

Dear Committee:

I email your Committee to advocate that the Convoy District be kept within City Council District 6 and to adopt the APACs Map #1 or Map #3.

I am David Seid, a third generation Chinese American. I am a native San Diegan, My mother was born in San Diego in 1911. My grandfather arrived in SD perhaps in 1908. I am currently the Executive Officer of the House of China, International Cottage, Balboa Park.

Despite the hardships and discrimination faced by my parents in being denied entry into the YWCA or the ability to buy a home in Kearny Mesa, I was raised to be a good citizen and a contributing citizen. Most recently the House of China was a community partner to the US Census. I have served on the County of San Diego Registrar of Voters language advisory committee. Each and every Saturday and Sunday since 1935, the House of China has held cultural open house to locals and well as world visitors. We have been a Partner in Education to Barnard Elementary School, marched in the Big Bay Balloon parade, etc,, etc.

For decades the Asian community was quiet and had no seat at the "policy table" despite paying taxes, contributing to the economy, and helping to advance science and medicine. The relocation of the Convoy district and dilution of Asian neighborhoods from City Council District 6, could result in the Asian community no longer being at the table.

Please restore Convoy to District 6 and adopt APAC Map 1 or 3.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Seid". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a prominent initial "D".