

## **Proposal for Managing the Commission's Maps**

I was tasked with developing a method of managing the commission's maps. I met with Craig on Thursday, September 12th, and we discussed what should be involved. We agreed that maintaining a spreadsheet that includes maps submitted by individuals and groups as well as the maps created by the commission is necessary for the report that we will submit as well as informing the public of our efforts to develop a map containing 10 council districts. Currently, we have received several partial maps suggesting one or more districts. Some have been sophisticated, and others are merely broad outlines of precincts or zip codes that represent a community of interest or neighborhoods. Currently, Craig has placed these proposed maps on the commission's Web site.

I propose that we create a spreadsheet that includes the following information about the submissions: Map number, proposed by, date submitted, number of districts proposed, description of the proposal, and a link to the map on the Web site. Rachael has already prepared a page including this information for the Web site.

As the commission prepares its maps, the following information would be included in a spreadsheet: map number, rationale for the map, a detailed description of how the map meets each of the Austin City Charter's requirements (equal population, VRA, contiguous, neighborhoods/communities of interest, compact, election precincts, identifiable boundaries). Rachel is creating a page including this information for the Web site.

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