The following is a draft of some general instructions and guidance to be reviewed by the Redistricting Commission and the public before being submitted to HaystaqDNA to begin to draw preliminary maps. These instructions can be amended after discussion at the October 12 Special Redistricting Commission meeting. The public will be encouraged to provide their feedback prior to the Commission approving and/or amending the instructions.

Citywide instructions:

- Draft 2-3 maps based on the following instructions below.
- Aim for a maximum citywide deviation of 5-7%.
- Communities that were previously split in 2010 should be taken into consideration (when feasible) to reunite the community, provided that doing so isn’t in conflict with the 6 criteria.
- Consider evaluating citywide maps, and partial maps submitted by the public with significant public comment for how the maps meet the criteria.
- Try to keep community planning groups intact, especially if the community is currently updating or recently had their update approved.
- Prioritization of criteria: San Diego is not subject to the prioritization of redistricting criteria in the California Fair Maps Act. The Commission recognizes, however, that court rulings have placed importance on ensuring that the population of districts do not exceed a total deviation of 10%, as per the Gaffney v Cummings case. Additionally, the Commission must follow federal and state laws regarding voting rights, and within those constraints consider communities of interest, neighborhoods, compactness, etc.

District 1:

- Consider keeping UCSD/University City in District 1.
- Try to keep Torrey Hills in District 1.
• Attempt to keep Carmel Valley in District 1.
• For population balance if necessary, consider splitting the University City area north and south of Rose Canyon.
• The Commission received feedback from a group of District 1 residents and community organizations requesting no changes be made to the current District 1 boundaries. Unfortunately, that option is not viable. District 1 currently has the highest deviation of any of the 9 Council districts at 7.91%. With a total citywide deviation of 10% or less (please refer to the Gaffney v Cummings case), and a goal of a citywide deviation between 5-7%, it is not equitable to attempt to alter the boundaries of the 8 other Council districts in order to leave District 1 unchanged.

District 2:
• Try to maintain 2 coastal Council districts.
• Attempt to reunite Clairemont into one Council district (currently in District 2 and District 6).
• Attempt to reunite Linda Vista into one Council district (currently in District 2 and District 7).
• Consider adding Mission Hills to District 2.
• Consider adding Old Town to District 2.

District 3:
• Recognize that District 3 has a strong LGBT presence and has elected several LGBT members to the local and state legislature.
• Consider a map where Golden Hill stays in District 3.
• Try to provide a map where the Normal Heights Community Planning Area is wholly within District 3 or District 9.
• Consider assigning the Districtr-defined neighborhoods of Adams North and Normal Heights to different districts if necessary, for population balance
• Try to keep downtown San Diego intact and in one council district.
• Try to keep University Heights in one district, preferably District 3.

District 4:
• Consider a map where Ridgeview is transferred from District 9 to District 4.
• Consider a map where Mt. Hope (east of Boundary St) is transferred from District 9 to District 4.
• Consider a map where Mountain View is transferred from District 9 to District 4.
• If population deviation is too high, and District 9 is too low, consider transferring Rolando Park and Redwood Village from District 4 to District 9.
• Try to maintain the current district boundaries while expanding the district.

District 5:
• Consider a map where Park Village is transferred from District 6 to District 5.
• Consider transferring Torrey Highlands Community Planning Area from District 5 to District 1.
• Try to keep Scripps Ranch in District 5.
• Consider adding Carmel Valley to District 5.

District 6:
• Try to maintain District 6 as a district with a significant AAPI population.
• Consider transferring UCSD/University City to District 6.
• Consider adding Clairemont to District 6.
• Consider adding Carmel Valley and Torrey Pines to District 6.

District 7:
• Try to keep Navajo in District 7.
• Consider a map where Mission Valley neighborhoods west of I-5 are transferred to District 3; consider adding Kearny Mesa from District 6 to District 7 in compensation.
• Consider a map where Scripps Ranch is transferred from District 5 to District 7 in exchange for Mission Valley or Serra Mesa neighborhoods being transferred from District 7 to District 6, or if Mission Valley is transferred to District 3 as described above.

District 8:
• Try to maintain District 8 as a district with a significant LatinX population.
• Consider a map where Southcrest and/or Shelltown is transferred from District 9 to District 8.
• Consider a map where Golden Hill is transferred to District 8.

District 9:
• Try to maintain District 9 as a district with a significant LatinX population.
• Redraw District 9 in conjunction with comments made for District 4, District 3, District 8:
  o Consider adding Normal Heights Community Planning Area from District 3 to District 9
  o Consider transferring Ridgeview from District 9 to District 4
  o Consider transferring Rolando Park and Redwood Village from District 4 to District 9
  o Consider transferring Mt Hope and Mountain View from District 9 to District 4.
• Try to reunite El Cerrito in D9.