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**City of
Santa Clara**
The Center of What's Possible

Redistricting Presentation

22nd March 2022

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What is Redistricting?

Every 10 years, cities must redistrict (adjust Council District boundaries to equalize total populations) using the new Census counts

Federal and state laws apply

Cities must adopt new boundaries before April 17, 2022

The new council districts will be used until Census 2030 data are released

Incumbents will complete their terms of office even if they no longer live in the district they were elected to represent

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Legal Requirements

Federal Law & Supreme Court Decisions:

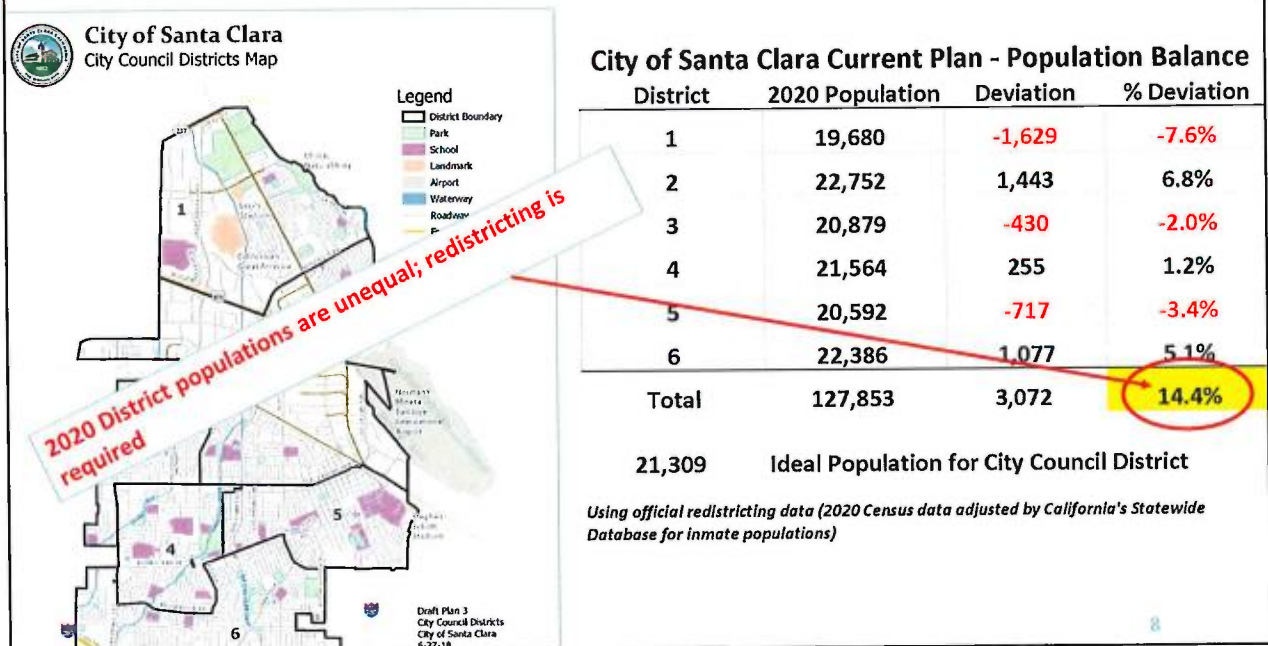
1. Population equality
2. Voting Rights Act
3. No Racial Gerrymandering

California Fair Maps Act (AB 849, 2019), as amended by AB 1276 (2020):

1. Redistricting criteria
2. Public outreach
3. Charter Cities: Elections Code §§ 21620 et seq.

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2018 Council Districts - Official 2020 Redistricting Population Data



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Commission Activity Highlights


Duration of the Commission- ~7 months, from August 26th, 2021 to March 22nd, 2022

100+ Person-hours spent in planning meetings and getting trained on laws, processes and tools

1 Workshop **6** Sessions of hearings **7** Sessions open to public participation

1 Tool used for plan drawing (Pieces Tool)

15* Maps recreated and deliberated on
*includes 4 maps from the public



Date		Action
September 23, 2021	Workshop	Independent Redistricting Commission overview and training on Brown Act, Public Records Act and Redistricting Process
October 23, 2021	Hearing	Review of Fair Maps Act requirements, process and criteria, Presentation on Communities of Interest, Review of New Census Data, Presentation regarding the Pieces Tool for Plan Drawing; public input and comments
December 9, 2021	Hearing	Review of Fair Maps Act requirements, process and criteria, public input and comments on communities of interest
January 13, 2022	Hearing	Review of Fair Maps Act requirements, process and criteria, Presentation of Demographer's Draft Map, Review of Public Submitted Maps; public input and comments
January 29, 2022	Hearing	Review of Criteria for a District Map, Review of Demographer and Public Submitted Maps; Review of Neighborhood Maps and Plan Comparisons; public input and comments
February 10, 2022	Hearing	Review of maps and Commission selection of the proposed final draft map; public input and comments
February 28, 2022	Hearing	Reviewed Map 4A and Adopted Map A as the Final Map for the City

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List of criteria used to finalize the new city map by IRC

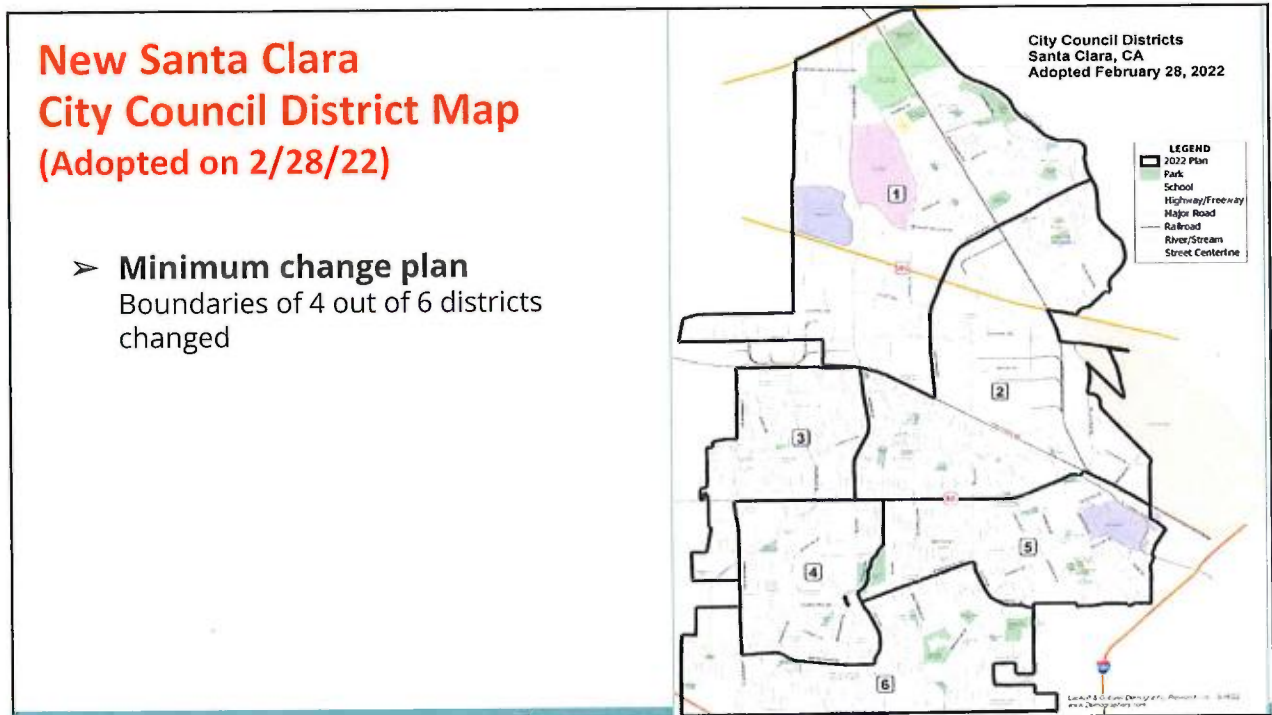
Must haves-

1. Keep percent deviation below 10% (but not try to minimize) and keep map contiguous & compact
2. Keep communities of Interests/concern intact

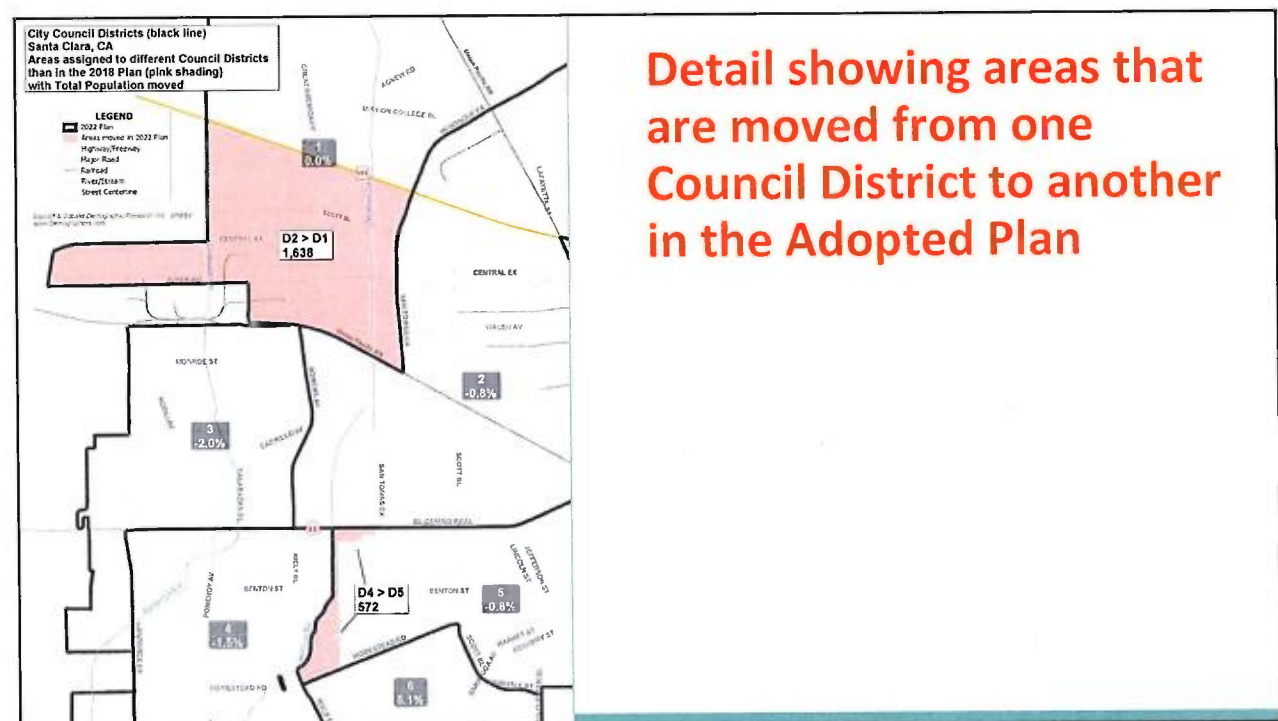
Nice to haves-

3. Minimize number of people who have to wait for 6 years to vote
4. Attempt to minimize percent deviation in next census by predicting by looking at City Clara Development plan

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2020 Data for Council Districts - Current vs Adopted Map

City of Santa Clara Current Plan - Population Balance

District	2020 Population	Deviation	% Deviation
1	19,680	-1,629	-7.6%
2	22,752	1,443	6.8%
3	20,879	-430	-2.0%
4	21,564	255	1.2%
5	20,592	-717	-3.4%
6	22,386	1,077	5.1%
Total	127,853	3,072	14.4%

21,309 Ideal Population for City Council District

Using official redistricting data (2020 Census data adjusted by California's Statewide Database for inmate populations)

City of Santa Clara Council Districts - Adopted Feb 28, 2022

District	Total Population	Deviation	% Deviation
1	21,319	10	0.0%
2	21,141	-168	-0.8%
3	20,879	-430	-2.0%
4	20,992	-317	-1.5%
5	21,137	-172	-0.8%
6	22,386	1,077	5.1%
Total	127,854		
Ideal	21,309	1,507	7.1%

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Special Thanks to.....

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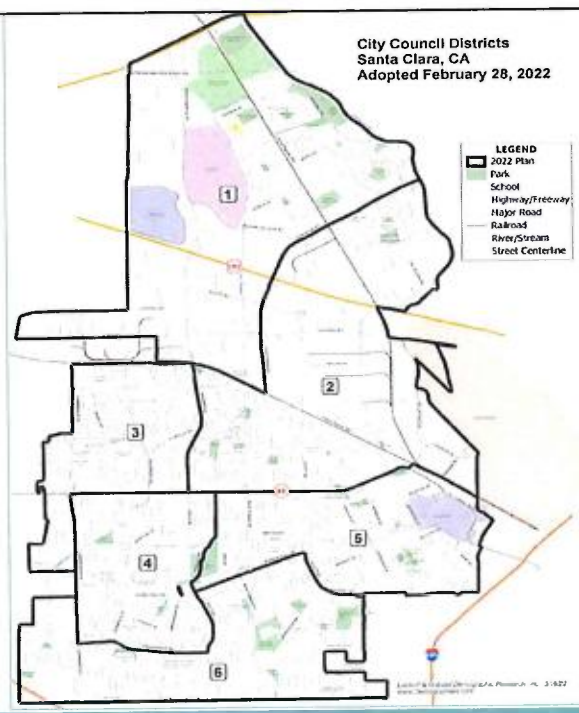


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Commission recommendation

Approval of the introduction of an ordinance adopting a new City Council District map describing the district boundaries for the City of Santa Clara's By-District elections.



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Questions and Comments

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