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Subject: Re: Preserving a Strong Community of Interest

Can you please ask for a map or boundaries of the area he is speaking about?

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Commissioners,

I attended your meeting last Wednesday the 8th. At the meeting I discovered that your mapper has split voting Pct 236 from D7 in his draft. I didn't get to speak about this that night.

Preserving "Communities of Interest" is one of your basic principals.

Pct 236 is a strongly linked component of Allandale Neighborhood. Let me count some ways.

The HEB at Koenig and [now] Burnet Rd is in P236, and it was the first Allandale commercial center; it is in all the 'founding' pictures. Check the Austin History Center.

I'm the usual Election Judge for P236, and I was on the Allandale Neighborhood Board 1980 - 1983, having to deal with the '81 Memorial Day Flood that killed so many and damaged so much. A good friend who lived at Treadwell and Shoal Creek had the kitchen ripped off her house, her 'fridge cabinets washed away down stream. Another friend had the house flooded by water rushing toward the creek. And, my dissertation professor's son was washed off the Hancock bridge; his body recovered from trees behind Great Oaks.

The current president of Allandale Neighborhood lives in P236. A previous president [2012 - 2015] lives in P236. And, the likely candidate for next president of Allandale Neighborhood lives in P236.

In the mid 1980s [1984?] Allandale conducted the largest rezoning in the state, more than 2500 properties. The zoning at the time was 'Conditional' and could be changed administratively. Allandale Neighborhood surveyed all the properties, getting letters of approval from all the owners, to change to 'Permanent' zoning. That rezoning was bounded by Anderson Rd on the North, Burnet Rd on the East down to Hancock and then followed Shoal Creek, 45th St was the South boundary, and MoPac was the West. P236 was a significant portion of the area.

The change in District by your mapper seems arbitrary. P236 was moved from D7 to D10, But, P246 was moved from D10 to D7. Neither is necessary and neither meets the basis 'preservation' principle. In the Draft Map D7 is short on population relative to D10.

Joseph Reynolds



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