pdf</a>
2	Public Comment	West Valley Communities of Interest: <a href="#">Public Comment on West Valley Communities of Interest.pdf</a>
3	Map	Sunnyvale: <a href="#">3 Map of Sunnyvale.pdf</a>
4	COI Form	COI Sunnyvale: <a href="#">4 COI Sunnyvale.pdf</a>
5	COI Form	Diridon Station <a href="#">5 COI Diridon Station.pdf</a>
6	Map	Diridon Station <a href="#">6 Map of Diridon Station.pdf</a>
7	COI	Midtown San Jose <a href="#">7 COI Midtown San Jose.pdf</a>
8	Map	Midtown San Jose <a href="#">8 Map of Midtown San Jose.pdf</a>
9	Public Comment	City of Sunnyvale <a href="#">9 Public Comment City of Sunnyvale_0.pdf</a>

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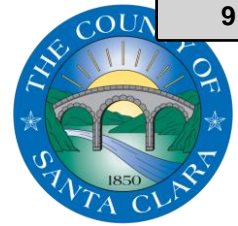
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In April 2021, the Board of Supervisors established a framework for the 2021 Redistricting Process, which included the establishment of a fifteen-member 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission.

**CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

The Commission would not receive this update regarding the 2021 redistricting process.

County of Santa Clara  
2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission



**DATE:** September 1, 2021, Regular Meeting  
**TIME:** 6:30 PM  
**PLACE:** By Virtual Teleconference Only

**MINUTES**

**Opening**

**1. Roll Call.**

Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present via virtual teleconference, pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order N-08-21 issued on June 11, 2021 by the Governor of the State of California.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Nancy Smith	Chairperson, Seat No. 8	Remote	
Bob Staedler	Vice Chairperson, Seat No. 2	Remote	
Cynthia Cooper	Commissioner, Seat No. 1	Remote	
Mario Burnias	Commissioner, Seat No. 3	Remote	
Juan Velazquez	Commissioner, Seat No. 4	Remote	
Dana Tom	Commissioner, Seat No. 5	Remote	
Dolores Alvarado	Commissioner, Seat No. 6	Remote	
Peter Pham	Commissioner, Seat No. 7	Remote	
Laura McAllister	Commissioner, Seat No. 9	Remote	
Katie Zoglin	Commissioner, Seat No. 10	Remote	
Maria Pineda	Commissioner, Seat No. 11	Remote	
Amy Carlson	Commissioner, Seat No. 12	Remote	
Edwin Tony Tan	Commissioner, Seat No. 13	Remote	
Daniel Nguyen	Commissioner, Seat No. 14	Remote	
Raven Malone	Commissioner, Seat No. 15	Absent	

**2. Public Comment.**

No public comments were received.

**3. Approve Consent Calendar and changes to the Commission's Agenda.**

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Sep 1, 2021 6:30 PM (Consent Calendar)

**3 RESULT: APPROVED [14 TO 0]**  
**MOVER:** Dana Tom, Commissioner, Seat No. 5  
**SECONDER:** Daniel Nguyen, Commissioner, Seat No. 14  
**AYES:** Smith, Staedler, Cooper, Burnias, Velazquez, Tom, Alvarado, Pham, McAllister, Zoglin, Pineda, Carlson, Tan, Nguyen  
**ABSENT:** Malone

### Regular Agenda - Items for Discussion

#### 4. Discuss and approve the addition of a 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission meeting on October 23, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. (ID# 107367)

Melanie Jimenez Perez, Program Manager II, Office of the County Executive, provided information relating to Commission interest in a special meeting to receive public testimony regarding draft maps. Ms. Jimenez Perez stated that Administration recommends Saturday, October 23, 2021 at 2:00 p.m., after the last opportunity for Communities of Interest presentations and before the October 27, 2021 Commission vote regarding final map(s) for consideration by the Board of Supervisors.

Discussion ensued relating to timing of a special meeting and ability to attend in person and/or by virtual teleconference.

**4 RESULT: APPROVED [13 TO 1]**  
**MOVER:** Peter Pham, Commissioner, Seat No. 7  
**SECONDER:** Bob Staedler, Vice Chairperson, Seat No. 2  
**AYES:** Smith, Staedler, Cooper, Burnias, Velazquez, Tom, Alvarado, Pham, McAllister, Pineda, Carlson, Tan, Nguyen  
**NAYS:** Zoglin  
**ABSENT:** Malone

#### 5. Receive report from Redistricting Partners relating to redistricting process and preliminary 2020 Census redistricting data. (ID# 107366)

Paul Mitchell, Owner, Redistricting Partners, provided a presentation relating to traditional redistricting principles; components of the 2020 United States Census (2020 Census) data, including statewide prisoner reallocation data; Commission meeting schedule, including items for discussion at each meeting; and, information regarding the 2020 Census population within current Supervisorial District lines, including distinction between district and plan deviations, potential majority-minority districts, and advice of County Counsel regarding Voting Rights Act compliance.

Discussion ensued relating to prioritization of cities and Communities of Interest in map drawing; ability to recommend more than one map to the Board of Supervisors; timing of Commission decision regarding the final number of map(s) for Board consideration; data regarding school districts; lack of Commission authority to add new districts;

mapping formats and scope of de facto maps to be provided by Redistricting Partners; access to current Supervisorial District maps for comparison; earliest access to draft maps; timeline for submission of public maps, including impact of submission dates on Commission and Board action; purpose of the October 23, 2021 special meeting; and, publication of draft maps seven days before consideration as best practice.

Mr. Mitchell next provided a demonstration of the DistrictR software mapping tool. He recommended that Commissioners refrain from map drawing until the October 13, 2021 meeting when the Commission is scheduled to begin drawing to allow maximum consideration of public testimony and other information.

Ms. Jimenez Perez noted that there are no restrictions on the number or prioritization of maps the Commission may recommend to the Board.

Chairperson Smith recessed the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Chairperson Smith reconvened the meeting at 8:00 p.m. with all members present, excluding Commissioner Burnias who was absent.

Further discussion ensued relating to island districts; the distinction between and significance of Supervisorial District deviations and plan deviations, including inability of the Commission to recommend the current Supervisorial District lines that exceed the maximum 10 percent plan deviation; mechanism to monitor population percentage ranges as draft lines are drawn; options for submission of public testimony and Communities of Interest Forms; documentation of the 2021 redistricting process for future reference; number of final map(s) for Board consideration, including rationale for recommendations; and, timing of Commission decision regarding the number of final map(s).

Chairperson Smith requested data relating to redline districts; jurisdictions with rent control; and, areas served by Coyote Creek, Penitencia Creek, and San Tomas Aquino Creek.

Commissioner Tom requested a school district overlay.

Commissioner Alvarado requested data relating to median income and employment or labor. Mr. Mitchell noted that Redistricting Partners can only provide an overlay of national occupational data from the 2020 Census.

Commissioner Cooper requested information relating to prior lawsuits against the County regarding redline, compaction, dissolution, or dilution of votes.

Commissioner Pham requested data relating to surnames to disaggregate Asian voters.

Vice Chairperson Staedler noted that watershed and creek mapping can be found on the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority website.

Chairperson Smith stated that the Commission will vote on the number of final map(s) for Board consideration at a future meeting.

In response to inquiries by Commissioners Pham and Zoglin, Mary Hanna-Weir, Deputy County Counsel, stated that the Commission is permitted to consider voting trends and projections within the limits of traditional redistricting criteria. Mr. Mitchell clarified that the Commission may consider future population growth within the maximum permissible 10 percent plan deviation after application of other traditional criteria; however, projections are not encouraged because individual perceptions are often inaccurate and inequitable due to lack complete of information regarding densities. Ms. Hanna-Weir noted that the Board of Supervisors directed the Commission to determine district lines as close to equal in population as technologically possible.

Chairperson Smith requested an overlay of mobile home park locations.

**5 RESULT: RECEIVED**

**6. Receive report from the Office of the County Executive and Redistricting Partners relating to outreach meetings and DistrictR public mapping tool. (ID# 107395)**

Danielle Christian, Program Manager II, Office of the County Executive, provided information relating to redistricting outreach and the Commission meeting schedule. Ms. Christian noted that each Supervisorial District will be discussed in the random order determined at the August 18, 2021 meeting as follows: District Four on September 22, 2021; District Five on September 29, 2021; District Two on October 6, 2021; District Three on October 13, 2021; and, District One on October 20, 2021. Ms. Christian noted that the public may testify relating to any Supervisorial District at any meeting, although meetings will focus on the agendized Supervisorial District.

Ms. Christian next reported that Administration will host a community meeting on Saturday, October 2, 2021 at 2:00 p.m., relating to an overview of the 2021 redistricting process, 2020 Census data, and Communities of Interest Forms received to date. Ms. Christian noted that the Commissioners may attend as members of the public. She cautioned that all Commission work must occur during publicly noticed meetings; and, communications regarding Commission work outside of publicly noticed meetings are prohibited. Ms. Christian requested that Commissioners encourage public attendance at Commission meetings and submission of public comments to [2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org](mailto:2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org). She also requested that Commissioners forward summaries of their network communications for publication with the next Commission agenda.

Finally, Ms. Christian provided a presentation relating to examples of the definition of Communities of Interest; and, mechanisms for submission of Communities of Interest Forms, including the use of DistrictR for mapping.

**6 RESULT: RECEIVED**

## 7. Receive report from the Office of the County Executive relating to the 2021 redistricting process. (ID# 107393)

Ms. Jimenez Perez reported that 70 outreach partners have been added to the Commission outreach partners list. In response to an inquiry by Commissioner Alvarado, Ms. Jimenez Perez stated that Cities Association of Santa Clara County can be added to the list. She encouraged the Commission to submit contacts as soon as possible, and noted that the outreach partners list is updated in real time on the County 2021 Redistricting Process web page.

Ms. Jimenez Perez next reported that September 22, 2021 is the first public outreach meeting, and encouraged the Commissioners and members of the public to submit contact information for additional outreach partners. She expressed appreciation to Commissioners who provided videos and noted that Administration will also provide videos.

In response to an inquiry by Commissioner Cooper, Ms. Jimenez Perez stated that, with Commission approval of the October 23, 2021 special meeting, the Redistricting tool kit will be finalized and available for distribution by September 7, 2021.

**7 RESULT: RECEIVED**

## 8. Propose future agenda items.

Chairperson Smith requested a presentation from mobile home park communities. Commissioner Zoglin requested a presentation from the Asian Law Alliance.

**8 RESULT: RECEIVED**

## Announcements

### 9. Announcements and correspondence:

#### a. Chairperson's announcements.

Chairperson Smith announced that she met with representatives of the League of Women Voters of Cupertino-Sunnyvale and Foothill-DeAnza Community College District relating to redistricting processes.

#### b. Commissioners' announcements.

Commissioner Pham welcomed Commissioner Carlson to the Commission, and expressed appreciation to Administration for its support.

Commissioner Alvarado announced that she provided information relating to the County redistricting process to members of the San Jose, Gilroy, and Morgan Hill City Councils. Ms. Alvarado also requested greater opportunity for Commission discussion during meetings.



- c. The County of Santa Clara provides reimbursement to appointed Commissioners for family care expenses incurred during the time spent performing their official County duties. For additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (408) 299-5001.

**Consent Calendar**

**10. Approve minutes of the August 18, 2021 Regular Meeting.**

**10 RESULT: APPROVED [14 TO 0]**

**MOVER:** Dana Tom, Commissioner, Seat No. 5

**SECONDER:** Daniel Nguyen, Commissioner, Seat No. 14

**AYES:** Smith, Staedler, Cooper, Burnias, Velazquez, Tom, Alvarado, Pham, McAllister, Zoglin, Pineda, Carlson, Tan, Nguyen

**ABSENT:** Malone

**Adjourn**

**11. Adjourn to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., by virtual teleconference.**

Chairperson Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Doyle

Deputy Clerk

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Sep 1, 2021 6:30 PM (Consent Calendar)



County of Santa Clara  
2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission



107717

**DATE:** September 22, 2021  
**TO:** 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission  
**FROM:** Melanie Jimenez Perez, Program Manager II  
**SUBJECT:** Appointment for Seat No. 12

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Appoint Zhaohui Hong to Seat No. 12 of the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Seat No. 12 of the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission is currently vacant. Zhaohui Hong (Jerry) is an applicant from District 2 who has attended meetings as a member of the public and is ready to join the Commission. Staff recommends the appointment of Jerry to Seat. No 12.

**CHILD IMPACT**

The recommended action will have no/neutral impact on children and youth.

**SENIOR IMPACT**

The recommended action will have no/neutral impact on seniors.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

The recommended action will have no/neutral sustainability implications.

**BACKGROUND**

At the July 7, 2021 (Item No. 7) Special Meeting of the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission, the Administration presented recommendations for consideration regarding the appointment process for Seats 11 through 15.

At the July 21, 2021 (Item No. 5) Commission meeting, the Commissioners appointed individuals to Seat Nos. 11-15 of the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission.

At the August 4, 2021 meeting of the Commission, Chair Smith announced the resignation of the selected commissioner to fill Seat No. 12 on the Commission.

At the August 18, 2021 (Item No. ) meeting of the Commission, Amy Carlson was appointed to Seat No. 12. Amy resigned on September 13, 2021.

**CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

The Commission would not appoint a commissioner to fill seat No. 12 on the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Jerry Hong Application (PDF)

# Application for 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission

The County of Santa Clara provides reimbursement to appointed Commissioners for family care expenses during the time spent performing their official County Duties. For additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 408-299-5001.

Applicant must be a resident of Santa Clara County and must NOT be an elected official of the County, or a family member, staff member, or paid campaign staff of an elected official of the County.

Questions with a red asterisk (\*) are mandatory and must be completed to be considered for appointment.

## SECTION 1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

- 1. Title\*: Mr.
- 2. Submission Date\*: 5/26/2021
- 3. Last Name\*: Hong  
Middle Name:
- First Name\*: Zhaohui
- 4. Address\*: [REDACTED]  
City\*: San Jose State\*: CA Zip Code\*: 95122
- 5. Main Phone Number\*: [REDACTED] Type of Number\*: Cell
- 6. Alternate Phone Number: Type of Number:
- 7. Email Address\*: [REDACTED]
- 8. Preferred Method of Contact\*: Email
- 9. Occupation and Title\*: Software Engineer
- 10. How long have you been a resident of the County of Santa Clara?\*:  
Years\*: 3 Months\*: 0
- 11. In which supervisorial district do you live?\* District 2  
Don't know which district you live in? Use our on-line [District Lookup Application](#)

## SECTION 2. DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

- 12. Education (check all that apply):
  - GED
  - High School
  - College Degree
  - Master's Degree
  - Doctoral Degree
  - Other:
- 13. Gender: How do you identify?
  - Female
  - Male
  - Nonbinary
  - Prefer Not to Say
  - Prefer to Self-describe:

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14. What is your sexual orientation?

- Asexual
- Heterosexual
- Queer
- Bisexual
- Lesbian
- Prefer to Self-describe:
- Gay
- Pansexual

15. Do you consider yourself transgender?

- Yes
- No

16. Do you consider yourself to be gender non-conforming?

- Yes
- No

17. Which ethnicity do you consider yourself?

- Hispanic/ Latino
- Non-Hispanic/Latino

18. Which racial categories do you most closely identify with? Choose all that apply.

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White
- Other:

19. Age:

- 18-24
- 45-54
- 25-34
- 55-64
- 35-44
- 65 and over

20. Which best describes your individual income last year?

- \$ 0 to \$ 9,999
- \$ 10,000 to \$ 24,999
- \$ 25,000 to \$ 49,999
- \$ 50,000 to \$ 74,999
- \$ 75,000 to \$ 99,999
- \$ 100,000 to \$ 149,999
- \$ 150,000 to \$ 199,999
- \$ 200,000 to \$ 249,999
- \$ 250,000 to \$ 299,999
- \$ 300,000 and greater
- Prefer Not to Answer

21. Please choose which option best describes your current housing situation:

- Rent
- Own
- Other:

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**SECTION 3. QUALIFICATIONS**

22. Are you a registered voter in Santa Clara County? \*  Yes  No  
*If you answered "no" to Question 22, you do not meet the required qualifications to be a Commissioner.*

23. How many of the last five elections did you participate in?  
 0-1  2-3  4-5

24. Are you registered with a political party?  Yes  No

25. If you selected yes, please specify which political party you are registered with:

26. Are you an elected or appointed member of a political party or political party central committee? \*  Yes  No  
*If you answered "yes" to Question 26, you do not meet the required qualifications to be a Commissioner.*

27. Are you currently an appointed member of a Santa Clara County Board/Commission/Committee? \*  Yes  No  
*If you answered "yes" to Question 27, you do not meet the required qualifications to be a Commissioner.*

28. Are you a County employee? \*  Yes  No  
*If you answered "yes" to Question 28, you do not meet the required qualifications to be a Commissioner.*

**SECTION 4. APPLICABLE EXPERIENCE**

29. Please list your qualifications thought applicable for appointment. \*

I'm always passionate about public service and I want to contribute to our community. I have participated in the 2020 census work. This work seems directly related to the result of 2020 census. So I am interested in learning how the data coming out of the 2020 census can be utilized to matters like this.

I work in software industry and I have the discipline, integrity, skills, reasonable and objective mind to complete tasks I ke this.

30. Are there any interests or activities that you wish to bring to attention of the Board of Supervisors? \*

I am interested in politics and analysis of international affairs.

31. Do you have any obligations that might affect your attendance at scheduled meetings? \*  Yes  No  
*If you answered "yes" to Question 31, please provide additional information:*

32. How did you learn about this vacancy? Other

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33. Please provide *at least one*, but up to three references:

Reference 1 Name:\*

Ty Greaves

Reference 2 Name:

Reference 1 Address:\*

[Redacted]

Reference 2 Address:

Reference 1 Phone:\*

[Redacted]

Reference 2 Phone:

Reference 1 Email:\*

[Redacted]

Reference 2 Email:

Reference 3 Name:

Reference 3 Address:

Reference 3 Phone:

Reference 3 Email:

**SECTION 5. WRITTEN STATEMENT**

34. Provide a written statement of qualifications not longer than three hundred (300) words expressing why you believe you are qualified and wish to serve on the Commission. Please share any additional experience, community activities, or other qualifications that make you a strong candidate for the 2021 Advisory Redistricting Commission.\*

I'm always passionate about public service and I want to contribute to our community. I have participated in the 2020 census work. This work seems directly related to the result of 2020 census. So I am interested in learning how the data coming out of the 2020 census can be utilized to matters like this.

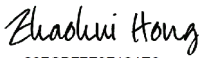
I work in software industry and I have the discipline, integrity, skills, reasonable and objective mind to complete tasks I ke this.

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## SECTION 6. CERTIFICATION

35. I hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. By submitting this application, I grant permission to the County of Santa Clara to verify my answers. I have also reviewed the commission qualifications and commission meeting schedule to confirm my eligibility. By entering my name in the space provided, that the statements contained in the application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.\*

DocuSigned by:



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Type Name Zhaohui Hong

Date Signed 5/26/2021

## SECTION 7. SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications must be submitted no later than **9:00 am Pacific Daylight Time on Tuesday, June 1, 2021**. No late submissions will be considered. Additional information regarding qualifications or applicable experience may be submitted for consideration in addition to the required application via e-mail to [2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org](mailto:2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org). Supplemental information must be received by the deadline.

Applications completed through Docusign will automatically be submitted upon completion. If you need assistance with the application, prefer to download and complete, or would like to obtain a hard copy, please send an e-mail to [2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org](mailto:2021redistricting@ceo.sccgov.org)

## SECTION 8. APPLICATION APPEAL PROCESS

Applicants will be notified by 9:00 am Pacific Daylight Time on Wednesday, June 2, 2021 whether they have met the qualifications. Applicants who have not met the qualifications may elect to provide additional information for review by 9:00 am Pacific Daylight Time on Thursday, June 3, 2021. No late submissions will be considered. For those applicants who provide additional information by 9:00 am Pacific Daylight Time on Thursday, June 3, 2021, a final decision will be provided to them by 5:00 pm Pacific Daylight Time on Thursday, June 3, 2021.

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