



October 11, 2021

City of San Diego Redistricting Commissioners  
202 C Street  
San Diego, CA 92101

Dear City of San Diego Redistricting Commissioners:

We have reviewed your four preliminary maps and would like to make the following recommendations for your consideration:

**1. We are still in strong support of APAC Maps #1 and #3, and would like for you to reconsider them for the following reasons:**

a. Proposed Map #1

This map allows for **40.6% API** and includes the neighborhoods of Black Mountain Ranch, Rancho Penasquitos, Torrey Highlands, Mira Mesa, Sorrento Valley, Miramar, and partial Kearny Mesa and provides the total populations of 155,228. This map unites Rancho Penasquitos as a whole, into District 6.

b. Proposed Map #3

This map allows for **40% API** and includes the neighborhoods of Carmel Valley, Torrey Highlands, Mira Mesa, Sorrento Valley, Miramar, Kearny Mesa, and provides the total populations of 154,132. This map also unites Mira Mesa and Sorrento Valley and allows for no partial communities.

**2. Add Convoy back into District 6**

Convoy is not part of the draft preliminary maps that the Redistricting Commission recently released. It shows the lack of understanding of the Asian community in the past 10 years. Here are the facts:

- a. On Oct. 23, 2020, the San Diego City Council passed a resolution designating the Convoy Pan-Asian Cultural and Business Innovation District in the Kearny Mesa Community in the City of San Diego.
- b. On January 28, 2016, the City Council of the City of San Diego passed a resolution authorizing and establishing the Convoy Banner District. It has authorized the Asian Pacific American Coalition the placement of banners promoting cultural or civic events or activities of general public interest on streets and public rights-of-way designated by



resolution of the City Council. To date, APAC have 4 banner programs in Convoy District with logos associated with District 6: Year-Round Banner, Lunar New Year Banner, Get Out the Vote Banner and Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Banner.

The Convoy district is a huge part of our Asian community and needs to be included in D6. This is where our Asian stores and restaurants are located, where we commune with one another. To remove this from D6 is an insult to the San Diego Asian American community.

We implore you to please revisit and revise your map to include APAC maps and to add Convoy back into D6.

Once again, we appreciate all the work the Redistricting Commission is doing to build equitable neighborhoods in our great city. Please let us know if you have any questions, we may be reached at [info@apacsd.org](mailto:info@apacsd.org).

The **Asian Pacific American Coalition (APAC)** is a community-based, non-partisan, non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation whose mission is to cultivate civic engagement to forward the voices of San Diego's Asian Pacific American community. The goal of APAC is to ENGAGE, EDUCATE and EMPOWER San Diego's Asian Pacific American community.

Respectfully,

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Enclosures:

APAC Map #1

APAC Map #2

Resolution January 28, 2016

Resolution October 23, 2020