

From: COSD, Redistricting [REDACTED] >
Sent: Saturday, December 11, 2021 11:09 AM
Cc: COSD, Redistricting
Subject: Public Communication

Hello Commissioners,

Please see the below correspondence received from the public:

First_Name :
Abdulreda

Last_Name :
Altwim

eComment :

I am a member of the Chaldean Community. Our family goes to school, church and work in El Cajon and east county. We all vote together as a community. Don't separate El Cajon and the rest of east county. This will separate our community and our voice.

First_Name :
Adel

Last_Name :
Somo

eComment :

I myself am against splitting EL Cajon City from all other Cities attached to EL Cajon as Lakeside. Santee Alpine La Mesa , Spring Valley. EL Cajon itself is in East County. I don't understand why are you trying To take it out and move it somewhere else! You can't Move EL Cajon from where it is located!

First_Name :
iman

Last_Name :
osman

eComment :

1. I am a member of the Iraqi Community.
 2. Our family goes to school, church and work in El Cajon and east county.
 3. We all vote together as a community.
 4. Don't separate El Cajon and the rest of east county. This will separate our community and our voice.
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First_Name :
May

Last_Name :

Hlaihel

eComment :
No to division

First_Name :
Dawn

Last_Name :
Hendon

eComment :
Put Spring Valley and paradise hills in District 4 And remove Claremont Mesa

First_Name :
Osam

Last_Name :
Ferman

eComment :

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 3. We all vote together as a community.
 4. Don't separate El Cajon and the rest of east county. This will separate our community and our voice.
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First_Name :
Rita

Last_Name :
Shaba

eComment :
Middle Easterns for East County
Hello, I am a Middle Eastern from البلد هنا living in El Cajon.
I hope that you consider keeping our East County Middle Eastern (Immigrant/Refugee) Community together and not divide us among Supervisor districts.
We live in East County cities such as (El Cajon, Rancho San Diego, Santee, Lakeside, and La Mesa). These areas are places that need to be kept together.
We live in East County not for cheap rent, but because we have an established community here. We have our churches, mosques, community stores, social clubs, and businesses, which we do not find in any other place in San Diego.
Our Middle Eastern Community shares the same culture, language, food, and interests.
I am asking the IRC to keep our Middle Eastern Community together by keeping El Cajon, Rancho San Diego, Santee, Lakeside, and La Mesa in one Supervisor district.
Removing El Cajon from the above-mentioned communities in East County will separate our community.
Please take into your consideration the interest of our community.

Email:
Dear Sir or Madam:

I strongly object to putting Carlsbad in with Encinitas et al. Our political and economic interests do not align. Jim Desmond has been doing an excellent job of representing our interests. We do not need to change. Why not leave things alone.

Gisele Gonzalez

First_Name :

Roy

Last_Name :

Mikha

eComment :

My comment it's regarding Agenda 7 Redistricting map.

Congratulation to our leader you guys were able to do something that China and Russia can do by showing our diversity. After yesterday's meeting you create this hate between East County and the rest of the counties .black and Mexican Community,black and Asian Community .middle eastern and Asian community . Black and Chaldean community. Is that agenda or somebody's making profit benefiting from this map?

Keep communities together please!! Do not destroy our beautiful nation. To our politician Mark Twain "Politicians and diapers must be changed often, and for the same reason."

First_Name :

Sandra

Last_Name :

Dryden

eComment :

My name is Sandra Dryden. I am a 40 year resident of spring valley. I believe your redistributing plan is harmful to me and my community. I want you to put my community, spring valley, in D4 and remove Claremont mesa. I believe putting Spring Valley in D4 and removing Claremont mesa is critical to preserve the power integrity and impact of my voice and my vote on the issues that I care about. Your plan will destroy my ability to elect representatives that will act to meet the funding and quality of life needs that are unique to me and my community .

First_Name :

Sinan

Last_Name :

Shathaya

eComment :

I have lived in the east county for over 25 years and I am against the attempts to move El Cajon to North Park in an attempt to separate our east county communities to weaken our voices for hidden political agenda. I am a proud American from the chaldean community, and refuse those nonsense reasons to separate our community.

First_Name :

Milad

Last_Name :

Kamil

eComment :

El Cajon ca

First_Name :

Jalal

Last_Name :

Jajo

eComment :

NO sprite

First_Name :

Rasha

Last_Name :

Jabraeil

eComment :

I don't get why you're wanting to divide El Cajon and shift us out of East County! I don't agree leave us alone!

First_Name :

Alexis

Last_Name :

Ennis

eComment :

Hello, my name is Alexis Ennis, a local of San Diego. I've grown up in district 1, and I am a Latinx that has family and friends that live in district 4. As a Latinx voice in our community I want to defend the influence that we have in district 4. I believe the remapping of district 4 is unfair to Latinx and Black voters. This will decrease Latinx CVAP from 26.1% to 24.3% but instead will increase white CVAP from 48.2% to 52.8%. It is essential to raise the black CVAP and Latinx CVAP by putting Spring Valley back into and uniting Southeast WHOLE in D4 AND removing Clairemont Mesa. If that is not done, you will be putting out communities in harm's way.

First_Name :

Rana

Last_Name :

Dawood Noaman

eComment :

I am against the separation el cajon from east county

First_Name :

Saad

Last_Name :

Habib

eComment :

I am against the separation el cajon from east county

First_Name :

Nahidha

Last_Name :

Bunni

eComment :

Keep Chaldean family together.

First_Name :

Sandy

Last_Name :
Alsheltan

eComment :
Keep El Cajon with East county

First_Name :
Marwa

Last_Name :
Hanna

eComment :
We won't expect the separate. No separate.

First_Name :
Jwaneta

Last_Name :
Odeesho

eComment :
DONT SEPARATE

First_Name :
Lana

Last_Name :
Kizy

eComment :
Please do not re district El Cajon. We oppose this entirely.

First_Name :
Beverly

Last_Name :
Adams-Lewis

eComment :
Please add Spring Valley and Paradise Hills to District 4 and remove Clairemont..

First_Name :
Wafa

Last_Name :
Polus

eComment :
We don't want to divide El Cajon we don't want to split our Chaldean community, our Middle Eastern Community. we want to stay all together. Hope our demands will be heard. Thank you

First_Name :
Angela

Last_Name :

Pham

eComment :

Separating these two cities from the country would harm communities and don't see where it would be beneficial for the separation in general. But if there is benefits I think it would be discussed amongst communities that are there/ that it would effect

First_Name :

Keith

Last_Name :

Esshaki

eComment :

Dear IRC Commissioners, thank you so much again for your service. I'm one of the volunteers serving the Chaldean refugee community and other needy communities in El Cajon, regardless of race, religion, ethnic background, sexual orientation or any other distinction. We do not discriminate at all against anyone and we love and serve all people. Thank you for so graciously giving our community members the chance to speak last night. Please allow me the chance to give you more feedback/questions below:

- Our community and community leaders were not aware at all of this initiative to re-district El Cajon out of East County until a couple weeks ago. We totally understand that you have spent a lot of time on this issue and went through a "methodical process". But it seems like your process missed paying attention to the interests of an essential group in El Cajon, The Chaldean Refugee community and other Iraqi Christian communities and even the Iraqi Muslim communities in El Cajon as Iraqi American Muslim community leader Mr. Mohammed Tuama, stated in his statement last night. How was that missed? Who is accountable for this mistake? Why was our community not contacted early in the process to give our feedback and provide the IRC relevant information, statistics and needs of our communities? Was there a public announcement through the media made about the intention of re-districting El Cajon out of East County? What does the current law require as far as notifying communities of interest in any region to understand their needs before re-districting happens that could negatively affect their lives for 10 years?

- What does the law require on how the members of the IRC are chosen? When there are tens of thousands of Chaldean and Arab refugees of all religions in El Cajon, how come the Chaldean community was not invited to participate in the IRC?

- Was there an independent study done to understand the impact of re-districting El Cajon out of East County on The Chaldean Community, other Iraqi Christian communities, the Moslem Communities (Kurdish, Arab, etc.) and other ethnic communities?

We plead with you to keep both El Cajon and Rancho San Diego in East County. If either El Cajon or Rancho San Diego are moved out of East County I can assure you it will severely and negatively impact the Chaldean American communities, other Iraqi Christian communities, Iraqi Muslim communities and our Black, Asian, Hispanic, Afghani, Somali, etc. communities residing in El Cajon, Rancho San Diego and the rest of East County. I work at the service of these refugee communities every day and I understand their needs. Please respect our opinion and our input.

First_Name :

Massis

Last_Name :

Kalosian

eComment :

Don't seperate

First_Name :

Samir

Last_Name :

Shamoun

eComment :

Please keep Rancho and El Cajon in East county Thank you so much

First_Name :

Jose

Last_Name :

Rodriguez

eComment :

Please we beg you not to separate ranch San Diego and El Cajon from the east county

First_Name :

Thaer

Last_Name :

Yelda

eComment :

I would please like the County of San Diego to keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego with the East County District.

First_Name :

Karam

Last_Name :

Hanko

eComment :

Hi, my name is Karam and I'm writing to y'all bc u are separating my people from each other. Please withdraw the map where El Cajon, spring valley and other from east county.

First_Name :

Ruaa

Last_Name :

Hanna

eComment :

Do not divide El Cajon. Keep it how it is, and keep Chaldeans safe.

First_Name :

Vanessa

Last_Name :

Baka

eComment :

Keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego a part of the East county district

First_Name :

Susan

Last_Name :

Wilson

eComment :

Dear Commissioners -

Thank you for all your hard work. I strongly support the current draft map. Please keep Mira Mesa and RPQ in the coastal district with UCSD. We are an URBAN community with nothing in common with the East County back country of Julian and Alpine. We work in Sorrento Valley, and have urban values and challenges.

First_Name :

Sherwan

Last_Name :

Toma

eComment :

I would please like the County of San Diego to keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego with the East County District.

First_Name :

Laith

Last_Name :

Akoobi

eComment :

we need to keep with East County please

First_Name :

Hiba

Last_Name :

Shores

eComment :

I don't support to divide El Cajon from East County. Thank you!

First_Name :

Abeer

Last_Name :

K

eComment :

I am a member of the Iraqi Community

Our family goes to school, church and work in El Cajon and east county. We all vote together as a community.

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First_Name :

Hatem

Last_Name :

Zetouna

eComment :

Hello I'm a American Chaldean living in this beautiful country since 2004 please keep El Cajon and rancho San Diego in east county do not split our voice thank you

First_Name :

Danny

Last_Name :

Talia

eComment :

It is not in the best interest of the community members of Rancho San Diego to be separated from the City of El Cajon. I am a Chaldean-American and my parents fled Iraq so we wouldn't have to deal with our community being broken up. Please reconsider this redistricting.

First_Name :

John

Last_Name :

Kasawa

eComment :

To the redistricting commission,

I'm a family physician that works in El Cajon, and I primarily serve the middle eastern population. There's much that has already been written to you, that I don't need to reiterate. I keep up some with politics. Seems to me this is against the diversity, inclusion, and equity values that are espoused. It's an obvious attack to squash the voices of minorities, in order to make all of San Diego homogenous. Most refugees left from tyrannical and authoritarian governments. This is a power play, and will bring back trauma to many who risk their lives seeking true freedom.

Sincerely

Dr John Kasawa

First_Name :

Qaiea

Last_Name :

Gorges

eComment :

I would please like the County of San Diego to keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego with the East County District.

First_Name :

Bashar

Last_Name :

Najar

eComment :

To the commissioners

My name is Bashar Najar, a serving member of our Chaldean Community and a proud owner of a civil and structural engineering firm that serves our East County community.

I am very familiar with zoning and planning process for entitlements which we do at my firm day in and day out. The process is methodical, meticulous, heavily involved and following a stringent procedure that must clearly demonstrate meets the guidelines put forth through years of public involvement. I can only imagine the complex and methodical process that must take place for such a monumental process of re-districting. The lack of the middle eastern involvement in this process has been non-existent and almost perceived as intentional. I am certain this is not the case as it was clearly understood by the commissioners to not rush to a haste decision without the public involvement and we are grateful for that. We urge you now more than ever to keep Rancho and El Cajon within the east county district as

this will have a severe impact to the Middle Eastern community and the intricate diversity these two regions serve from Hispanic, Asians, African Americans and many others.

We are confident you will do what is best for the community and not an agenda for you serve the public and the public who elected you is urging you to be heard.

Thank you
Bashar Najar, PE

First_Name :
Vivian

Last_Name :
Alkatib

eComment :

My name is ——— I'm a member of the Chaldean Community. Please keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego in the east county. Don't split our voices. Keep our families together and so on. Keep it short. Numbers is what we are looking for.

First_Name :
Anne

Last_Name :
Krueger

eComment :

I am writing as the president of the Grossmont-Mt. Helix Improvement Association, a community organization that represents more than 7,000 households in the Mt. Helix area. Our community is a primarily semi-rural area with parcels averaging half an acre or more.

The Mt. Helix community shares common social and economic interests with our neighboring East County communities. We support Map 13a Version 11 that keeps the Mt. Helix area in East County. We urge you to support this version.

First_Name :
Michael

Last_Name :
Kako

eComment :

Our community We want to be together in East County

First_Name :
Intisar

Last_Name :
Polus

eComment :

My name is intisar I'm a member of the Chaldean Community. Please keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego in the east county. Don't split our voices. Keep our families together and so on. Keep it short.

First_Name :
Randy

Last_Name :

Patros

eComment :

My name is Randy Patros and I'm a member of the Chaldean Community. Please keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego in the east county. Don't split our voices. Keep our families together.

We are east county. Thank you and God bless you.

First_Name :

Elneda

Last_Name :

Shannon

eComment :

Put Spring Valley and Paradise Hills in District 4. Do NOT include Clairemont in District 4.

First_Name :

James

Last_Name :

Daniel

eComment :

My name is James Daniel- I'm a member of the Chaldean Community. Please keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego in the east county. Don't split our voices. Keep our families together. Thank you for hearing us out.

First_Name :

Shahad

Last_Name :

Daniel

eComment :

My name is Shahad Daniel- I'm a member of the Chaldean Community. Please keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego in the east county. Don't split our voices. Keep our families together. Thank you for hearing us out.

First_Name :

Stephen

Last_Name :

Nissou

eComment :

I Stephen Nissou stand with many community members and leaders of east county specifically El Cajon/ East County. I don't just associate with my own neighbors in El Cajon but I am a resident of Rancho San Diego just 3 traffic lights away from El Cajon.

The commissioners need to know since they took an oath to serve the people they need to not just consider what we have to say, but actually hear our voices. Hundreds and at this point thousands of residents are unhappy and seek justice in regards to this map that has only been swayed by a political interest group.

IRC please Stop being passive and allow 2 or 3 commissioners to decide our redistricting zones. Let me remind you that you took an oath to serve us "the people" and the people don't want this.

I firsthand have volunteered in the Cajon valley school district with over 28 schools all across El Cajon and East County with programs for refugee kids and parents helping them assimilate to our American culture.

Why would you split those who share all this in common? There has to be a valid reason. Commissioners I urge you to RECONSIDER please look around the rooms and all the people who are showing and voicing their concerns.

There is always time and especially the time it takes to fix this afterwards since this is not what your constituents want. I was born and raised in the east county and my parents migrated here in 1980. They came to this county to have a voice please don't take this away from us.

First_Name :

Fanya

Last_Name :

Georges

eComment :

I am a member of the Chaldean Community. Our family goes to school, church and work in El Cajon and east county. We all vote together as a community. Don't separate El Cajon and the rest of east county. This will separate our community and our voice.

First_Name :

Dames

Last_Name :

Daniel

eComment :

My name is dames Daniel I am a member of the Chaldean Community. Please keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego in the east county. Don't split our voices. Keep our families together and so on. Keep it short. Numbers is what we are looking for.

We need to say Rancho so that they don't give us El Cajon and take Rancho. Both cities are essential for our community. So please include both.

Today is our last chance so for those that want to get involved and make a difference, this is your chance. Send it to everyone you know. Thank you and God bless!!

The link will that I will send you goes directly to the E comment.

First_Name :

Nanse

Last_Name :

Mansor

eComment :

Please do not separate elcajon from the east county. This will divide our Chaldean community and harm all of us who are Chaldeans.

First_Name :

Rafi

Last_Name :

Patrus

eComment :

Please keep all of east county intact

First_Name :

Angelica

Last_Name :

Hatmez

eComment :

Our community we want to be together in east county

First_Name :

Bari

Last_Name :

Vaz

eComment :

Dear IRC Commissioners,

I would like to express the opposition of the Mira Mesa Town Council to moving Mira Mesa and other communities with ties to the Coastal District (District 3) into the East County District (District 4).

The western side of the Mira Mesa community is included in the San Diego Coastal Zone. The Mira Mesa community is part of the Los Peñasquitos Watershed, which includes creeks in Los Peñasquitos Canyon and Lopez Canyon in Mira Mesa along with Carmel Creek in Carmel Valley, all of which drain into Los Peñasquitos Lagoon in the Torrey Pines area. Additionally, Carroll Creek in Mira Mesa drains the Carroll Canyon sub-watershed into Los Peñasquitos in Sorrento Valley before entering the Los Peñasquitos Watershed.

In addition to being a more coastal area, the issues and concerns of the Mira Mesa community more closely align with those of the City of San Diego communities and the coastal cities than with those of the unincorporated East County areas and more rural cities.

We encourage you to keep Mira Mesa in the Coastal District, District 3, to better serve the needs of our community. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bari Vaz

President, Mira Mesa Town Council

First_Name :

pearli

Last_Name :

killens

eComment :

My comments are that our area District 4 should remain the same and keep the 18 areas, the same 18. The same.

First_Name :

Seva

Last_Name :

Qiryaaqos

eComment :

You guys can send as many E-comments to the commission as possible. The more the better and make sure you add both El Cajon and Rancho.

The message should be:

My name is Seva Qiryaaqos, I'm a member of the Chaldean Community. Please keep El Cajon and Rancho San Diego in the east county. Don't split our voices. Keep our families together and so on. Keep it short. Numbers is what we are looking for.

First_Name :

Aseel

Last_Name :

Asffar

eComment :

1234

First_Name :

PAMELA

Last_Name :

COE

eComment :

As a 40-year resident of Mt. Helix, I am in favor of the current version of Map 13 v11. In addition to common social and economic interests, our unincorporated community shares government, public, educational, and health services with our neighboring unincorporated areas. Furthermore, we are represented only by our district county supervisor. We have no mayor, city council, or municipal government to advocate on our behalf. As such, it is crucial that we be retained in a district with a large representation of unincorporated communities so that our voices are collectively heard and our issues addressed. A district comprised of primarily incorporated cities will likely leave us underserved in terms of allocating our share of critical resources and funding.

Thank you,

COSD Redistricting Staff

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