From: Sent: al clark <al.clark2@verizon.net> Monday, March 28, 2022 11:10 AM

To: Brian Barrett

Subject: Fwd: City Council Redistricting

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From: Louise Hansen < louihan13@yahoo.com>

Subject: City Council Redistricting

Date: March 27, 2022 at 12:03:10 PM PDT

To: al.clark2@verizon.net, nataliaalarcon@ci.carpinteria.ca.us, greggnt9@netscape.net,

roirock81@gmail.com, wade@wadenomura.com

Cc: daved@ci.carpinteria.ca.us, CarpinteriaDistrictElections@ci.carpinteria.ca.us

Dear Mayor and Council members,

Map A3 has logical boundaries and keeps neighborhoods intact. It is important for our city that the redistricting map reflect accurately the interests of each neighborhood community.

Map A2 has some irregular boundaries which split neighborhoods right down the middle of the street. Pacific Village and Star Pine are examples of neighbors, living across the street from each other, who would be voting for different representatives. This makes absolutely no sense. Sterling and Eleanor streets are other examples of neighborhood communities which would be separated by Map A2. Clearly, Map A2 divides neighborhood communities of interest.

Map A3 keeps neighborhoods intact with logical boundaries. Neighborhoods are not divided and will have the same representative. Map A3 is the obvious and most impartial choice for redistricting our city.

Respectfully,

Louise Hansen

Sent from my iPad

From: al clark <al.clark2@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 10:44 AM

To: Brian Barrett

Subject: Fwd: Redistricting Map Vote

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Caroline | Gmail < linethomp@gmail.com >

Subject: Redistricting Map Vote

Date: March 28, 2022 at 9:56:28 AM PDT

To: al.clark2@verizon.net

Dear Al Clark:

I am joining the chorus of citizens concerned about the redistricting of Carpinteria.

To any even ignorant set of eyes, Map A2 makes NO SENSE. It splits neighborhoods down the middle — how is Balkanization a good idea? It weighs heavily in favor of a more densely populated area, throwing our numbers out of whack. It denies the natural boundary of Casitas Pass Road. It even goes so far as to DEFY THE GUIDELINES set forth in the State Elections Code. Why? To what purpose? It makes us suspect that there is a HIDDEN AGENDA. Is there? That is a terrible feeling...

I am respectfully requesting that there be a unanimous vote IN FAVOR OF MAP A3. It is the fair and the SENSIBLE choice. We are proud of our town; please help us be proud of you.

Sincerely, Caroline Thompson Concha Loma

From:

al clark <al.clark2@verizon.net>

Sent:

Monday, March 28, 2022 10:42 AM

To: Subject: Brian Barrett Fwd: Map A3

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From: JACQUELYN GEARY < jpgeary@cox.net>

Subject: Map A3

Date: March 28, 2022 at 10:40:14 AM PDT

To: Al Clark <al.clark2@verizon.net>

Reply-To: JACQUELYN GEARY < jpgeary@cox.net >

Dear Councilman Clark,

I am proud to be a Star Pine Road home owner and resident since 1985. We are a "community" (Candlestick Lane at Christmas, 4th of July parade down our street) within a community! it is important we continue to stay together on our street.

I strongly support and ask you to *vote for map A3*. It provides better balance for population as well as equal representation .

Thank you,

Jacquelyn Geary

5331 Star Pine Road

From:

Dave Durflinger

Sent:

Monday, March 28, 2022 10:19 AM

To: Cc: Brian Barrett Olivia Uribe-Mutal

Subject:

FW: Redistricting Map Vote

From: Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com>

Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 10:00 AM

To: Dave Durflinger <daved@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>

Subject: FW: Redistricting Map Vote

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From: Caroline | Gmail < linethomp@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 9:59 AM

To: Wade Nomura < wade@wadenomura.com >

Subject: Redistricting Map Vote

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Sincerely, Caroline Thompson Concha Loma

From:

Amy Marie Orozco <amymarie@amymarieorozco.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 28, 2022 11:29 AM

To:

Al Clark; Natalia Alarcon; Gregg Carty; Roy Lee; wade@wadenomura.com;

carpinteriadistrictelections

Cc:

Dave Durflinger; Gregg Carty; Roy Lee; Wade Nomura

Subject:

Carpinteria District Elections — The map I support is ...

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March 28, 2022

Dear Honorable City Council Members:

I support Map A3 for creating Carpinteria's new districts. This division of the city does the best job of keeping the integrity and character of Carpinteria neighborhoods.

Thank you for your service.

Amy Marie Orozco 4806 Sawyer Avenue Carpinteria, CA 93013 (805) 284-2622

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RUSSELL RUIZ [ruizsblaw@cox.net]

Sent:Thursday, March 24, 2022 6:17 PM

To: Wade Nomura; Al Clark; Natalia Alarcon; Gregg Carty; Roy Lee

Cc: Dave Durflinger; Brian Barrett; carpinteriadistrictelections; Public Comment; Donna Jordan [bdjordan@cox.net]; Gail Marshall [camp.marshall@gmail.com]; Jim Reginato [j.reggie@yahoo.com]; Jason Rodriquez [jason@thefoodliaison.com]; Mike Ledbetter [mldbttr@netscape.net]; CVA [info@carpinteriavalleyassociation.org]; coastal view [news@coastalview.com]; Nick Welsh [nick@independent.com]; Joshua Molina [jmolina@noozhawk.com]; George Johnson [surfonit@yahoo.com]

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Honorable Members of the Council:

In light of how the last meeting went I will start here by stating unequivocally that I respect and like Council Member Lee and if we were not forced into District Elections, I would have voted for him in November. I believe Council Member Lee is a fine person, a nice guy and a dedicated Public Servant. My Commentary on this subject is not personal to anyone. This process is bigger and more important than any individual and will outlast all of us. I am uniquely informed on Local District Elections. I have been involved with Local Government for over 38 years, and I have been studying and following our Local Governments since I was in High School with the Mayor. I took a look at our Yearbook, the Mayor looked a little different back then.

District Election Law is arcane and not many know anything about it. The transition in my experience is always difficult. I tried to help our City through the process that I will live with for the rest of my Life. The fact that it has gone badly here is certainly not my fault. I have stated repeatedly that I am not an advocate of District Elections and it particularly makes no sense in a City as small as ours. Unfortunately we did not get to vote on that issue. Maybe because of my professional background, I do believe we have to have integrity in the process. In saying that I am not accusing any individual of a lack of integrity but, as you are getting tired of hearing, I have followed this area of the Law and Local District Election implementation for almost 10 years now and in my opinion there is no reasonable justification for A2 over A3 except that it would allow Council Member Lee to run for re-election. Anyone who knows anything about legally appropriate Districting only has to look at the two Maps side by side to decide this one, your eyes do not lie. That is my theme for this hearing. Your eyes do not lie. When you have to create a jigsaw puzzle like A2 District B to achieve your ends, you just have to step back and acknowledge, that cannot be right. I am also impressed with the Public Comments you have received on the District Elections website (finally). As politicians you must pay attention when after a disappointing lack of Public participation throughout most of this process, your choice of A2 has generated a firestorm, especially from residents of Star Pine and Pacific Village. That is the kind of input from neighborhoods that you are supposed to listen to in this Districting process. I hope you are not tone deaf in response to that. I did try to warn you but of course I was ignored by the majority. Our City's reputation and yours is at stake here.

I believe the Coastal View Ad perfectly illustrates my point. Why would you want those jig saw puzzle boundaries on the East and West sides of District B, instead of the clean, reasonable District boundaries of A3? I have asked repeatedly for an explanation and the only one given is that "someone" (???) originally drew Map A (several Public proponents of A2 keep claiming that the Consultant drew Maps A and A2, we all know that is not correct and if we wanted to go there, we could determine who originally drew Map A, it is a matter of Public Record) Map A was tweaked by Council to create A2,

and we are told A and A2 were the "most popular" however that poll was conducted. I do not know. The bottom line is, popularity is not the criteria. Segregationist maps have long been very popular in the South throughout American history. That did not make them right. There has been no explanation to try to justify the jig saw puzzle boundaries of A2 District B and there isn't one that is legitimate and consistent with the rules of Districting.

At the end of this process you get to explain to the voters what you did and why as they try to understand this new way of electing our City Council. Do you want to explain a jig saw puzzle that makes no sense or do you want to explain a "clean" Map, A3, with logical boundaries. Gee, use Casitas Pass, our City's East boundary and a main thoroughfare, as the logical boundary between Districts B and D. Gee, clean up those weird jig saw puzzle boundaries on the West side of District B. That makes sense and makes your explanation to the voters much easier. What is the possible argument otherwise here? Is someone going to step up and try to explain to us why A2 is the better approach for our City than A3? I have not heard it yet but I am all ears. You are our City's leaders, if you are going to continue to support A2 after all this hullabaloo, you need to explain to us why and just because you like it is not an explanation. "I like A2 over A3 because

2"

You have heard enough of my legal arguments, let's just be practical. If you adopt A2 the Mayor will be elected to represent District D. If you adopt Map A3 as you should, we will have a new Council person from District D and the Mayor will be re-elected to represent District B in 2024. In addition to following the Law I have also followed the history of District Election implementation across the State. As often as not, in the first election after implementation, the goals of the Latino activists behind the effort have been ultimately unsuccessful. As often as not a White male Republican gets elected out of a majority Latino District. That is not the criteria. The criteria is that the process is supposed to give Latinos the opportunity to get one of their own elected. That will be the case in District D if you adopt Map A3. Who knows who will actually get elected but a Latino interested in running will at least have the chance to win. If you stick with A2 that opportunity disappears.

This has been an unfortunate end to this process. I apologize for some of my pointed Comments, they were the product of my frustration at being ignored, your choice of A2, and how much I care about our City where, God willing, I will live for the rest of my Life and I hope our now teenage daughter decides to live here as well. The speakers at the last meeting who were arguing that the Gerrymandering claims were without merit, do not know what they are talking about. Rather than address the factual and legal issues raised by Gerrymandering, they instead spent their time defending the integrity of the Mayor and Councilman Lee. That is not the issue here. I expect none of those speakers could have spelled Gerrymandering 6 months ago nor could have explained what it means without looking it up first. One of the loudest proponents of Map A2, in a Letter to the Coastal View this week all but admitted that Map A2 was intentionally drawn to support the re-election of the Mayor and Councilman Lee. I know that he did not understand it as he wrote his Letter, but he has admited that Map A2 is a perfect example of Gerrymandering. In his view that is just fine if it has the intended result of electing his favored candidates. The Law and I believe a majority of our engaged residents have a different view. We know he is a political ally of the Council Members who originally voted for A2. That is why he is on the ARB without any prior professional land use experience, probably the only ARB member in Santa Barbara County with that resume. He votes in favor of every development project that comes before the Board, and he has a documented Conflict on the Surfliner Project. His attack on Donna Jordan and Council Member Clark in his Coastal View Letter is indicative of how out of touch he is with historic Carpinteria, and the culture that makes us so unique and great, and the reason our family lives here. To make my point, I am not a proponent of District Elections because I would prefer to vote for all 5

Council Members and given the opportunity to do so, I would have voted for both the Mayor in 2024 and Councilman Lee this year. Unfortunately we do not get to do that anymore and your support for Councilman Lee cannot properly be the basis of your vote for Map A2.

I have addressed this issue several times now and Councilman Clark addressed it at the last meeting: District D East of Casitas Pass is condos and mobile homes. The Census block at issue West of Casitas Pass consists of single family homes each worth more than a million dollars. Those neighborhoods West of Casitas Pass have everything in common with the rest of District B. They have nothing in common with the condos and mobilehomes in District D. That is the bottom line here. Please do the right thing for our Community!

Thank you
Respectfully submitted,
Russell Ruiz

From: Al Clark

Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2022 2:46 PM

To: Brian Barrett

Subject: Fwd: Proposed district map A-2

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Katherine Culbertson <kabculbertson@gmail.com>

Date: March 14, 2022 at 6:07:45 PM PDT

To: Wade Nomura < WadeNomura@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>, Al Clark < AlClark@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>, Gregg

Carty <GreggCarty@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>, Roy Lee <roylee@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>, Natalia Alarcon

<NataliaAlarcon@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>
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Honorable City Mayor and Council Members,

The proposed district map, A-2, violates directives by splitting Star Pine Road and Pacific Village neighborhoods. This awkward split also appears to have the intention of allowing two city council members to run again from the same area of the city.

Directives clearly state:

"local neighborhoods and communities of interest should be respected in a manner that minimizes its divisions and empowers its residents."

and:

"district boundaries will not be drawn with the interest of a specific council member in mind."

Sincerely, Katherine Culbertson 4516 La Tierra Lane Carpinteria, CA 93013

From:

Dave Durflinger

Sent:

Friday, March 18, 2022 9:20 AM

To:

Jon

Cc:

Brian Barrett; Olivia Uribe-Mutal

Subject:

RE: Districtr

Dear Mr. Lewis,

Thank you for the comment. It will be included as a part of public comment received for City Council consideration at its March 28 meeting on this matter. I'm copying our City Clerk, Brian Barrett, here, so that he can provide instruction on the filing of public comment in the future to ensure it gets to the right place.

Yours,

Dave



Dave DurflingerCity Manager
City of Carpinteria
5775 Carpinteria Ave, Carpinteria, CA 93013

Direct Line: (805) 755-4400 | daved@ci.carpinteria.ca.us

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From: Jon <jonlewis.usa@gmail.com> Sent: Friday, March 18, 2022 9:15 AM

To: Dave Durflinger <daved@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>

Subject: Districtr

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https://districtr.org/edit/87181?event=carpinteria

I like this map I drew and posted anonymously. It's similar to those discussed but doesn't have any odd 'doglegs'. It was drawn without regard to where current Council members live.

/s/ Jon Lewis, Oak Ave, Carp

Dear Carpenteria city Council;

I am not in favor of redistricting

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several neighborhoods including

mine on Atar Pine Rd.

A3 is a better alternative

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Respectfully

Mile Wunneguth 5330 Hear Pine Rd

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To the Covencil Members

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Rd. Carpenteria. I have owned the property

Tyears. I wrote a Comment a few days ago

When there were 5 choices of maps. I wrote in

my comment that I would favor Donna Jordan's

map. I see her's in not an option. I have

viewed the 2 existing maps + I would wont

A 3 map, because it doesn't divide our Stor

Pine neighborhood. Thank your for your

consideration

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Dear Council member: March 15, 2022

I am opposed to districting map

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Attar Pine neighborhood with

Two separate districts. I am

in favor of districting map

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Respectfully mile Winguth

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To Council Members:

Jam Elise Winnequeth + have lived

at \$330 Star Pine Rd for 5 yrs. I was
distressed to read that the redistricting map
A2 would be dividing out street into 2

destricts. This is not acceptable to me.

The Plan Donna Jordan has come up with is
for more equitable. Those your snell take

this into Consideration.

Thank you Elise Winneguth

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From: Dave Durflinger

Sent: Sunday, March 27, 2022 8:41 PM

To: Brian Barrett
Cc: Olivia Uribe-Mutal

Subject: Fwd: Appropriate division of districts

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com>

Date: March 27, 2022 at 19:05:29 PDT

To: Dave Durflinger <daved@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>
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From: Teda Pilcher <tedapilcher@yahoo.com>

Sent: Sunday, March 27, 2022 7:04 PM

To: alclark@ci.carpinteria.ca.us <alclark@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>; nataliaalarcon@ci.carpinteria.ca.us <nataliaalarcon@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>; greggcarty@ci.carpinteria.ca.us

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roirock81@yahoo.com <roirock81@yahoo.com>; Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com>

Subject: Appropriate division of districts

Dear Members of the City Council,

I support Map A 3 as a more appropriate division of districts reflecting the interests of the community.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Sipiora, Ph.D. 1475 Namouna St. Carpinteria, CA 93013

From: Dave Durflinger

Sent: Sunday, March 27, 2022 6:49 PM

To: Brian Barrett
Cc: Olivia Uribe-Mutal

Subject: Fwd: map A3 is the better choice for Carp

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From: Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com>

Date: March 27, 2022 at 18:41:21 PDT

To: Dave Durflinger <daved@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>
Subject: Fwd: map A3 is the better choice for Carp

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Sent: Sunday, March 27, 2022 2:28 PM

To: Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com>
Subject: map A3 is the better choice for Carp

Dear Mr. Nomura,

As a long-time Carp resident, I'm concerned about the redistricting process and especially the evident lack of thoroughness in weighing the benefits of the two competing maps. The strange configuration of districts in A2 and the questionable ethics of drawing district lines to facilitate re-election of current council members are two crucial reasons for pausing and reconsidering. On careful inspection of the two maps, it seems undeniable that A3 is the more appropriate choice in terms of neighborhood integrity and the legal guidelines for redistricting.

I urge you to support map A3.

Ross Robins 5369 El Carro Lane Carpinteria CA 93013

From: Dave Durflinger

Sent: Sunday, March 27, 2022 6:47 PM

To: Brian Barrett
Cc: Olivia Uribe-Mutal

Subject: Fwd: Adoption of District Boundary Map A-3

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com>

Date: March 27, 2022 at 18:40:08 PDT

To: Dave Durflinger <daved@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>
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From: Mike Ledbetter <mldbttr@netscape.net>

Sent: Sunday, March 27, 2022 2:42 PM

To: Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com> **Subject:** Adoption of District Boundary Map A-3

From Michael R. Ledbetter
Former Mayor and City Councilmember
Camellia Circle
Carpinteria CA 93013

To: Mayor Wade Nomura Regarding Drawing District Map

Dear Mayor Nomura:

I am encouraged by your Council's March 14 vote to consider adoption of Map A-3 and urge your vote in favor thereof at your meeting of March 28, 2022. Map A-3 is the alternative which

recognizes and follows the redistricting criteria found in the California Elections Code and referenced on the City's redistricting website.

Local neighborhoods are respected, division of neighborhoods and local interests are minimized in Map A-3. District lines will recognize traditional boundaries and neighborhoods will not be split as in other maps under consideration. Most importantly, boundaries will not be drawn to serve the interests of council members seeking to use their redistricting authority merely to retain their present office. The fact that one of your members expressly stated, at your January 24 meeting, that retention of present councilmembers seats is his preferred objective in adopting a new map of districts is a matter of concern to many city residents, including me. Your council should firmly and expressly reject this objective and adopt a map which doesn't split neighborhoods down the middle of the street for no clear reason.

The only discernable reason Map A-2 splits neighbor from neighbor as it does is to place existing councilmembers into separate districts for the purpose of future elections. This unallowable purpose is legally unsupportable and adoption of Map A-2 would affect this council's legacy accordingly with regard to the integrity of your service to the community whose interests you promised to serve.

I concur in the remarks and observations made by Former Mayor Donna Jordan regarding adoption of district boundary maps.

Thank you for your consideration and again I urge you to vote for adoption of Map A-3.

Michael R. Ledbetter

From: al clark <al.clark2@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 27, 2022 2:41 PM

To: Brian Barrett

Subject: Fwd: Adoption of Map A-3

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From: Mike Ledbetter < mldbttr@netscape.net >

Subject: Adoption of Map A-3

Date: March 27, 2022 at 2:37:49 PM PDT

To: "al.clark2@verizon.net" <al.clark2@verizon.net>
Reply-To: Mike Ledbetter mildbttr@netscape.net>

From Michael R. Ledbetter Former Mayor and City Councilmember Camellia Circle Carpinteria CA 93013

To: Councilmember Al Clark Regarding Drawing District Map

Dear Al:

I am encouraged by your Council's March 14 vote to consider adoption of Map A-3 and urge your vote in favor thereof at your meeting of March 28, 2022. Map A-3 is the alternative which recognizes and follows the redistricting criteria found in the California Elections Code and referenced on the City's redistricting website.

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I concur in the remarks and observations made by Former Mayor Donna Jordan regarding adoption of district boundary maps.

Thank you for your consideration and again I urge you to vote for adoption of Map A-3.

Michael R. Ledbetter

From: al clark <al.clark2@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 27, 2022 3:12 PM

To: Brian Barrett

Subject: Fwd: map A3 is the better choice for Carp

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Ross Robins < rossprobins@gmail.com > Subject: map A3 is the better choice for Carp

Date: March 27, 2022 at 2:30:44 PM PDT

To: al.clark2@verizon.net

Dear Mr. Clark,

As a long-time Carp resident, I'm concerned about the redistricting process and especially the evident lack of thoroughness in weighing the benefits of the two competing maps. The strange configuration of districts in A2 and the questionable ethics of drawing district lines to facilitate re-election of current council members are two crucial reasons for pausing and reconsidering. On careful inspection of the two maps, it seems undeniable that A3 is the more appropriate choice in terms of neighborhood integrity and the legal guidelines for redistricting.

I urge you to support A3.

Ross Robins 5369 El Carro Lane Carpinteria CA 93013

From: al clark <al.clark2@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, March 25, 2022 9:33 PM

To: Priday, March 25, 2022 9.55 P

Subject: Fwd: Redistricting Map

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From: Shanon Sedivy <clayfulness@gmail.com>

Subject: Redistricting Map

Date: March 25, 2022 at 7:20:27 PM PDT

To: al.clark2@verizon.net

As a resident of Star Pine for over 40 years, I see no reason to split this small street of 28 houses total into 2 separate districts.

Therefore I would like plan A3 map to be approved.

Thank you,

Shanon Astudillo 5373 Star Pine Rd.

From:

Dave Durflinger

Sent:

Friday, March 25, 2022 8:10 PM

To:

Brian Barrett

Cc: Subject: Olivia Uribe-Mutal Fwd: Redistricting

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From: Wade Nomura < wade@wadenomura.com>

Date: March 25, 2022 at 19:46:06 PDT

To: Dave Durflinger <daved@ci.carpinteria.ca.us>

Subject: FW: Redistricting

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Wade

From: Shanon Sedivy <clayfulness@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2022 7:42 PM

To: Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com>

Subject: Redistricting

Dear Wade,

Star Pine Rd is a very close and cohesive neighborhood. With only 28 houses it is ridiculous to consider splitting it into 2 separate districts.

I urge you to follow the guidelines and keep all of Star Pine Rd in one district.

Please change your vote and accept Map A3. It makes sense and allows neighborhoods to stay together in choosing representation on our city council.

Thank you, Shanon Astudillo-Sedivy 5373 Star Pine Rd.

From:

Dave Durflinger

Sent:

Friday, March 25, 2022 8:10 PM

To:

Brian Barrett

Cc: Subject: Olivia Uribe-Mutal Fwd: District Maps

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com>

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----Original Message-----

From: Joan Harz <jharz2002@yahoo.com> Sent: Friday, March 25, 2022 5:18 PM

To: Wade Nomura <wade@wadenomura.com>; roirock81@gmail.com

Subject: District Maps

Dear Wade and Roy,

I am writing to you as Carpinteria City Council members regarding the district voting maps. I am actually a neighbor to you both as I live on Star Pine Road. My husband and I have lived here since 1976. Wade, you are right around the corner from us and I know you live on a dead end street also. Roy, we walk through your Pacific Village neighborhood several times a week on our daily walk and it is also a dead end. I don't know about the two of you but our street is a strong neighborhood unit. We share common interests and concerns. For the most part, the houses on our street are all owner occupied, single family homes. Please don't split our street right down the middle by voting on Map A2.

I want to assure you both that my feelings are not politically motivated for or against either one of you nor do I question your ethics as has been implied in some letters to the editor in the Coastal View. I know you both want what is best for Carpinteria. Dividing neighborhoods is not the best. Map A3 is better balanced for population and equal representation. Also, Roy, I have heard comments that you feel the City should follow what the consultant who drew map A2 recommended. That person was not from this area and did not follow the criteria derived from the State Elections Code. I see no reason why

you feel the City owes this consultant any allegiance.
Please, keep my comments in mind when you vote for the District Elections Map and vote for Map A3.
Thank you,
Joan Harz
5374 Star Pine Road

Sent from my iPad

Agenda Item 15, March 28, 2022

Amrita Salm [amritaincarp@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 8:13 AM

To: Wade Nomura [wade@wadenomura.com]; Al Clark [al.clark2@verizon.net]; Gregg Carty [greggnt9@netscape.net]; Roy Lee (Roirock81@yahoo.com); nataliamalarcon@gmail.com; Public Comment

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Dear Council Members,

I am in favor of Map A3 because it is more equitable, fair and sensible for all communities and for Carpinteria.

This decision will affect Carpinteria for the next 10 years and needs to represent all neighborhoods.

Thank you for your consideration.

Amrita M. Salm 797 Arbol Verde Street Carpinteria, CA 93013-2507

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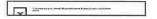
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Subject:

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New eComment for City Council Regular Meeting

shirley johnson submitted a new eComment.

Meeting: City Council Regular Meeting

Item: 15. (1) Review of two draft City Council District Maps (A2 and A3) and selection of a final District Map; and, (2) Adoption of Ordinance No. 752, (first reading) approving the final City Council District Map and scheduling for second reading on April 11, 2022.

eComment: Of the two Council District Maps, A2 and A3, I support A3. I think A3 from the perspectives of the public and common sense, is a better and more trustworthy map. It lacks the peculiar "dog leg," and "picket fence" looking lines obvious with the A2 map. Shirley Johnson, Calle Pacific, Carpinteria

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RUSSELL RUIZ [ruizsblaw@cox.net]

Sent:Saturday, March 26, 2022 1:26 PM

To: Wade Nomura; Natalia Alarcon; Al Clark; Gregg Carty; Roy Lee

Cc: Dave Durflinger; Brian Barrett; Public Comment; carpinteriadistrictelections; Donna Jordan [bdjordan@cox.net]; Gail Marshall [camp.marshall@gmail.com]; coastal view [news@coastalview.com]; Nick Welsh [nick@independent.com]; Jim Reginato [j.reggie@yahoo.com]

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Honorable Members of the City Council:

My theme for my Map Memo was, this is not supposed to be complicated nor controversial. If it is complicated and controversial you are doing something wrong. I have the same theme here. This should not be complicated nor controversial. Also please remember my repeated comment in my prior Memo, this is not directed at any individual. This is more important than any individual. You are setting up procedures that will outlive all of us and I hope you keep that in mind as you decide these important issues. This is for the long term. It is not about what might happen to any individual in November. For this discussion I will be guardedly optimistic and assume you will adopt Map A3 and I will use the District lettering that we are used to. If you adopt Map A3 as you should, **obviously** we need elections in Districts C, D and E this year. We need representation for Districts C and D. We need an election in District E and may the best person win.

If anyone is going to promote another approach I hope you will give us voters the benefit of a thorough explanation because I cannot imagine any reasonable, logical alternative. If one of you will make that argument please include exactly what you expect to happen in 2024.

On the proposed Ordinance, Section 4, Implementation, what is the reason for this? I hope a Council Member at the meeting will require Staff to give us all a thorough explanation why this authority is necessary; the scenario when it would be utilized; and why it could not be better addressed at a Council meeting. This is not personal to our City Manager. We all come and go but this authority will remain forever. What is the scenario where this authority would be necessary and in the best interests of the City? You can Notice a Special meeting anytime with 24 hours Notice. Absent an emergency and I cannot imagine what that would be, you could place the matter on a Regular meeting Agenda and address it there in the regular course of business, in Public and in front of your constituents. If it is a trivial technical issue, place it on the Consent Agenda with a Staff Report and be done with it. It was my responsibility for 30 years to help administer local Public Agencies, I strongly advise you against this Section of the Ordinance. It invites potential trouble, why? Strike Section 4 from the Ordinance and it is otherwise fine.

Thank you, Respectfully submitted Russell Ruiz