



CITY OF  
**HANFORD**

# Redistricting 2021 First Public Hearing



# 2021 City of Hanford Redistricting

The 2021 redistricting process:

- Project timelines
- Key deadlines
- Next steps and hearings



# City of Hanford

Council Members hold 4-year terms

Last went through redistricting in 2011

- Districts A, D, & E terms begin following election in November 2022
- Districts B & C terms begin following election in November 2024



# Redistricting Process

Step	Description
Initial Pre-Draft Hearings (2)	Held prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input from the community Identify “neighborhoods,” “communities of interest,” and “secondary areas.”
Initial deadline for draft maps	Deadline for the public to submit draft maps for inclusion in the next hearing packet and presentation
Release draft maps	Draft maps posted to project website
Public Hearings (post-map) (2)	Public Hearings to discuss and revise or adopt the draft map(s)
Map adoption	Map adopted via ordinance or resolution. Final map must be posted at least 7 days prior to adoption. May happen at Hearing 4.



# Redistricting Rules and Goals

## Federal Law

Equal Population  
Federal Voting Rights Act  
No Racial Gerrymandering

*Prohibited:*

*Shall not favor or discriminate against  
an incumbent, a candidate, or a  
political party.*

## California Criteria for Cities

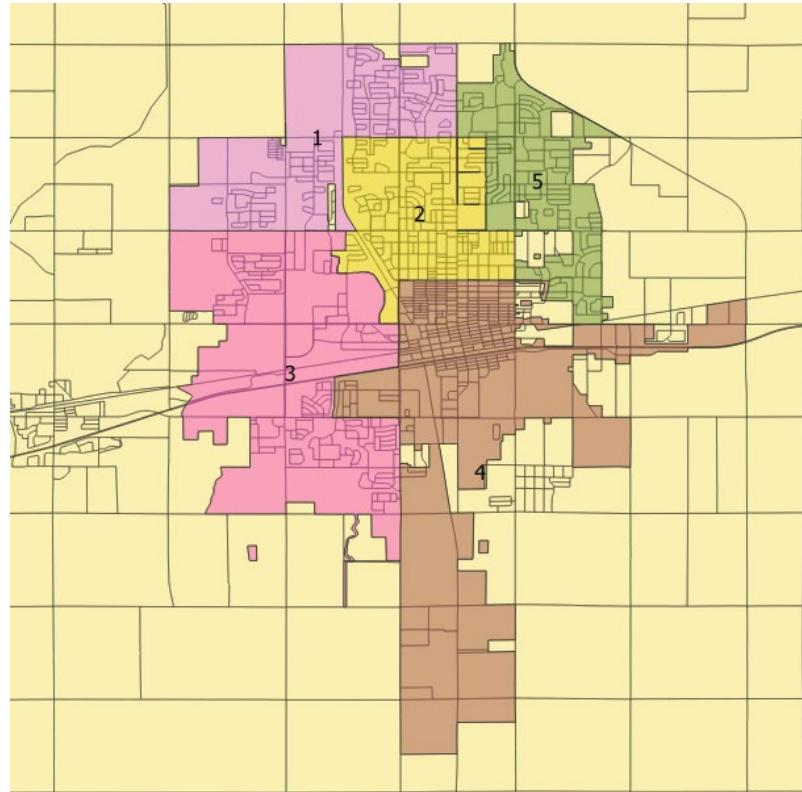
Geographically contiguous  
Geographic integrity of a local neighborhood, communities of interest  
Easily identifiable and understandable – use of local landmarks/boundary lines  
Geographically compact

## Other traditional principles

Minimize voters shifted to different election years  
Respect voters' choices / continuity in office  
Future population growth  
Preserving the core of existing districts



# Existing Districts



Housing Stats

# Existing Districts with 2020 Census Data Overlay

District	Total_Population	Raw Deviation	% deviation	CVAP19 Total	Latino	CVAP Hispanic
A	11248	-420.4	-3.60%	6981	4038	1522
B	11880	211.6	1.81%	8445	5634	2643
C	14458	2789.6	23.91%	8243	8868	4042
D	9367	-2301.4	-19.72%	4680	6808	3055
E	11389	-279.4	-2.39%	7732	5604	2931
Tot Pop	58342					
Ideal	11668.4					



# Defining Neighborhoods

**1<sup>st</sup> Question: What is your neighborhood?**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Question: What are its geographic boundaries?**

**Examples of physical features defining a neighborhood boundary:**

- Natural neighborhood dividing lines, such as highways, major roads, rivers, canals ,or hills
- Areas around parks or schools
- Other neighborhood landmarks

In the absence of public testimony, staff resources or planning records may be used to define neighborhoods and neighborhood boundaries



# Beyond Neighborhoods: Defining Communities of Interest

## 1<sup>st</sup> Question: What defines your community?

- Geographic Area, plus
- Shared issue or characteristic
  - \* *Shared social or economic interest that is impacted by city policies*
- Tell us your community story

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Question:

**Would this community benefit from being “included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation”?**

- Or would it benefit more from having multiple representatives?

*NOTE: Definitions of Communities of Interest may NOT include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.*



# Public Hearing & Discussion

- What is your neighborhood and what are its boundaries?
- What other notable areas are in the city, and what are their boundaries?
- Inform the public on how they can participate
- Any questions about what's next?

At the second hearing, Council will take public testimony and provide additional input regarding preferred map boundaries.



# Timeline & Next Steps

- The prisoner-adjusted census data was released by the state on September 20, 2021.
- Three additional public hearings must be held before the Council may vote on a proposed final boundary map.
- The approved map must be submitted to the Kings County Registrar of Voters no later than April 17, 2022.



# Timeline & Next Steps

Summer 2021	Mapping software released to the public.* * Estimated time
October 19, 2021	1 <sup>st</sup> public hearing Held prior to the release of draft maps
November 16, 2021	2 <sup>nd</sup> public hearing Held prior to the release of draft maps
November 22, 2021	Mapping tool released to the public
Fall/Winter 2021/22	BB&K to prepare draft maps using 2020 census data
TBD	Deadline for the public to submit draft maps for consideration at 3 <sup>rd</sup> public hearing
TBD	Publish draft map(s)
TBD	3 <sup>rd</sup> public hearing Consideration and input on proposed draft maps
TBD	4 <sup>th</sup> public hearing Council to introduce ordinance approving final maps.
April 17, 2022	City deadline to adopt ordinance after 2 <sup>nd</sup> reading (effective immediately) and to <b>submit map to Registrar</b> .
November 2022	2022 election

