

Greetings Mr. Tounget.

Please forward the attached statement and Central West Austin Neighborhood Plan Contact Team Map Proposal to Chairwoman Blanco and the other Commissioners.

The details of our position and requested changes are set forth in the attached letter where we request the ICRC to make, at a minimum, two small adjustments to District 7 to respect the geographic integrity of our neighborhood or local community of interest, specifically our neighborhood plan area. In particular, we would request that the district boundaries be expanded to include West 35th Street and Mayfield Park (the portion of Precinct 266 below 35th Street) and to include Windsor Road just east of MoPac (the portion of Precinct 250 above Windsor). With these small changes, our neighborhood would no longer be divided across three separate districts, and the revised district would respect the boundaries of the Central West Austin Neighborhood Plan. In addition to respecting our local neighborhood boundaries, these small extensions would comply with other mapping criteria, including encouraging geographical compactness, using geographically identifiable boundaries, and conforming to the census tract block boundaries (in Census Tracts 16.03 and 16.04) for our neighborhood.

Yours very truly,

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