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"NW AUSTIN STRONGLY SUPPORTS the District 10 that starts above 2222 – PLEASE go back to the September 28th map and move the southeastern boundary to start at 2222, but to otherwise follow the ICRC map from September 28th. We appreciate and respect Tarrytown, Brykerwoods and Rosedale, but NW Austin would like to remain with our communities of interest.

Justification:

The Independent Citizens Redistricting Committee (ICRC) drew a draft map for NW Austin (District 10) on September 28th that kept our NW Austin communities together. The September 28th map created a southern boundary that started mainly at 2222 in the southeastern corner, ensuring that our NW communities would be able to have a city council representative whose focus and concerns would FINALLY be NW Austin concerns. Many residents testified (and emailed) that this was the preferred map for our region, and the NWACA board issued a resolution unanimously supporting the map that kept our focus north of 2222. Simply, the community engagement and comment process worked – NW Austin had a region that could be represented by a person who could finally put our interests first.

Unfortunately, on November 6th, the ICRC started over and completely disregarded the many emails and public testimony from our NW Austin community, and put us in a council district with Tarrytown, Brykerwoods and Rosedale. While these are **wonderful** communities, their issues and concerns are very different from our area. And, because of the population density of Tarrytown, Brykerwoods and Rosedale, their sheer numbers will dictate that a city council member will be forced to focus on the voters in those areas, over our own important concerns in NW Austin.

This has huge and potentially negative consequences for NW Austin:

1. NW Austin transportation issues will not be addressed.

2. NW Austin wildfire/canyon fire issues will not be addressed (We saw the Steiner Ranch and River Place canyon fires from our own canyons).

3. NW Austin policing issues will not be addressed (We only have one patrol person and it is often downtown or supporting the Rundberg area).

4. NW Austin deer and coyote issues will not be addressed.

5. NW Austin housing and zoning issues are very different and could be impacted.

6. School boundary changes could possibly take into account the new district boundaries, impacting our school capture areas.

Very Sincerely

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