

Commissioners,

I'd like to ask you to reconsider the way Districts 10 and 6 are drawn in your November 6 map, and restore as much as you can of the version you built on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

For the last six months, leaders of neighborhoods throughout NW Austin have been meeting and discussing common interests, as they sought to determine appropriate district boundaries. As one would expect from their geographic and social characteristics, these neighborhoods form a strong community of interest. During this time, they have shared information and helped each other get City attention to the key concerns they share – transportation and wildfire prevention in particular, and they have joined together to host forums on the issues in the November election. Over the next 10 years, these neighborhoods of NW Austin will continue to evolve as suburban communities facing common transportation needs, issues with drought and wildfire, concerns with abundant wildlife, and housing development patterns that are very different from neighborhoods to our south and east.

These working communities of interest deserve to be in the same district. Districts 10 and 6 as drawn by the ICRC on September 28th do an excellent job of serving these communities. Please restore those maps as much as you can, as you go to your final version.

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