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1	8/12/2020	E-mail	Application period: Push-through message to Council	Mayor and Council
2	8/12/2020	Paid Ad	Application period: East Bay Express (Additional run 9/2)	Print only
3	8/12/2020	Paid Ad	Application period: Tri-City Post (additional run 9/2)	Print only
4	8/13/2020	E-msg	Application Period	Berkeley Library E-Newsletter (105,000)
5	8/13/2020	Paid Ad	Application period: Berkeleyside (run through 10/9/2020)	Online
6	8/14/2020	E-Mail	Application Period	400+ Community Partners
7	8/14/2020	Paid Ad	Application period: Berkeley Voice (additional runs 8/21, 8/28, 9/4)	Print only
8	8/19/2020	E-Mail	Application Period	Office of Economic Development Newsletter
9	8/25/2020	Letter	Application Period	400+ Community Partners
10	8/27/2020	Paid Ad	Application period: Berkeley Times (additional run, 9/10)	Print only
11	9/1/2020	Display	Application Period	Grocery Stores; Laundromats; Public Buildings
12	9/2/2020	E-msg	Application Period	Berkeley Library E-Newsletter (Spanish)
13	9/3/2020	Paid Ad	Application period: Daily Californian	Print only
14	9/6/2020	E-msg	Application Period	Berkeley Library E-Newsletter (105,000)
15	9/7/2020	E-msg	Application Period	BUSD E-Newsletter (20,000)
16	9/8/2020	E-Mail	Application Period	400+ Community Partners; BPL Newsletter; BUSD Newsletter
17	9/8/2020	E-mail	Application period: Push-through message to Council	Mayor and Council
18	9/8/2020	News Msg	Application Period: "Volunteers needed to help Berkeley draw..."	Media Outlets; Website; GovDelivery List
19	9/8/2020	Social Media	Application period	Twitter
20	9/14/2020	Social Media	Application period	Twitter
21	9/19/2020	Social Media	Application period	Twitter
22	9/24/2020	Paid Ad	Application period: Daily Californian (run through 10/9)	Online & Twitter
23	10/5/2020	News Msg	Application period: "Apply by October 9"	Media Outlets; Website; GovDelivery List
24	10/5/2020	Social Media	Application period	Nextdoor
25	10/5/2020	Social Media	Application period	Twitter
26	12/14/2020	Website	New IRC Commission webpage published	Website
27	1/1/2021	Paid ad	Notice of random drawing- Berkeley Voice legal ad	Print only
28	1/7/2021	News Msg	Random drawing of IRC commissioners	Media Outlets; Website; GovDelivery List
29	1/11/2021	Social Media	Random drawing of IRC commissioners	Twitter
30	6/29/2021	Website	New public engagement webpage published	Website
31	6/30/2021	E-msg	Public Hearing #1	Berkeley Library E-Newsletter (105,000)
32	7/1/2021	Media	Public Hearing #1	Earned Media in Berkeleyside, Daily Cal, NBC TV News, Patch
33	7/1/2021	News Msg	Public Hearing #1	Media Outlets; Website; GovDelivery List

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34	7/1/2021	Paid Ad	Public Hearing #1: Daily Californian (run through 7/10/2021)	Online & Twitter
35	7/2/2021	E-Mail	Public Hearing #1	400+ Community Partners
36	7/2/2021	Paid Ad	Public Hearing #1: Berkeley Voice	Print only
37	7/2/2021	Paid Ad	Public Hearing #1: Berkeleyside (run through 7/10/2020)	Online
38	7/5/2021	Social Media	Public Hearing #1	Twitter
39	7/6/2021	Social Media	Public Hearing #1	Nextdoor
40	7/7/2021	Paid Ad	Public Hearing #1: East Bay Express	Print only
41	7/7/2021	Paid Ad	Public Hearing #1: Tri-City Post	Print only
42	7/8/2021	Social Media	Public Hearing #1	Twitter
43	7/9/2021	Social Media	Public Hearing #1	Twitter
44	7/10/2021	Social Media	Public Hearing #1	Twitter
45	7/11/2021	Media	Independent Redistricting Commission discusses districts, future housing	Earned media in Daily Cal
46	7/13/2021	E-Mail	Presentation Video; COI Form; Presentation on Demand	400+ Community Partners
47	7/26/2021	E-Mail	Online COI Form; Presentation Video	400+ Community Partners
48	8/4/2021	Display	COI Form	South Berkeley Senior Center
49	8/4/2021	Display	COI Form	Berkeley Libraries (5)
50	8/4/2021	E-mail	COI Form link and video	UC Berkeley student groups to distribute to members
51	8/10/2021	E-mail	COI Form link and video	BUSD PTA Board - for distribution
52	8/16/2021	Display	City Recreation Programs	2 City pools, Recreation Admin office and Marina office (4)
53	8/19/2021	E-msg	COI Form and Video	Rosa Parks Elementary PTA newsletter
54	8/21/2021	In-Person	Heart-to-Heart Health Faire (San Pablo Park)	South and West Berkeley Community
55	9/3/2021	In-Person	Cal Football Kickoff (Downtown)	Downtown; UC population; students
56	9/12/2021	In-Person	Solano Avenue Sidewalk a-Faire	North Berkeley Community; Broader Berkeley Community
57	9/15/2021	E-msg	October 2 Public Hearing	BUSD A+ eNewsletter - 25,000 recipients
58	9/15/2021	Letter	Public Hearing #2 and hardcopy COI forms	Targeted Community Organizations (20)
59	9/21/2021	E-Mail	Redistricting Opportunities for Students	BHS Teachers
60	9/23/2021	E-Mail	October 2 Public Hearing	400+ Community Organizations
61	9/23/2021	News Msg	Community Message for 10/2 Hearing	Website, Media List, GovDelivery Subscriber E-Mail
62	9/23/2021	Pass-Thru	City Council Constituent Newsletters	Mayor and Council E-Mail Lists
63	9/23/2021	Pass-Thru	October 2 Public Hearing	UC Students via ASUC e-mail lists
64	9/23/2021	Pass-Thru	October 2 Public Hearing	UC Students via Academic Department Newsletters
65	9/23/2021	Social Media	October 2 Public Hearing	Twitter
66	9/23/2021	Social Media	October 2 Public Hearing	Nextdoor

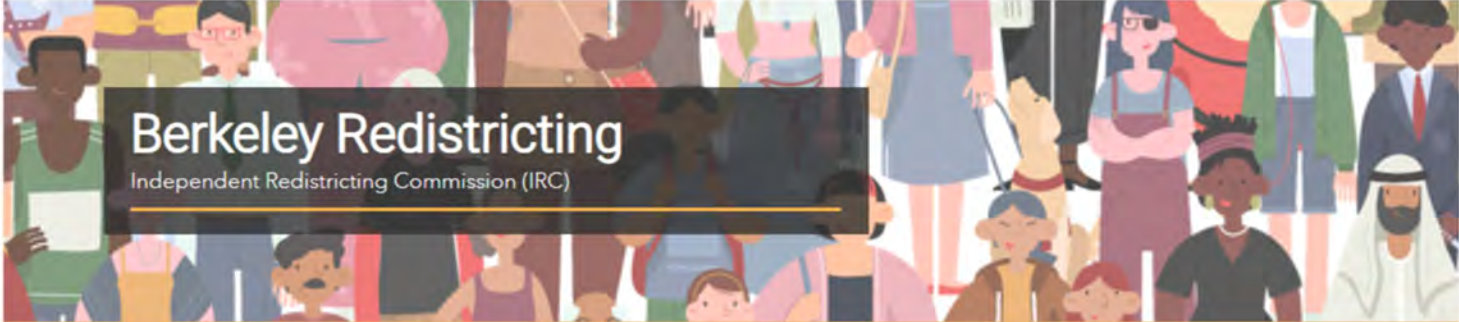
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67	9/24/2021	E-Mail	October 2 Public Hearing	Targeted Community Organizations (30)
68	9/24/2021	Paid ad	Public Hearing #2 : Berkeley Voice Full page (9/24 publication)	Print only
69	9/24/2021	Paid Ad	Public Hearing #2: Berkeleyside (runs through 10/1)	Online
70	9/26/2021	Media	'Now is the time to engage': Berkeley to redraw district boundaries	Earned media in Daily Cal
71	9/28/2021	Phone Calls	October 2 Public Hearing	Targeted community organization follow-up to emails/letters (23)
72	9/29/2021	Social Media	October 2 Public Hearing	Twitter
73	9/30/2021	E-mail	October 2 Public Hearing	55 UC Student organizations and department
74	9/30/2021	E-msg	October 2 Public Hearing	BPL Library News - 105,000 Recipients - Direct E-Mail List
75	10/1/2021	Social Media	October 2 Public Hearing	Twitter
76	10/2/2021	Social Media	October 2 Public Hearing	Twitter
77	10/7/2021	E-mail	Public Maps; Maptitude Demo; Offer of In-Person Presentations	400+ Community Organizations
78	10/12/2021	Virtual	Maptitude Demo for Public	Map submitters
79	10/16/2021	In-Person	Harvest Festival (Cedar Rose Park)	West Berkeley and Broader Berkeley Community
80	10/18/2021	Paid Ad	Berkeleyside: Public map submission open	Online
81	10/19/2021	Media	Op-Ed on overall redistricting process	Daily Cal
82	10/21/2021	Social Media	Maptitude Demo for Public	Twitter
83	10/21/2021	Virtual	Maptitude Demo for Public	Map submitters
84	10/21/2021	Media	Online mapping tool & mapping deadline; coverage from Harvest Festival	Earned media in the Berkeley Times
85	11/3/2021	E-Mail	Deadline to Submit Maps for New Council District Boundaries - Nov. 15	400+ Community Organizations
86	11/6/2021	Social Media	Deadline to Submit Maps for New Council District Boundaries - Nov. 15	Twitter
87	11/8/2021	E-mail	Pass through e-mail to Mayor and Councilmembers	Constituent e-mails and newsletters
88	11/8/2021	E-mail	Target reminder to ASUC partners	ASUC Officers and UC Students
89	11/8/2021	News Msg	Community Message for 10/2 Hearing	Website, Media List, GovDelivery Subscriber E-Mail
90	11/8/2021	Paid Ad	Berkeleyside: Public map submission period reminder	Online
91	11/8/2021	Social Media	Deadline to Submit Maps for New Council District Boundaries - Nov. 15	Nextdoor
92	11/8/2021	Media	Deadline to Submit Maps for New Council District Boundaries - Nov. 15	Earned media in Patch
93	11/15/2021	Media	Submit Your Map For New Council District Boundaries Before Nov. 15	Earned media in Patch
94	12/8/2021	Email	Get involved in redistricting map review by Jan 10th [public submissions]	400+ Community Organizations
95	1/13/2022	Email	Get ready to review draft maps	400+ Community Organizations
96	1/14/2022	Newsletter	UC Berkeley Government & Community Relations	700 Recipients; UC Focused
97	1/21/2022	News Msg	"See Draft Maps of Proposed Council District Boundaries"	Website, Media List, GovDelivery Subscriber E-Mail
98	1/21/2022	Paid Ad	Berkeleyside: PH and map release	Online

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99	1/21/2022	Paid Ad	Berkeley Voice: PH and map release	Print only
100	1/21/2022	In-Person	Large Format Maps	Displayed at Central Library and South Berkeley Senior Center
101	1/21/2022	In-Person	Map Books (11x17 size)	All libraries, rec centers, pools, City Hall
102	1/21/2022	Paid Ad	Daily Cal: PH and Map Release	Online Ad
103	1/21/2022	Email	Public Hearings and draft maps release	400+ Community Organizations
104	1/21/2022	Email	Upcoming Redistricting Open House Events	400+ Community Organizations
105	1/21/2022	Social Media	"See Draft Maps of Proposed Council District Boundaries"	Twitter
106	1/22/2022	In-Person	Draft Map Open House	Open House at Northbrae Community Church
107	1/22/2022	Social Media	"See Draft Maps of Proposed Council District Boundaries"	Nextdoor
108	1/21/2022	Email	Pass through e-mail to Mayor and Councilmembers	Constituent e-mails and newsletters
109	1/24/2022	Media	"Berkeley Redistricting: How new City Council boundaries could affect you"	Earned media in Berkeleyside
110	1/24/2022	In-Person	Draft Map Open House	South Berkeley Senior Center
111	1/25/2022	Social Media	See & give feedback on draft maps at our virtual meeting	Twitter
112	1/27/2022	Newsletter	Library eNews - Draft Maps and Public Hearings	Library eNews (100,000 subscribers)
113	1/27/2022	Social Media	Join us tonight to see the 4 draft maps	Twitter
114	2/1/2022	In-Person	Participate in Draft Map Discussions	Table and Large Maps at Bancroft & Telegraph
115	2/1/2022	Media	Independent Redistricting Commission eliminates 3 proposed maps	Earned media in Daily Cal
116	2/2/2022	Social Media	You can still check out and give feedback on four maps proposing...	Twitter
117	2/3/2022	In-Person	Participate in Draft Map Discussions	Table and Large Maps at Bancroft & Telegraph
118	2/7/2022	Social Media	Share your input on four maps proposing potential boundaries for...	Twitter
119	2/10/2022	Email	See two new draft maps of proposed Council district boundaries	400+ Community Organizations
120	2/14/2022	Social Media	Starting to narrow in on the proposed council district maps...	Twitter
121	2/14/2022	Media	Advocates allege proposed Berkeley City Council districts fail to represent renters	Earned media in Daily Cal
122	2/15/2022	News Msg	See two new draft maps as proposed Council district boundaries near adoption	Website, Media List, GovDelivery Subscriber E-Mail
123	2/16/2022	Social Media	See two new draft maps as proposed Council district boundaries near adoption	Nextdoor
124	2/16/2022	Social Media	Nearing adoption of the final map...	Twitter
125	2/16/2022	Media	In brief: Berkeley residents' input sought on proposed new district maps	Earned media in East Bay Times
126	2/19/2022	Social Media	Share your input on the two latest maps...	Twitter
127	2/25/2022	Email	See two new draft maps of proposed Council district boundaries	400+ Community Organizations
128	2/25/2022	Social Media	Narrowed down to one map	Twitter
129	2/28/2022	Social Media	Final map is selected tonight	Twitter
130	3/1/2022	Media	Berkeley's redistricting commission picks new City Council map	Earned media in Berkeleyside

Redistricting Hub: cityofberkeley.info/redistricting/




Berkeley Redistricting
Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC)

Every ten years, U.S. Census data is used to redraw Berkeley's Council district boundaries to account for shifts and changes in the population. The process is guided by an Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC), comprised of 13 members of the Berkeley community, that is responsible to adopting the final version of the new council district map. The IRC collects community input and adopts an updated map through an open public process that meets the requirements of the law, and is conducted with integrity, fairness, and without personal or political considerations.

IRC Public Meetings

Redistricting Timeline



<p>January 2021</p> <p>Selection of eight district commissioners and alternates. Commission convenes and selects five at-large commissioners and alternates.</p>	<p>July 10, 2021</p> <p>Public hearing #1 – Introduction to redistricting for the public.</p>	<p>November 15, 2021</p> <p>Deadline for the public's redistricting plan submittal.</p>	<p>March 2022</p> <p>Deadline for Commission to adopt a redistricting plan.</p>
<p>February – June 2021</p> <p>Commission training on conflict of interest, transparency, and ethics laws, and federal, state, and local redistricting laws and regulations.</p>	<p>October 2, 2021</p> <p>Redistricting information and tools available to the public for submitting maps.</p>	<p>January – March 2022</p> <p>Commission consideration of public redistricting plans and plans originating from the Commission.</p>	<p>November 8, 2022</p> <p>First election with new districts (unless impasse reached or plan referred).</p>

Draft Maps: Published February 10, 2022

Two draft maps were published February 10 by the Commission. Each map has been assigned a name: Amber - Version 2 and Violet. As of February 19, the Violet map is no longer being considered. View the draft maps by downloading the PDFs below or using the interactive map on this page. Accessible text-based narratives are available for each draft map: [Amber - Version 2 & Violet](#).



Draft Map 'Amber Version 2'



Draft Map 'Violet'

Draft Maps: Published January 20, 2022

Four draft maps were originally published by the Commission on January 20. Each map is assigned a name: Amber, Blue, Maroon, Orange. As of January 27, Blue, Maroon, and Orange are no longer under consideration.

View the draft maps by downloading the PDF below. You can also review the draft maps in the interactive map tool below. Accessible text-based narratives are available for each draft map: [Amber, Blue, Maroon, and Orange](#).



Draft Map 'Amber'



Draft Map 'Blue'



Draft Map 'Maroon'



Draft Map 'Orange'

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Submitted Maps & Community of Interest Forms

Submitted Plan Interactive Map Open in Map Viewer Classic [Sign In](#)

- Add
- Layers
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- Information
- Collapse

Legend

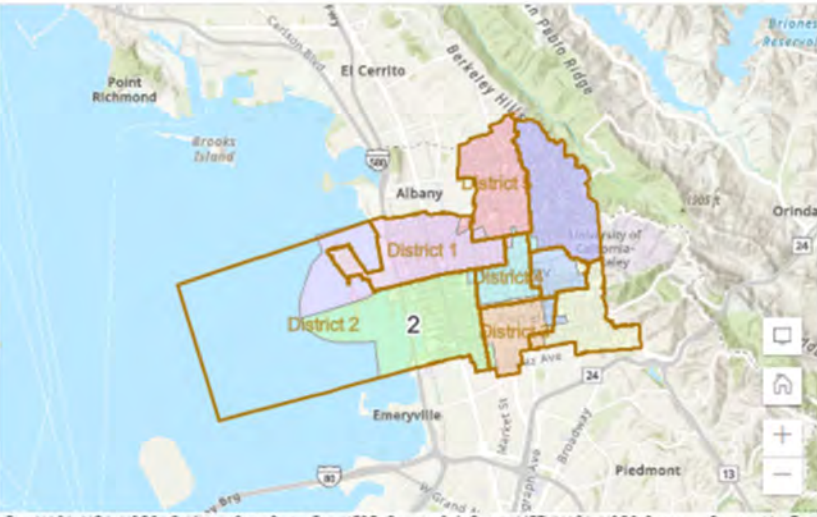
Draft Maps

Amber Version 2

Current Council Districts

District

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5



Map showing current council districts and draft maps. The map includes labels for Point Richmond, Brooks Island, El Cerrito, Berkeley Hills, Albany, District 1, District 2, Emeryville, University of California Berkeley, Piedmont, and Orinda. A legend on the left identifies current council districts 1 through 5 with colored swatches.



Submitted Redistricting Maps



Communities of Interest Map

Map showing the general area described in the submitted communities of interest form



Submitted Communications & Communities of Interest

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Communities of Interest



Complete this form to tell the Commission about your community of interest so it can be considered in the redistricting process. Complete the form through the [Online Form](#) or via fillable [PDF Form \(en Español\)](#).

[Launch PDF](#)

You can attend public meetings to give more input on this topic. Visit our webpage for dates and times: cityofberkeley.info/irc/. You can also email the Commission at redistricting@cityofberkeley.info.

Submit a Map

The period for public map submissions closed November 15, 2021 at midnight. Community of Interest forms and other general testimony can be submitted up to the time the final map is adopted.



Mapitude

Use the online mapping tool to create and submit a redistricting map for the IRC's.



Mapping Software Demo

Learn how to create and submit redistricting maps using free, online software.



Paper Map

Anyone may submit a paper map to share their preferred district boundaries with the IRC.



Public Submission Packet

Please review for important details about submitting maps and input to the commission.



Presentation on Map Submission Process

Presentation on public participation and the map submission process

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Other Resources



Large Format City Reference Map

City of Berkeley Large Format City Reference Map (Printable PDF Version)



Redistricting Reference Layers

Reference layers to assist in the redistricting exercise for the Census 2020.



Summary of 2020 Census Data and Impact on Current Districts

Redistricting Criteria in City and State Law



Presentation on Redistricting Criteria in City and State Law



Independent Redistricting Commission
Introduction to Redistricting
July 30, 2021

Overview of Berkeley City Council Redistricting



Redistricting Resources



Official Berkeley Redistricting Dataset

Berkeley Redistricting Plan

CITY OF BERKELEY

INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION PLAN

REVISED August 2021 – Prepared by the City Clerk Department

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December 1, 2020

Honorable Board of Supervisors
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Dear Board Members:

**SUBJECT: CENSUS 2020 – FINAL STATUS REPORT REGARDING
CENSUS OUTREACH ACTIVITIES FROM THE ALAMEDA
COUNTY COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE**

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Review and accept the final status report regarding Alameda County’s Census 2020 outreach program from the Complete Count Committee.

DISCUSSION/SUMMARY:

Census 2020 officially concluded on October 15, 2020. Despite the significant challenges faced by the census in 2020, the final Census 2020 Self-Response Rate for Alameda County was 75.8%, ranking 7th amongst California counties. Alameda County achieved a higher “Self-Response Rate” than Census 2010 by 5.6%.

The Board of Supervisors deemed Census 2020 as a priority because the results will dramatically affect the well-being and political representation of county residents for a decade. In June 2018, your Board invested \$1.5 million as vital seed funding for the community engagement and education efforts needed to attain a complete count of County residents and authorized the creation of the Alameda County Complete Count Committee (CCC). The CCC first met on November 18, 2018 and is chaired by Supervisors Wilma Chan and Nate Miley. The CCC consisted of a vast and deeply committed coalition of community and faith-based organizations, individual volunteers (called Census Ambassadors), educational institutions, cities, and elected officials. The CCC formed 15 subcommittees to frame its community engagement to reach residents who have been historically undercounted, including low-income individuals, immigrants, people with limited English proficiency, people of color, young children, people with disabilities, and people residing in overcrowded housing or whom are unhoused. The US Census Bureau refers to such populations as “Hard-to-Count.” Issued through a Request for Proposal process, Alameda County Census 2020 outreach grants ranging from \$5,000 - \$47,500 were awarded to 70 organizations, 1 grant in the amount of \$150,000 was awarded to Tech Exchange and mini-grants, under \$3,000, were awarded to 37 organizations.

Subsequently, the State of California (State) directly invested \$1,324,696 in Alameda County's outreach efforts to support the "Hard-to-Count" residents. The State directed an additional \$100,000 to United Way Bay Area to directly help Alameda County with outreach materials and digital marketing. In addition to direct funding, the State provided \$6.5M, including the \$1.3M to Alameda County, to Region 3 - consisting of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Solano counties - to ensure community outreach and education coverage.

The census's importance is reflected by the collective effort and resources public and philanthropic entities. The East Bay Community Foundation granted approximately \$1 million dollars to dozens of Alameda County nonprofits for outreach and education as a part of the Bay Area Census Funders coalition.

Challenges

Census 2020 endured significant challenges to ensuring a complete and accurate count of all residents. Federal-level actions and policies, including the proposed citizenship question on the census, changes to the "public charge" regulations, raids and deportations had created a pervasive anti-immigrant climate and instilled fear and mistrust among immigrant communities regarding government activities. Also, there was general distrust in government and concern about sharing personal information through the first online census. The emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic added to the mounting challenges.

Census 2020 officially launched for "self-response" on March 12, 2020 when Census notices were mailed to each address. Simultaneously, the Coronavirus pandemic became a serious threat in Alameda County and the Nation. Corresponding shelter-in-place orders postponed or canceled hundreds of Census specific events, closed the community spaces in which 130 Questionnaire Assistance Centers were planned to open, and shuttered schools where programming was scheduled to include Census education activities.

Response

In response to COVID-19, the Alameda County Complete Count Committee made rapid changes to the outreach plan. Through CCC staff, fellows, and Census Ambassadors, direct Census outreach continued through remote, virtual, and other contact-free methods, such as:

- Phone banking to more than 80,000 residents, using the State's Census PDI system
- 91 Mobile Questionnaire Assistance engagements - over 2,000 individuals completed the Census on-site using tablets and receiving support from trained Census Ambassadors. *Such in-person engagements were only conducted outdoors in compliance with public health guidelines and extensive usage of PPE. Locations included: Multiple sites of Oakland Unified School District's weekly food distributions, three Self Sufficiency Centers operated by Alameda County's Social Services Agency, COVID testing sites coordinated by Alameda County Public Health Department, and multiple grocery stores in low-responding Census tracts*
- Direct mail to targeted populations including Medi-Cal recipients, families with children ages 0-5 receiving services from First Five of Alameda County, tenants of Accessory Dwelling Units, and affordable housing residents
- Doorhanger deliveries and socially-distanced canvassing efforts

- Incorporating Census materials into hundreds of food and meal distributions
- Participating in online town halls and “Know Your Rights” forums

Grantees also shifted their efforts to methods that were safe to conduct during the pandemic. For example, many community and faith-based organizations had originally planned to hold in-person Census events but pivoted by assigning staff to call their clients or members for one-on-one Census education and support. Others hosted online events on Facebook Live or Zoom. Such efforts successfully ensured that thousands of residents completed their Census because these individuals were contacted directly by organizations and people they know and trust.

The Complete Count Committee staff accomplished the outcomes listed below and in the attached Impact Report:

- Facilitated 20 "Census Solutions Workshops" to solicit feedback from partners about the outreach methods they thought would be most successful. These workshops allowed staff opportunities to educate community leaders, advocates, and nonprofit staff about the fundamentals & mechanics of the Census, take their questions, and invest them in attaining a complete count on Census 2020.
- Supported US Census Bureau enumerator recruitment by coordinating 8 application workshops and a targeted promotion campaign of Census jobs through workforce development partners
- Delivered Census presentations to nearly 250 groups reaching over 6,500 individuals (including County departments, County and City commissions, nonprofits, & clubs)
- Trained over 800 individuals on how to conduct Census outreach
- Advocated on behalf of unhoused residents regarding the deficiencies of the US Census Bureau’s plan to enumerate individuals experiencing homelessness (see attached memos)
- Equipped hundreds of partners with materials, incentives, signage, and technology
- Coordinated with County Agencies who serve historically undercounted populations on how to engage clients, including Public Health, Health Care Services, Social Services, Behavioral Health Care Services, and Probation
- Provided technical assistance to cities and the offices of elected officials, such as message development, crafting outreach strategies, and clarifying USCB processes
- Provided thought partnership and individualized support to grantees on how to alter their outreach plans in the wake of the COVID19 pandemic
- Real-time interventions to low-responding Census tracts: recruiting and onboarding new partners, coordinating strategy meetings amongst stakeholders serving those tracts, and enhancing resources such as Mobile Questionnaire Assistance or canvassing

To reach Alameda County’s diverse population and people with limited English proficiency, the CCC ensured language access in multiple ways. Census educational materials was produced in multiple languages. For less commonly spoken languages in which translation services were less effective, community-based organizations with linguistic capacity were provided resources to produce translated materials or videos. CCC staff produced a video series of immigrant testimonials in 13 languages, which was available on its YouTube page, promoted through grantees, and featured in United Way Bay Area’s digital marketing campaign in Alameda

County. These videos were developed to address key concerns raised by immigrants about Census participation and allow immigrant advocates to express why they were committed to getting counted. In late 2019, CCC staff supported an English as a Second Language (ESL) expert to produce Census curriculum for adult education programs throughout the County. After these materials were produced, County staff led eight presentations to ESL instructors to teach about the Census and preview the materials to them. In lieu of being able to host 3 large Census “Know Your Rights” forums, the CCC activated Spanish speaking partners from Faith in Action East Bay and Centro Legal and produced an online event and video to assuage fears of participation repeatedly raised by immigrants. CCC staff also contracted with various ethnic media outlets to feature Census Ambassadors in “Census Spotlight” programs on both KIQI 1010am (Spanish radio) and Ariana TV (which reached Farsi speaking Afghanis.) County Census materials also referred individuals to the 211 hotline, whose multi-lingual staff were trained to provide Census support. Language access was most significantly achieved through the dozens of ethnic grantees and mini-grantees who are “*trusted messengers*” among immigrants and non-English speakers, and who could conduct outreach in the most linguistically and culturally appropriate ways.

The results of these efforts are illustrated in the County, City, and Community Self Response Rates below.

Area	2020 Self Response Rate	2010 Self Response Rate
Alameda County	75.8%	70.2%
Piedmont	90.0% <i>(highest in CA)</i>	85.8%
Newark	82.8%	73.5%
Livermore	82.6%	75.0%
San Lorenzo	81.7%	76.0%
Union City	81.6%	73.0%
Pleasanton	81.2%	79.3%
Albany	80.9%	50.4%
Castro Valley	80.0%	75.2%
Fremont	79.8%	74.9%
Alameda	79.2%	76.2%
Dublin	78.7%	71.0%
San Leandro	78.0%	75.2%
Fairview	74.3%	69.6%
Area	2020 Self Response Rate	2010 Self Response Rate
Berkeley	72.5%	72.3%

Hayward	71.6%	67.9%
Oakland	71.3%	66.6%
Emeryville	69.4%	63.5%
Ashland	67.0%	63.7%
Cherryland	65.4%	64.5%

Lessons Learned

The Complete Count Committee staff identified four actions that enabled the development of a coalition of thousands of community leaders and organizations. These leaders recognized the power of civic engagement and understand what is at stake when our diverse and vulnerable populations are not equally represented, resulting in a coalition that effectively fought for an inclusive and accessible Census.

- Starting early (launched in November 2018)
- Rooting the work in community engagement by providing many workshops for partner support and engagement
- Partnering with trusted messengers and supporting them with funding, training, materials, and technical assistance to ensure they would be successful in motivating people to respond to Census 2020
- Providing sufficient resources for community engagement

Future Actions

The accuracy of the census data and how that data will be used for reapportionment may be affected by an on-going court case and a legislative bill. The State of California and numerous cities and counties, and organizations across the country have challenged the July 21, 2020 Presidential Memorandum that excludes undocumented residents for the reapportionment of Representatives following the 2020 census. On November 10th, your Board authorized County Counsel to join the State's Amicus Brief in the appeal to the Supreme Court (SCOTUS), hearings will begin on November 30th. The SCOTUS decision on the exclusion of undocumented residents will determine how census data informs redistricting at the local level and the impacts on federal funding received by local governments.

On November 23, 2020, your Personnel, Administration, and Legislation (PAL) subcommittee recommended support for the 2020 Census Deadline Extensions Act (Senate 4571), which extends two critical statutory deadlines by four months to give the Census Bureau enough time to compile accurate data sets. The current streamlined data processing under an accelerated census plan presents risks to the data's accuracy and completeness. The Secretary of Commerce is required to provide a report to the president by December 31, 2020. In turn, the president must send a report containing each state's total population and the number of representatives to which each state is entitled to Congress on January 10, 2021. If the legislation passes, the deadline for the delivery of apportionment data will be April 30, 2021 instead of December 31, 2020. The delivery of the redistricting data to the states will change to July 31, 2021 from March 31, 2021.

Board of Supervisors

December 1, 2020

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Staff will return to your Board in January to report on the status of the SCOTUS decision and the legislation outcomes and review the new California redistricting laws - the Fair and Inclusive Redistricting for Municipalities and Political Subdivisions Act (FAIR MAPS Act), AB 849.

FINANCING:

There is no Net County Cost as a result of this action.

VISION 2026:

The Census count is used to allocate federal funds for vital services, including health care, social services, transportation, education, environmental protection, and housing. Census outreach efforts align with the 10X goal pathways of **Healthcare for All**, **Eliminating Poverty and Hunger**, **Eliminating Homelessness**, and **Accessible Infrastructure** in support of our shared vision of a **Thriving and Resilient Population**, **Safe and Livable Communities**, and a **Prosperous and Vibrant Economy**.

Very truly yours,

Chris Bazar, Director
Community Development Agency

cc: Susan S. Muranishi, County Administrator
Donna R. Ziegler, County Counsel
Melissa Wilk, Auditor-Controller
Jennifer Schulz, County Administrator's Office
Heather M. Littlejohn, Office of the County Counsel
Casey Farmer, Executive Director, Alameda County Census 2020 Program
Sandra Rivera, Community Development Agency

ALAMEDA COUNTY COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE IMPACT REPORT



Final Self Response Rate: 75.8%

Increase from 2010: +5.6%

WHY IS THE CENSUS IMPORTANT?

Census data is used to allocate:

- Billions of dollars for important programs including education, housing, transportation, & dozens of social safety net services
- Congressional representation for each state and redistricting



CHALLENGES Alameda County faced unique challenges in attaining a complete count:

FEAR

from immigrant communities



26% of the County population is considered "Hard to Count"



LACK OF KNOWLEDGE

about the Census and **GROWING DISTRUST** in government

IMPACT OF COVID-19

Days before the launch of Census 2020, the pandemic and subsequent shelter-in-place orders **cancelled hundred events & 130 Questionnaire Assistance Centers**. Certain populations became extremely difficult to reach because they were no longer utilizing public spaces where outreach had been planned. Many college students left the area entirely. The CCC staff and partners pivoted their outreach plans to meet community members where they could safely gather while upholding health and safety guidelines.



91

Mobile Questionnaire Assistance events held at food distributions, COVID testing sites, etc.

15,000

Census 2020 masks distributed



BY THE NUMBERS

The Alameda County Census Committee engaged the community by seeking ideas from diverse stakeholders, funding impactful outreach projects, investing in local media, and our Census Ambassador program.



70,000
Phonebanking
calls made



City Engagement:
Worked closely with staff and elected officials from each city in the County to develop outreach strategies & communicate effectively to residents.

14 Subcommittees

1. Affordable Housing
2. Children 0-5
3. Cities
4. Community Based Organizations
5. Elected Officials
6. Immigrants
7. Libraries
8. LGBTQ
9. Health
10. Higher Education
11. People with Disabilities
12. Senior Citizens
13. Unhoused Community
14. Workforce Development

GRANTMAKING

Goal: Invest in effective organizations who are trusted by their hard-to-count communities

\$2 Million
Awarded
In Grants

69
Grantee
Orgs
62
Mini-
Grantees

250
Presentations
Given
37,000
Calls made by
organizations

Total Impressions made:
771,969

CENSUS AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

310
Census Ambassadors

Ambassadors were trusted messengers, trained & equipped by County staff to provide direct outreach to their own communities

DIGITAL OUTREACH

Know Your Rights Video



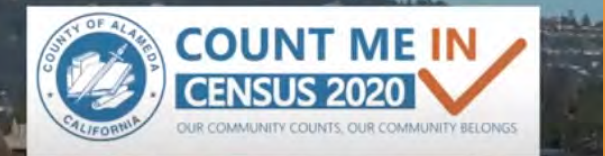
Immigrant Testimonial Video Series

Immigrants across Alameda County shared their reasons for getting counted!

- Burmese
- Cantonese
- Dari
- Hindi
- Mandarin
- Punjabi
- Spanish
- Tagalog
- Tigrinya



**We are immigrants.
We are getting counted!**



Interactive Online Census Quiz



Census Magic Show



EARNED MEDIA

Various outlets featured and interviewed Alameda County CCC staff and partners



ADVERTISING



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Which district do you live in? If you're not sure, write your address and we'll look it up:

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 District 5 District 6 District 7 District 8

What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

The UC Berkeley student body is interested in housing development and affordability, safety around campus, police conduct, sustainability, and transit in the City of Berkeley. This list is not exhaustive; students are interested in all issues pertinent to their educational experience and life as Berkeley residents.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

The UC Berkeley student population is located broadly across District 7, to the south of campus. Many students also live in Districts 4, 6, and 8. Although students can be found living throughout the entire city and East Bay, the majority of students, particularly undergraduates, live within 1 mile of campus.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

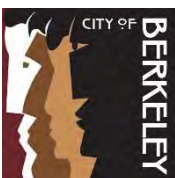
Like mentioned above, anything acted upon by the City Council and the City that can affect Berkeley students' educational experiences will impact this community. Students are particularly concerned about housing, and thus any City policy regarding zoning, development, tenant rights, and rent policies will impact this community, potentially either hurting or helping their time as a Cal student. Similarly, many students are interested in public transit, sustainability, safety, and police conduct.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

The community of UC Berkeley students comprises a large share of the City's population, standing at more than 40,000 students. While attending school here, many students become active and engaged members of the city of Berkeley, adopting it as a second home. This is evidenced by the student representation on City Commissions and the needs students communicate to the ASUC Office of the External Affairs Vice President, which often serves as the liaison between student voices and the City. UC Berkeley students are invested in the governance of their city alongside long-term residents, and seek to see their interests adequately represented and concerns addressed.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Poor quality roads filled with pot holes/bumps/ cracks/ uneven pavement; outdated as in over 100 years old electrical infrastructure; crime; pollution from Ashby and San Pablo Ave.; pedestrian friendly ways to cross San Pablo Ave

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

I am located in south west berkeley. We are the borders of south west berkeley.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Lack of street paving in the area. I noticed that district 7 seems to get tons of street paving in the north south direction. On the other hand, District 2 gets maybe a street here and there. San Pablo park is an extremely high use park. There are permanent lines for the tennis courts, children cover the playground, every basketball court is in use and the fields are always in use for soccer, volleyball, picnics, birthday parties and dog walkers. However, the streets surrounding the park are complete junk.

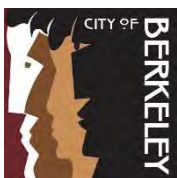
Berkeley wants people to use 9th street for biking. How are people supposed to get from designated bike path Russel Street to 9th street? By biking on a poorly paved Russel Street and crossing 3 lanes of traffic on San Pablo to get to the left hand turn signal to get to 9th street.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

The infrastructure and pollution in the area is bad. Pretty much all the public housing and multi story buildings are built in my district or downtown. When is north berkeley going to get a multi story building for public housing? District 2 is lower income than the rest of the districts. We have Ashby and San Pablo Ave running through the district. The schools are over crowded. Malcolm X is hundreds of students over capacity. The roads are crap. I have no idea why district 7 gets so much repaving and District 2 might get a street of repaving. The roads surrouding the San Pablo park require an off road vehicle. The amount of use San Pablo park ges is far higher than other parks. I have been to strawberry creek, ohlone, willard, and grove parks. No other parks comes close to how packed san pablo park gets yet. There quite literally, 5-8 birthday parties that happen in the park every weekend. The roads get worse week by week.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

We are in touch via email with any safety concerns. We meet annually. We know each other by name. We should be in District 1, where we used to be. When the lines were redrawn, they went right down the middle of our street.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

We are on Ada Street between Ordway and Acton. Our neighborhood group includes many neighbors on Ada between Acton and Sacramento, folks on Acton and on Ordway from Hopkins to Rose, a few folks on Hopkins just below and just above Orway.

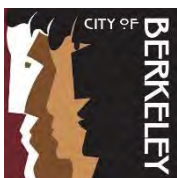
How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

I would like to be in District 1 again, where I was for many years before the lines were redrawn. There's a line right down the middle of Ada Street. So I have a different representative than the folks across the street, and I lost my voting place. Our neighborhood, Ada Street between Ordway and Acton, has an active mailing list and participates in National Night Out Against Crime. I organize the gatherings, and 98% of the people on our list are in District 1. My representative will never come to our National Night Out gatherings because only our side of the street is in her district, so I effectively have no representation. It's one block, it belongs in District 1, not District 5. And if you wanted to be really effective, you'd also include Ada between Acton and Sacramento in District 1. Everyone in that block lives directly across the street from Ruth Acty Elementary School and Crowden Music School, which are both in District 1.

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Bunting, Sarah K.

From: Barbara Ann Yoder [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, November 6, 2021 10:31 PM
To: Independent Redistricting Commission
Subject: Re: COI Outreach Worksheet Attached
Attachments: Berkeley COI Outreach Worksheet-B Yoder-UPDATED.pdf

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Categories: COI Submission

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Hi, there.

I previously submitted a form, but I just updated my responses. **Please include the attached PDF in your deliberations on redistricting.**

Our neighborhood group, currently 65 homes, was established probably in the 1980s, when former fire chief Bill Brock and his wife initiated annual National Night Out neighborhood gatherings. The black oval in the District 1 map below shows the general area of our group. It runs along Ada Street from Ordway to Acton and about halfway up the next block toward Sacramento. It includes homes on Ordway from Hopkins to Rose, several homes on Rose and on Hopkins that back to Ada between Ordway and Acton, and most homes on Acton from Hopkins to Ada. **The backbone of the group is Ada Street.** Everyone in this oval is welcome in our group.

The red lines in the image below show how I would like to see the lines redrawn. If a street needs to be split down the middle, it should be a busy street with a double yellow line, like Hopkins from Ordway to Acton. **Ada Street should *not* be split down the middle.** All of Ada Street below Sacramento belongs in District 1, where it was for many years. If Ordway between Hopkins and Ada is also split down the middle, it too should be reintegrated into District 1.

Please see the attached PDF for more details on our group. Thank you!

Barbara Ann Yoder



From: Barbara Ann Yoder [REDACTED]
Date: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 9:45 PM
To: <redistricting@cityofberkeley.info>
Subject: COI Outreach Worksheet Attached

Hi, there.

I filled out the attached form. Downloaded it from Berkeleyside.

B Yoder

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Optional – Name / Email:

Which district do you live in? If you're not sure, write your address and we'll look it up:

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

I am part of a vibrant neighborhood group established probably in the 1980s, when former fire chief Bill Brock and his wife initiated annual gatherings during National Night Out. For the last 13 years since I moved to Ada Street, our neighborhood group has worked together sharing safety concerns and looking out for each other. We currently have 65 households in our group. We are in touch via email. We meet annually. We know each other by name. We have a neighborhood earthquake cache and a neighbor on Ordway offers trainings. All of Ada Street below Sacramento should be in District 1, where we used to be. When the lines were redrawn, they went right down the middle of our street. As a neighborhood we are impacted by development plans at N. Berkeley BART, Ruth Acty School traffic and events, Cedar-Rose Park events, traffic on Hopkins and the Ohlone Greenway—all in District 1. We should be rejoined with District 1.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Our neighborhood group currently includes 65 homes along Ada Street from Ordway to Acton and about halfway up the next block toward Sacramento. It includes most homes on Ordway from Hopkins to Rose, several homes on Rose and on Hopkins that back to Ada between Ordway and Acton, and most homes on Acton from Hopkins to Ada. Everyone in these blocks are welcome in our group. When you redraw the lines, if a street needs to be split down the middle, it shouldn't be a quiet short street like Ada; it should be a busy through street with double yellow lines, like Hopkins from Ordway to Acton. Also, if Ordway between Hopkins and Ada is split down the middle, it too should be reincorporated into District 1.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

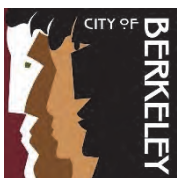
We are impacted by traffic on Hopkins and the Ohlone Greenway, and by traffic on Acton, Ordway, and Ada, where many drivers like to ignore stop signs. The recent repaving of Ada Street to replace the crumbling roadway that was installed about 35 years ago will improve the safety of kids and grownups on foot and bikes, but already drivers who don't live in our neighborhood are speeding down our street. We appreciate the new pavement. Now we need to lobby for speed bumps. Development plans at N. Berkeley BART will affect parking on our streets, and the removal of parking at the station could jeopardize the safety of elderly and disabled neighbors, even those who live w/i walking distance. A high-rise apartment building will negatively affect the character of the neighborhood. Where are those people going to park? Not everyone is young, mobile, and fit.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

We are educated, active, diverse, interested in social justice, a mix of young families with children, new retirees, and the elderly. We can walk or bicycle to most destinations. We look out for each other. We share resources. We would like to be back in District 1, where we were for many years before the lines were redrawn. Here on Ada Street between Ordway and Acton we have a different representative than the folks across the street, and we lost our voting place, and it feels like we lost our voice. Ten people on Ada Street lobbying for, say, a painted crosswalk at Ordway and Hopkins have about 15% the effect of 65 households lobbying for the same. On Ada between Acton and Sacramento everyone lives across the street from Ruth Acty Elementary and Crowden Music School, which are both in District 1. We all belong in District 1.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 10:40 PM
To: Independent Redistricting Commission
Subject: Division along Ada Street

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It is helpful when neighbors in close proximity are represented by the same office holder. Several years ago Ada street was split down the middle, with the south side staying in District 1 as it always had been and the Northside parceled out to District 5. As a District 5 member, I have no polling place, and for neighborhood issues, my side of the street must reach out to different city council people. This disadvantages us as we cannot present a unified voice on important concerns.

Please place us back in District 1.

[REDACTED]

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Unfortunately, as a result of past racist zoning and other exclusions, this is a largely single family home community that is now only affordable by very well-off people or those who inherit homes here. The result is a split in perceived interests within the Community between those who want to see change in the direction of more economic, racial and housing-type diversity and those who want to preserve the current overwhelmingly white, single family home, wealthy character for property value and other reasons. There is active debate at this time and one result is contested elections in the past 3 elections for District 5 council member. One key issue is resistance to affordable housing in the area. Another is that a high % of the newer younger folks (many also richer) in the neighborhood no longer send their kids to BPS but rather to private schools. Some of this is comes from both resistance to having their kids mix with poor kids and/or Black and brown kids. This is a change for decades.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Lower hills, near Marin/Arlington Circle.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

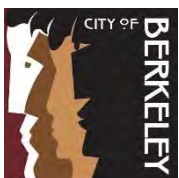
Street repair, other utilities, parking regs due to very narrow streets and too many cars resident. Park decisions due to 3 parks in immediate area (Indian Rock, etc.). (Great to have the bike racks now!) Repairs and status of paths and walkways and sidewalks. Total lack of multi-family and affordable housing with the sole exceptions of some in-law apartments in some houses. On edge of fire zones so affected by decisions regarding fire safety and possible evacuation routes.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

I think the definition of Community that is posited for this form as being geographic is overly restrictive from the start and not in keeping with the spirit of the redistricting intent to include other interests (like students status, race, economic status, class, etc.)

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Gardening, art, music, food, being outdoors, all ways for our neighbors to share and connect with one another.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

We are on Ada Street between Ordway and Acton. We are in District 1 but the other side of the street is District 5.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

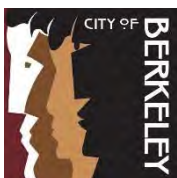
Our community was split by the last redistricting, putting the north side of Ada Steet in District 5. This has made organizing events and dealing with issues like street paving and requesting crosswalks more challenging. We would love to have both sides of Ada in the same district again.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

The most important thing for me is maintaining affordability and accessibility for our elderly neighbors. The diversity in age in our neighborhood is one of its greatest strengths, and I believe it is incumbant upon the city to make sure that we don't lose that.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

- High quality public schools is No. 1 on the list for everyone I know. That will enable the everything else.
- Development at North Berkeley Bart: We want to ensure an equitable, beautiful, and vibrant mixed-use area that is safe and convenient for residents.
- Most importantly, we need to increase affordable housing stock to enable our residents to thrive.
- Maintaining / improving the vibrancy of the Hopkins and Gilman shopping / restaurants.
- Creation of usable bike lanes, and the renewal of the marina and waterfront areas. These areas are declining and need help.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Bound by Hopkins Street on the north, Sacramento on the west (or San Pablo) MLK on the east, and Cedar on the south.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Decisions made regarding North Berkeley BART impact us. The creation and maintenance of REAL and SAFE bike lanes are very important to our future. We need to maintain our parks and public spaces for all Berkeleyans. At this time, I think twice about bringing my kids downtown after an unhoused and mentally ill person screamed at my 8 year old.

The waterfront area is languishing and has a lot of potential. It has become a den of lawlessness and trash. While I sympathize with the plight of the unhoused, this is a national problem that requires coordinated effort to build more housing and pay workers a living wage. Our city must enforce codes and laws to prevent this area from devolving further.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

We are neighbors that look after each other. During the pandemic, we've cordoned off our streets to allow our kids to play and flourish. We care deeply about the quality of life here, and wish all of Berkeley has safe and clean spaces to gather.

Although I live in North Berkeley, I can see the greatest upside on the west side of town. We've got great potential in in the waterfront/marina. Tons of mixed use areas that can foster innovative business and sustain a vibrant, diverse community. But it's stifled by homelessness and lack of affordable housing. The waterfront is a diamond in the rough. We need to invest in that area to ensure the public can enjoy it for generations to come.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

We were gerrymandered out of District 4 (Arreguin) into Capitelli's district so his chosen Stephen Murphy could run against Sophie Hahn. Itvsplit the 2 sides of our block which we used to hold block parties--closing the street. My address is [REDACTED] --Stephen Murphy is around the corner from Milvia and Ceder. a few houses down Ceder.Sophie won, Capitelli lost for Mayor. I would like to return to District 4 with Kate whose home is a few blocks from mine while Hahn relates more to Solano Avenue area.

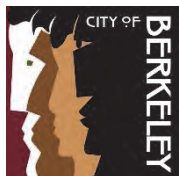
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How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Helping each other - sharing tools, offering rides, celebrating wins, informing each other about goings on that may impact (e.g. noisy construction or house repairs).

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Tilden park to the east and south, grizzly peak to the west and Cragmont to the north.

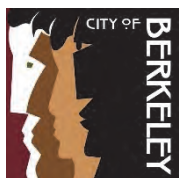
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By the restrictions created and services offered

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

The Willard neighborhood is a community seeking a reduction in crime and maintaining the character of the neighborhood - largely single family houses or single family houses with ADU's.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Telegraph / Parker

College / Ashby

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

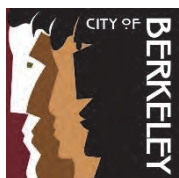
Lack of street maintenance. Slow response to party noise. Lack of a pool in S. Berkeley when Willard Middle School had a pool while the pool in N. Berkeley remained open. Lack of outreach regarding our one patch of open space that is currently looking to have 5,000 sq ft. taken by new City construction.

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This neighborhood was the epicenter in the fight to keep one street (Telegraph) as an artery to move people in and out of the S. Campus area when AC Transit and City Planners wanted to make Telegraph a two lane road with two dedicated bus lanes (taking away two lanes of existing roadway). We were not opposed to better transit. We proposed and pushed hard for Rapid Bus Plus that eventually forced Council to rethink Telegraph. Many of our proposals have now been incorporated in AC Transit's plans.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

- Neighborhood beautification
- Solano Ave corridor development
- Property crime

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Far north Berkeley adjacent to Solano Ave to Albany border in the west.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

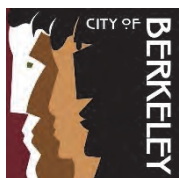
- Solano Ave development
- Zoning laws
- Building permits

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Our portion of the neighborhood is working families, many with kids, many I see walking to school each day as we set out to leave too. Living near the school has its benefits, but our District has its drawbacks too. As we walk to school each day we pass sidewalks littered with trash. Not just someone's belongings strewn about, but literal trash and garbage. A few times we have passed broken glass, discarded syringes, and tragically a dead cat that looked as if it had been "tampered" with. While there is sympathy for those on hard times, this is not something children should have to pass on their way to school. Not because it hurts their precious eyes, but because it hurts their souls and it hurts our communities. There is absolutely no compassion in allowing this to continue.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Fourth & Fifth, from Dwight to Addison.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

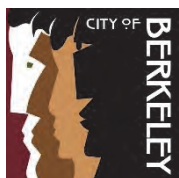
Our District, along with the Gilman District are both disproportionately affected by the City Council's decisions/indecisions regarding homelessness. There are no RVs lining the streets up on Grizzly Peak, there are no tent encampments on Piedmont Ave., there are no syringes on the sidewalks of The Arlington. Our parks and our streets are made unsafe by decisions of those living in the hills who never have to experience what we do on a daily basis.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

We work hard, we love our families, we want to do right and it is disheartening and demoralizing to be subjected to the whims of our millionaire class because whatever policy "feels good" to them. Feels real good to them, up in the hills and all, far away from our parks that we don't feel safe going to and our sidewalks which are biohazard disasters at times.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

clean air, affordable low density housing, transportation networks that dont smash thru our neighborhoods, slow streets, public safety, litter and street trash, childcare, parks, trees, community green space

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

north west berkeley - west of San Pablo to University

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

appears to be little interest of council and the city in our neighborhood. a place to dump trash, homeless, traffic...

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

rapidly changing but with many long term committed residents. long history of waves of communities. home to last of Berkeley's industry and many jobs. need protection from freeways and commuters.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Families - safety - community

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

North Berkeley BART.
Adult School on Virginia
Rose St. on other side of Cedar-Rose Park (+park)
San Pablo Avenue
Cedar Street

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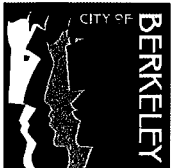
- housing density around BART
- San Pablo Avenue as a cross-city corridor for drive thru crime
- Adult school boundaries for strangers
- Homeless camps @ Park + on West St. bike + pedestrian corridor

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We are fairly cohesive through CERT + dumpster program.
Please continue these programs.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

District 3 is more racially mixed than North or Central Berkeley.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

I live on the corner of Parker St & McGee.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

I love our city council!
Housing prices are higher for Central Berk. compared to So. Berk. so would like my house/area to be renamed Central Berk.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

Let's make districts more diverse by redistricting like how they assign schools.

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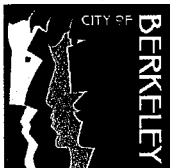
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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

International Coastal Clean-up North
 Disaster Relief committee
 Food/Beverage committee
 Clean-up committee

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

B/W West Berkeley & North

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

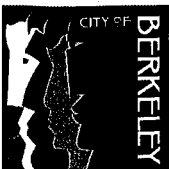
Making things affordable was good but
 I'm wondering about the bldg. There is a lot
 of things I want around here but I don't
 want it to be cluttered. And decent parking is
 going to have to be considered Downtown Berk
 needs to make over

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

It just really needs to keep everybody
 in the area in mind not just a select
 few

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Context (scale and mix), distant views, especially of the bay and the coastal hills; mainly a residential area with single-family homes, many with secondary units, typically with backyards and gardens; could see a mix of smaller vehicles and better transit, but it needs to be phased in, grandfathering older residents who depend on cars. Streets could be rethought. Filling every backyard with an ADU or building out single-family sites would be a mistake, but a thoughtful mix would be fine. Same comment about the Shattuck corridor - don't overload it. Some density, but not a view-blocking wall.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Oxford Street and east. Odd situation where three districts overlap and near neighbors are represented by Hahn, Harrison, and Wengraf, whose districts differ substantially. District 6 should take in the north Shattuck corridor. We are closer to Thousand Oaks (Hahn) than to west of Shattuck (Harrison) in interests, I sense.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

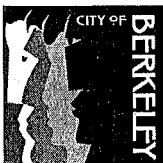
The City's grandstanding on issues like gas stoves, demanding that kitchens be electrified on sale, and rumored movement to make car parking permits more expensive and less available are seen in the district as a prejudice against home owners. Some of these measures benefit home flippers, a plague here and elsewhere, by making it harder for ordinary people to buy and renovate properties at their own pace. Nuance, phasing, and help with financing should be considered.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

The interests of District 6 are ignored by the Mayor and Council. They align with other residential neighborhoods in the city, but not with the political agendas of the Council majority. Three of the Council are thoughtful and able to take our district and others into account. The others march to their own ideologies, and seem to think Berkeley should be thoroughly urban, from shoreline to the foothills, probably, housing in the hills being banned above Spruce Street.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

We are latinos with a long history of home ownership and multiple generation households.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

We are between 5th st and San Pablo, between University and Dwight.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Our community is impacted by decisions regarding single family home ownership. We are already, but not considered high density. We are usually an extended family (we specifically are 11 people with three generations ages ranging from 4-62) living in a single family home with maybe an in-law unit. We are impacted by parking decisions, schooling decisions - for example our community was deeply impacted by the moving of the Spanish immersion program from Rosa Parks to Silvia Mendez - to accommodate the more affluent and white family's desire for a local school. Now we have to commute to school with less means to do so. We are not granted residential permits despite the desperate need for parking. Our interests are not represented and our concerns are not heard.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

We have been discriminated against by the city in the allocation of resources for public swimming, again in favor of the more affluent/white communities of Berkeley. All of the good public swim and lap swimming hours are designated to King pool, with scant public transportation there and even worse parking. West Campus pool is allocated hours in the morning and during work. Evening and weekend hours go to King. We have had all of the traffic mitigation push traffic (and related pollution) to our neighborhood with little if any effort made to control traffic (speed and amount) on 6th St. Our houses, property, bicycles, outdoor toys and sadly our lungs are impacted by the constant pollution from trucks and other traffic pushed to our neighborhood.

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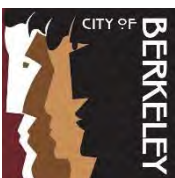
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public safety, education, beautification (highly interpretative) -

however, this district is currently a diverse group of people. I think this is the goal for a district. Why would you only consider putting like-minded folks in the same district? What happens to the population of residents who A) do not fill out online forms, B) do not participate in community input like this), C) do not have the resources or bandwidth to help create and support their district?

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

San Pablo Park neighborhood, West Berkeley, Left Bank are all names used for D2. It is a diverse neighborhood - like Sesame Street.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

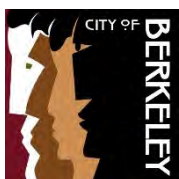
West Berkeley bears the brunt of the effects of the homeless population, physical (trash) and industrial pollution, and how public money is used in Berkeley.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Crime reduction, clean streets (eliminate illegal dumping), affordable housing

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

My neighborhood is considered South Berkeley. It seems that we are the forgotten neighborhood. We have been left out of upkeep and improvement efforts. Illegal dumping, stolen cars dumped and lack of upkeep of foliage and trees is making it unpleasant to say the least. This despite police cars being parked at the empty headstart building parking lot on the corner of Fairview and Sacramento for hours.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

We are impacted mostly by the lack of action.

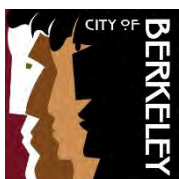
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We are a diverse and peaceful community that looks out for each other and really want each other to thrive

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I'm not sure because although I'm very friendly, only of my neighbors take the time to speak and chat. Here are my interests though. Cultural and arts events; African American health and wellbeing; Health Equity; Economic Equity; Housing Equity; Housing Cooperatives; Cultural Centers; Recreation; Activities for Children and Youth; Food access and security; Senior benefits

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

My community of interest is South West Berkeley beginning at Cedar and 4th Street and ending at 62nd and Adeline.

West Berkeley

South Berkeley

Loren District

Berkeley Black Community

State of Black Berkeley

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

My community is impacted in all areas of life and all of the social determinants of health are impacted by what the city funds and doesn't fund.

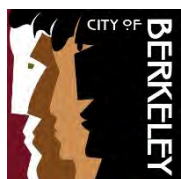
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The South Berkeley Community Based Organizations are very underfunded. There needs to be economic development programs for small businesses, start ups and small non-profits in my community.

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Public safety

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Gourmet ghetto

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

We are more and more living in fear due to the increase of homeless and mentally ill people wandering our streets.

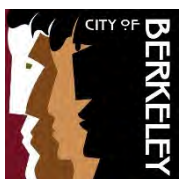
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we are all tired of the handcuffs placed on our own BPD when it comes to public safety.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:
diversity in ppl and architecture. nice flat and walkable, close to SF, Oakland, easy access

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

South Berkeley

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Very much impacted by the City Manager lack of enforcing our 2018 current sidewalk ordinances. No tents over 9sf (i.e. 3x3). District 3 is bearing the brunt of homeless encampments, meth dealing, aggravated assaults.

Ben Bartlett's 'equitable clean streets' act is NOT being enforced. Almost every street corner on Shattuck Ave (esp 8 blocks btwn Channing and Ward) has tent encampments/blight, effecting health, safety for businesses and residents. More and more boarded up shop fronts. Tim SouthWick Jr. - owner of Toyota Berkeley has tried to get the city to clear an active meth dealing tent for 2 years at Blake/Shattuck, with no success.

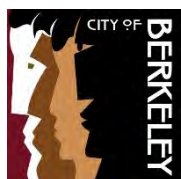
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It's sad to see the split between North and South - hills/north getting city resources, moving along service-resistant homeless and letting them fester on the streets in South Berkeley. NO OK.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Creating a safe neighborhood for my family. This would be a neighborhood that is walkable and bike friendly. I want the city to stop prioritizing cars with high speed limits and lack of traffic signals late at night. I want the city to prioritize the people who live in Berkeley rather than the homeless who litter our streets. I'd also like the city to stand up to UC Berkeley and their take over of our town.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Central Berkeley between Sacramento and downtown.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Greatly! The city council makes numerous decisions that impact us long term as residents while favoring transient students and homeless.

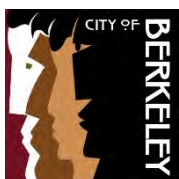
What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

Berkeley could be such a beautiful Bay Area city. Instead it has turned into a unsafe and scary town overrun with homeless and crime.

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Optional – Name / Email: north Shattuck

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

We care about the environment, trees, city upkeep, art, ease of shopping, parking, good food, lovely parks, socializing, access to BART

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

From Marin Circle to University Avenue, from Grizzly Peak to Sacramento streets.

North Shattuck.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The repair of streets is terrible. Many potholes, rough roads.

Many homeless, mentally ill people without care on the streets.

Housing plans the city is taking on without considering the danger of fire, narrow streets, lack of additional parking and other hill housing concerns.

The uncoordinated stop signals at many intersections.

Excess curbs at Hopkins and the Alameda; who was paid off for this excess concrete? They are hazards, see attached photos with tire tracks of people who have run into them.

Not enough attention paid to those who must travel by car, who cannot bicycle.

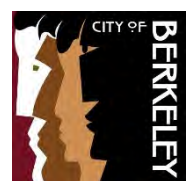
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North Shattuck is populated by people who care about Berkeley, the community, the environment, and who respect good planning and good city services.

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Hazards at the corner of Hopkins and The Alameda





that share common social or economic interests and should be included within a single district for purposes of effective and fair representation.

To start, please include a name for your community, your name and email address, and a description of your community. Then draw your community on the map.

THE ELMWOOD

COMMUNITY NAME

Elizabeth

NAME

EMAIL

DESCRIPTION



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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Strawberry Creek Park is an absolute focal point for our neighborhood (Poet's Corner) -- Not only does it feature a deeply loved playground, but an adjacent Community Garden and Berkeley Youth Alternatives -- Not to mention the basketball, mini-soccer, tennis and volleyball courts. I worked hard with Laura Margulies to assure that bond money was spent to upgrade that park and have participated in several "parks cleanup" days with the Parks Dept and spearheaded by local neighbor and master gardener, Stephen Moros.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

In general, this is Poet's Corner. I would define this community bounded by Alston, Sacramento, Sacramento and Dwight St. I have lived in the community for twenty one years.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

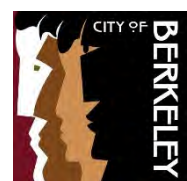
I am concerned that redistricting could split up this community. We all should remain in District 2.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

We have a very sweet community formed around strawberry creek with active family involvement.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Poets corner. University to dwight, Sacramento to San Pablo

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

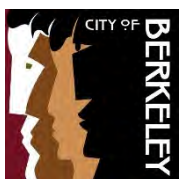
Funds for strawberry park. Actions on homelessness.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Families raising young children, retirees and elders aging in place, multigenerational housing--all of whom patronize the businesses along the San Pablo and University corridors and make use of primary parks like San Pablo Park, Strawberry Creek Park & Aquatic Park. Neighbors band together to monitor safety & crime, pedestrian/bike safety, working closely with our new Councilmember Taplin. There is a cohesive atmosphere which underscores a sense of this being a true community of individuals, looking out for each other.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

"Poet's Corner"--a new-ish name created by realtors, and which I believe refers to the greater area extending beyond the poet-named streets: south to San Pablo Park, the 9th St. bike boulevard to the west, north to University Ave., and east to Sacramento St. (Interestingly, University Ave. does seem to be a true dividing line and an appropriate boundary between D2 and D1, and somehow San Pablo does not divide the community.)

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The growing development of housing and new business enterprises along San Pablo and the south side of University is largely supported by Poet's Corner neighbors. Improvement to abandoned, derelict properties is finally gaining steam after so many years of neglect.

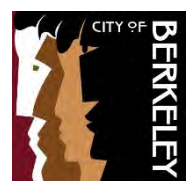
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Having Rosa Parks and now Oxford School within our community improves the street life in a wonderful way, with many kids and parents present both on foot and bicycle. The CoB's investments in both Strawberry Creek & San Pablo Parks have enhanced these existing gathering places, and to see how speedily neighbors have flocked to these green oases has been inspiring. (Check out either on a weekend afternoon--it's a wonderful sight!)

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Preserving the residential character of the neighborhood for the sake of livability. Ensuring the safety of the residents, for obvious reasons, meaning both crime prevention and optimal traffic/pedestrian flow.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

For me, it's San Pablo to the west, University Ave to the south, Shattuck to the east, and maybe Vine to the north. I've heard "Northbrae" but it sounds more like a realtor construction than an identity to me.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The push on the part of the city to densify at any cost seems totally misguided to me. Berkeley is pretty well filled in compared to other locales, and turning it into another Emeryville or San Jose would be a shame. There's such a thing as livability, and CA is a state on the edge, subject to all sorts of natural violence. You can't build your way out of a lack of resources. And the fact that the city is pushing development of market rate rentals means that home ownership declines, which means loss of community and opportunity to build family wealth. This is simply wrong and the city could and should strive to change this. To me, this all presents as ambitious politicians climbing onto the state-level YIMBY bandwagon in hopes of moving up the ladder into the state senate. It does not present as honest brokers listening to their residents and trying to do what's best for the city.

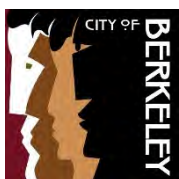
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It's stereotyped as bourgeoisie and white but I looked up the demographics - it's pretty diverse despite all the PC rhetoric about redlining.

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Common interests: We share a commitment to Family, school, community events, shared political affiliations, diverse cultures, mixed low and middle income housing and proximity to shopping. We enjoy our Great walking and biking score!

The quality of all of these elements create the environment that makes living in Berkeley worth it. We pay high taxes, high rent and high housing costs to live in an area that is noisy and a bit crowded, but we look out for each other and appreciate what does work for us.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

The neighborhood I call home extends from the Bay to Sacramento St , from University to Bancroft. These are the blocks I am usually traversing. I have lived here with my family for over 30 years and am very much connected to my neighbors, particularly those on Byron Street and Cowper Street. We use Strawberry Park for recreation, swim at West Campus and spend time on San Pablo Ave shopping.

This area is known as the Poet's Corner.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Local government affects us in terms of traffic control. We are impacted by our proximity to San Pablo Ave and University Ave. Our streets need repaving, and considerations need to be made regarding the increased density brought on by the new construction on San Pablo Ave. The vacant stores on San Pablo and University Ave are of concern. We want to encourage small business. The West Campus swimming pool is a great asset we want to preserve. The sports and playground at Strawberry Park are crucial. Bayer Lab construction may impact us. Parking may be more challenging with new apartments coming in. Our street trees need trimming. All this and more are impacted by the actions of the Council.

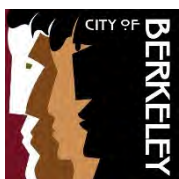
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It's definitely a neighborhood in transition - we have vacant commercial and simultaneously new investment on San Pablo Ave. There is increased commercial, and new mixed use development (more than any other except downtown) happening all around us. We are one of the most diverse districts. We could use some more support. Terry Taplin has a large area of responsibility. The facilities at the waterfront are our recreation area. We'd love to see a proper ferry terminal and more restaurants near the water.

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our community is very diverse in nearly every category and I believe that most of us share an appreciation for this diversity. if we have a common interest it's perhaps that there continue to be a place for all of us in this neighborhood.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

our neighborhood is called Poet's Corner and the boundaries are San Pablo to Sacramento, and University Ave to Dwight Way.

We surround Strawberry Creek Park and claim that space as an important community meeting place.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

With a major park in the center of our community we are impacted by the actions the city does or does not take that changes the park. We also house Corp Yard and the vacant lot that used to be part of the bowling green. We need to remain a district together so that we can decide collectively the future of that space.

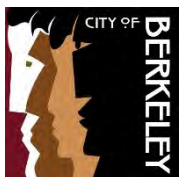
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We could really use more help from the city in trash collection. I wish the city looked at blocks with higher pop density and realized they need a concerted litter collection program. Bonar Street works hard to house more people than any other block in our neighborhood and that is often apparent by the amount of trash left out on the curb. It would be nice if the city gave that block a little extra attention given what it provides the city in housing.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

The traffic has been pushed on to Divisadero way
the street is not even my block (1200) has a hump
the force the car to the left and increases speed

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

"It's the West Berkeley flat lands" except Sunny block
between Sae → San Pablo no stop sign or lights

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

We need traffic calming big time no police no tickets
city vehicles speed down our street - Huge Trucks, Race cars speed up
down

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

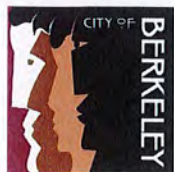
The city leader have let us Down

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Communities of interest that previous cycles of redistricting have dismissed

1. Prospect Street is a community of interest currently split between District 7 and District 8. The east side of Prospect is in District 8, and the west side is in District 7. Both sides of the street should be in the same district. Both sides of Prospect Street have more in common with Southside than with Panoramic Hill or Elmwood-Claremont.
2. LeConte is split among District 3, District 7, and District 8.
3. Thousand Oaks is split between Districts 5 and District 6.
4. Westbrae is split between District 1 and District 5.
5. Northbrae is split between District 1 and District 5.
6. Halcyon is split between District 3 and District 8.
7. Clark Kerr Campus is in District 8. The students who live there have more in common with Southside than with Elmwood-Claremont.
8. Redwood Gardens, a senior housing facility located on the Clark Kerr Campus, has more in common with Elmwood-Claremont neighbors than with students and should be considered a community of interest separate from students' community of interest.
9. Faculty housing on Clark Kerr Campus is a community of interest that has more in common with Elmwood-Claremont than with students.
10. The blocks within Dwight-Waring-Derby-Telegraph have more in common with Southside than with Elmwood-Claremont.
11. I House and the student co-ops behind it are in District 8. The residents of these dorms have more in common with Southside than with Elmwood-Claremont.
12. The blocks within Cedar-Oxford-Hearst-Arch are part of Northside and not split between District 5 and District 6. Northside should extend to Walnut, maybe even Shattuck.
13. The blocks within Sacramento-Ashby-California-border are in District 2. They should be in District 3.
14. The blocks within University-Acton-Allston-Sacramento are part of Poet's Corner, which is in District 2.
15. Part of Cragmont is in District 6, and part is in District 5.
16. The blocks within Fulton-Dwight-Dana-Channing are in District 4 and should be in District 7.
17. Using Ellsworth as the border between District 3 and District 7 and District 8 is wrong. Fulton is a better border, and Shattuck even better.
18. Codonices, in District 6, has more in common with Live Oak than the Berkeley Hills.
19. The "hat" of District 4, where Jesse lives, should be in District 5.
20. The "dog leg" of District 7, where Kriss lives, includes parts of LeConte and Willard that should be in District 8 and District 3.

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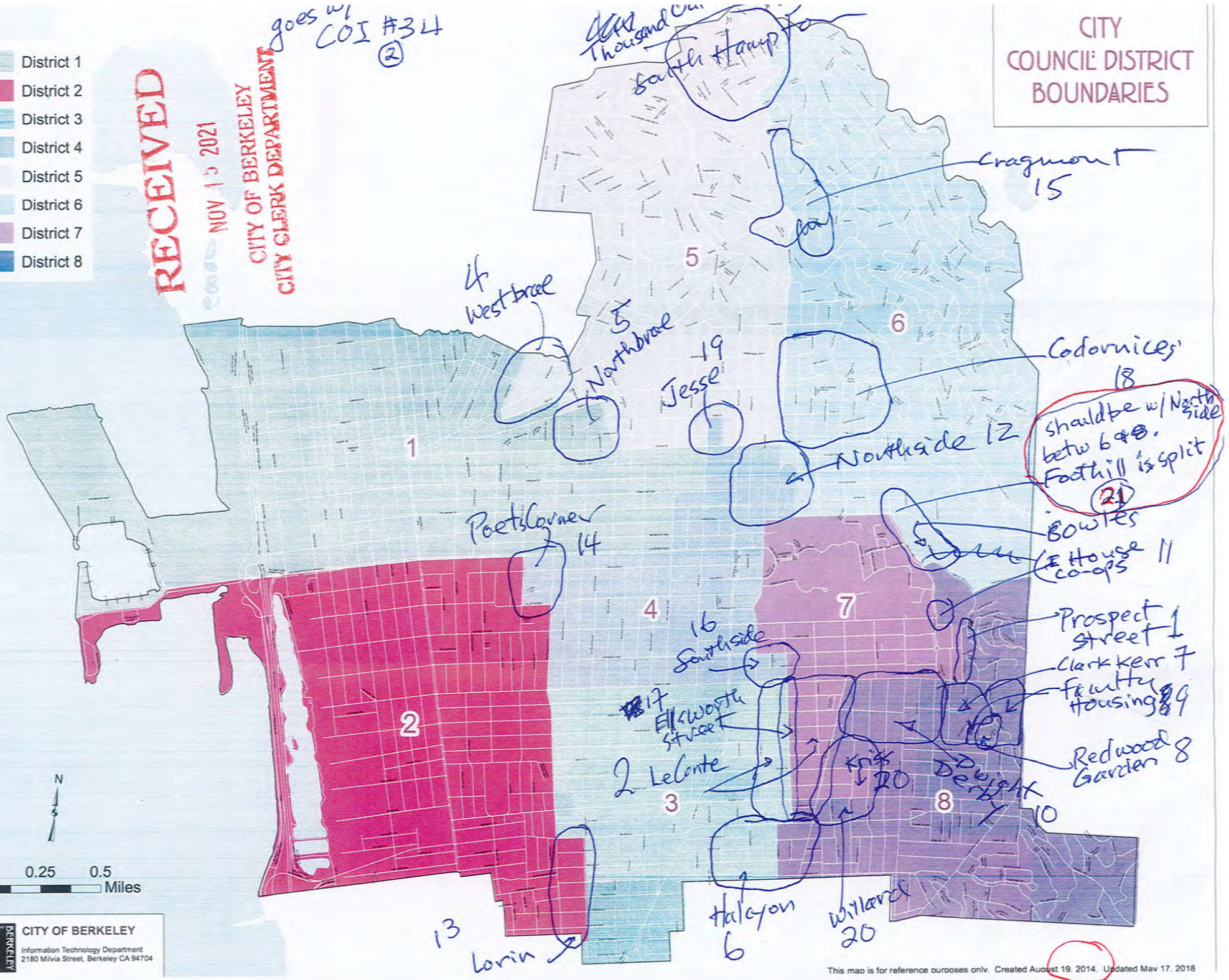
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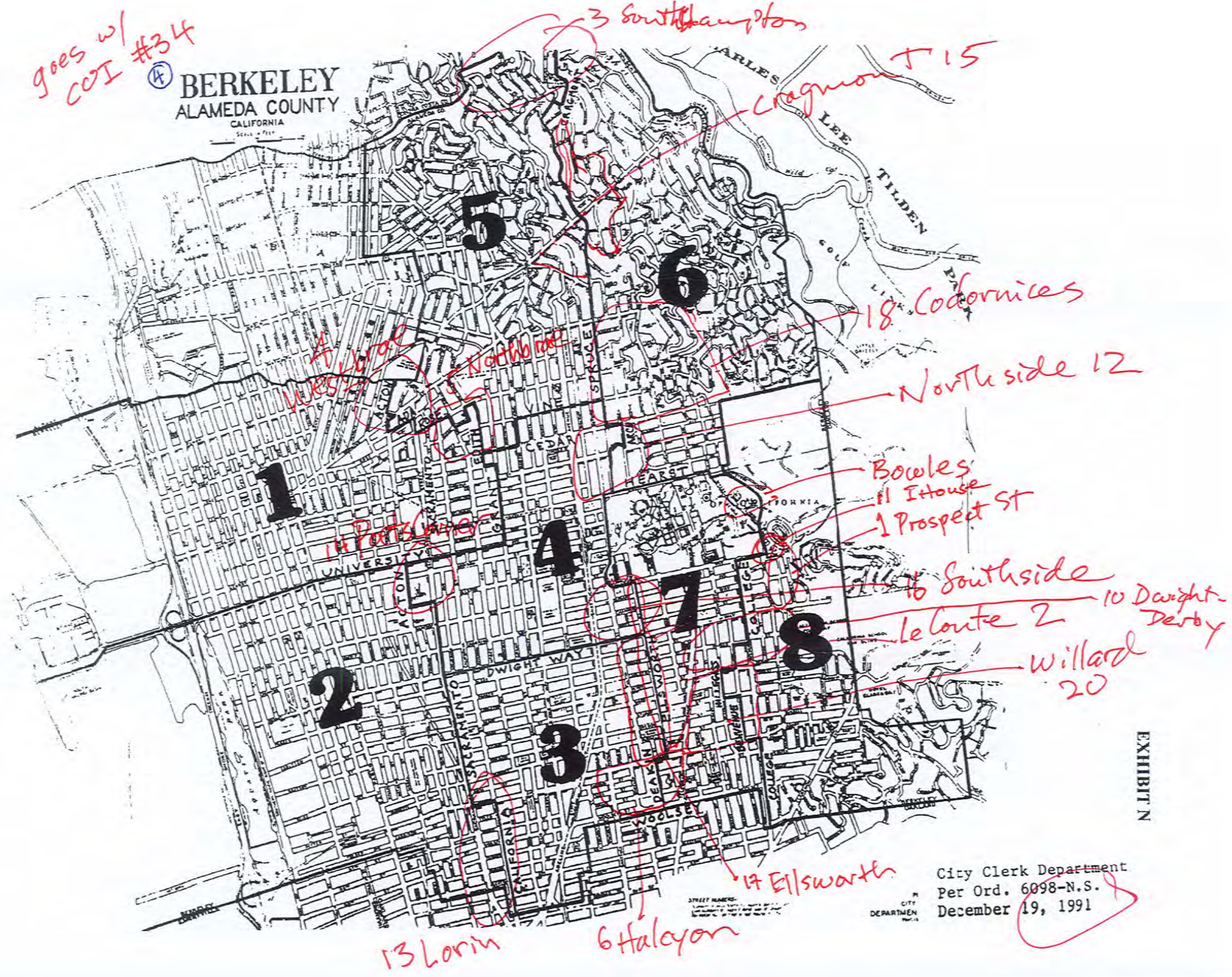


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By the looks of things in my part of D-1, this is a townish and family (dwellings) area of the city. I see family activity and the retail and recreational which sustain them. There is no overt presence of UC students; they seem to be elsewhere. Retired friends gather here, internet junkies there.

San Pablo Avenue provides a traditionally gritty 'home' to a constant presence of lost and forgotten citizen/ghosts and their movable social spots.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

My 'felt' boundaries, running from close-by San Pablo/Delaware as center, are: Addison (south); 9th St. (west); Gilman (north), indeterminate (east). Beyond are several commercial pockets--lower Gilman; Fourth St.; Berkeley Bowl west area (it's a treasure); Monterey/Hopkins--and strips: University Ave.; further San Pablo, our alimentary canal; and Shattuck and Solano Avenues.

Geographic contours of ancient Berkeley lie beneath a carpet of buildings and infrastructure. Our several creeks were culverted after a 1910 cholera outbreak but may be evoked by looking north or south along our numbered streets, whose undulations hint at long-ago creek beds. Settlement along them has been de-emphasized historically, a riparian lifestyle we can only imagine today.

I call my area's center 'Cutthroat Corner' due to the several killings over ten years, but 'Almost Oceanview' will work as well.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

We have our homeless (understandable) and our severely disturbed (not acceptable), left to their own and awaiting a deliverer.

The odious well-sold and gleefully-endorsed state housing bills of recent months will create scars and outrage all over the place. A bomb is about to land on the North Berkeley BART Station, and fortunes will be made.

Government up and down has been Trumpized into irreconcilable camps, including our council. Perhaps we'll find ourselves bailing together ..

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

Incremental loss of closed businesses and institutions--beloved, needed, helpfully close, and unique--festers in many hearts. I find myself asking, 'What happened? Where did everyone go?'

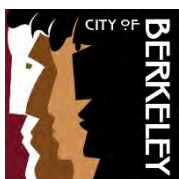
Berkeley is beiging. What an inspiring hue! The formerly rich sub-culture of music clubs, neat theaters, and Med-like coffee houses just had to go. It's economics-- nothing personal, or impersonal. The hard-edge replacements of cookie-cutter I-cafes, sandwich-and-chips joints, pricey boutiques and gourmet restaurants seem like placeholders for some future resurrection of what was. Old Brennan's warmed the community in its large green hall; nothing has replaced it. Or will be, by the current power brokers.

Covid-19 aside, I have little desire to hit the town anymore. What is Berkeley's branding now, dead laurels?

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I am part of a vibrant neighborhood group established probably in the 1980s, when former fire chief Bill Brock and his wife initiated annual gatherings during National Night Out. For the last 13 years since I moved to Ada Street, our neighborhood group has worked together sharing safety concerns and looking out for each other. We currently have 65 households in our group. We are in touch via email. We meet annually. We know each other by name. We have a neighborhood earthquake cache and a neighbor on Ordway offers trainings. All of Ada Street below Sacramento should be in District 1, where we used to be. When the lines were redrawn, they went right down the middle of our street. As a neighborhood we are impacted by development plans at N. Berkeley BART, Ruth Acty School traffic and events, Cedar-Rose Park events, traffic on Hopkins and the Ohlone Greenway—all in District 1. We should be rejoined with District 1.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Our neighborhood group currently includes 65 homes along Ada Street from Ordway to Acton and about halfway up the next block toward Sacramento. It includes most homes on Ordway from Hopkins to Rose, several homes on Rose and on Hopkins that back to Ada between Ordway and Acton, and most homes on Acton from Hopkins to Ada. Everyone in these blocks are welcome in our group. When you redraw the lines, if a street needs to be split down the middle, it shouldn't be a quiet short street like Ada; it should be a busy through street with double yellow lines, like Hopkins from Ordway to Acton. Also, if Ordway between Hopkins and Ada is split down the middle, it too should be reincorporated into District 1.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

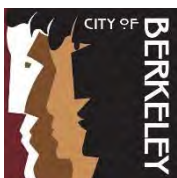
We are impacted by traffic on Hopkins and the Ohlone Greenway, and by traffic on Acton, Ordway, and Ada, where many drivers like to ignore stop signs. The recent repaving of Ada Street to replace the crumbling roadway that was installed about 35 years ago will improve the safety of kids and grownups on foot and bikes, but already drivers who don't live in our neighborhood are speeding down our street. We appreciate the new pavement. Now we need to lobby for speed bumps. Development plans at N. Berkeley BART will affect parking on our streets, and the removal of parking at the station could jeopardize the safety of elderly and disabled neighbors, even those who live w/i walking distance. A high-rise apartment building will negatively affect the character of the neighborhood. Where are those people going to park? Not everyone is young, mobile, and fit.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

We are educated, active, diverse, interested in social justice, a mix of young families with children, new retirees, and the elderly. We can walk or bicycle to most destinations. We look out for each other. We share resources. We would like to be back in District 1, where we were for many years before the lines were redrawn. Here on Ada Street between Ordway and Acton we have a different representative than the folks across the street, and we lost our voting place, and it feels like we lost our voice. Ten people on Ada Street lobbying for, say, a painted crosswalk at Ordway and Hopkins have about 15% the effect of 65 households lobbying for the same. On Ada between Acton and Sacramento everyone lives across the street from Ruth Acty Elementary and Crowden Music School, which are both in District 1. We all belong in District 1.

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Bunting, Sarah K.

From: [REDACTED]
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I previously submitted a form, but I just updated my responses. **Please include the attached PDF in your deliberations on redistricting.**

Our neighborhood group, currently 65 homes, was established probably in the 1980s, when former fire chief Bill Brock and his wife initiated annual National Night Out neighborhood gatherings. The black oval in the District 1 map below shows the general area of our group. It runs along Ada Street from Ordway to Acton and about halfway up the next block toward Sacramento. It includes homes on Ordway from Hopkins to Rose, several homes on Rose and on Hopkins that back to Ada between Ordway and Acton, and most homes on Acton from Hopkins to Ada. **The backbone of the group is Ada Street.** Everyone in this oval is welcome in our group.

The red lines in the image below show how I would like to see the lines redrawn. If a street needs to be split down the middle, it should be a busy street with a double yellow line, like Hopkins from Ordway to Acton. **Ada Street should *not* be split down the middle.** All of Ada Street below Sacramento belongs in District 1, where it was for many years. If Ordway between Hopkins and Ada is also split down the middle, it too should be reintegrated into District 1.

Please see the attached PDF for more details on our group. Thank you!

[REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Date: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 9:45 PM
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Subject: COI Outreach Worksheet Attached

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

My communities of interest are students and renters. I moved to Berkeley in 2016 to work for a non-profit, and have since enrolled in a PhD program at Cal. UC Berkeley has about 40,000 students, most of whom live in Berkeley, thus students represent about a third of Berkeley's population. According to the most-recent ACS estimates, renters represent about two-thirds of the Berkeley population. The renting population is probably half students.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
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There is considerable overlap between renters and students, and we are concentrated in the areas around Berkeley main campus and the two BART stations. As I look at the maps already submitted, I think that Alfred Twu's "Compact Donut" map does a good job of collecting the main student populations into 2 districts on the southside and the areas just west and north of the main campus. It's unfortunate that we don't have 9 districts to work with, as I think—for population balancing purposes—Alfred Twu's map is unable to extend far enough North-South along the Shattuck corridor or far enough south on the Telegraph corridor to create 3 renter/student districts (Southside, Northside and "Westside"). Stephen Young's excellent map (which has several nice innovations, including taking the hillier parts of current Districts 5 and 6 and combining them into a single district) creates a district for the Northside renting community, but, in the process, splits the student population along the North and West sides into minority voting blocks (given lower turnout among students)—which is my reason for preferring Alfred Twu's map.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Based on the fractions presented above, a representative city council of 8 members would have 5 or 6 members fighting for issues important to renters, and 2 or 3 members would be looking out for students. I think that our interests focus on up-zoning, creating more housing of all kinds and on good access to public transit.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

Although it is likely not within the power of IRC to propose a 9 district map, adding more districts would allow for better representation of the diverse set of communities of interest in Berkeley. The current 8 district system has been in place since 1923 or 1924. In 1920, Berkeley's population was 56 thousand and in 1930 it was 82 thousand meaning that each district has grown in population by roughly 80%, and each councilmember represents 6 or 7 thousand more people than the original council members. If current projection of population growth hold, the size of the districts will have more than doubled (compared to 1924 levels) by the next redistricting in 2030. Along with it's new 8 district map of Berkeley, I urge the IRC to recommend that City Council take appropriate steps to add a 9th district in the 2030 redistricting process.

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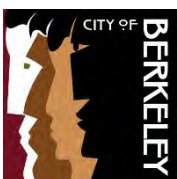
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The community in this neighborhood is tied together not only by our geographical proximity and walkability of the neighborhood but our shared interest in many activities that are within walking distance in the nearby Downtown and Theatre districts. Also because of our close proximity to the University, we also share the common interests of cultural and intellectual events held on the UC Berkeley campus.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

The community bounded by Dwight Way (South) and University Ave (North) and MLK (East) and Sacramento (West) is a walkable and historic neighborhood (Spaulding-McGee tract).

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

We are currently well represented by Councilmember Kate Harrison.

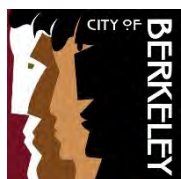
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Please do not break up this community by drawing lines which would bisect the natural geographic boundaries of this community.

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The Flatlands.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

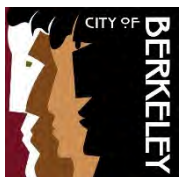
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My neighborhood on Channing Way has been affected by the homeless crisis. Because we have a free box on Channing, between Roosevelt & McGee, we get a lot of homeless traffic from Downtown. Also, until we, reluctantly, agreed to have parking restrictions, the streets were jammed with UC students' parking. We supported making Channing Way a bike street although the condition of the road makes biking hazardous.

The park area on the Ohlone strip was a great addition to the area. Aside from the park at Washington (where I participated in the redesign and addition of a regulation size basketball court when I was chair of the remodel committee) and the Tot Lot on Roosevelt, there isn't a lot of open space in our neighborhood. Civic Center Park was for so many years not a hospitable space. There is still a great deal of drug dealing going on there, probably migrating down from Shattuck.

While much has changed, a lot hasn't. There's still a strong culture of neighborliness and cooperation. And a sense that this is the area where the much-talked-about middle class lives. I would like to keep and strengthen that. So adding in Shattuck Ave. with all the new apartments being built there (which I support) would dramatically alter the character of my neighborhood.

For the same rationale, it's never been clear to me what the areas north of Ohlone were doing in District 4. University is a natural boundary and the two areas are different in character.

Lastly, I want to say that opening the Downtown Berkeley BART station was a game-changer. It made commuting to SF almost a pleasure. It's perfect for my niece (who lives with me) who works in Castro Valley and doesn't own a car. Being within walking/biking distance to both Berkeley Bowl and Trader Joe's is also a plus.

So I'd like to see a District 4 as bounded by University/Shattuck/Dwight Way/Sacramento. Thank you for your consideration. [REDACTED]

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Strawberry Creek Park brings our neighbors together - park should be in one district with all of its surrounds.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

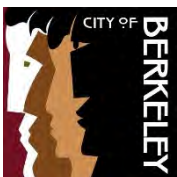
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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Culture, history, community - preservation of those

Black Repertory Group has been a vital part of that for almost 60 years

**Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
Does your community/neighborhood have a name?**

South Berkeley, Adeline Corridor

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

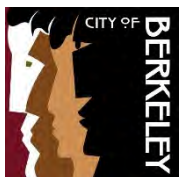
Redistricting such that would exclude Black Repertory Group from district 2 will mean that Black Repertory group and the commitment BRG has to district 2 and the community has to BRG are not being recognized or considered. please keep Black Repertory Group in district 2

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

I live and work in the Lorin District. The Lorin District 2 is historical African American community. I would like the community to remain unchanged and that Black Reperatory Group remain in the district.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

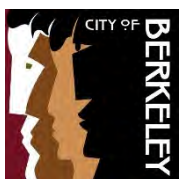
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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Protect neighborhood resources of light, air, space, open areas, common spaces
Help neighbors and be vigilant for diverse communities who have been marginalized/victimized - particularly Muslim people, Asians and African Americans who reside in our immediate neighborhood.
We live near/adjacent to Shattuck, with lots of traffic in and out of Berkeley and so we keep an eye out for each other.
Socializing in the neighborhood is important - especially since the pandemic. Our door gatherings are now a thing.
Watching out for children and making sure that traffic -vehicular and pedestrian- respect the ability of children to run around and play outside in a positive environment.
Solar access for gardens and solar panels is a concern in our neighborhood in every house. Our western sky/space is especially important for the sunlight, air and views.
The area is densely populated with small houses, apartments, coop houses and group living. With this density and close proximity people are very respectful.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Walker Street has become our gathering spot - that runs between Derby and Ward that runs from Shattuck on the West to east of Fulton. We also have gatherings on Fulton with the blocks running East up towards Telegraph. Walker Street is a frequent name for our neighborhood.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The city council has a huge impact on our neighborhood. We consistently feel left out of a meaningful dialog. Basically, we organize dozens of people, on many occasions to get noticed.
The proximity of South Shattuck means that decisions/actions on or about the commercial district have a direct impact on us: from delivery trucks to Honda backing up at 5 am beeping, construction, unsheltered folks, the fire station, future building plans, police, buses, foot traffic to the Berkeley Bowl, Kerala - whatever - good, wonderful, bad, depressing - are always a factor.
The City Council, while sometimes individually attentive, seem to collectively regard us an irritant, and merely caricatures they smirk at on Zoom. We are at the friction point between a neighborhood of people and their grand schemes.

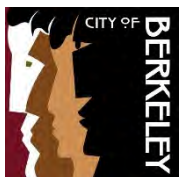
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People in our neighborhood get along and smile at each other.

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Bunting, Sarah K.

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Hi Redistricting Commission

I would like to add our support of the map that will be submitted today from the BNC (Berkeley Neighborhood Council). (Please consider this a withdrawal of support for Harold Rosenberg's map suggested below). Thank you for your email confirmation in advance.

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: Sun, Nov 14, 2021 at 8:18 PM
Subject: Community of Interest Form - City of Berkeley Redistricting - Enclosed - District 3
To: <redistricting@cityofberkeley.info>

Common interests and why they're important:

Many African Americans (AA) moved to South Berkeley during WW2 to support the war effort. They were restricted from living in other parts of Berkeley due to redlining laws. Together, with other newcomers from Asia and Central America, they shaped the neighborhood into a thriving community which reflected their cultural, artistic, religious and political beliefs. Key tenets of our historical neighborhood are shared by my community members today. Those beliefs include, but are not limited to, respecting the civil rights for every citizen, housing rights for all, rights to jobs and a right to worship.

The faith community is actively engaged in supporting the values upheld by my community and is represented with churches scattered around South Berkeley. For example, The Church by The Side of the Road located east of Shattuck on Russell St. is leading a consortium of church leaders in the mentoring of young people. The Ephesian Church, with the active support of community groups in this area, is committed to building low/low-income housing on its site. The Buddhist Temple on Russell is also engaged in service in the community and is a welcoming place to families and neighbors for outdoor weekend lunches.

There are many places of interest and programs serving my community like Kiwi Pediatrics on Alcatraz, Healthy Black Families, The Farmer's Market on Adeline/62nd, the NAACP office on Adeline, Community Acupuncture on Sacramento and the Women's Cancer Resource Center on Ellsworth. The Berkeley Bowl has a special place in our community. They sell foods representing many cultures in our neighborhood and it's also a place to run into your neighbors.

The shared interests of the community are also reflected in annual cultural activities like Juneteenth as well arts organizations like Youth Spirit Artworks, The Black Repertory Theater and The Ashby Stage. We also created a beautiful mural on Ashby Avenue at Ellis Street which depicts our history and local neighborhood heroes. It truly captures the spirit of our neighborhood. (See photos enclosed separately.)

And schools like Malcolm X at Ashby and Ellis Streets and Sylvia Mendez on Ellsworth (which is the only Spanish immersion school in the City) have been instrumental in educating and fostering pride in our children about the history of our neighborhood and its contributions to the community and to the city at large.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

This area is known as South Berkeley. The current geographic location is Dwight Way on the North, Ellsworth on the East, 62nd on the South and Sacramento and California on South.

The eastern swath of this area (from Dwight on the North going south on Ellsworth to Ashby and moving slightly westward at Deakin) should remain intact to represent the shared interests (stated above) of this community.

Additionally, the southern swath of this District (going from Dwight on the North to 62nd on the South) is instrumental in reflecting the common shared interests of our community.

Based on the maps that have been submitted to date, Howard Rosenberg's map looks the closest to what we might envision for District #3 if it was necessary to change any of the current boundaries.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Our neighborhood is affected by the lack of support from the City Council for low/low income housing, as the City remains focused on securing deals with developers who build housing for mid-income and high-income earners. We need housing for people who have household incomes of \$60K or less. We believe that housing is a human right.

We are affected by the lack of accountability from our police department. Evidence of racial profiling is clearly established in the number of pullovers by BPD, especially relative to the city's overall population as evidenced by the 2018 report here: https://www.cityofberkeley.info/uploadedFiles/Police_Review_Commission/Commissions/2018/Berkeley%20Report%20-%20May%202018.pdf

An amendment to the City Charter was passed in November to create an impartial Police Accountability Board. It had the support of 85% of the voters. The amendment states that the the new Board is independent of the City Manager and reports *to the Council directly. My community is keen to see greater evidence that this is in play.* Additionally, the City Council unanimously passed a police reform bill in February, we are still waiting for the full implementation of these important reforms. The police budgets, use of weapons, surveillance and body cameras and training must be transparent to all of us.

During CoVid the ACT bus service was cut back. Since Covid is hopefully on the wane, it would be ideal to reinstate the bus service going east/west down Ashby Avenue for everyone. It helps students going to Willard or MX or even to UC (transfer at Adeline or Shattuck). If you are elderly and want to go to the Credit Union which moved to San Pablo from Adeline/Ashby, and don't drive, the bus service is essential. It is too far to walk. Given the importance of driving less (reducing climate change), supporting additional bus service is key.

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There are many places of interest and programs serving my community like Kiwi Pediatrics on Alcatraz, Healthy Black Families, The Farmer's Market on Adeline/62nd, the NAACP office on Adeline, Community Acupuncture on Sacramento and the Women's Cancer Resource Center on Ellsworth. The Berkeley Bowl has a special place in our community. They sell foods representing many cultures in our neighborhood and it's also a place to run into your neighbors.

The shared interests of the community are also reflected in annual cultural activities like Juneteenth as well arts organizations like Youth Spirit Artworks, The Black Repertory Theater and The Ashby Stage. We also created a beautiful mural on Ashby Avenue at Ellis Street which depicts our history and local neighborhood heroes. It truly captures the spirit of our neighborhood. (See photos enclosed separately.)

And schools like Malcolm X at Ashby and Ellis Streets and Sylvia Mendez on Ellsworth (which is the only Spanish immersion school in the City) have been instrumental in educating and fostering pride in our children about the history of our neighborhood and its contributions to the community and to the city at large.

**Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
Does your community/neighborhood have a name?**

This area is known as South Berkeley. The current geographic location is Dwight Way on the North, Ellsworth on the East, 62nd on the South and Sacramento and California on South.

The eastern swath of this area (from Dwight on the North going south on Ellsworth to Ashby and moving slightly westward at Deakin) should remain intact to represent the shared interests (stated above) of this community.

Additionally, the southern swath of this District (going from Dwight on the North to 62nd on the South) is instrumental in reflecting the common shared interests of our community.

Based on the maps that have been submitted to date, Howard Rosenberg's map looks the closest to what we might envision for District #3 if it was necessary to change any of the current boundaries.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Our neighborhood is affected by the lack of support from the City Council for low/low income housing, as the City remains focused on securing deals with developers who build housing for mid-income and high-income earners. We need housing for people who have household incomes of \$60K or less. We believe that housing is a human right.

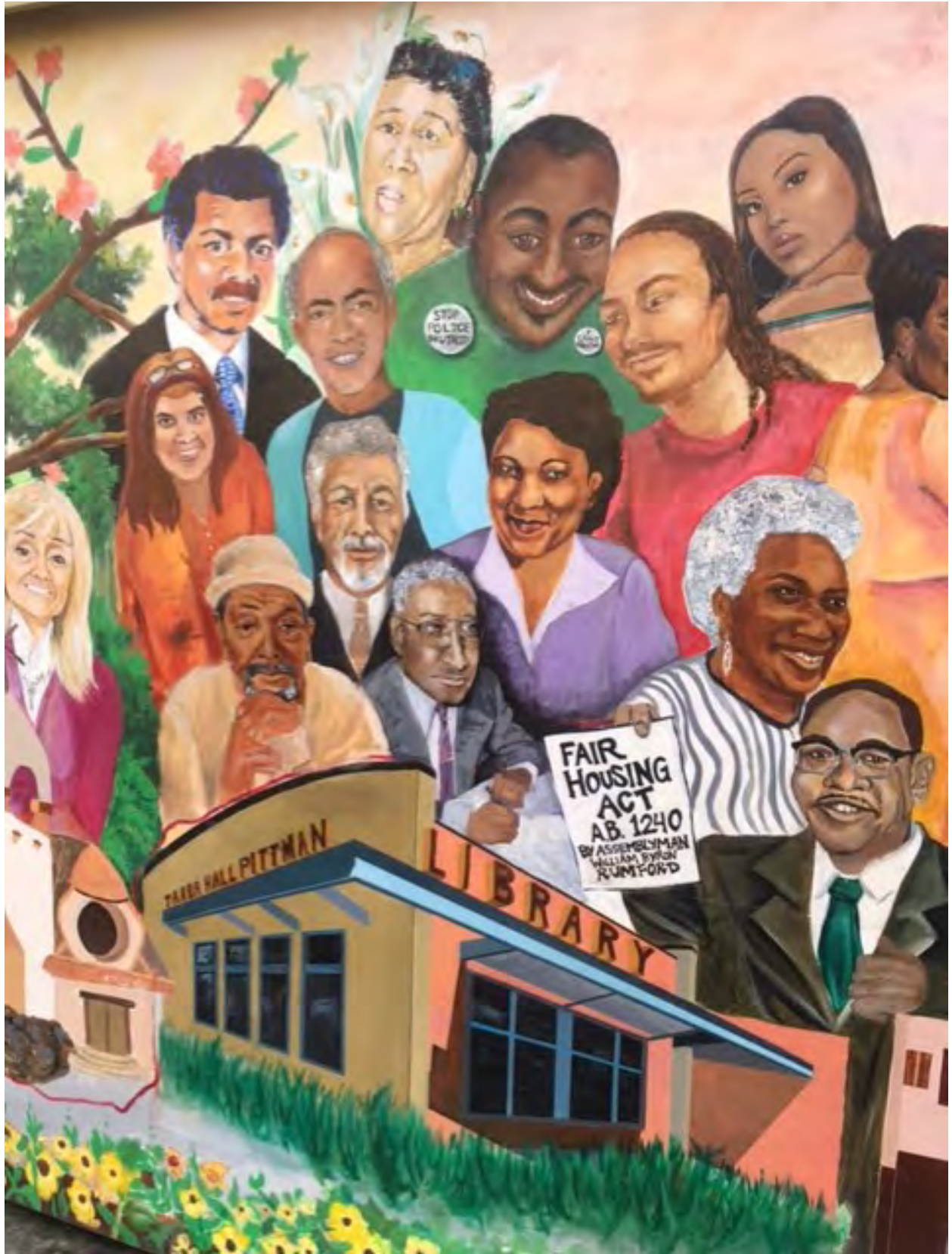
We are affected by the lack of accountability from our police department. Evidence of racial profiling is clearly established in the number of pullovers by BPD, especially relative to the city's overall population as evidenced by the 2018 report
here: https://www.cityofberkeley.info/uploadedFiles/Police_Review_Commission/Commissions/2018/Berkeley%20Report%20-%20May%202018.pdf

An amendment to the City Charter was passed in November to create an impartial Police Accountability Board. It had the support of 85% of the voters. The amendment states that the the new Board is independent of the City Manager and reports *to the Council directly*. *My community is keen to see greater evidence that this is in play*. Additionally, the City Council unanimously passed a police reform bill in February, we are still waiting for the full implementation of these important reforms. The police budgets, use of weapons, surveillance and body cameras and training must be transparent to all of us.

During CoVid the ACT bus service was cut back. Since Covid is hopefully on the wane, it would be ideal to reinstate the bus service going east/west down Ashby Avenue for everyone. It helps students going to Willard or MX or even to UC (transfer at Adeline or Shattuck. If you are elderly and want to go to the Credit Union which moved to San Pablo from Adeline/Ashby, and don't drive, the bus service is essential. It is too far to walk. Given the importance of driving less (reducing climate change, supporting additional bus service is key.









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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

There are several common interests in our community: we are a transit oriented community bounded by BART, AC Transit and cars looking for parking once BART depletes the number of spaces. It makes sense to sever the district at Sacramento Street since the communities East of Sacramento do not have the same interests, development and history as the communities West of Sacramento. It is a community of interest because it has a major street that runs all the way to the hills and down to the Bay, East to West. It is a community of interest because it includes a highway as a street (San Pablo Ave). Furthermore, the community is also one that experiences toxic fumes from industrial corporate concerns. Finally, it is a community of interest because several of the houses are still owned by people of color who were not allowed to buy homes east of Sacramento.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Geographically it is a community of interest because it includes the Berkeley Marina district and so should expand past University (not stop there as it does now). Geographically, the community is flat and down hill from the rest of Berkeley. The community is also an international community from the Brazilian cultural center, to Spanish table, to the Halal restaurants, our community is international and cosmopolitan.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The community is impacted by the lack of adequate lighting on the street preventing people who want to walk to and from BART during the dark winter days. The community is also impacted by the lack of city regulation of toxic industry in the district, and a lack of an adequate safety plan if something should happen to the industry (as the 2018 Berkeley Asphalt fire demonstrated) or to the gas pipeline that runs north - south by the Berkeley Marina. The Community is also impacted by the traffic on San Pablo and the lack of planning for a community in the San Pablo corridor. Although the community is part of a whole, we are often not invited as a whole community to meet and talk and congregate as a community with the city officials.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

The community houses several families. It really is a community about families, schools and play grounds. The community is a conduit for evacuation from the hills if there should be a fire emergency. The community also is a nexus for growth over the next decade. The community includes Cedar up until Sacramento, West to Oceanview and the Marina. The community also currently houses a great majority of the unhoused people in Berkeley and these unhoused people live in the most heavily polluted areas in the city such as Harrison Street and also close to Berkeley Asphalt on 2nd street.

MAP WE SUPPORT: We are supporting the BNC redistricting map with one minor change. We suggest that the around the Berkeley BART the line should be extended to Sacramento West side of the street.

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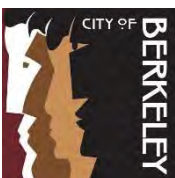
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Bunting, Sarah K.

From: [REDACTED]
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Subject: community of interest and map of interest
Attachments: Anonymous 1 Community of Interest.pdf

Categories: COI Submission

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Please accept my comments as a community of interest in District 1 and in favor of the BNC map but in consideration of a slight change to run the east-west line along Sacramento and include BART.

Thank you.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

- Renters
- Pedestrians, cyclists, and transit riders
- Students

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

This is concentrated in the areas with a high density of renters, including Downtown, southside blocks south of the current District 7, Clark Kerr campus, and "northside" up to Virginia Street.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

City policies on tenant protections and housing development affect the renter community very closely. Renters are also more likely to walk instead of drive than other communities, are more likely to be affected by street safety issues, and are concentrated in highly walkable areas.

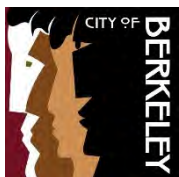
What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

The renter community is overwhelmed in the current districting by being split among districts dominated by homeowners. Renters vote less frequently than homeowners as a community and are therefore further drowned out. We need an additional district that protects and represents the significant number of renters in the City, such as the donut district on the map proposed by Alfred Twu, one draft example attached.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

- 1) Housing affordability. As renters, and especially for residents of new buildings, downtown residents are among the most impacted by the high cost of housing in Berkeley.
- 2) Bike/pedestrian/transit access & safety. Downtown residents are among the least likely to own an automobile in Berkeley, yet Downtown also accounts for some of the highest pedestrian injury streets. We rely on non-automobile forms of transportation to visit other neighborhoods and destinations.
- 3) Homelessness. Downtown Berkeley has the highest concentration of visible homelessness of anywhere in Berkeley, and many of our homeless residents are longtime neighbors who simply have nowhere else to go.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

My community is Downtown Berkeley. Downtown is bordered by Hearst to the north, Oxford/Fulton to the east, Dwight to the south, and MLK to the west.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

Downtown Berkeley is an incredibly diverse community of over 6,000 residents, 95% of whom are renters. Downtown is comprised of students, young professionals, immigrants, families, retirees, and long-time residents alike, including both housed and unhoused neighbors.

Downtown has been historically considered "everyone's neighborhood" because of the diverse commercial and leisure activities and the access to transit and major institutions (UC Berkeley, LBNL, City of Berkeley). However, for the thousands of people who call Downtown home on a daily basis, it is also a residential community, where we need to be able to get home safely and comfortably at night, have non-automotive transportation options that make it easy to get to our destinations, and have enough housing options and tenant protections to keep rent affordable. City Council has historically neglected the residential experience in Downtown Berkeley.

Downtown Berkeley is most similar to the mixed-use and medium density neighborhoods immediately north and south along Shattuck Avenue. Because the most unifying experience of living in Downtown is "renters who don't have cars", other neighborhoods with high concentrations of renters who don't have cars are particularly good matches for joining into a Council district. Other campus periphery areas, such as Northside or Southside, are good candidates.

Because renters in Berkeley typically vote at lower rates than homeowners (for a variety of reasons - in Downtown, many renters are either immigrants ineligible to vote, or students who register to vote in their hometown), Berkeley's renter-heavy neighborhoods should be grouped together to help achieve better representation. Renters are 60% of Berkeley's population, yet only 3 of our 8 Council districts today are represented by renters.

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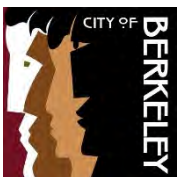
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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Berkeley's Black community was once a vibrant core of the city with churches, businesses, homeowners and tenants in primarily South Berkeley's area which now falls into "District 3." In part due to the pernicious practices of Redlining, racially restrictive covenants on deeds and racist realtor practices, 'Sundown Laws,' and other ways to segregate our community, we nonetheless persisted in maintaining our rightful place in the community that we largely helped build. We have history and ancestors in common; many of us moved in the migration west from the Deep South after slavery and Jim Crow, many of us share a deep and abiding faith in God (Black Christian Churches are historic pillars of the city for a hundred years: Church by the Side of the Road, McGee Ave Baptist Church, St. Paul's AME Church, Ephesians Church, Phillips AME, etc)

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

We also have a Muslim community who worship in local mosques. Our proud Black community - we have foods, customs and traditions in common. Berkeley hosts one of the oldest Juneteenth Celebrations in the state. Our community is described in Wikipedia: "South Berkeley is a neighborhood in the city of Berkeley, CA. It extends roughly from Dwight Way to city's border with Oakland, between Telegraph Ave in east and either Sacramento St or San Pablo in west. This neighborhood is the center for Berkeley's African-American community, with a population of 9,341 that is roughly 52% African-American... During WWII, Camp Ashby was established for African American soldiers. Dr. William Byron Rumford pharmacy (legislator) 3332 Adeline St landmark South Berkeley Bank, once anchored Lorin business district streetcar. Mildred and Mable Howard.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The city's decisions have tacitly or explicitly allowed racial segregation and discrimination (read Prof. Rothstein's The Color of Law). The city's failure to implement a 'racial equity lense' has allowed massive market rate housing development, displacing many Black people, and not doing more to ensure affordable housing built. Now the city is prioritizing "Equitable" anti-displacement programs (but the lost opportunity has displaced our 40% of the city population down to a mere 8% in a very short time) City funds 60% of its budget to police and disinvested from community programs, mental health, job training, housing subsidies, and public safety measures to prevent escalation of crime or violence. If the city dilutes the strong base of Black neighborhoods by improper map redistricting, we are erased/Extinct. Black businesses also need more support.

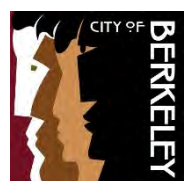
What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

Black academics, artists and activists are a core part of our community; housing should be available to ensure Black members thrive in our historic district that should be deemed the Black Community Historical Zone. The Adeline Corridor and So Berkeley needs to not be further displaced or diluted. Berkeley NAACP, BEEMA and other Black organizations in Berkeley strongly urge that District 3 remain without alteration. Specifically: McGee Ave Baptist Church should not be placed into District, 2, nor should Church by Side of Road be drawn into District 8. Without exception, the new African American Holistic Resource Center @1890 Alcatraz, Black Rep, Ephesians, Ebenezer, McGee, Phillips, St. Paul's must remain 'as is'

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Bunting, Sarah K.

From: [REDACTED]
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To: Independent Redistricting Commission
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Subject: Ancestral Concerns from Berkeley African-American/Black Communities.
Attachments: Berkeley COI Outreach Worksheet.pdf

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Please accept the attached form submitted by the Berkeley Branch of the NAACP regarding redistricting of District 3. We have significant concerns about the possible relocation of African-American/Black Ancestral sites in District 3; therefore, the attached form documents our position regarding South Berkeley redistricting. Moving forward, we trust that the Independent Redistricting Commission will consider our concerns. Thank You

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

I live on the upper side of the "Oceanview" in Northwest Berkeley (above 6th Street but below San Pablo). This is one of the oldest communities in Berkeley (and was actually annexed by Berkeley at the turn of the 20th century). While the community is in the late stages of gentrification, it started out - and still retains the DNA - of having a working-class neighborhood, which includes many Craftsman-style homes (and a few Victorians), built by blue-collar workers for their families. It also retains a - albeit diminishing - level of racial and socioeconomic diversity as one of the only neighborhood in which restrictive covenants were not placed on housing (as a formerly redlined area). This area bounds the MU-R and MU-LI areas, and neighborhoods have striven to coexist with industry that would now be deemed to be incompatible with residential - and has embraced the ecosystem of small manufacturing, arts, and crafts businesses, some of whose owners reside in live-work units in the neighborhood.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

The Oceanview District is roughly bounded by San Pablo on the East Side, the waterfront on the West Side, Gilman St. on the North Side, and University Ave. on the South Side. However, our community arguably has more in common with the entire area below San Pablo than other neighborhoods. We certainly have more in common with other areas below Sacramento (roughly bounded by the North Berkeley BART) than areas to the east of Sacramento.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

We have been particularly impacted by issues dealing with residential-industrial boundaries and relationships (such as the ongoing air quality saga with the Berkeley Asphalt plant) and retaining the arts, crafts, and artisanal nature of the MU-R district. Agree or disagree with the proposal, our neighborhood was also significantly impacted by the Council decision to transition away from single-family zoning, given that the majority of our neighborhood that's not mixed industrial is zoned as R-1

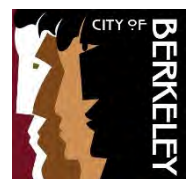
What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

For your consideration, a West Berkeley Business District oriented map proposal has been created (most districts except 2 are within less than 1% of the threshold for compactness, the least compact district is D6 and it's within 3.6%).

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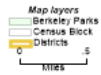
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Flatlands Community of Interest Worksheet

Central Berkeley Flatlands~MAAGNA~

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Common Interests-in Maintaining Berkeley Flatlands & North Berkeley Residential Neighborhoods:

Reflect Actual Residential Neighborhood Boundaries of North & South Berkeley Flatlands and North Berkeley as a Contiguous District

District Equal Configuration—Intact Greater Flatlands Center Encircled by Equal-sized districts.

Non-Flatlands areas have not densified at a rate equal to that in the flatlands Districts 1, 2 & 7, closely followed by District 4 & then District 3. District 3 is currently undergoing densification construction. To begin to equalize the population allocation between District, those areas without densification but adjacent to density should absorb some of the new densification as part of their geographic expansion. Population added to those Districts (5, 6 & 8) from Downtown or North Shattuck, without breaking up the long-standing Flatlands residential neighborhood communities, who have shared commonalities of interest.

By splitting Downtown, where more of the newest density is disproportionately located, among Districts 5 & 6 as well as 8, to add contiguous new density to each of the Districts, which failed to densify within existing boundaries, is a fair way to allocate the disproportionate new density. Downtown and North Shattuck are economically tied to Districts 5 & 6. District 7 has continued to densify over the decades and cannot further expand its student base to include Downtown.

Instead of the number of Districts staying constant, Districts were reduced to 4 or 6 in number from 8, all of the areas surrounding UCB could be consolidated into one area). District 7 already has 2500 new residents in its existing boundaries, nearly 2000 more residents than the slowest growing, and is growing 3x faster than its neighbors in Districts 5, 7 & 8.

For Economic Vitality, Include in District the Retail Commercial Collectors/Arteries with their related Residential Neighborhood Communities Areas Citywide (Not to be divisive District Boundaries down the middle of the Street in greater flatlands) & apportion
Densification

In past decades, existing, cohesive greater flatlands community residential neighborhood areas absorbed increasing densification along their neighborhood's commercial arteries/major collectors – 6th St., San Pablo, Shattuck, Adeline, Telegraph, University, Ashby and Alcatraz and to a lesser extent along College and Solano.

In many District residential neighborhoods, main arteries are within the District: Claremont, College, Solano, Marin, Hopkins, Gilman, MLK, Ashby, Alcatraz and Oxford are examples where retail corridors connected to their supporting residential neighborhoods are successful. In other Districts where the retail arteries are divided from their connected, residential communities of interest, neighborhood commercial often struggles for vitality and success (North Shattuck, University Avenue, Telegraph are examples).

Improved Community of Interest between residents & connected retail activity - More balance between the District configurations could ensure that all Districts have connection between their residents and the retail businesses they are connected to, strengthening their shared community of interest and absorbing a proportionate share of the last decade's densification located on these same business corridors. From the redistricting process, one or two districts should not emerge unduly contorted in order that other districts avoid absorbing the business districts their residents are connected to and a portion of the densification they have crammed into an abutting area.

Downtown/UCB and North Shattuck were originally attached to District 4, where they have little or no commonality of interest, even though they geographically abut and naturally are connected with but avoided by Districts 5 & 6. If Downtown and North Shattuck sections, on both sides of each artery, are each within a single district, retail economic activity can be better protected. Splitting District boundaries down main flatlands thoroughfares has historical, disparate strong negative impacts on the neighborhood vitality and economic success of those business corridor arteries and injured adjacent residential neighborhoods as commute traffic domination increased.

Thus, economic activity benefits and densification impacts would be shared (at least somewhat more equally) citywide. One area of centralized density is no longer gerrymandered all into a one district while dividing longstanding Flatlands & North Berkeley resident neighborhood communities of shared interests.

FLATLANDS & North Berkeley have shared Common Geographic, Historical, Economic, Cultural, and Racial/Ethnic Diversity Interests Evidencing an Existing Shared, Common Extended Neighborhood

Geographic The Flatlands and North Berkeley (greater flatlands) are geographically farmland sloping west, bisected by creeks, between the first Ocean View town and the second East Berkeley UCB & Rail Stop. It was developed as a family residential community. Greater flatlands is economically working/professional resident family homeowners and long-term tenants - a community welcoming racial and ethnic diversity and cultural cohesion. Although historically segregated, the greater neighborhood integrated itself and the current District 4 has maintained its diversity despite gentrification through 2020.

Neighborhood Health, Safety & Prosperity of Greater Flatlands:

Common interests in quiet with less noise, less litter, less flooding, less air pollution, fewer vehicles, improved traffic safety, reduction of danger from cut through and commute traffic. (There are only two diverters in central Berkeley core, Roads such as University Ave bifurcated both the Hardy Tract and the greater flatlands, only for the benefit of UCB & Downtown, destructive of our common interests)

Our community residents throughout the greater flatlands, have worked on many improvement projects over the years including University Ave. Gardeners and City's first densification via UA Plan, Neighborhood Preservation in the 70s, and BART station undergrounding with 1200 home loss to Ohlone Park. More recently greater flatlands' neighborhood traffic calming, residential permit parking, zoning impact mitigations, creek daylighting/stormwater and runoff protection. Improving pedestrian and bicycle safety, civic center preservation, priority undergrounding of major thoroughfare evacuation/emergency routes, disaster preparedness, arts tours/fairs and other citywide neighborhood improvement efforts continue.

Religious centers, from Buddhist Monastery to Temple to St. Joseph's Catholic church draw residents from both Hardy Tract north across North and South Flatlands, as do elementary and middle school district boundaries extending across the breadth of the flatlands. Thousands of the City's high school students travel through Central Berkeley daily, creating 20% of daily morning & afternoon traffic. Much of the Ohlone Park residential community were Catholic, members of St. Joseph's across UA. In recent decades, the Catholic residential neighborhood community of interest was improperly split between two districts, when unity within one is appropriate.

Greater Flatlands residential neighborhood community have shared common interest in fighting neighborhood negative traffic impacts.

Negative impacts have resulted in

Excessive Air Pollution,
Dangers to Residents - Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety/local street vehicle traffic
Increased Noise, Litter, Infringement on Flatlands residential
neighborhood community cohesion & quality of life
Cause: Traffic Volumes and Speeds of commuter traffic into/out of Berkeley (Bay Area regional commute destinations into: UCB, City Hall & Downtown as well as Berkeley resident regional commuters to South Bay, SF & greater Bay Area) –
Lack of protection on major thoroughfares (University Ave & MLK Jr)
Lack of Traffic Calming and Protection from Cut Through Traffic--Speed and Volumes (Neighborhood has highest concentration of public and private schools (pre-school through grade 12 adding 20% to AM & PM volumes)
Citywide truck deliveries restricted north and east, forced onto University Ave, Ashby, Sacramento, Adeline and Shattuck

Greater Flatlands Neighborhood Residential Community with Neighborhood Supportive Economic Activity on main streets – Area between original towns of Ocean View and UCB-East Berkeley rail head:

Traditional Flatlands, when converted from historical farming, became residential community of interest, composed of smaller compatible neighborhood subdivisions or community cohorts. Historical Berkeley Flatlands Community Preservation-Farmland now Residential Neighborhood

Definition: Greater Flatlands Delaware to Ashby, Sacramento to MLK, North & South Flatlands

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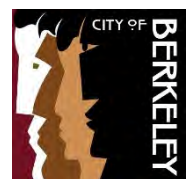
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In past decades, existing, cohesive greater flatlands community residential neighborhood areas absorbed increasing densification along their neighborhood's commercial arteries/major collectors – 6th St., San Pablo, Shattuck, Adeline, Telegraph, University, Ashby and Alcatraz and to a lesser extent along College and Solano.

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Improved Community of Interest between residents & connected retail activity –

More balance among District configurations could ensure that all Districts have connection between their residents and the retail businesses the residents are connected to, strengthening their shared community of interest and absorbing a proportionate share of the last decade's densification located on these same business corridors. From the redistricting process, one or two districts should not emerge

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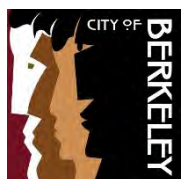
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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

I am writing for Berkeley Visionary Equity Summit Alliance as a member who lives in District 1. I raise up the history of the historically Black community in Districts 1, 2, and 3. District 1 was a place of inclusion, tolerance, and caring when I was growing up. Youth and elders are reconnecting over what it was like then and now. We are a voice for more affordable housing and a fair and inclusive approach to development that benefits low-income residents including a right of return for those displaced or unhoused, and safe community policing.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Maintain current District 1 boundaries and relationships. Our West Berkeley community was inclusive and tolerant, a good place to raise children and grow old for people of all races. We ask you to retain the current boundaries of District 1 at least as far east as Sacramento Street, the former "color line." This includes the most concentrated and historic parts close to Albany west of San Pablo, and the later access to homes and schools we gained in the Franklin School area.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

City Council is supportive when we have a strong clear voice and tends to undermine us in other times. The Black community fought for a West Berkeley Senior Center, which had the first bilingual program in the city. The City was often trying to defund and close it. They finally succeeded after two Black city council members died. Our District is often treated as a cash cow and open for development while the wellbeing and services to residents (housed and unhoused) go neglected. We will have to organize to be heard.

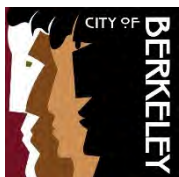
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There is a deep and rich history that needs to be told about the history and accomplishments of the Black and multi-racial communities of Berkeley before this tsunami of displacement and broken families from the Crack epidemic, War on Drugs, and racialized policing, to the real estate scams and speculations took displaced so many.

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I am a 30 year old resident of historic West Berkeley (split between District 1 and 2), and a current member of the Poet's Corner Advocates for the Unhoused and the Berkeley Visionary Equity Alliance. We want an inclusive community, and are working with existing institutions like Women's Day Time Drop In Center and Youth Spirit Artworks to recognize the massive displacement of the Black and Hispanic community members. We support a variety of truly affordable housing. strategies to reintegrate, including "good neighbor" shelters, tiny home villages, and safe parking lots while more affordable housing can be built.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

For our purposes, retaining the current boundaries the District works well University, Sacramento, and Dwight Way works pretty well for our purposes. Strawberry Creek Park neighborhood with Berkeley Youth Alternatives, the park, the corp yard, Daytime Drop In Center and Strawberry Creek Lodge, Berkeley Youth Alternatives, belong in District 2. West Berkeley from south of University Avenue, to the Marina, Aquatic Park and east to Sacramento Street (the old de facto "color line" reflect. I am suprised to see the decline of West Berkeley and the Oceanview Neighborhood in favor of "South West Berkeley" and Northwest Berkeley." San Pablo Park was/is a distinctive neighborhood. The displacement of Black neighbors is striking west of San Pablo - the current census map looks scrubbed.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Too much to say; but I was very upset the Council wouldn't support the YSA Youth Village on San Pablo Avenue - and let a few ugly neighbors take down the mosts imaginative and care-full project ever. How do we stop fear mongering imagining these homeless and displaced West Berkeley young adults as buying and doing drugs,

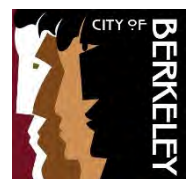
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There is such an amazing history to West Berkeley, especially San Pablo and west, a place of many firsts still evolving. We need more community-centered affordabe housing and cooperative communities along San Pablo and in our neighborhoods. The early death, disruption, and displacement among so many Black and Hispanic families and youth makes me very sad.

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We have interests with our neighbors concerning things like fast traffic on our streets, lighting, crime, trash pick-up, water run-off when it rains, etc. We are a neighborhood. In fact, for several years, we've had a block party in the Fall on Spruce between Cedar and Virginia, even though we were put into two different districts during the last redistricting.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

We call ourselves 'Lower Spruce'. At present I live at [redacted] Spruce Street. I used to live at [redacted] Arch Street. Both dwellings are on the west side of the respective streets--Spruce and Arch. Before the last redistricting, both dwellings were in District 6.

As a result of the last redistricting, Spruce and Arch Streets were split down the middle. Those who lived on the west side of the street were put into District 4, while those who lived on the East side of the street remained in District 6. Before, when we had common problems, we could go to our District 6 representative. Now, while we may have common problems--traffic, trash pick-up, lighting for the street, we now have to go to two different District representatives, even though we have the same problem.

There were various community meetings during the last redistricting, and I remember one at the Hillside Club in which a person who lived in District 6 north of this Lower Spruce/Arch area thought that his area of Spruce Street should be in District 5. I remember that the group with which I met (I can't remember the name), submitted a request that his area of Spruce be added to District 5. If that had happened, we might have been able to remain in District 6.

District 4 does not serve our needs. It is more oriented to Berkeley businesses. I always have had good responses from District 6 and still receive their newsletter. That's where I find out what is going on in Berkeley. I asked to be put on a District 4 newsletter, but it may be they don't have one.

District 6 should continue south to Hearst and west to the east side of Oxford, instead of a little chunk being taken out and added to District 4. By the way, I found out about this form from the District 6 newsletter.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

We're basically ignored by the City/District in our little section of District 4.

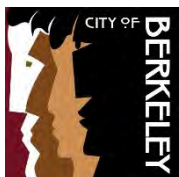
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Fix what you messed up last time and return us to District 6. We wanted to remain in District 6. You shouldn't split residents on an ordinary street into two different districts. District boundaries should be at large arteries, e.g., Hearst or Oxford.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

We own and live in a single family home as do all of the residents on both sides of our block and the adjacent streets. The neighborhood consists of many older, retired people like ourselves as well as young families with school age children

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Our neighborhood is roughly bordered by Cedar to the North, Hearst to the South, Oxford to the West and Euclid to the East. Currently our neighborhood is divided into at least three separate districts. We live on the south side of Virginia St and ten years ago were removed from District 6 and assigned to District 4 which is a district with a large student constituency.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

For the past ten years those of us assigned to District 4 have not felt our interests could be adequately addressed. Older homeowners and student interests do not always coincide. We would prefer to be in a district comprised of other homeowners and long term residents in our neighborhood.

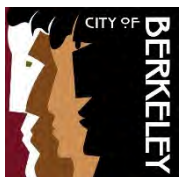
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Please consider boundary adjustments that would reunite us with the rest of our home owning neighbors.

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Bunting, Sarah K.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 3:43 PM
To: Independent Redistricting Commission
Subject: Redistricting Request

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Hello,

I have resided in what is District 8 for over 34 years. I share that to say that I have experienced changes to our voting district more than once.

I would like to ask that your committee reconsider what comprises District 8. Presently, parts of the Willard Neighborhood are outside of District 8.

The Willard neighborhood runs from Ashby to Dwight and from telegraph to College. To me it makes common sense that a given neighborhood is within one voting district.

Thank you for your consideration.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Parks. Walkways and parks are important to our community. They need to be neat, clean, well kept and most of all safe.

We want to see homeless cared for properly for and not living on the street, in tents, on park benches or in inoperable RVs or vans for days on end.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

We are on Virginia St near Cedar Rose Park and the walkway that replaced the old Southern Pacific right of way. We would consider our area to extend to the North to shops on Hopkins, West to San Pablo and East to BART and on to Shattuck

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Safety is an impact. We need safety for people walking to and from BART. When housing is built on the BART parking lot we have concerns that a high rise built over a tunnel could have stability problems like the Millenium Tower in SF. We have concern that when the high rise is being built that there will be congestion, disruption of the streets, dust, dirt and debris for a long time to come and we want to see how that can be mitigated. We have concern that homeless should be housed. We have concern that the parks be safe and clean for people to use comfortably for children and adults.

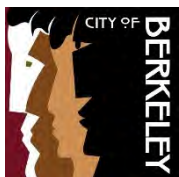
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We are concerned that changes taking place will make our community less habitable, walkable, attractive and safe. Changes could encircle the area and make it less safe looking and thus attract people who could prowl and do harm. This includes the possibility of homeless housing on San Pablo and Cedar which while providing needed housing, could become poorly maintained and attract visitors who might prey on the residents and the neighborhood. RV parking at Cedar Rose Park, which makes it impossible to see into the park, and thus it's hard to tell whether it's safe for children to play there. And housing to be built at BART will cause disruption during building and become an attractant to prowlers looking for supplies they can steal. This behavior could then spread and cause an overall neighborhood decline.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Long time residents, with a mix of renters and homeowners.

Close to a small shopping village.

Walkability

Friendly, neighborly with an annual block party

Until recently, this was an affordable neighborhood with neighbors that have a variety of income levels

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Westbrae

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The Whole Foods market on Gilman St. changed the neighborhood greatly. We have noticeably more traffic on Gilman St and housing prices sky rocketed. This is no longer an affordable neighborhood.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

I live on a block where people look out for each other. There are some older neighbors and families with kids. When you go out of town, you can ask your neighbor to keep an eye on your house or bring in your packages.

Recently though, you are very likely to see homes selling for \$1.5M and lots of construction and renovations as houses double in size.

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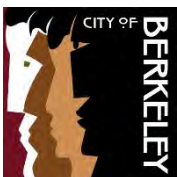
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Aged largely middle class but not more than c. 2/3 Caucasian; but across those lines very community-centered and community active, working on local causes together and keeping in touch with others,

We've had a number of new residents arriving from the suburbs just to live in such an active and

diverse neighborhood. New residents from Kansas to Thailand to India are swiftly welcome here

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

We have been calling ourselves Walkable Westbrae, which adequately describes our growing attachment to all the food, goods and services that are close enough for us to leave our cars parked and walk for combined shopping and walking. In that sense we're a materialist, future-oriented and add to our peaceful diversity. You could stretch the boundaries from say Monterey Market to Whole Foods — tolerating non-evil corporations but totally committed to local commercial efforts — and from the Albany line a few blocks.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

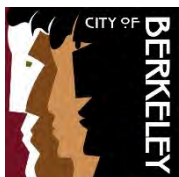
In part by bureaucratic slowness In approving small obvious proposals for local approval. One simple stop sign we knew would eliminate an endless series of local accidents took three years even when there was local support. Other than that we are probably less-afflicted than other neighbors by the lower degree of routine crime and mayhem — we'll probably not be a major pest to the mayor.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

More industrial pollutants here than any other Berkeley district.

Lower income than rest of Berkeley/ greater need for social services.

Greatest number of tent/rv cities in Berkeley.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Northwest Berkeley; we tend to identify with Northwest Berkeley BART station.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

So far I don't see any positive action from the Council regarding our problems. I have visible, toxic dust entering my home every single day. The number of people living on the street, in tents, cars and rv's makes my home neighborhood a depressing place to live.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

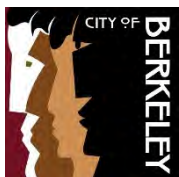
Let's start with reining in toxic pollution and helping house less persons get into motels or shelters.

Please help us have a better quality of life. Please hear me. Please.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

We are a neighborhood, linked by proximity, friendship, and our CERT group. Most of the neighbors have lived here for more than 25 years; some much longer. People know each other, look out for one another, share keys, newspapers, tools, lemons, and kid and elder equipment. The neighborhood kids go to Berkeley public schools; we're 6 blocks from Ruth Acty and 2 blocks from King.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Generally, the 1500 block of McGee and the 1700 block of Vine. Vine/McGee Neighbors.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Our taxes contribute to the City's general fund, special parcel taxes and assessments for various needs, and public safety. To the extent that the City and City Council allocate resources to maintain infrastructure and public safety, we are affected.

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

We love our neighborhood. It is one of the most walkable neighborhoods in town, less than a half mile from Shattuck, the North Branch of the Public Library, the Hopkins commercial corridor, and BART. The 1500 block of McGee badly needs repaving. The pavement has deteriorated to the point that the storm drains collect pebbles, dirt and bits of asphalt. The street sweeper generates huge clouds of dust; it is pointless to sweep.

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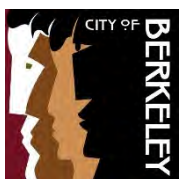
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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important: neighborliness, taking care of our homes, crime prevention, safety, small neighborhood stores, businesses and restaurants.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Westbrae, "Gilman District", East of San Pablo, near Gilman Street

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

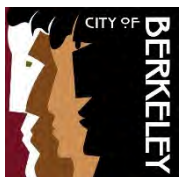
The city is discussing removing parking along Hopkins and near BART. I am retired on fixed income and have mobility limitations.(So I can't walk far and cannot afford taxis) I tried once to take a bus to the University and no bus came on schedule. If I cannot drive places and park, I will be unable to go anywhere. Well, I guess I can drive to Richmond or El Cerrito instead of to my closer Berkeley stores. What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

We need NEW 21st century transport for the "last mile" - self driving minibuses? moving sidewalks?

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Walking to local restaurants, post office, parks, library, shops. This is extremely important, that's why we chose this area.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

North of University and east of San Pablo. People refer to this area as Poets Corner but it is not. I've seen it referred to as Curtis Tract on official city plans

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

My community is being drastically impacted by the city and the actions of the city council. Massive building projects are looming in our back yards, literally! Parking is a nightmare and the lack of parking is not going to reduce the number of cars. People are buying electric, smaller cars. Homeless folks wander up and down the street. Human feces is common. The city council is rolling over on us. I honestly think the city would prefer older residents leave the area.

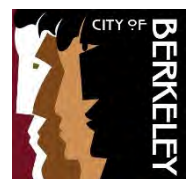
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As the previous city council member said this area is a "step child". We are on the border of districts 1 and 2 and no one wants to commit to us. Curtis Street is the only street you can travel on from Dwight to Kensington and we get massive amount of traffic avoiding San Pablo. Other than Sacramento every other street between Shattuck and San Pablo is restricted in some way leaving us extremely vulnerable to impatient, inconsiderate drivers. I think this district should span University Ave. Using main arteries as dividing lines leaves people unrepresented.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Living within walking distance of North Berkeley BART. This is important because drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians have different interests. Also, our community has many members in "regular" jobs (teaching, retail, government, transportation) versus some of Berkeley where residents are uniformly in higher income jobs.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

West of Sacramento, North of University, South of Gilman

West Berkeley

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Pedestrian safety is vital in our neighborhood, because many people see it as a place to speed through on the way to the hills. We also care more about inclusive housing policies. Also, there are issues around unhoused people that impact us more directly than they impact people in more uniformly wealthy neighborhoods.

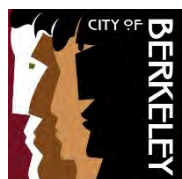
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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

A wide range of people living here- students, elderly, families, homeowners, renters, unhoused, Black, Native American, Asian, Latino and all other groups that are not "census defined".

Access to transit, cafe's, restaurants, grocery stores, services. Walkable and bike-able neighborhood.

On street parking for residents.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Rose or Hopkins street, Shattuck Ave, University Avenue, the Marina. I don't know the name of my specific neighborhood. I live at [REDACTED] 2 blocks from the BART Station.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Decisions about the BART station development are key in the coming year. Those decisions should be majorly influenced by those that will live next door to it, and not those who drive to it. Enlarging District 5 will disadvantage those of us who live next door.

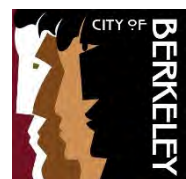
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Some people are writing in form letters to enlarge District 5. Please ignore form letters. Create districts that make geographic sense. On the north, Rose or Hopkins is the obvious boundary.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

The parks and paths: Strawberry Creek Park + the West Street path, Ohlone Park and paths, Cedar Rose Park, plus Totland. That's where I see my neighbors (particularly during COVID), where I see kids playing, where I see people walking their dogs.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

I live in the neighborhood around the North Berkeley BART station. To me, the most central elements are North Berkeley BART, the path along West Street, Strawberry Creek Park, and Cedar Rose Park. My conception of the neighborhood extends south to Dwight (+ Homemade Cafe!) and north to Hopkins. On the west it goes at least to San Pablo Avenue, or maybe all the way to the railroad tracks (to include Rosa Parks + the Adult School and Cafe Leila and Viks -- but it doesn't include the Fourth Street shopping district). On the east it goes at least to California (Monterey Market + the softball field next to the BART station), or maybe as far as MLK Jr Way (for Totland, the rest of Ohlone Park, and King Middle School).

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

City decisions about development at North Berkeley BART, along major corridors (University, Sacramento, San Pablo, maybe MLK + the 6th St corridor).

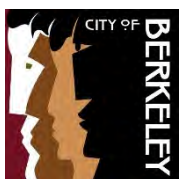
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The North Berkeley BART station is part of the Berkeley flats.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Living so close to the North Berkeley BART station, I see that as a focal point for the community, and something that priorities and interests are organized around. Those who walk or bike to that BART station, and are invested and impacted by it as a use, definitely feel like one economic community. One of the biggest factors for lifestyle in Berkeley is whether you live in a walkable/bikable neighborhood in the flats, or in a driving neighborhood in the hills. Those are two very distinct lifestyles and interests, and residents of each lifestyle should be able to elect councilmembers that advocate for those interests and needs.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

To me, my neighborhood stretches from Gilman/Hopkins in the north (Monterrey Market, Gioia Pizza, and the swimming pool at King Middle being key parts of my community), San Pablo to the west (Casa Latina, Cafe Leila, and Acme being core parts of what I access), MLK to the east (Ohlone Park is important to me), and Allston to the south (I take Allston to get to Aquatic Park and Cesar Chavez park). I think of the BART station as a central organizing feature of my neighborhood, as well as the Ohlone Greenway.

Urban Adamah and the Gilman Corridor is also an important part of my community, and something I access often.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Given the planning around the BART housing project, the city's planning on that project is hugely impactful to my neighborhood. Bike and pedestrian access is also impactful, given the prominence of the Ohlone Greenway, as well as the relative walkability (or not) of various parts of my community (very easy to get to Gilman/Hopkins, less easy/pedestrian friendly to get to San Pablo).

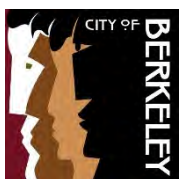
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I truly believe how you get around is a distinct marker in distinguishing one community from another. A primarily car-oriented community and neighborhood has vastly different needs and priorities than a primarily walking and biking-oriented neighborhood. My neighbors and I walk and bike regularly, and choose the flats with many walkable and bikable amenities on purpose. That is a key element of something that makes us a neighborhood. My nextdoor neighbors walk their daughters to school every day. My roommates and I bike to the grocery store. My neighbors and I use BART, the Ohlone Greenway, and the Bike Blvds on California, Milvia, and 9th to get where we need to go, and we chose this place to live specifically so we could do that. Mobility is a core issue when determining a community, and that should be taken into account when drawing district maps.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

The North Berkeley Bart station is the single biggest defining feature of my neighborhood, and the landmark used to convey the neighborhood within a 15-20 minutes walk of the station.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

The area is described as the "neighborhood around the North Berkeley Bart station", or just "North Berkeley Bart". Because the station is named "North Berkeley", many people around here use that name to refer to the area around the station rather than the wider part of Berkeley towards Hopkins and Gilman. The use of this station version of the name usually refers to the area between San Pablo Ave, Martin Luther King, Hopkins and University.

Because the Ohlone Greenway (and Ohlone Park) transport people by foot and bike to the Bart station, many Bart commuters who use the station consider themselves affiliated with "North Berkeley" by virtue of the station they use.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The City's investment and upkeep of the bike, transit and pedestrian infrastructure leading in all directions from the North Berkeley Station affects our community's daily commutes to the station. The quality of that infrastructure is experienced twice daily by the thousands of people who move on foot to the station.

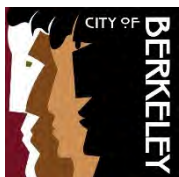
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It's very important to our neighborhood's identity that the area around the Bart station not be split into different districts. The walkshed/bikeshed around the station has build that community identity. Those who walk and bike to the station see the same people people (our neighbors who walk and bike) daily, exchange news and create community. Because of the Ohlone Greenway in particular, which acts as a feeder from the blocks to the north, there is a strong culture of people who walk or bike to transit. Many people I know moved to this neighborhood in order to drive less. This an "eco neighborhood" of people making transportation choices in line with their sustainability objectives.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

One extremely important common interest in my community is that we have common means of transportation, most notably the ability to walk to North Berkeley BART and bike to various places. I believe that when developing the council districts, North Berkeley BART and ones proximity to it should be considered a factor.

Another common interest in my community is that we live near Cedar Market and Monterey Market/Magninis etc. Another example of community is the night that my community puts out lights for our annual Luminaria night (Christmas eve) - people from all over the city come to walk the streets in this community that are bounded by MLK, University, Rose and Sacramento (or North Berkeley BART) to enjoy the luminaria's and the community that we have built over the years.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

I consider my community to be North Berkeley BART East. The boundaries are Berkeley BART to Rose Street to MLK to University.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

It is very important that this community and its interests/concerns be recognized and that the city makes sure that this community stays together. Please do not separate the neighborhoods between University, MLK, Sacramento and Rose. Again, because of the ability to walk to North Berkeley BART and because of current events concerning North Berkeley BART I firmly believe that when developing the council districts, BART and ones proximity to it should be considered a factor.

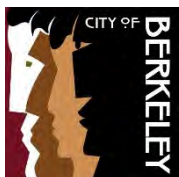
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My community and its concerns/interests are unique from that of the Berkeley Hills/Thousand Oaks neighborhoods. It is important to NOT lump us in with the Berkeley Hills or Thousands Oaks neighborhoods.

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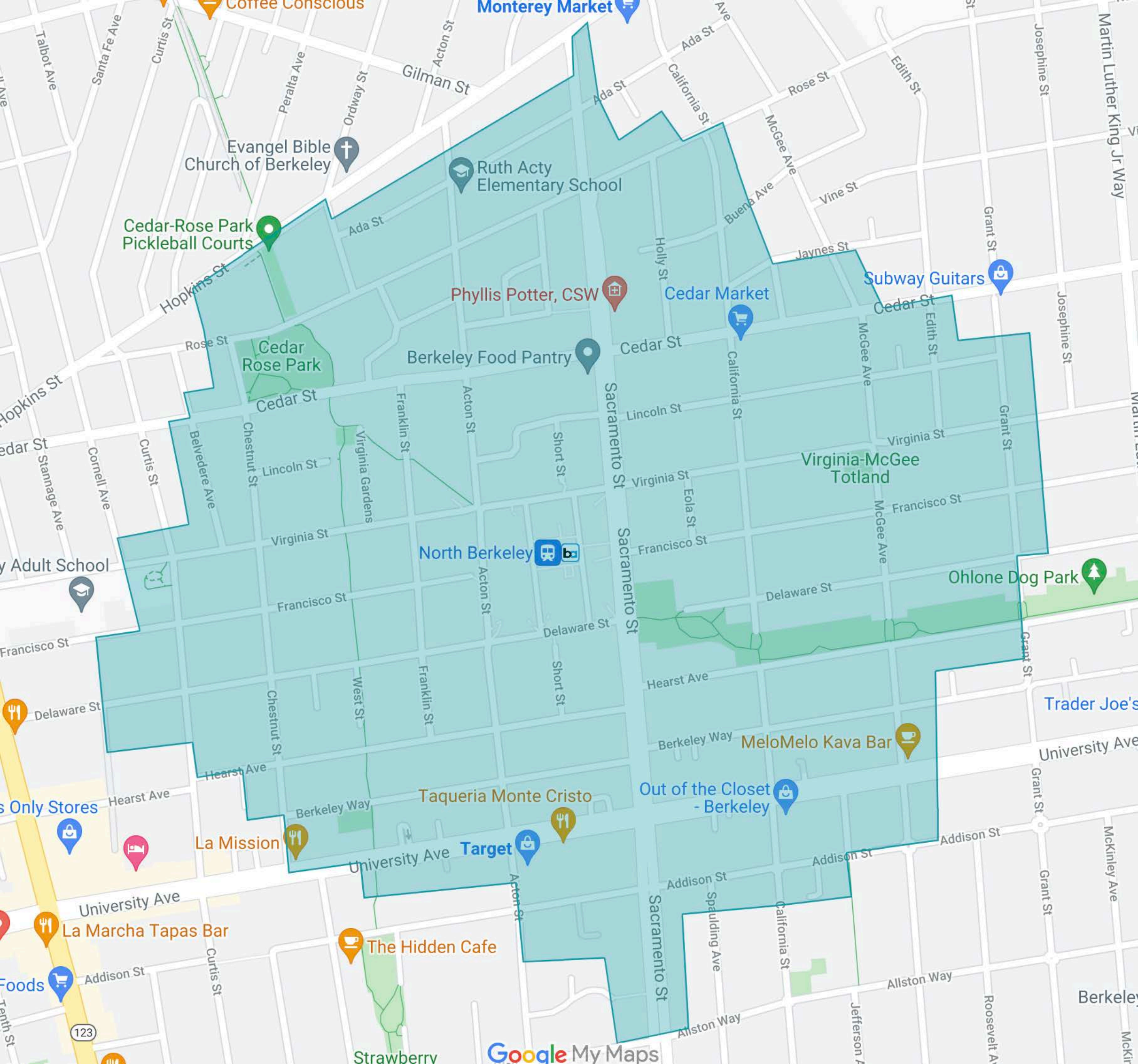
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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Many people chose to live in this neighborhood because of the walkable streets and proximity to buses and the North Berkeley BART station (NBB). We enjoy walking or biking to places and patronizing local businesses. Our neighborhood has a grid, not wavy switchback style streets seen in the Berkeley Hills.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

The attached map shows the area around North Berkeley BART where one can walk to the station from their home in less than 10 minutes. Residents living in that area are most affected by regional usage of BART and zoning changes there. Because of the grid, the walkable area is more of a diamond shape than a square.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The zoning of the North Berkeley BART station is a major area that affects us, as well as general plans of the Bike, Paving, and Climate Action variety. The effort to update the Housing Element will affect us as the North Berkeley BART area is a high opportunity area that is largely zoned for single family homes.

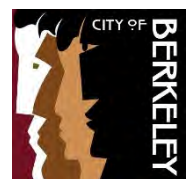
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Judging by the size of the North Berkeley BART station parking lot, there was an idea sometime in the past to make this neighborhood more suburban, but when you spend a good amount of time here you see people using the streets with anything but cars. There's also an unusually high amount of working and retired architects, planners, and urbanists concentrated here now. We chose this place because of its urban qualities, not the suburban ones.

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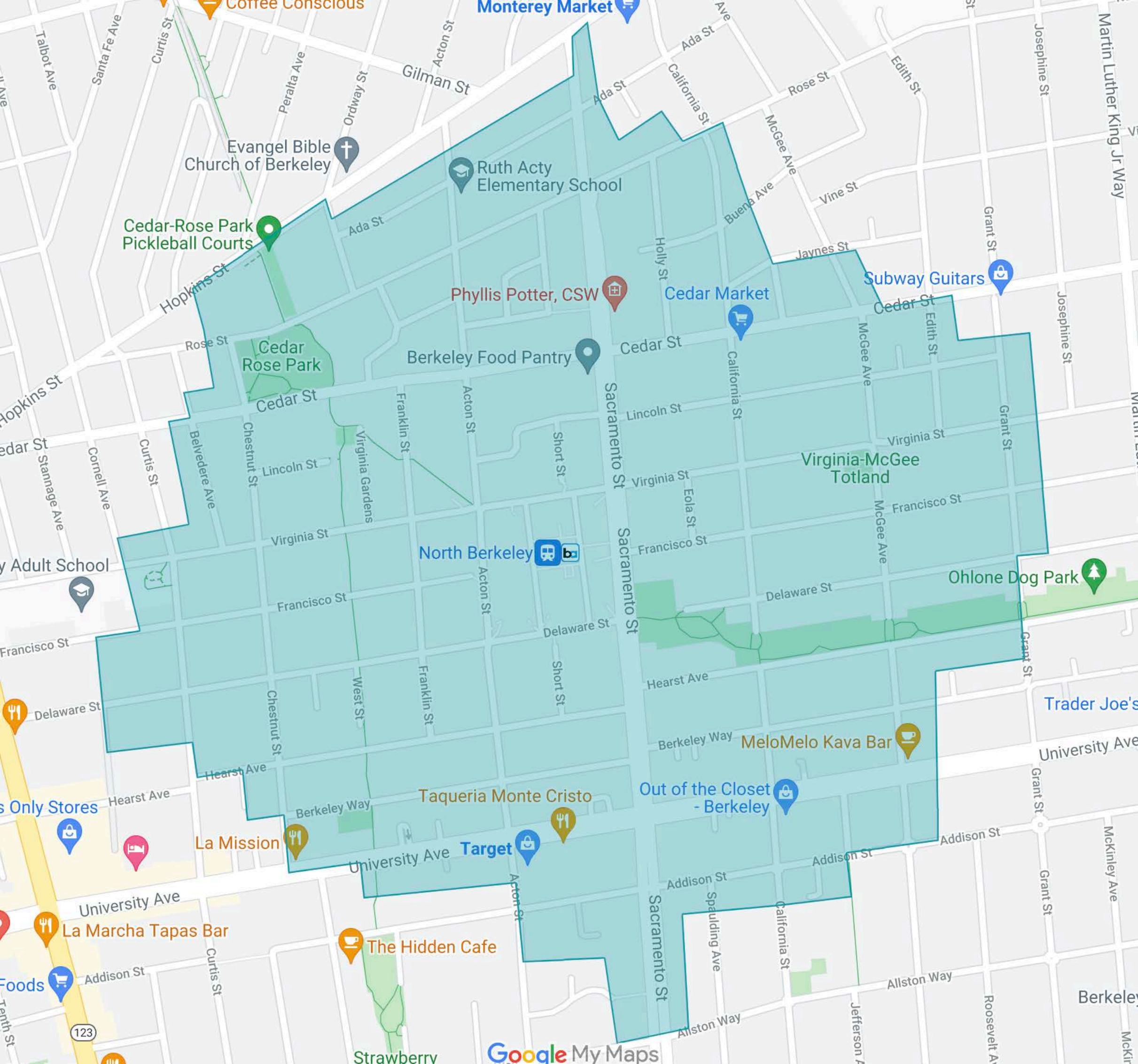
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Our community is WALKABLE! We walk to run errands, go to school and work, visit each other and exercise our dogs and ourselves. Most importantly, we can walk to the North Berkeley BART station, which is why we chose to purchase our home 28 years ago.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Sacramento and the North Berkeley BART station to the east, Ohlone Greenway to the south, MLK to the east and Rose to the north.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Pavement quality, street-sweeping, disaster preparedness and development of the North Berkeley BART station.

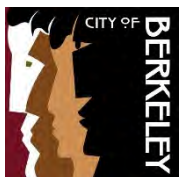
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This is a world-class neighborhood! To be able to learn, shop and exercise in a lovely, tree-filled, architecturally interesting area that is such close walking distance to a transit system that can whisk us to work, across the Bay and to two international airports is a privilege.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

The common interests of my community are the many different interests that are shared by the wonderfully different people who live nearby. For many it's books. For others it's gardening. We spend a lot of time in political discussions. We spend even more time discussing most anything. But the underlying glue that holds us together and inspires us is the joy of engaging with our neighbors during our walks in our community. As a result, "an easy walking distance" limits the size of our community. And having somewhere there's a reason to walk to in our community gives walking a purpose. Our two most popular walking destinations are the North Berkeley BART station and the neighborhood commercial center at the Hopkins/California/Monterey intersection.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

The "community" in which I reside encompasses more than the few adjacent blocks that surround the block on which I live. But my community is smaller than the many neighborhoods often referred to as "North Berkeley." I've heard it called "Cow Hollow," perhaps because the area was occupied by dairy farms before it was subdivided over a century ago. Our community is bordered on the north by its upscale neighbor, Northbrae, on the east by the wide commercial corridor of Shattuck Avenue, on the east by the Ohlone Greenway with a little bump to University Avenue along Sacramento Street and on the west by San Pablo Avenue. Everywhere within our community is within walking distance of it hub, the North Berkeley BART station.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Through its political, planning and legal actions the institution known as the "City of Berkeley" can inspire and facilitate the transformation of North Berkeley BART's suburban style commuter rail station and surrounding sea of surface parking lots into an attractive and vibrant mixed-housing and community-serving neighborhood center.

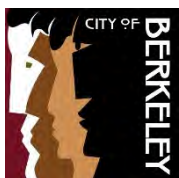
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When my wife and I decided to buy our particular little starter house on Vine Street 44 years ago, we did so in large part because we were charmed by the character and the then affordability of the "Baja Vine Street" neighborhood and because both of us worked in San Francisco. The easy commute on BART accommodated both our professional careers and our love affair with Berkeley. Both of us are now retired. Allowing many more people to share the opportunity we had is both just and will make our community even better than it is now.

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A walkable neighborhood with safe bike and pedestrian access to everyday needs (e.g. Ashby BART, Berkeley Bowl, UC Berkeley, libraries, parks and trails, commercial districts at Elmwood or Rockridge or downtown Berk).

A diverse, friendly and caring community of neighbors who support each other with health, housing, food, gardening and pet care.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Halcyon community centered on Halcyon Park with strong borders at Ashby and Telegraph (due to intense traffic, dangerous crossings), Woolsey (due to Oakland city boundary), and Ashby BART at Adeline. We feel connected to Ashby BART. We feel more connected to our neighbors to the north because we visit and traverse through the neighborhood often (to Berkeley Bowl, UC Berkeley). We feel less connected to neighborhoods in the Berkeley hills, that seems more exclusive and white and car-oriented.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Most impacted by (1) dangerous pedestrian and bike crossings at Ashby and Telegraph, (2) lack of bike infrastructure throughout the city, and (3) Ashby BART planning.

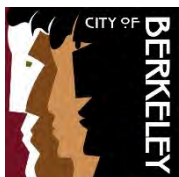
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Pulling our sliver of neighborhood into District 8 is not a good fit unless we are joined by LeConte neighborhood (blue map).

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Mainly small, residential neighborhoods with middle-age and older residents, of middle income, primarily college educated, mainly English speaking. Share transportation nearby, of buses and BART.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

South Berkeley. Near University in the north, Dwight in the south, Sacramento to the west. McGee Spaulding neighborhood is the name of this community.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

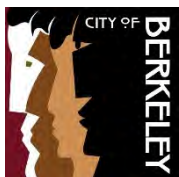
We are an active area and pay close attention to the actions of the City and the City Council. We are hoping that District 4 will remain, and thus "vote" for either the orange or amber district maps.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

We have a lower average income, more diversity, and generally less clout with respect to local politics compared with the people who live in the hills.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

From 3 blocks East of San Pablo to the Bay

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

More outreach time is required for our area compared to the hills because people have less leisure time for political involvement and somewhat less confidence in local government.

Environmental impact of businesses need to be constantly addressed. This necessarily consumes a lot of councilperson(s) time. That's why we need two.

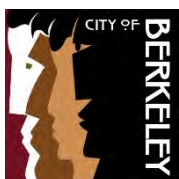
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We need two different councilpersons like or much like we have now.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

My Community of Interest is South Berkeley: District 3. A member of my family lived in South Berkeley. I visited and became part of the community. I made my way back and have been a part of the South Berkeley neighborhood, workforce and services for over 13 years. I could only find housing in the North of Berkeley, but I am working hard to get back home.

Like all of Berkeley, as portrayed in Berkeleyvisit tourist comment, we represent the beauty of diversity in all our districts. District 3's cultural and historical ethnic diversity and traditions are a rich contribution to Berkeley's appeal to all. I agree with the history of Berkeley's democratic process, that all districts should be afforded the basic right to choose what cultural, historical diversity in which they identify.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

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District 3's boundaries that if redlined, will sever a cultural diverse distinctness for generations for South Berkeley. A ethnic flavor that has contributed to the appeal to residents and tourists of Berkeley.

It should be left intact from east to west district limits from San Pablo Avenue to Telegraph Avenue; and south to north boundaries limits(Alcatraz Ave to Dwight Way). There are funding projects and investments that South Berkeley's long-time residents and neighborhood improvement nonprofits have in place based on the current district mapping.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

The City Council I was told is independent of the redistricting process. They hired an independent consultant to propose how the population by the census could be better served. The Independent Redistricting Commissions' actions seemed to be conflicted. They excluded the chair of the CAG (Citizens' Advisory Group) and they only got impact responses of the South Berkeley community form select groups they let know about the community input for their mapping proposals (above Shattuck to Telegraph). They eliminated and redistricted those areas without the input of the whole South Berkeley community. Only a small population and not the population that they impacted (BART station dedicated riders, Phillips AME, Ed Roberts Campus, Black Healthy Families, Lifelong Medical Over 60 campus, Inner City Services (computer training for at-risk youth) Berkeley Drop in (Wellness, housing and stability services).

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

We, South Berkeley neighbors and associations, are developing our home so all (those of the long-time residents presentation) and those who were displaced can live well. To choose and have access to what they identify as their heritage. South Berkeley for nearly a century have had leaders that benefited all of Berkeley. Our families have been disrupted by eminent domain, predatory loans, high rental and homeownership rates by corporate, penal profit, high mortality rates and extreme inhumane conditions that caused life-threatening physical and mental health conditions. Yet, we rallied together to make South Berkeley better. Now, here we go again; there is a so-called "independent" redistricting strategy to erase generations of the richness of the African-American cuisine, culture, tradition and presence concentrated in the district or township we called home.

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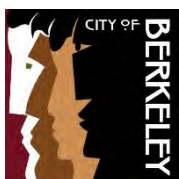
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Which district do you live in? If you're not sure, write your address and we'll look it up:

- District 1 District 2 District 3 District 4
 District 5 District 6 District 7 District 8

What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Historically redlined, recently gentrifying. Pressure on housing, people who grew up here can't afford to stay here (like Mildred Howard).
Newer Americans also settle here esp in cheaper & section 8 apartments-this has been the case for the whole brief history of this city
-Little India around lower University Ave.
-Unstably housed folks camp around Aquatic Park.
-Orthodox Jews live here to be within the "eruv" (zone in which they are permitted to walk to 2 synagogues; eruv is delimited by the rabbis), but because it's Berkeley these are socially progressive Jews.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

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HOLC maps from 1940s show redlined boundaries.
Newer Americans reside between Sacramento-Sixth-University-Oakland border.
Little India clusters within lower University-Sacramento-Dwight-San Pablo.
Unstably housed—Aquatic Park
Poorer folks, newer Americans—large older apartment complexes esp which allow Section 8
Eruv for Observant Jews—Ask Rabbis of Netivot Shalom and Beth Israel for a map of the eruv boundaries

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

If districts break up voting blocks, people can lose their say.
If business-zoned areas are overconcentrated in one or two districts, the residents of those districts bear the burden of any traffic, parking, crime, environmental impacts (like toxic waste in air) associated with businesses
If some districts have few residents but other districts have many residents, but each district has one council rep, people in smaller zones are overrepresented (like in US Senate now).
It looks like the Amber map best addresses those concerns.

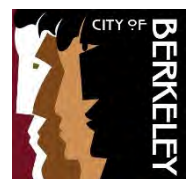
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Berkeley has a history of and reputation for progressive politics; would be a shame to lose that.
Berkeley has been a lovely place with lots of greenery (yards, trees, parks) and views of the hills and the Bay--would be a shame to see it all go concrete and sky high.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Common goals to keep our community safe and help people in need especially older folks, environmentally conscious, community clean ups especially Strawberry Creek Park, neighbors look out for one another.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries? Does your community/neighborhood have a name?

Poets Corner

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

Very much so with all the development and construction on San Pablo, traffic congestion, parking availability, increase in crime and homelessness, lack of enforcement of codes.

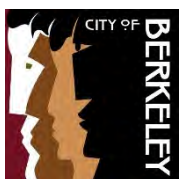
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Two representatives are needed to represent West Berkeley to address citizens concerns with all the development, homeless issues, the industrial district, the marina, Aquatic Park, etc and of course homeowners and increase in renters that will house these developments. Poets Corner should remain in district 2. There should be fair representation in West Berkeley. Looking at the maps what makes a majority of UC students who live in Berkeley for 2 to 4 years get more representation in some of the maps?

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Public safety, traffic and walkability to stores near by. The walking nature of our community is a real core to what I see. We all are connected and visible to each other on a daily basis.

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?

neighbors that are east of San Pablo Avenue. Our common thread is that we are mostly small homes and families that range across "the flatlands" of Berkeley. I consider our community to be from Albany in the north to roughly Univesity to the south and Sacramento to the east. The similarities, connections and boundaries of streets really define this area. And, I should add the type of use, residential single family with a few in-fill apartment buildings and ADUs.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

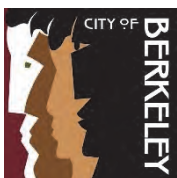
Well, it's more the lack of actions. Street repair, traffic and speed of cars has an impact. However with the redistricting that's occuring it's really obvious that unifying West Berkeley as ONE district in district #2 and making DIstrict #1 a single district spanning the residential neighborhoods above San Pable to Dwight Way makes so much more rational sense when it comes to "common interests and issues".

What else would you like to tell us about your community? Add more pages if you need to.

We are a mix of young families, kids, retired people and some single folks. Families tend to dominate. We all look out for each other as much as we can.

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What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

As the elected External Affairs Vice President in UC Berkeley's Graduate Assembly, I represent the interests of 13,000 graduate and professional students at UC Berkeley.

Our community is incredibly diverse. We share two primary conditions:

- Student status at UC Berkeley
- Limited income, often extremely low income (average graduate student salary is approximately \$25,000 per year), which produces housing and food insecurity and educational challenges

Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the boundaries?
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Graduate students live in every one of Berkeley's districts.

Many of Berkeley's districts favor homeowners. Graduate students almost never own homes. Redistricting that increases the equitable voting power of renters is super important to my constituency.

How is your community impacted by the City and the actions of the City Council?

A full 25% of UC Berkeley graduate students have been housing-insecure in the past 6 months. City Council actions have typically exacerbated student housing insecurity.

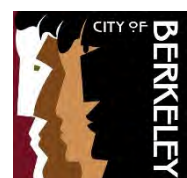
Also, most graduate students commute to campus with methods of transportation that don't involve cars - walking, biking, busing, BARTing, etc. City of Berkeley decisions on mobility infrastructure (especially street crossing and bikes lanes) impact graduate student safety, quality of life, and educational/workplace access.

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Friday, February 25, 2022

To: redistricting@cityofberkeley.info

Subject: UC Berkeley Graduate Assembly Recommends Postponing Feb 28th meeting

Honorable Commissioners,

I represent the 13,000 graduate and professional degree students at the University of California, Berkeley as the External Affairs Vice President for the Graduate Assembly. UC Berkeley graduate students live in and contribute to every district across Berkeley.

For a variety of CVRA considerations, the Graduate Assembly opposes both amber and violet maps in their current forms. Berkeley is a city proud of its equity and inclusivity. Both equity and inclusivity are at the core of CVRA's legislative intent for a protected class "to elect candidates of its choice." More maps will serve CVRA's charge than the amber and violet maps discussed currently.

Ahead of your deliberations, I recommend postponing your meeting scheduled for February 28th and scheduling additional meetings in March. The longer timeframe will enable more stakeholder input, including graduate student input, into new or modified maps. We are hopeful the commission agendas maps submitted by the public to discuss at the Feb 28th meeting and subsequent meetings.

Thanks!

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of the sender.

External Affairs Vice President
UC Berkeley Graduate Assembly

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1	7/19/2021	7	Raina Zhao on behalf of ASUC	The UC Berkeley student body is interested in housing development and affordability, safety around campus, police conduct, sustainability, and transit in the City of Berkeley. This list is not exhaustive; students are interested in all issues pertinent to their educational experience and life as Berkeley residents.	District 7, south of UC Berkeley campus. Majority of students, particularly undergraduates, live within 1 mile of campus. Many students also live in Districts 4, 6, and 8.	2490 Channing Way, 94704		STUDENT REPRESENTATION - HOUSING; SAFETY; PUBLIC TRANSIT	NO	YES	YES, STUDENTS SHOULD BE GROUPEd TOGETHER	Incorporated into map making process, but irreconcilable with City Charter requirements, criteria by the IRC, and/or other COIs	
2	7/20/2021	2	Joanna Louie	Poor quality roads filled with pot holes/bumps/ cracks/ uneven pavement; outdated as in over 100 years old electrical infrastructure; crime; pollution from Ashby and San Pablo Ave.; pedestrian friendly ways to cross San Pablo Ave	South west Berkeley	2995 San Pablo Ave, 94702		NEIGHBORHOOD EQUITY; CRIME/SAFETY	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
3	7/20/2021	5	B. Yoder	I would like to be in District 1 again, where I was for many years before the lines were redrawn. There's a line right down the middle of Ada Street. So I have a different representative than the folks across the street, and I lost my voting place. Our neighborhood, Ada Street between Ordway and Acton, has an active mailing list and participates in National Night Out Against Crime. I organize the gatherings, and 98% of the people on our list are in District 1. My representative will never come to our National Night Out gatherings because only our side of the street is in her district, so I effectively have no representation. It's one block, it belongs in District 1, not District 5. And if you wanted to be really effective, you'd also include Ada between Acton and Sacramento in District 1. Everyone in that block lives directly across the street from Ruth Acton Elementary School and Crowden Music School, which	Ada Street between Ordway and Acton. Ada between Acton and Sacramento, folks on Acton and on Ordway from Hopkins to Rose, a few folks on Hopkins just below and just above Orway.	1400 Ada St, 94702		NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS / SPLIT; CRIME/SAFETY	NO	YES	YES, RETURN TO D1 - by keeping Ada Street between Ordway and Acton in D1	Included in Amber map	
4	7/20/2021	5	Margot Dashiell	It is helpful when neighbors in close proximity are represented by the same office holder. Several years ago Ada street was split down the middle, with the south side staying in District 1 as it always had been and the Northside parceled out to District 5. As a District 5 member, I have no polling place, and for neighborhood issues, my side of the street must reach out to different city council people. This disadvantages us as we cannot present a unified voice on important concerns.	Ada street	1400 Ada St, 94702		NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS / SPLIT	NO	YES	YES, RETURN TO D1 - by keeping Ada Street between Ordway and Acton in D1 (not D5)	Included in Amber map	
5	7/21/2021	5	Joe Berry	Unfortunately, as a result of past racist zoning and other exclusions, this is a largely single family home community that is now only affordable by very well-off people or those who inherit homes here. The result is a split in perceived interests within the Community between those who want to see change in the direction of more economic, racial and housing-type diversity and those who want to preserve the current overwhelmingly white, single family home, wealthy character for property value and other reasons. There is active debate at this time and one result is contested elections in the past 3 elections for District 5 council member. One key issue is resistance to affordable housing in the area. Another is that a high % of the newer younger folks (many also richer) in the neighborhood no longer send their kids to BPS but rather to private schools. Some of this comes from both resistance to having their kids mix with poor kids and/or Black and brown kids. This is a change for decades	Lower hills, near Marin/Arlington Circle.	2100 Marin Ave, 94707		AFFORDABLE HOUSING; HOUSING EQUITY; SOCIOECONOMIC DIVERSITY; HISTORIC REDLINING	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
6	7/21/2021	5	John	Gardening, art, music, food, being outdoors, all ways for our neighbors to share and connect with one another. Our community was split by the last redistricting, putting the north side of Ada Street in District 5. This has made organizing events and dealing with issues like street paving and requesting crosswalks more challenging. We would love to have both sides of Ada in the same district again	Ada Street between Ordway and Acton.	1400 Ada St, 94702		NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS / SPLIT; HOUSING AFFORDABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY FOR ELDERLY	NO	YES	YES, RETURN TO D1 - Ada Street between Ordway and Acton in D1 (not D5)	Included in Amber map	

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7	7/27/2021	1	Prateek Haldar	<p>*High quality public schools is No. 1 on the list for everyone I know. That will enable the everything else.</p> <p>*Development at North Berkeley Bart: We want to ensure an equitable, beautiful, and vibrant mixed-use area that is safe and convenient for residents.</p> <p>*Most importantly, we need to increase affordable housing stock to enable our residents to thrive.</p> <p>*Maintaining / improving the vibrancy of the Hopkins and Gilman shopping / restaurants.</p> <p>*Creation of usable bike lanes, and the renewal of the marina and waterfront areas. These areas are declining and need help.</p> <p>We are neighbors that look after each other. During the pandemic, we've cordoned off our streets to allow our kids to play and flourish. We care deeply about the quality of life here, and wish all of Berkeley has safe and clean spaces to gather. Although I live in North Berkeley, I can see the greatest upside on the west side of town. We've got great potential in in the waterfront / marina. Tons of mixed use areas that can foster innovative business and sustain a vibrant, diverse community. But it's stifled by homelessness and lack of affordable housing. The waterfront is a diamond in the rough. We need to invest in that area to ensure the</p>	Bound by Hopkins Street on the north, Sacramento on the west (or San Pablo) MLK on the east, and Cedar on the south.	1359 Rose St, 94702		HOUSING EQUITY; HOUSING DEVELOPMENT; AFFORDABLE HOUSING; PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; BUSINESS DISTRICTS SUPPORT; MULTIMODAL TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE; HOMELESSNESS; MIXED USE	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
8	7/28/2021	5	1546 Milvia	We were gerrymandered out of District 4 (Arreguin) into Capitelli's district so his chosen Stephen Murphy could run against Sophie Hahn. It split the 2 sides of our block which we used to hold block parties--closing the street. Stephen Murphy is around the corner from Milvia and Ceder. a few houses down Ceder. Sophie won, Capitelli lost for Mayor. I would like to return to District 4 with Kate whose home is a few blocks from mine while Hahn relates more to Solano	Milvia at District 4/5 - split the 2 sides of the block and put in District 5	1450 Milvia St, 94709		COUNCILMEMBER RESIDENCY; NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS / SPLIT	NO	YES	YES, RETURN TO D4 - BOUNDARIES SHOULDN'T BE DRAWN BASED ON COUNCILMEMBER RESIDENCY	Included in Amber map	
9	7/28/2021	None/N	Anonymous	Helping each other- sharing tools, offering rides, celebrating wins, informing each other about noisy construction, or house repairs	Tilden Park to the east and south, grizzly peak to the west and Cragmont to the north	50 Whitaker Ave, 94708	(Unclear geographic location. Selected Grizzly Peak Park address.)	NEIGHBORHOOD DESCRIPTION	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
10	7/30/2021	8	Vincent Casalaina	The Willard neighborhood [...] seek[s] a reduction in crime and maintaining the character of the neighborhood - largely single family houses or single family houses with ADU's.	Willard neighborhood. Telegraph/Parker & College/Ashby.	2730 Hillegass Ave, 94705		SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING; IMPROVED RESOURCE/SERVICE EQUITY; PUBLIC TRANSIT; CRIME/SAFETY	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
11	8/16/2021	5	Anonymous (kktompkins@gmail.com)	Beautification, Solano Ave corridor development, property crime	Far north Berkeley adjacent to Solano Ave to Albany border in the west.	1559 Solano Ave, 94707		NEIGHBORHOOD DESCRIPTION; CRIME/SAFETY	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
12	8/20/2021	2	Anonymous	Our portion of the neighborhood is working families, many with kids, many I see walking to school each day as we set out to leave too. Living near the school has its benefits, but our District has its drawbacks too. As we walk to school each day we pass sidewalks littered with trash. Not just someone's belongings strewn about, but literal trash and garbage. A few times we have passed broken glass, discarded syringes, and tragically a dead cat that looked as if it had been "tampered" with. While there is sympathy for those on hard times, this is not something children should have to pass on their way to school. Not because it hurts their precious eyes, but because it hurts their souls and it hurts our communities. There is absolutely no compassion in allowing this to continue.	Fourth & Fifth, from Dwight to Addison	800 Bancroft Way, 94710		CLEANLINESS; SAFETY; HOMELESSNESS; NEIGHBORHOOD EQUITY / SERVICES	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
13	8/26/2021	None/N	Anonymous	clean air, affordable low density housing, transportation networks that dont smash thru our neighborhoods, slow streets, public safety, litter and street trash, childcare, parks, trees, community green space rapidly changing but with many long term committed residents. long history of waves of communities. home to last of Berkeley's industry and many jobs. need protection	north west berkeley - west of San Pablo to University	1529 Sixth St, 94710		NEIGHBORHOOD EQUITY/SERVICES; INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY/ DEVELOPMENT/POLLUTION; HOMELESSNESS; CLEANLINESS; HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
14	8/26/2021	1	nan@essentialbusinessbehaviors.com	Families, safety, community	North Berkeley BART, Adult school on Virginia, Rose St. on other side of Cedar	1201 Virginia St, 94702		PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; HOMELESSNESS; HOUSING DENSITY	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
15	9/12/2021	3	Anonymous	D3 is more racially mixed than North or Central Berkeley	Corner of Parker and McGee	1700 Parker St, 94703		RACIAL DIVERSITY; PROPERTY VALUES	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	

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16	9/12/2021	None/N	Anonymous	International Coastal Clean-up month; Disaster Relief Committees; Food/beverage committee; Clean-up committee	B/W West Berkeley and North	1720 Eighth St, 94710	Changed it to James Kenney (Unclear geographic location. Picked an intersection in Northwest Berkeley neighborhood for	AFFORDABILITY; PARKING; INCLUSION	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
17	9/14/2021	6	Anonymous	Context (scale & mix), distant views, especially of the bay and the coastal hills; mainly a residential area with single-family homes, many with secondary units, typically with backyards and gardens; could see a mix of smaller vehicles and better transit, but it needs to be phased in, grandfathering older residents who depend on cars. Streets could be rethought. Filling every backyard with an ADU or building out single-family sites would be a mistake, but a thoughtful mix would be fine. Same comment about the Shattuck corridor - do't overload it. Some density but not a	Oxford Street and east. Odd situation where three districts overlap and near neighbors are represented by Hahn, Harrison, and Wengraf, whose districts differ substantially. District 6 should take in the north Shattuck corridor. We are closer to Thousand Oaks (Hahn) than the west side of Shattuck (Harrison) in interests, I sense.	1600 Oxford St, 94709		HOMEOWNERSHIP; VIEW PRESERVATION; DISTRICT BOUNDARIES (5&6); SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING; PUBLIC TRANSIT; PHASING IN CHANGES	NO	YES	YES, EXPAND BOUNDARIES FOR D6 TO TAKE IN N. SHATTUCK CORRIDOR	Included in Amber map	
18	9/23/2021	2	Veronica	Latinos with long history of home ownership and multiple generation households We have been discriminated against by the city in the allocation of resources for public swimming, again in favor of the more affluent/white communities of Berkeley. All of the good public swim and lap swimming hours are designated to King pool, with scant public transportation there and even worse parking. West Campus pool is allocated hours in the morning and during work. Evening and weekend hours go to King. We have had all of the traffic mitigation push traffic (and related pollution) to our neighborhood with little if any effort made to control traffic (speed and amount) on 6th St. Our houses, property, bicycles, outdoor toys and sadly our lungs are impacted by the constant pollution from trucks and other traffic pushed	5th street and San Pablo, between University and Dwight	920 Allston Way, 94710		SERVICE ALLOCATION; RACIAL EQUITY; HISTORICALLY LATINO COMMUNITY; RESOURCE EQUITY; MULTIGENERATIONAL LIVING; HOMEOWNERSHIP; AIR POLLUTION	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
19	9/27/2021	2	Sheryl	public safety, education, beautification (highly interpretative) - however, this district is currently a diverse group of people. I think this is the goal for a district. Why would you only consider putting like-minded folks in the same district? What happens to the population of residents who A) do not fill out online forms, B) do not participate in community input like this, C) do not have the resources or bandwidth to help create and support their district?	San Pablo Park neighborhood, West Berkeley, Left Bank are all names used for D2	2501 San Pablo Ave, 94702		HOMELESSNESS; INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION; DIVERSITY; SAFETY	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
20	9/28/2021	2	Ms. Ty	Crime reduction, clean streets (eliminate illegal dumping), affordable housing	South Berkeley	3100 Adeline St, 94703	(Unclear geographic location. Selected park near Sacramento and Fairview)	ILLEGAL DUMPING; CRIME; AFFORDABLE HOUSING; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; DIVERSITY	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
21	9/28/2021	3	Ayanna Davis	Berkeley Black Community, State of Black Berkeley	My community of interest is South West Berkeley beginning at Cedar and 4th Street and ending at 62nd and Adeline. West Berkeley, South Berkeley, Loren District	2546 Tenth St, 94710	(Large geographic location. Selected an address central to the described area)	HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY; HOUSING/RESOURCE EQUITY; POVERTY; FOOD INSECURITY; HEALTH/ECONOMIC EQUITY; RESOURCE EQUITY	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D3 - HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY	Included in Amber map	
22	9/29/2021	1	James	Public safety (homelessness/mentally ill people)	Gourmet Ghetto	1549 Shattuck Ave, 94709	(Unclear geographic area. Selected address in North Shattuck neighborhood)	HOMELESSNESS; CRIME; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; RESOURCE EQUITY; DIVERSITY; WALKABILITY	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
23	9/29/2021	3	Anonymous	diversity in ppl and architecture. nice flat and walkable, close to SF, Oakland, easy access It's sad to see the split between North and South - hills/north getting city resources, moving along service-resistant homeless and letting then fester on the streets in South Berkeley. NO, OK	South Berkeley	3075 Adeline St, 94703	(Unclear geographic area. Selected address near streets named in COI form.)	HOMELESSNESS; CRIME; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; RESOURCE EQUITY; DIVERSITY; WALKABILITY	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
24	10/2/2021	4	Anonymous	Creating a safe neighborhood for my family. This would be a neighborhood that is walkable and bike friendly. I want the city to stop prioritizing cars with high speed limits and lack of traffic signals late at night. I want the city to prioritize the people who live in Berkeley rather than the homeless who litter our streets. I'd also like the city to stand up to UC Berkeley and their take over of our town	Central Berkeley between Sacramento and downtown.	2246 McGee Ave, 94703		PUBLIC SAFETY; MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION; HOMELESSNESS; UC BERKELEY RELATIONSHIP	NO	NO	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	

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25	10/8/2021	5	north Shattuck	Environment, trees, city upkeep, art, ease of shopping, parking, good food, lovely parks, socializing, access to BART. North Shattuck is populated by people who care about Berkeley, the community, the environment, and who respect good planning and good city services	Marin Circle to University Avenue, from Grizzly Peak to Sacramento streets. Name provided: North Shattuck	1444 Shattuck Pl, 94709	Changed the pin to the Safeway in North Berkeley	PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION; FIRE SAFETY/EVACUATION; ROADWAY CONDITIONS; HOMELESSNESS; HILLS-SPECIFIC CONCERNS	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
26	10/16/2021	8	Elizabeth	None provided.	Elmwood District	2703 Stuart Street, 94705		None provided.	NO	YES	YES, SEE MAP	Included in Amber map	
27	10/16/2021	2	Ben Gardella	Strawberry Creek Park is an absolute focal point for our neighborhood (Poet's Corner) I am concerned that redistricting could split up this community. We all should remain in District 2	Alston, Sacramento, Sacramento and Dwight Street Name provided: Poet's Corner	1314 Bancroft Way, 94702		COI NEIGHBORHOOD CONTIGUITY; PARK/RECREATION	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 - POET'S CORNER / STRAWBERRY CREEK	Included in Amber map	
28	10/16/2021	2	Heather Clauge	We have a very sweet community formed around strawberry creek with active family involvement	University to Dwight, Sacramento to San Pablo Name provided: Poet's Corner	1298 Bancroft Way, 94702		PARK/RECREATION; HOMELESSNESS	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 - POET'S CORNER / STRAWBERRY CREEK	Included in Amber map	
29	10/17/2021	2	Douglas Smith	Families raising young children, retirees and elders aging in place, multigenerational housing--all of whom patronize the businesses along the San Pablo and University corridors and make use of primary parks like San Pablo Park, Strawberry Creek Park & Aquatic Park. Neighbors band together to monitor safety & crime, pedestrian/bike safety, working closely with our new Councilmember Taplin. There is a cohesive atmosphere which underscores a sense of this being a true community of individuals, looking out for each other. Having Rosa Parks and now Oxford School within our community improves the street life in a wonderful way, with many kids and parents present both on foot and bicycle. The CoB's investments in both Strawberry Creek & San Pablo Parks have enhanced these existing gathering places, and to see how speedily neighbors have flocked to these green	South to San Pablo Park, the 9th Street Bike Boulevard to the west, north to University Avenue, and east to Sacramento Street. University Avenue does seem to be a true dividing line and an appropriate boundary between D2 and D1; somehow San Pablo does not divide the Community. Name provided: Poet's Corner	1312 Bancroft Way, 94702		MULTIGENERATIONAL HOUSING; PARKS/RECREATION; CRIME/SAFETY; COHESIVE COMMUNITY; BUSINESSES	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 - POET'S CORNER / STRAWBERRY CREEK	Included in Amber map	
30	10/17/2021	1	Anonymous	Preserving residential character of neighborhood for livability. Safety of residents (crime prevention and optimal traffic/pedestrian flow). It's stereotyped as bourgeoisie and white but I looked up the demographics - it's pretty diverse despite all the PC rhetoric about redlining	San Pablo to the west, University Avenue to the South; Shattuck to the East; and Vine to the north. Name provided: Northbrae	1619 Edith St, 94703		LOW-DENSITY HOUSING; TRAFFIC; CRIME/SAFETY; NEIGHBORHOOD LIVABILITY; ZONING; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; HOMEOWNERSHIP	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
31	10/18/2021	2	Anonymous	commitment to Family, school, community events, shared political affiliations, diverse cultures, mixed low and middle income housing and proximity to shopping. We enjoy our Great walking and biking score!The quality of all of these elements create the environment that makes living in Berkeley worth it. We pay high taxes, high rent and high housing costs to live in an area that is noisy and a bit crowded, but we look out for each other and appreciate	From the Bay to Sacramento Street; from University to Bancroft. Connected to neighbors, particularly on Byron Street and Cowper. Name provided: Poet's Corner	2228 San Pablo Ave, 94702		TRAFFIC CONTROL; ROAD CONDITIONS; DENSITY; PARKS/RECREATION; SMALL BUSINESSES; MIXED DEVELOPMENT; HOUSING DEVELOPMENT; WALKABILITY; DIVERSITY	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 - POET'S CORNER / STRAWBERRY CREEK	Included in Amber map	
32	10/18/2021	2	Ariel Smith-Iyer	Appreciation for diversity; common interest in continuing to be a place for all in the neighborhood. Strawberry Creek Park is an important community meeting place; area surrounding the park, Corp Yard, and bowling green vacant lot should remain together to collectively decide the future of the area	San Pablo to Sacramento; University Avenue to Dwight Way. Name provided: Poet's Corner	1302 Bancroft Way, 94702		DIVERSITY; PARKS/RECREATION; HOMELESSNESS; REFUSE COLLECTION	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 - POET'S CORNER / STRAWBERRY CREEK	Included in Amber map	
33	10/18/2021	2	Anonymous	Traffic and speeding; traffic calming	West Berk Flat Lands between Sacramento & San Pablo.	2500 Bonar St, 94702	Incomplete boundaries; selected address at intersection of Dwight Way & Bonar Street	TRAFFIC SAFETY; SERVICE ALLOCATION	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	

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34	10/26/2021	None/N	Anonymous	Communities of interest that previous cycles of redistricting have dismissed: 1. Prospect Street is a community of interest currently split between District 7 and District 8. The east side of Prospect is in District 8, and the west side is in District 7. Both sides of the street should be in the same district. Both sides of Prospect Street have more in common with Southside than with Panoramic Hill or Elmwood-Claremont. 7. Clark Kerr Campus is in District 8. The students who live there have more in common with Southside than with Elmwood-Claremont. 8. Redwood Gardens, a senior housing facility located on the Clark Kerr Campus, has more in common with Elmwood-Claremont neighbors than with students and should be considered a community of interest separate from students' community of interest. 9. Faculty housing on Clark Kerr Campus is a community of interest that has more in common with Elmwood-Claremont than with students. 10. The blocks within Dwight-Waring-Derby-Telegraph have more in common with Southside than with Elmwood-Claremont. 11. I House and the student co-ops behind it are in District 8. The residents of these dorms have more in common with Southside than with Elmwood-Claremont. 12. The blocks within Cedar-Oxford-Hearst-Arch are part of Northside and not split between District 5 and District 6. Northside should extend to Walnut, maybe even Shattuck. 13. The blocks within Sacramento-Ashby-California-border are in District 2. They should be in District 3. 14. The blocks within University-Acton-Allston-Sacramento are part of Poet's Corner, which is in District 2. 15. Part of Cragmont is in District 6, and part is in District 5. 16. The blocks within Fulton-Dwight-Dana-Channing are in District 4 and should be		2180 Milvia Street, 94704	Not specific to one address or area; used Civic Center address as a general location,	Corrections to maps based on previous redistricting efforts	NO	YES	YES, SEE MAP	Included in Amber map	
35	11/3/2021	1	Phil Allen	By the looks of things in my part of D-1, this is a townish and family (dwellings) area of the city. I see family activity and the retail and recreational which sustain them. There is no overt presence of UC students; they seem to be elsewhere. Retired friends gather here, internet junkies there. San Pablo Avenue provides a traditionally gritty 'home' to a constant presence of lost and forgotten citizen/ghosts and their movable social spots.	My 'felt' boundaries, running from close-by San Pablo/Delaware as center, are: Addison (south); 9th St. (west); Gilman (north), indeterminate (east). Names provided: Cutthroat Corner or Almost Oceanview	1740 San Pablo Avenue, 94702	Incomplete boundaries; selected intersection of San Pablo/Delaware.	HOMELESSNESS; MENTAL ILLNESS; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; FORGOTTEN CITIZENS; LOCAL BUSINESSES; FAMILY; RECREATION; CHARACTER/UNIQUENESS	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
36	11/6/2021	5	Barbara Ann Yoder	I am part of a vibrant neighborhood group established probably in the 1980s, when former fire chief Bill Brock and his wife initiated annual gatherings during National Night Out. For the last 13 years since I moved to Ada Street, our neighborhood group has worked together sharing safety concerns and looking out for each other. We currently have 65 households in our group. We are in touch via email. We meet annually. We know each other by name. We have a neighborhood earthquake cache and a neighbor on Ordway offers trainings. All of Ada Street below Sacramento should be in District 1, where we used to be. When the lines were redrawn, they went right down the middle of our street. As a neighborhood we are impacted by development plans at N. Berkeley BART, Ruth Acty School traffic and events, Cedar-Rose Park events, traffic on Hopkins and the Ohlone Greenway—all in District 1. We should be rejoined with District 1.	Our neighborhood group currently includes 65 homes along Ada Street from Ordway to Acton and about halfway up the next block toward Sacramento. It includes most homes on Ordway from Hopkins to Rose, several homes on Rose and on Hopkins that back to Ada between Ordway and Acton, and most homes on Acton from Hopkins to Ada. Everyone in these blocks are welcome in our group. When you redraw the lines, if a street needs to be split down the middle, it shouldn't be a quiet short street like Ada; it should be a busy through street with double yellow lines, like Hopkins from Ordway to Acton. Also, if Ordway between Hopkins and Ada is split down the middle, it too should be reincorporated into District 1	1400 Ada St, 94702	Appended to COI Form #3 (submitter's first COI form)	NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS; SAFETY; PUBLIC TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE/DEVELOPMENT; RESIDENTIAL CHARACTER; FAMILIES; AGE DIVERSITY;	NO	YES	YES, RETURN TO D1 - Ada Street to D1	Included in Amber map	

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37	11/8/2021	3	Carl McPherson	Students & Renters	There is considerable overlap between renters and students, and we are concentrated in the areas around Berkeley main campus and the two BART stations. As I look at the maps already submitted, I think that Alfred Twu's "Compact Donut" map does a good job of collecting the main student populations into 2 districts on the southside and the areas just west and north of the main campus. It's unfortunate that we don't have 9 districts to work with, as I think—for population balancing purposes—Alfred Twu's map is unable to extend far enough North-South along the Shattuck corridor or far enough south on the Telegraph corridor to create 3 renter/student districts (Southside, Northside and "Westside"). Stephen Young's excellent map (which has several nice innovations, including taking the hillier parts of current Districts 5 and 6 and combining them into a single district) creates a district for the Northside renting community, but, in the process, splits the student population along the North and West sides into minority voting blocks (given lower turnout among students)—which	1947 Center Street, 94704	(Unclear geographic boundaries; selected 1947 Center Street as central location).	RENTERS; STUDENT DISTRICT; UP-ZONING (HOUSING DIVERSITY); PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	YES, ALFRED TWU'S DONUT MAP; STEPHEN YOUNG'S MAP; PREFER ALFRED TWU'S	YES	YES, ADD NEW RENTER/STUDENT DISTRICT	Incorporated into map making process, but irreconcilable with City Charter requirements, criteria by the IRC, and/or other COIs	
38	11/8/2021	4	David Ushijima	The community in this neighborhood is tied together not only by our geographical proximity and walkability of the neighborhood but our shared interest in many activities that are within walking distance in the nearby Downtown and Theatre districts. Also because of our close proximity to the University, we also share the common interests of cultural and intellectual events held on the UC Berkeley campus.	Dwight Way (south), University Avenue (north); MLK (east), Sacramento (west). Name provided: Spaulding-McGee tract. Please do not break up this community by drawing lines which would bisect the natural geographic boundaries of this community.	1700 Bancroft Way, 94703		COMMUNITY CONTIGUITY; CULTURAL ACCESS; WALKABILITY; RELATIONSHIP WITH UCB	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D4	Included in Amber map	
39	11/12/2021	4	Stephanie Allan	As a resident of the Flatlands since 1969, I have a strong interest in how District 4 is drawn or redrawn. When I first moved here, the neighborhood bounded by Shattuck/University/Sacramento/Dwight Way was primarily a working class area, predominantly white, but with some black families on Jefferson and Spaulding. It was a fairly tight community, located between the student/University area to the east, the historic black community to the west. There were lots of families here and a lot of kids. My son grew up & went to Washington school in this area. I worked hard to build a tot lot on Roosevelt and get a barrier at Channing & Roosevelt as well as a stop sign on McGee. (Pedestrian safety is still a major worry here, though) The housing used to be affordable. No longer, of course, like the rest of Berkeley. My neighborhood on Channing Way has been affected by the homeless crisis. Because we have a free box on Channing, between Roosevelt & McGee, we get a lot of homeless traffic from Downtown. Also, until we, reluctantly, agreed to have parking restrictions, the streets were jammed with UC students' parking. We supported making Channing Way a bike street although the condition of the road makes biking hazardous. The park area on the Ohlone strip was a great addition to the area. Aside from the park at Washington (where I participated in the redesign and addition of a regulation size basketball court when I was chair of the remodel committee) and the Tot Lot on Roosevelt, there isn't a lot of	University/Shattuck/Dwight Way/Sacramento Name provided: The Flatlands	1712 Channing Way, 94703		TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; PARKS/RECREATION; CRIME; PARKING; MIDDLE CLASS; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; HOUSING DEVELOPMENT; AFFORDABLE HOUSING	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D4	Included in Amber map	
40	11/13/2021	2	Anonymous	Strawberry Creek Park brings our neighbors together - park should be in one district with all of its surrounds.	Strawberry Creek	1260 Allston Way, 94702	Strawberry Creek address	NEIGHBORHOOD CONTIGUITY; PARKS/RECREATION	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 - POET'S CORNER / STRAWBERRY CREEK	Included in Amber map	

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41	11/14/2021	2	Anonymous	Culture, history, community - preservation of those. Black Repertory Group has been a vital part of that for almost 60 years. Redistricting such that would exclude Black Repertory Group from district 2 will mean that Black Repertory group and the commitment BRG has to district 2 and the community has to BRG are not being recognized or considered. please keep Black Repertory Group in district 2	South Berkeley, Adeline Corridor Name provided: District 2	3201 Adeline St, 94703	Used Black Repertory Group address	BLACK CULTURAL COHESIVENESS/HISTORY; HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 - HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY	Included in Amber map	
42	11/14/2021	2	Monika Scott	I live and work in the Lorin District. The Lorin District 2 is historical African American community. I would like the community to remain unchanged and that Black Reperatory Group remain in the district.	Name provided: The Lorin / District 2	3215 Adeline St, 94703	Address next to the Black Repertory Group	BLACK CULTURAL COHESIVENESS/HISTORY; HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 - HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY	Included in Amber map	
43	11/15/2021	3	Anonymous	Protect neighborhood resources of light, air, space, open areas, common spaces. Help neighbors and be vigilant for diverse communities who have been marginalized/victimied - particularly Muslim people, Asians and African Americans who reside in our immediate neighborhood. We live near/adjacent to Shattuck, with lots of traffic in and out of Berkeley and so we keep an eye out for each other. Socializing in the neighborhood is important - especially since the pandemic. Our door gatherings are now a thing. Watching our for children and making sure that traffic - vehicular and pedestrian- respect the ability of children to run around and play outside in a positive environment. Solar access for gardens and solar panels is a concern in our neighborhood in every house. Our western sky/space is especially important for the sunlight, air and views. The area is densely populated with small houses, apartments, coop houses and group living. With this density and close proximity people are very respectful.	Walker Street has become our gathering spot - that runs between Derby and Ward that runs from Shattuck on the West to east of Fulton. We also have gatherings on Fulton with the blocks running East up towards Telegraph. Walker Street is a frequent name for our neighborhood. Name provided: Walker Street	2655 Shattuck Ave, 94704	Used intersection of Walker Street and Shattuck Avenue	NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES; TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; DIVERSITY; MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES; RESOURCE EQUITY; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; LOCAL BUSINESSES; WALKABILITY	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
44	11/14/2021	3	C. Hutching	Many African Americans (AA) moved to South Berkeley during WW2 to support the war effort. They were restricted from living in other parts of Berkeley due to redlining laws. Together, with other newcomers from Asia and Central America, they shaped the neighborhood into a thriving community which reflected their cultural, artistic, religious and political beliefs. Key tenets of our historical neighborhood are shared by my community members today. Those beliefs include, but are not limited to, respecting the civil rights for every citizen, housing rights for all, rights to jobs and a right to worship. The faith community is actively engaged in supporting the values upheld by my community and is represented with churches scattered around South Berkeley. For example, The Church by The Side of the Road located east of Shattuck on Russell St. is leading a consortium of church leaders in the mentoring of young people. The Ephesian Church, with the active support of community groups in this area, is committed to building low/low-income housing on its site. The Buddhist Temple on Russell is also engaged in service in the community and is a welcoming place to families and neighbors for outdoor weekend lunches. There are many places of interest and programs serving my community like Kiwi Pediatrics on Alcatraz, Healthy Black Families, The Farmer's Market on Adeline/62nd, the NAACP office on Adeline, Community Acupuncture on Sacramento and the Women's Cancer Resource Center on Ellsworth. The Berkeley Bowl has a special place in our community. They sell foods representing many cultures in our neighborhood and it's also a place to run into your neighbors.	This area is known as South Berkeley. The current geographic location is Dwight Way on the North, Ellsworth on the East, 62nd on the South and Sacramento and California on South. The eastern swath of this area (from Dwight on the North going south on Ellsworth to Ashby and moving slightly westward at Deakin) should remain intact to represent the shared interests (stated above) of this community. Additionally, the southern swath of this District (going from Dwight on the North to 62nd on the South) is instrumental in reflecting the common shared interests of our community. Based on the maps that have been submitted to date, Howard Rosenberg's map looks the closest to what we might envision for District #3 if it was necessary to change any of the current boundaries. Name provided: South Berkeley	1730 Oregon St, 94703	Used Grove Park address	BLACK CULTURAL COHESIVENESS; FAITH COMMUNITY; PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION; HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY; PUBLIC SAFETY; INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION; POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY; COMMUNITY RESOURCES; LOCAL BUSINESSES; DIVERSITY; PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AFFORDABLE HOUSING	YES, HOWARD ROSENBERG'S MAP FOR D3	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2/D3 - HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY	Included in Amber map	

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45	11/14/2021	1	Meryl Siegal	<p>There are several common interests in our community: we are a transit oriented community bounded by BART, AC Transit and cars looking for parking once BART depletes the number of spaces. It makes sense to sever the district at Sacramento Street since the communities East of Sacramento do not have the same interests, development and history as the communities West of Sacramento. It is a community of interest because it has a major street that runs all the way to the hills and down to the Bay, East to West. It is a community of interest because it includes a highway as a street (San Pablo Ave). Furthermore, the community is also one that experiences toxic fumes from industrial corporate concerns. Finally, it is a community of interest because several of the houses are still owned by people of color who were not allowed to buy homes east of Sacramento.</p> <p>The community houses several families. It really is a community about families, schools and play grounds. The community is a conduit for evacuation from the hills if there should be a fire emergency. The community also is a nexus for growth over the next decade. The community includes Cedar up until Sacramento, West to Oceanview and the Marina. The community also currently houses a great majority of the unhoused people in Berkeley and these unhoused people live in the most heavily polluted areas in the city such as Harrison Street and also close to Berkeley Asphalt on 2nd street.</p>	Geographically it is a community of interest because it includes the Berkeley Marina district and so should expand past University (not stop there as it does now). Geographically, the community is flat and down hill from the rest of Berkeley. The community is also an international community from the Brazilian cultural center, to Spanish table, to the Halal restaurants, our community is international and cosmopolitan.	1529 San Pablo Ave, Berkeley, CA 94702	Used address central to current District 1 (intersection of San Pablo and Cedar)	PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT; INFRASTRUCTURE; TRANSPORTATION; INDUSTRIAL/ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION; HISTORIC REDLINING; DIVERSITY; FAMILIES; FIRE EMERGENCY; HOUSING DEVELOPMENT; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; HOMELESSNESS	YES, BNC MAP WITH ONE MINOR CHANGE--LINE AROUND BERKELEY BART SHOULD EXTEND TO SACRAMENTO WEST SIDE	YES	YES, EXPAND BOUNDARIES FOR D1	Included in Blue and Orange Maps	
46	11/15/2021	7	Anonymous	<p>MAP WE SUPPORT: We are supporting the BNC redistricting Renters; pedestrians, cyclists, and transit riders; students.</p> <p>The renter community is overwhelmed in the current districting by being split among districts dominated by homeowners. Renters vote less frequently than homeowners as a community and are therefore further drowned out. We need an additional district that protects and represents the significant number of renters in the City, such as the donut district on the map proposed by Alfred Twu, one draft example attached.</p>	This is concentrated in the areas with a high density of renters, including Downtown, southside blocks south of the current District 7, Clark Kerr campus, and "northside" up to Virginia Street	2355 Telegraph Ave, 94704	Incomplete boundaries provided; selected address at Durant/Telegraph Street	RENTERS/STUDENT COMMUNITY; TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; HOMELESSNESS; PUBLIC TRANSIT; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION	YES, ALFRED TWU'S DONUT MAP	YES	YES, ADD NEW RENTER/STUDENT DISTRICT	Incorporated into map making process, but irreconcilable with City Charter requirements, criteria by the IRC, and/or other COIs	
47	11/15/2021	4	Ben Gould	<p>1. Housing affordability; 2. Bike/pedestrian/transit access & safety; 3. Homelessness</p> <p>Downtown Berkeley is an incredibly diverse community of over 6,000 residents, 95% of whom are renters. Downtown is comprised of students, young professionals, immigrants, families, retirees, and long-time residents alike, including both housed and unhoused neighbors.</p> <p>Downtown has been historically considered "everyone's neighborhood" because of the diverse commercial and leisure activities and the access to transit and major institutions (UC Berkeley, LBNL, City of Berkeley). However, for the thousands of people who call Downtown home on a daily basis, it is also a residential community, where we need to be able to get home safely and comfortably at night, have non-automotive transportation options that make it easy to get to our destinations, and have enough housing options and tenant protections to keep rent affordable. City Council has historically neglected the residential experience in Downtown Berkeley.</p> <p>Downtown Berkeley is most similar to the mixed-use and medium density neighborhoods immediately north and south along Shattuck Avenue. Because the most unifying experience of living in Downtown is "renters who don't have cars", other neighborhoods with high concentrations of renters who don't have cars are particularly good matches for joining into a Council district. Other campus periphery areas, such as Northside or Southside, are good candidates.</p>	Hearst to the north; Oxford/Fulton to the east; Dwight to the south; MLK to the west. Name provided: Downtown Berkeley	2272 Shattuck Ave, 94704		AFFORDABLE HOUSING; TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; PUBLIC TRANSIT ACCESS; HOMELESSNESS; RENTER/STUDENT REPRESENTATION;	NO	YES	YES, ADD NEW RENTER/STUDENT DISTRICT	Incorporated into map making process, but irreconcilable with City Charter requirements, criteria by the IRC, and/or other COIs	

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48	11/15/2021	3	Berkeley Branch of the NAACP	<p>Berkeley's Black community; churches, businesses, homeowners and tenants in primarily South Berkeley's area which now falls into "District 3." History and ancestors in common; many of us moved in the migration west from the Deep South after slavery and Jim Crow, many of us share a deep and abiding faith in God (Black Christian Churches are historic pillars of the city for a hundred years: Church by the Side of the Road, McGee Ave Baptist Church, St. Paul's AME Church, Ephesians Church, Phillips AME, etc).</p> <p>Black academics, artists and activists are a core part of our community; housing should be available to ensure Black members thrive in our historic district that should be deemed the Black Community Historical Zone. The Adeline Corridor and So Berkeley needs to not be further displaced or diluted. Berkeley NAACP, BEEMA and other Black organizations in Berkeley strongly urge that District 3 remain without alteration. Specifically: McGee Ave Baptist Church should not be placed into District, 2, nor should Church by Side of Road be drawn into District 8. Without exception, the new African American Holistic Resource Center @1890 Alcatraz, Black Rep, Ephesians, Ebenezer, McGee, Phillips, St. Paul's must remain 'as is'</p>	Current District 3	1730 Oregon St, 94703	Used Grove Park address for pin	<p>HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY; NO HISTORICALLY MUSLIM COMMUNITY; HISTORIC REDLINING; CULTURALLY SIGNIFICANT LOCAL BUSINESSES; FAITH BASED COMMUNITY; DISPLACEMENT; AFFORDABLE HOUSING;</p>		YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D3 - HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY	Included in Amber map	
49	11/15/2021	1	Anonymous	<p>Working-class neighborhood, which includes many Craftsman-style homes (and a few Victorians), built by blue-collar workers for their families. It also retains a - albeit diminishing - level of racial and socioeconomic diversity as one of the only neighborhood in which restrictive covenants were not placed on housing (as a formerly redlined area). This area bounds the MU-R and MU-LI areas, and neighborhoods have striven to coexist with industry that would now be deemed to be incompatible with residential - and has embraced the ecosystem of small manufacturing, arts, and crafts businesses, some of whose owners reside in live-work units in the neighborhood.</p>	<p>The Oceanview District is roughly bounded by San Pablo on the East Side, the waterfront on the West Side, Gilman St. on the North Side, and University Ave. on the South Side. However, our community arguably has more in common with the entire area below San Pablo than other neighborhoods. We certainly have more in common with other areas below Sacramento (roughly bounded by the North Berkeley BART) than areas to the east of Sacramento. Name provided: Oceanview District</p> <p>For your consideration, a West Berkeley Business District oriented map proposal has been created (most districts except 2 are within less than 1% of the threshold for compactness, the least compact district is D6 and it's</p>	1720 Eighth St, 94710	Used James Kenney Community Center	<p>SINGLE FAMILY ZONING; LOCAL/SMALL BUSINESSES; WORKING CLASS NEIGHBORHOOD; HOUSING DENSITY; MANUFACTURING/ARTS & CRAFTS; LIVE/WORK UNITS; LIGHT INDUSTRIAL; COMMON CULTURE; HISTORIC REDLINING</p>	<p>YES, WEST BERKELEY BUSINESS DISTRICT ORIENTED MAP--SEE ATTACHED</p>	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES - OCEANVIEW DISTRICT, SEE COI FORM	Included in Blue and Orange Maps	
50	11/15/2021	4	Wendy Alfsen & Nancy Holland	<p>Geographic, historical, economic, cultural, and racial/ethnic diversity interests; common interests in quiet with less noise, less litter, less flooding, less air pollution, fewer vehicles, improved traffic safety, reduction of danger from cut-through & commute traffic; religious centers.</p>	<p>See map attachment to COI form Name provided: Greater Flatlands</p>	1607 Bancroft Way, 94703	Used intersection of McGee Avenue & Bancroft Way.	<p>MAJOR TRAFFIC ARTERY; TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; DENSITY; TRAFFIC</p>	<p>YES, SEE SUBMITTED MAP FOR D4</p>	YES	YES, RECONFIGURE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D4	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
51	11/16/2021	3	Anonymous	<p>Sun, air, and space are resources we want to protect.</p> <p>We have just enough space, and we get along well and watch out for each other. This is important because we have small children, senior citizens and members of marginalized communities that have seen a lot of hatred: Muslims, Asian, and African American. We keep an eye out for our neighbors and have a history of showing up, in person to take care of mutual concerns.</p> <p>We love the sound of children playing outside, and during the pandemic our outside space on Walker Street became the focus of neighborhood out door gatherings. These gatherings were about the only "socializing" any of us did for a year.</p>	<p>Shattuck to the west. Comprises Derby and Ward all the way past Fulton. Name provided: Walker Street / Le Conte</p>	2108 Derby St, 94705	Used intersection of Derby Street & Walker Street.	<p>INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; HOUSING DENSITY; HOMELESSNESS; ECONOMIC/RACIAL DIVERSITY; FAMILIES; MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES; DIVERSITY</p>	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D3	Included in Amber map	

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52	11/16/2021	1	Afi Kambon for Berkeley Visionary Equity Summit Alliance	<p>Historically Black community. A place of inclusion, tolerance, and caring; youth and elders connecting; affordable housing and a fair and inclusive approach to development that benefits low-income residents including a right of return for those displaced or unhoused, and safe community policing.</p> <p>There is a deep and rich history that needs to be told about the history and accomplishments of the Black and multi-racial communities of Berkeley before this tsunami of displacement and broken families from the Crack epidemic, War on Drugs, and racialized policing, to the real estate scams and speculations took displaced so many</p>	Maintain current District 1 boundaries; at least as far east as Sacramento Street, the former "color line." Name provided: District 1	1531 San Pablo Ave, 94702	Intersection of Cedar & San Pablo.	HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY; NO AFFORDABLE HOUSING; LOW INCOME RESIDENTS; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; SENIOR RESOURCE EQUITY; CRIME/POLICING; DIVERSITY; HISTORIC REDLINING; HOMELESSNESS		YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D1 - HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY	Included in Amber map	
53	11/16/2021	2	Betsy Morris	<p>I am a 30 year old resident of historic West Berkeley (split between District 1 and 2), and a current member of the Poet's Corner Advocates for the Unhoused and the Berkeley Visionary Equity Alliance. We want an inclusive community, and are working with existing institutions like Women's Day Time Drop In Center and Youth Spirit Artworks to recognize the massive displacement of the Black and Hispanic community members. We support a variety of truly affordable housing. strategies to reintegrate, including "good neighbor" shelters, tiny home villages, and safe parking lots while more affordable housing can be built.</p>	Current boundaries work well (University, Sacramento, and Dwight Way). Strawberry Creek Park neighborhood with Berkeley Youth Alternatives, the park, the corp yard, Daytime Drop In Center and Strawberry Creek Lodge, Berkeley Youth Alternatives, belong in District 2. West Berkeley from south of University Avenue, to the Marina, Aquatic Park and east to Sacramento Street (the old de facto "color line" reflect. I am suprised to see the decline of West Berkeley and the Oceanview Neighborhood in favor of "South West Berkeley" and Northwest Berkeley." San Pablo Park was/is a distinctive neighborhood. The displacement of Black neighbors is striking west of San Pablo - the current census map looks scrubbed.	2246 San Pablo Ave, 94702	Used intersection of San Pablo Avenue & Bancroft Way	DIVERSITY; DISPLACEMENT OF COMMUNITIES OF COLOR; AFFORDABLE HOUSING; DISTRICT INEQUITY; HOMELESSNESS; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 AND WEST BERKELEY - HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY, SEE COI FORM	Included in Amber map	
54	11/24/2021	4	Helene Whitson	<p>We have interests with our neighbors concerning things like fast traffic on our streets, lighting, crime, trash pick-up, water run-off when it rains, etc. We are a neighborhood. In fact, for several years, we've had a block party in the Fall on Spruce between Cedar and Virginia, even though we were put into two different districts during the last redistricting</p> <p>As a result of the last redistricting, Spruce and Arch Streets were split down the middle. Those who lived on the westside of the street were put into District 4, while those who lived on the East side of the street remained in District 6. Before, when we had common problems, we could go to our District 6 representative. Now, while we may have common problems--traffic, trash pick-up, lighting for the street, we now have to go to two different District representatives, even though we have the same problem. District 4 does not serve our needs. It is more oriented to Berkeley businesses. I always have had good responses from District 6 and still receive their newsletter. That's where I find out what is going on in Berkeley. I asked to be put on a District 4 newsletter, but it may be they don't have one. District 6 should continue south to Hearst and west to the east side of Oxford, instead of a little chunk being taken out and added to District 4.</p>	Lower Spruce area including Spruce Street and Arch Street Name provided: Lower Spruce			TRANSPORTATION SAFETY; LIGHTING; CRIME; REFUSE COLLECTION; WATER RUN-OFF; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION;	No	YES	YES, RETURN TO D6 - D6 should continue south to Hearst and west to Oxford, instead of a little chunk being taken out and added to D4. District boundaries should be at large arteries, e.g. Hearst or Oxford	Included in Amber map	

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55	11/25/2021	4	Charlotte and Adolph Martinelli	<p>We own and live in a single family home as do all of the residents on both sides of our block and the adjacent streets. The neighborhood consists of many older, retired people like ourselves as well as young families with school age children.</p> <p>For the past ten years those of us assigned to District 4 have not felt our interests could be adequately addressed. Older homeowners and student interests do not always coincide. We would prefer to be in a district comprised of other homeowners and long term residents in our neighborhood. Please consider boundary adjustments that would reunite us with the rest of our home owning neighbors.</p>	Cedar to the North, Hearst to the South, Oxford to the West and Euclid to the East			NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS; SINGLE FAMILY HOMES; SMALL ADJUSTMENTS TO THE EXISTING DISTRICT MAP; RETIRED POPULATION; YOUNG FAMILIES; HOMEOWNER / LONG-TERM RESIDENTS VS STUDENT CONSTITUENCY	NO	YES	YES, RETURN TO D6 - Unite with the rest of homeowning neighbors. Want south side of Virginia Street added to District 6; "Our neighborhood is roughly bordered by Cedar to the North, Hearst to the South, Oxford to the West and Euclid to the East. Currently our neighborhood is divided into at least three separate districts."	Included in Amber map	
56	11/29/2021	8	Lzamarra on behalf of Willard Neighborhood Association	I have resided in what is District 8 for over 34 years. I share that to say that I have experienced changes to our voting district more than once. I would like to ask that your committee reconsider what comprises District 8. Presently, parts of the Willard Neighborhood are outside of District 8. The Willard neighborhood runs from Ashby to Dwight and from telegraph to College. To me it makes common sense that a given neighborhood is within one voting district.	Willard Neighborhood - Ashby to Dwight and Telegraph to College Avenue Name provided: Willard Neighborhood			NEIGHBORHOOD COHESIVENESS	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D8 - WILLARD NEIGHBORHOOD SHOULD STAY IN D8; "The Willard neighborhood runs from Ashby to Dwight and from Telegraph to College"	Included in Amber map	
57	1/11/2022	1	Anonymous	Parks. Walkways and parks are important to our community. They need to be neat, clean, well kept and most of all safe. We want to see homeless cared for properly for and not living on the street, in tents, on park benches or in inoperable RVs or vans for days on end.	We are on Virginia St near Cedar Rose Park and the walkway that replaced the old Southern Pacific right of way. We would consider our area to extend to the North to shops on Hopkins, West to San Pablo and East to BART and on to Channing.			PARK/RECREATION; WALKABILITY; HOMELESSNESS; SAFETY; PUBLIC TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT; HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
58	1/11/2022	1,5	Anonymous	Long time residents, with a mix of renters and homeowners. Close to a small shopping village. Walkability. Friendly, neighborly with an annual block party. Until recently, this was an affordable neighborhood with neighbors that have a variety of income levels	Westbrae Name provided: Westbrae			LONG-TERM RESIDENTS; RENTER AND HOMEOWNERS; WALKABILITY; NEIGHBORLINESS; AFFORDABLE HOUSING; DEVELOPMENT	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
59	1/11/2022	5	Alan Tobey	Aged largely middle class but not more than c. 2/3 Caucasian; but across those lines very community centered and community active, working on local causes together and keeping in touch with others. We've had a number of new residents arriving from the suburbs just to live in such an active and diverse neighborhood. New residents from Kansas to Thailand to India are swiftly welcome here	Walkable Westbrae. You could stretch the boundaries from say Monterey Market to Whole Foods, and from the Albany line a few blocks Name provided: Walkable Westbrae			COMMUNITY CENTERED; WALKABILITY; THRIVING LOCAL BUSINESS SCENE; TRAFFIC CONCERNS	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
60	1/11/2022	1	Anonymous	More industrial pollutants here than any other Berkeley district. Lower income than rest of Berkeley/ greater need for social services. Greatest number of tent/rv cities in Berkeley.	Northwest Berkeley; we tend to identify with Northwest Berkeley BART station.			POLLUTION; SOCIAL SERVICES NEEDS; LOW INCOME; HOMELESSNESS; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
61	1/11/2022	5	Cathy Brown	We are a neighborhood, linked by proximity, friendship, and our CERT group. Most of the neighbors have lived here for more than 25 years; some much longer. People know each other, look out for one another, share keys, newspapers, tools, lemons, and kid and elder equipment. The neighborhood kids go to Berkeley public schools; we're 6 blocks from Ruth Acty and 2 blocks from King. We love our neighborhood. It is one of the most walkable neighborhoods in town, less than a half mile from Shattuck, the North Branch of the Public Library, the Hopkins commercial corridor, and BART. The 1500 block of McGee badly needs repaving. The pavement has deteriorated to the point that the storm drains collect pebbles, dirt and bits of asphalt. The street sweeper generates huge clouds of dust;	Generally, the 1500 block of McGee and the 1700 block of Vine. Vine/McGee Neighbors.			LONG TERM RESIDENTS; NEIGHBORLINESS; BERKELEY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS; WALKABILITY; ROADWAY CONDITIONS	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	

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62	1/11/2022	1,5	Deborah Malbec	neighborliness, taking care of our homes, crime prevention, safety, small neighborhood stores, businesses and restaurants.	Westbrae, "Gilman District", East of San Pablo, near Gilman Street			NEIGHBORLINES; CRIME PREVENTION; SAFETY; LOCAL BUSINESS AND RESTAURANTS; PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION; LAST MILE NEEDS	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
63	1/13/2022	None/Not selected accurately	Anonymous	Walking to local restaurants, post office, parks, library, shops. This is extremely important, that's why we chose this area.	North of University and east of San Pablo. People refer to this area as Poets Corner but it is not. I've seen it referred to as Curtis Tract on official city plans. I think this district should span University Ave. As the previous city council member said this area is a "step child". We are on the border of districts 1 and 2 and no one wants to commit to us			WALKABILITY; LOTS OF DEVELOPMENT; PARKING ISSUES; HOMELESSNESS; CLEANLINESS; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; FEELING OF OLDER RESIDENTS BEING PUSHED OUT	NO	YES	YES, EXPAND BOUNDARIES TO SPAN UNIVERSITY AVE. "Using main arteries as dividing lines leaves people unrepresented"	Included in Amber map	
64	1/14/2022	None/Not selected accurately	Anonymous	Living within walking distance of North Berkeley BART. This is important because drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians have different interests. Also, our community has many members in "regular" jobs (teaching, retail, government, transportation) versus some of Berkeley where residents are uniformly in higher income jobs.	Name provided: West Berkeley West of Sacramento, North of University, South of Gilman			MULTIMODAL TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE; PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; "REGULAR" INCOME EARNERS--ARTISTS AND TEACHERS; PEDESTRIAN SAFETY; INCLUSIVE HOUSING POLICIES; HOMELESSNESS	NO	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
65	1/14/2022	5	Iris Starr	A wide range of people living here- students, elderly, families, homeowners, renters, unhoused, Black, Native American, Asian, Latino and all other groups that are not "census defined". Access to transit, cafe's, restaurants, grocery stores, services. Walkable and bike-able neighborhood. On street parking for residents. Decisions about the BART station development are key in the coming year. Those decisions should be majorly influenced by those that will live next door to it, and not those who drive to it. Enlarging District 5 will disadvantage those of us who live next door. Some people are writing in form letters to enlarge District 5. Please ignore form letters. Create districts that make geographic sense. On the north, Rose or Hopkins is the obvious boundary.	Rose or Hopkins street, Shattuck Ave, University Avenue, the Marina. ~2 blocks from the BART station.			DIVERSE RESIDENTS; WALKABILITY; PUBLIC TRANSIT; PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; AGAINST ENLARGEMENT OF DISTRICT BOUNDARY	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D5 - DO NOT EXPAND D5, Rose / Hopkins suggested as North boundary	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	

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66	1/16/2022	2	Jeff Hobson	The parks and paths: Strawberry Creek Park + the West Street path, Ohlone Park and paths, Cedar Rose Park, plus Totland. That's where I see my neighbors (particularly during COVID), where I see kids playing, where I see people walking their dogs.	North Berkeley BART, the path along West Street, Strawberry Creek Park, and Cedar Rose Park. My conception of the neighborhood extends south to Dwight (+ Homemade Cafe!) and north to Hopkins. On the west it goes at least to San Pablo Avenue, or maybe all the way to the railroad tracks (to include Rosa Parks + the Adult School and Cafe Leila and Viks -- but it doesn't include the Fourth Street shopping district). On the east it goes at least to California (Monterey Market + the softball field next to the BART station), or maybe as far as MLK Jr Way (for Totland, the rest of Ohlone Park, and King Middle School). Name provided: North Berkeley BART			PARKS/RECREATION; PATHWAYS; PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; MAJOR CORRIDORS	NO	YES	YES, COI COHESION - NORTH BERKELEY BART COMMUNITY. Berkeley Bart Station is part of the Berkeley flats. See Geographic Region for specifics on boundaries	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
67	1/17/2022	None/N	Anonymous	Living so close to the North Berkeley BART station, I see that as a focal point for the community, and something that priorities and interests are organized around. Those who walk or bike to that BART station, and are invested and impacted by it as a use, definitely feel like one economic community. One of the biggest factors for lifestyle in Berkeley is whether you live in a walkable/bikable neighborhood in the flats, or in a driving neighborhood in the hills. Those are two very distinct lifestyles and interests, and residents of each lifestyle should be able to elect councilmembers that advocate for those interests and needs.	Gilman/Hopkins in the north (Monterrey Market, Gioia Pizza, and the swimming pool at King Middle being key parts of my community), San Pablo to the west (Casa Latina, Cafe Leila, and Acme being core parts of what I access), MLK to the east (Ohlone Park is important to me), and Allston to the south (I take Allston to get to Aquatic Park and Cesar Chavez park). I think of the BART station as a central organizing feature of my neighborhood, as well as the Ohlone Greenway. Urban Adamah and the Gilman Corridor is also an important part of my community, and something I access often. Name provided: North Berkeley BART			WALKABILITY; PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; MAJOR CORRIDORS; PARKS; MULTIMODAL TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE; MOBILITY	NO	YES	YES, COI COHESION - NORTH BERKELEY BART COMMUNITY. Suggestion to use mobility to inform neighborhood boundaries and thus district maps	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	
68	1/17/2022	None/N	Blaine Merker	The North Berkeley Bart station is the single biggest defining feature of my neighborhood, and the landmark used to convey the neighborhood within a 15-20 minutes walk of the station. It's very important to our neighborhood's identity that the area around the Bart station not be split into different districts. The walkshed/bikeshed around the station has build that community identity. Those who walk and bike to the station see the same people people (our neighbors who walk and bike) daily, exchange news and create community. Because of the Ohlone Greenway in particular, which acts as a feeder from the blocks to the north, there is a strong culture of people who walk or bike to transit. Many people I know moved to this neighborhood in order to drive less. This an "eco neighborhood" of people making transportation choices in line with their sustainability objectives.	Name provided: North Berkeley BART The area is described as the "neighborhood around the North Berkeley Bart station", or just "North Berkeley Bart". Because the station is named "North Berkeley", many people around here use that name to refer to the area around the station rather than the wider part of Berkeley towards Hopkins and Gilman. The use of this station version of the name usually refers to the area between San Pablo Ave, Martin Luther King, Hopkins and University. Because the Ohlone Greenway (and Ohlone Park) transport people by foot and bike to the Bart station, many Bart commuters who use the station consider themselves affiliated with "North Berkeley" by virtue of the station they use.			PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; PARKS; MULTIMODAL TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE; SUSTAINABILITY; ECO; MOBILITY	NO	YES	YES, COI COHESION - NORTH BERKELEY BART COMMUNITY. Suggestion to use mobility to inform neighborhood boundaries and thus district maps; those living around public transit should be kept as one district and not be split	Included in Amber map	

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69	1/17/2022	None/N	Riti Dhesi	Common means of transportation, most notably the ability to walk to North Berkeley BART and bike to various places. I believe that when developing the council districts, North Berkeley BART and ones proximity to it should be considered a factor. Another common interest in my community is that we live near Cedar Market and Monterey Market/Magninis etc. Another example of community is the night that my community puts out lights for our annual Luminaria night (Christmas eve) - people from all over the city come to walk the streets in this community that are bounded by MLK, University, Rose and Sacramento (or North Berkeley BART) to enjoy the luminaria's and the community that we have built over the years. My community and its concerns/interests are unique from that of the Berkeley Hills/Thousand Oaks neighborhoods. It is important to NOT lump us in with the Berkeley Hills or	Name provided: North Berkeley BART East. Boundaries: Berkeley BART to Rose Street to MLK to University.			PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; MULTIMODAL TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE; COMMUNITY FESTIVALS; WALKABILITY	NO	YES	YES, COI COHESION - NORTH BERKELEY BART COMMUNITY. North Berkeley BART Station is part of the Berkeley flats not Thousand Oaks or Hills	Included in Amber map	
70	1/17/2022	None/N	Libby Lee-Egan	Many people chose to live in this neighborhood because of the walkable streets and proximity to buses and the North Berkeley BART station (NBB). We enjoy walking or biking to places and patronizing local businesses. Our neighborhood has a grid, not wavy switchback style streets seen in the Berkeley Hills.			The attached map shows the area around North Berkeley BART where one can walk to the station from their home in less than 10 minutes. Residents living in that area are most affected by regional usage of BART and zoning changes there. Because of the grid, the walkable area is more of a diamond shape than a square.	WALKABILITY; PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; MULTIMODAL TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE; GRID PLANNING; DENSE HOUSING; LOTS OF URBANISTS, ARCHITECTS, PLANNERS	YES, SEE MAP INCLUDED	YES	YES, COI COHESION - NORTH BERKELEY BART COMMUNITY. Suggestion to use mobility to inform neighborhood boundaries and thus district maps; those living around public transit should be kept as one district and not be split	Included in Amber map	
71	1/18/2022	None/N	Victoria Eisen	Our community is WALKABLE! We walk to run errands, go to school and work, visit each other and exercise our dogs and ourselves. Most importantly, we can walk to the North Berkeley BART station, which is why we chose to purchase our home 28 years ago.			Sacramento and the North Berkeley BART station to the east, Ohlone Greenway to the south, MLK to the east and Rose to the north.	WALKABILITY; PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; PARKS; ROAD AND PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE; DISASTER PREPAREDNESS	NO	YES	YES, COI COHESION - NORTH BERKELEY BART COMMUNITY.	Included in Amber map	
72	1/18/2022	None/N	Will Travis	Books, gardening, political discussions, "the joy of engaging with our neighbors during our walks in our community". Our two most popular walking destinations are the North Berkeley BART station and the neighborhood commercial center at the Hopkins/California/Monterey intersection. Everywhere within our community is within walking distance of its hub, the North Berkeley BART station.		1704 Vine Street	Name provided: Cow Hollow Bordered on the north by Northbrae, east by Shattuck Avenue, east by the Ohlone Greenway with a little bump to University Avenue along Sacramento Street and on the west by San Pablo Avenue.	WALKABILITY; PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING; PARKS; MIXED DEVELOPMENT; COMMUNITY CENTRIC	NO	YES	YES, COI COHESION - NORTH BERKELEY BART COMMUNITY.	Included in Amber map	
73	1/24/2022	3	Anonymous	A walkable neighborhood with safe bike and pedestrian access to everyday needs (e.g. Ashby BART, Berkeley Bowl, UC Berkeley, libraries, parks and trails, commercial districts at Elmwood or Rockridge or downtown Berk). A diverse, friendly and caring community of neighbors who support each other with health, housing, food, gardening and pet care. Pulling our sliver of neighborhood into District 8 is not a good fit unless we are joined by LeConte neighborhood (blue map).			Name provided: Halcyon Halcyon community centered on Halcyon Park with strong borders at Ashby and Telegraph (due to intense traffic, dangerous crossings), Woolsey (due to Oakland city boundary), and Ashby BART at Adeline. We feel connected to Ashby BART. We feel less connected to neighborhoods in the Berkeley hills, that seems more	WALKABILITY; MULTIMODAL TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE; DIVERSE; COMMUNITY; PUBLIC TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT / DECISIONMAKING	NO	YES	YES, COI COHESION - INCLUDE HALCYON WITH NORTH FLATS NOT HILLS - D8 is NOT a good fit unless joined by LeConte	Included in Amber map	
74	1/24/2022	4	Anonymous	Mainly small, residential neighborhoods with middle-age and older residents, of middle income, primarily college educated, mainly English speaking. Share transportation nearby, of buses and BART. We are an active area and pay close attention to the actions of the City and the City Council. We are hoping that District 4 will remain, and thus "vote" for either the orange or amber			Name provided: South Berkeley Near University in the north, Dwight in the south, Sacramento to the west. McGee Spaulding neighborhood is the name of this community	MIDDLE-AGED AND OLDER RESIDENTS; MIDDLE INCOME; COLLEGE-EDUCATED; PUBLIC TRANSIT	YES, AMBER OR ORANGE MAPS BC D4 SHOULD REMAIN AS IS	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D4	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	

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75	1/25/2022	None/N	Laurie Nardinelli	<p>We have a lower average income, more diversity, and generally less clout with respect to local politics compared with the people who live in the hills.</p> <p>More outreach time is required for our area compared to the hills because people have less leisure time for political involvement and somewhat less confidence in local government.</p> <p>Environmental impact of businesses need to be constantly addressed. This necessarily consumes a lot of councilperson(s) time. That's why we need two.</p> <p>We need two different councilpersons like or much like we</p>	From 3 blocks East of San Pablo to the Bay			<p>LOWER AVERAGE INCOME; DIVERSE; INADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; NEED GREATER OUTREACH; LOCAL BUSINESSES REQUIRE SIGNIFICANT TIME SO NEED MORE REPRESENTATION</p>	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES - WEST BERKELEY. Need two districts to adequately represent needs of residents and businesses	Included in Amber map	
76	1/27/2022	3	Sylvia C.	<p>A member of my family lived in South Berkeley. I visited and became part of the community. I made my way back and have been a part of the South Berkeley neighborhood, workforce and services for over 13 years. I could only find housing in the North of Berkeley, but I am working hard to get back home.</p> <p>Like all of Berkeley, as portrayed in Berkeley visit tourist comment, we represent the beauty of diversity in all our districts. District 3's cultural and historical ethnic diversity and traditions are a rich contribution to Berkeley's appeal to all. I agree with the history of Berkeley's democratic process, that all districts should be afforded the basic right to choose what cultural, historical diversity in which they identify.</p> <p>We, South Berkeley neighbors and associations, are developing our home so all (those of the long-time residents presentation) and those who were displaced can live well. To choose and have access to what they identify as their heritage. South Berkeley for nearly a century have had leaders that benefited all of Berkeley. Our families have been disrupted by eminent domain, predatory loans, high rental and homeownership rates by corporate, penal profit, high mortality rates and extreme inhumane conditions that caused life-threatening physical and mental health conditions. Yet, we rallied together to make South Berkeley better. Now, here we go again; there is a so-called "independent" redistricting strategy to erase generations of the richness of the African-American cuisine, culture, tradition and presence concentrated in the district</p>	District 3's boundaries that if redlined, will sever a cultural diverse distinctness for generations for South Berkeley. A ethnic flavor that has contributed to the appeal to residents and tourists of Berkeley. It should be left intact from east to west district limits from San Pablo Avenue to Telegraph Avenue; and south to north boundaries limits(Alcatraz Ave to Dwight Way). There are funding projects and investments that South Berkeley's long-time residents and neighborhood improvement nonprofits have in place based on the current district mapping			<p>CULTURAL, HISTORICAL DIVERSITY; COMMUNITY; ORGANIZING; REDLINING AND DISCRIMINATION</p>	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D3 - HISTORICALLY BLACK COMMUNITY	Included in Amber map	
77	1/27/2022	None/N	Juliet Lee	<p>Historically redlined, recently gentrifying. Pressure on housing, people who grew up here can't afford to stay here (like Mildred Howard).</p> <p>Newer Americans also settle here esp in cheaper & section 8 apartments-this has been the case for the whole brief history of this city</p> <p>-Little India around lower University Ave.</p> <p>-Unstably housed folks camp around Aquatic Park.</p> <p>-Orthodox Jews live here to be within the "eruv" (zone in which they are permitted to walk to 2 synagogues; eruv is delimited by the rabbis), but because it's Berkeley these are socially progressive Jews.</p> <p>If districts break up voting blocks, people can lose their say. If business-zoned areas are overconcentrated in one or two districts, the residents of those districts bear the burden of any traffic, parking, crime, environmental impacts (like toxic waste in air) associated with businesses</p> <p>If some districts have few residents but other districts have many residents, but each district has one council rep, people in smaller zones are overrepresented (like in US Senate now).</p> <p>It looks like the Amber map best addresses those concerns.</p>	<p>HOLC maps from 1940s show redlined boundaries.</p> <p>-Newer Americans reside between Sacramento-Sixth-University-Oakland border.</p> <p>-Little India clusters within lower University-Sacramento-Dwight-San Pablo.</p> <p>-Unstably housed: Aquatic Park</p> <p>-Poorer folks, newer Americans: large older apartment complexes esp which allow Section 8</p>			<p>GENTRIFICATION; AFFORDABLE HOUSING; REDLINING</p>	YES, AMBER MAP TO ADDRESS ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION; BUSINESSES NOT OVERCONCENTRATED OVERBURDENED IN A COUPLE OF DISTRICTS	YES	NO	Shared communication with City Council in IRC Report	

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78	1/27/2022	2	Anonymous	Common goals to keep our community safe and help people in need especially older folks, environmentally conscious, community clean ups especially Strawberry Creek Park, neighbors look out for one another. Two representatives are needed to represent West Berkeley to address citizens concerns with all the development, homeless issues, the industrial district, the marina, Aquatic Park, etc and of course homeowners and increase in renters that will house these developments. Poets Corner should remain in district 2. There should be fair representation in West Berkeley. Looking at the maps what makes a majority of UC students who live in Berkeley for 2 to 4 years get more representation in some of the maps?	Name Provided: Poets Corner			COMMUNITY CENTERED; PARKS; TRAFFIC; PARKING; DEVELOPMENT; HOMELESSNESS; CRIMES	NO	YES	YES, MAINTAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR D2 - WEST BERKELEY, POET'S CORNER. NEEDS TWO DISTRICTS FOR REPRESENTATION; POETS CORNER SHOULD STAY IN D2	Included in Amber map	
79	1/31/2022	None/N	Donaldson ot selecte d accurat ely	Public safety, traffic and walkablity to stores near by. The walking nature of our community is a real core to what I see. We all are connected and visible to each other on a daily basis. We are a mix of young families, kids, retired people and some single folks. Families tend to dominate. We all look out for each other as much as we can.	neighbors that are east of San Pablo Avenue. Our common thread is that we are mostly small homes and families that range accross "the flatlands" of Berkeley. I consider our community to be from Albany in the north to roughly Univesity to the south and Sacramento to the east. The similarities, connections and boundaries of streets really define this area. And, I should add the type of use, residential single family with a few in-fill apartment buildings and ADUs.			WALKABILITY; PUBLIC SAFETY; MIX OF RESIDENTS; SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING; ROAD MAINTENANCE; TRAFFIC	NO	YES	YES, UNITE WEST BERKELEY INTO ONE DISTRICT (BUT THEY ARE EAST OF SAN PABLO)	Incorporated into map making process, but irreconcilable with City Charter requirements, criteria by the IRC, and/or other COIs	