

October 1, 2013

City of Austin Independent Citizen's Redistricting Commission Craig Tounget, Executive Director 811 Barton Springs Road, Suite 425 Austin, Texas 78704

Dear Mr. Tounget,

The Bouldin Creek Neighborhood Association (BCNA) does not approve of the latest proposed ICRC district map which positions our community in a district that is north of Town Lake and splits the 78704 zip code across two districts. This proposed map would then create a district that combined communities with vastly different interests.

BCNA requests that a new district map be drawn that honors the Austin Neighborhood Council's South Central sector, to include the following neighborhoods in one district: Zilker, Barton Hills, South Lamar, Bouldin, Galindo, Dawson, South River City Citizens and Barton Oaks.

Our neighborhood association has also adopted the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, the neighborhoods in the 78704 zip code comprise a 'community of interest' under the criteria in the 10-One Charter Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the 10-One charter amendment requires that the 78704 community of interest not be divided unless there is no other possible way to create a district that satisfied the Voting Rights Act and other federal and state requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Bouldin Creek Neighborhood Association fully supports a map in which the district contains all the neighborhoods in the 78704 zip code and urges the ICRC to draw district boundaries in a way that respects these neighborhood boundaries."

Respectfully yours,

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