City of Irvine
Community Workshops

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Meeting is being recorded

Mandarin interpretation is available

Introductions

Today's Goals

You Learn from the Experts

Experts Listen to *You*

Mapping Tools Overview

You Leave Empowered to Give Effective Feedback

Why You Should Care

☐ Democracy works better when people are engaged

☐ You are the experts on your community

☐ You are the experts on your neighborhood

☐ The districts determined in this process will be

around until 2031

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Today's Schedule

| 3 - 4:30 p.m. |
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| Process, Rules and Goals |
| Mapping Tools |
| Neighborhoods / Communities of Interest |
| Next Steps |

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Proposed Charter Reforms

- The Council is placing a Charter amendment on the March 2024 ballot that would:
  - Increase the size of the City Council from five members to seven
  - Six of the seven seats would be elected "by district"
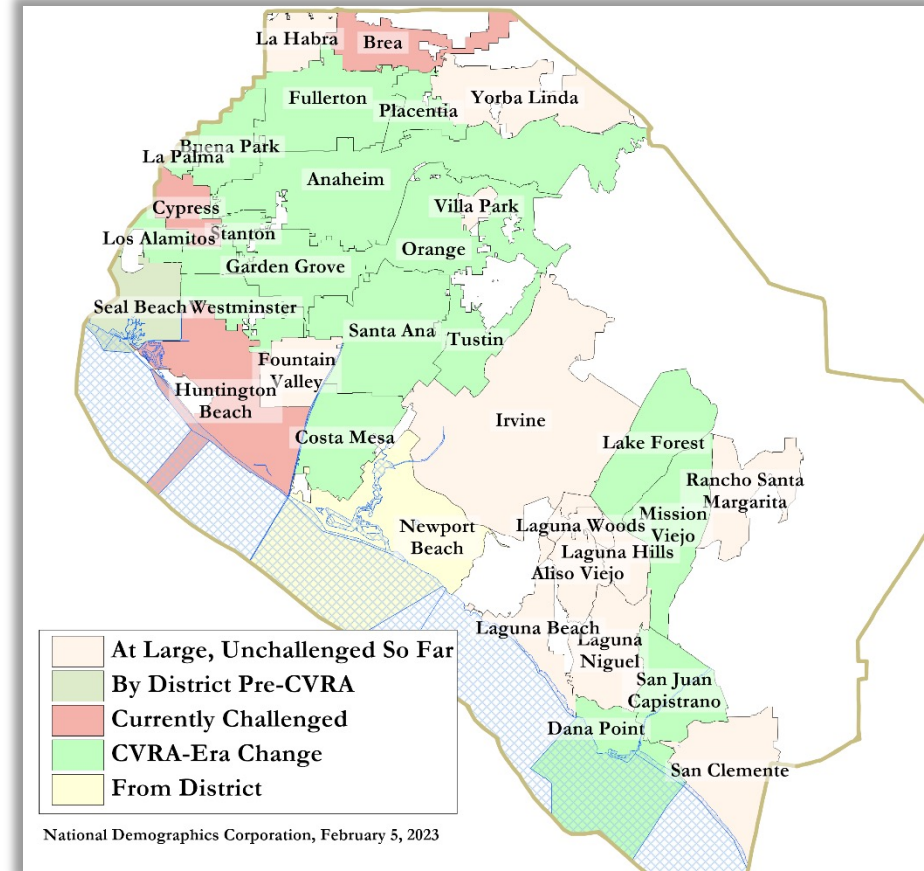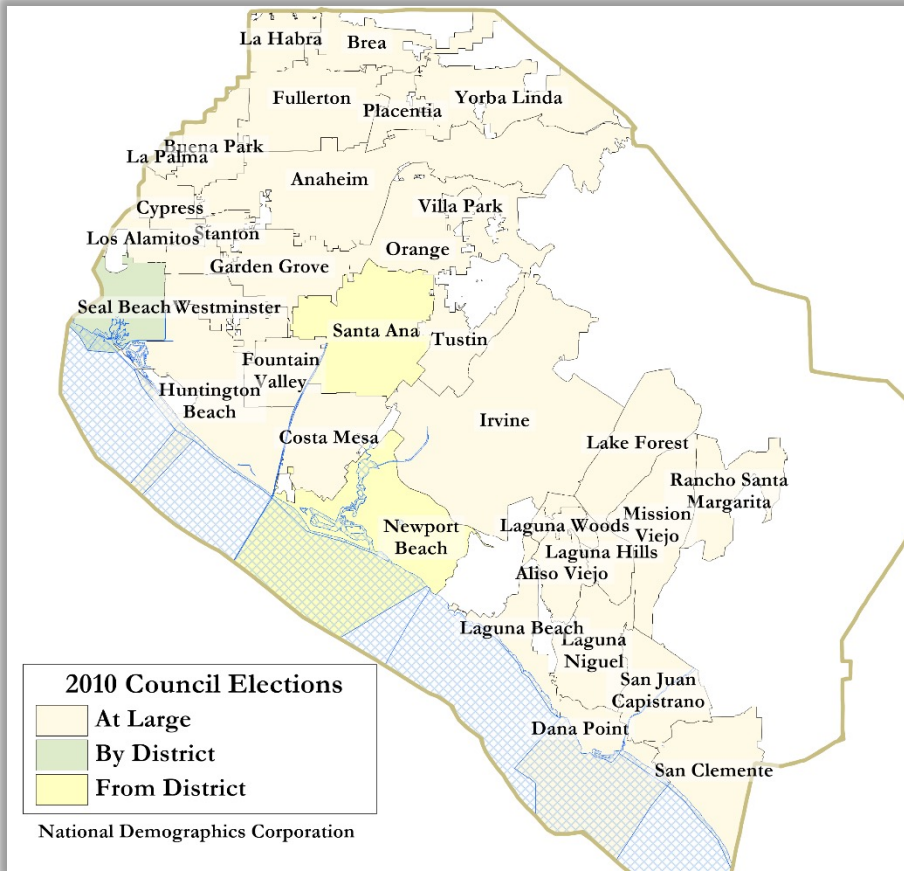 - The Mayor would continue to be elected at-large
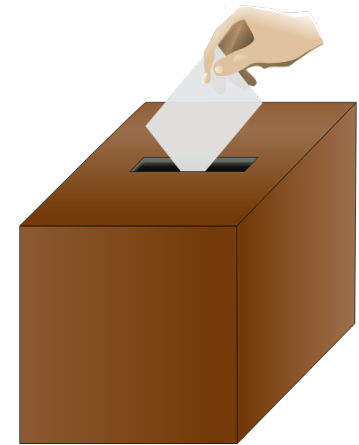
Election Systems

1. "At Large"

2. "From District" or "Residence" Districts
   - *Very rare; subject to CVRA challenge*

3. "By District"

By-District Elections

Statewide switched since 2002:

At least 275 school districts, 36 Community College Districts, 177 cities, 1 County, and 53 special districts.

Districting Process Overview

Step	Description
Two Initial Hearings April 11 & May 9	Held prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input on the composition of districts.
First round of Workshops April 15 – May 27	Held throughout the community prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input on the composition of districts.
Map Submission deadline June 29	Deadline for public map submissions to ensure the map can be presented and discussed at the third public hearing.
Release draft maps July 4	Maps must be posted at least 7 days prior to 3rd hearing.
Two hearings on draft maps July 11 & Sept 12	Two meetings to discuss and revise the draft maps and to discuss the election sequence.
Second round of Workshops July – September	Additional workshops held throughout the city to discuss the draft maps.
Map selection October 10	Map adopted either before or after vote on charter change. Final map must be posted at least 7 days prior to adoption.
Charter Vote Citywide vote in March 2024	Charter changes put to the voters in the statewide March primary.
First By-District Election November 2024	First by-district Council elections held.

Workshops – First Round

Date & Time	Location
Saturday, April 15 **10 am**	City Council Chamber, 1 Civic Center Plaza
Saturday, April 15 **2 pm**	Great Park Artist Studio, 8000 Great Park Blvd
Saturday, April 22 **10 am**	Quail Hill Community Center, 39 Shady Canyon Dr
Saturday, April 22 **2 pm**	Heritage Park Library, 14361 Yale Ave
Wednesday, April 26 **6 pm**	Virtual forum over Zoom
Saturday, May 13 **3 pm**	South Coast Chinese Cultural Center, 9 Truman St
Saturday, May 27 **10 am**	Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Rd

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Workshops – Second Round

Date & Time	Location
Wednesday, July 11 **6 pm**	Virtual
Saturday, August 5 **10 am**	Quail Hill Community Center, 39 Shady Canyon Dr
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Districting Rules and Goals

1. Federal Laws

Equal Population
Federal Voting Rights Act
No Racial Gerrymandering

2. California Criteria for Cities

1. **Geographically contiguous**

2. **Undivided neighborhoods and "communities of interest"**
   (Socio-economic geographic areas that should be kept together)

3. **Easily identifiable boundaries**

4. **Compact**
   (Do not bypass one group of people to get to a more distant group of people)

Prohibited:

"Shall not favor or discriminate against a political party."

3. Other Traditional Districting Principles

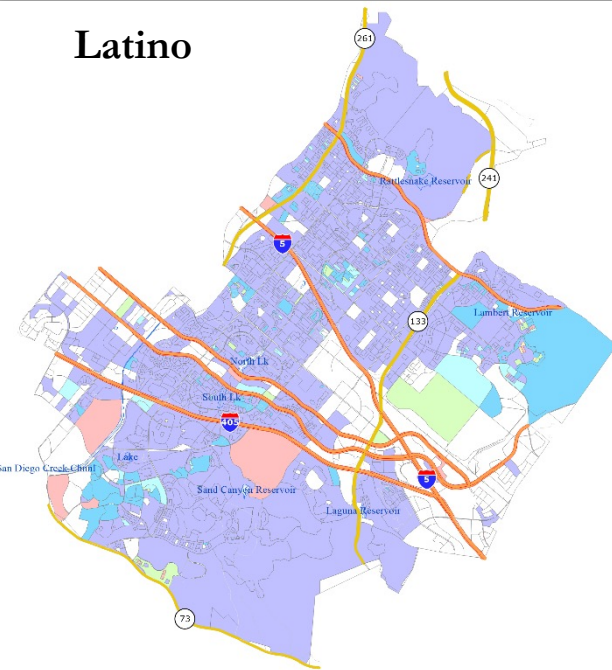**Respect voters' choices / continuity in office**

Future population growth

Demographic Summary

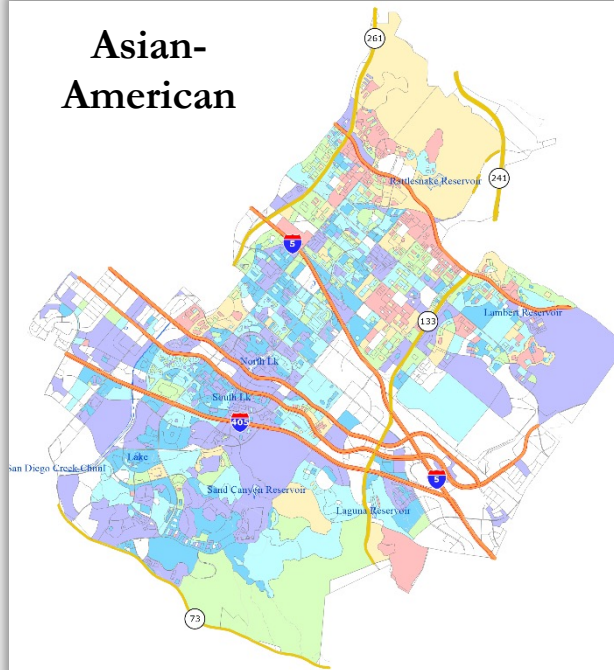Each of **six** districts would contain about 51,326 people.

Category	Field	Total		Category	Field	Total
2020 Census	Total Population	307,958			age0-19	26%
	Hispanic/Latino	12%		Age	age20-60	59%
	NH White	34%			age60plus	14%
Total Pop.	NH Black	3%		Immigration	immigrants	39%
	NH Asian/Pac.Isl.	50%			naturalized	51%
	NH Native Amer.	0%			english	51%
	Total	166,406		Language spoken at home	spanish	7%
	Hisp	12%			asian-lang	29%
	NH White	47%			other lang	14%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	NH Black	2%		Language Fluency	Speaks Eng. "Less than Very Well"	16%
	Asian/Pac.Isl.	38%		Education (among those age 25+)	hs-grad	28%
	Native Amer.	1%			bachelor	38%
	Total	148,676			graduatedegree	30%
	Latino est.	10%		Child in Household	child-under18	34%
	Spanish-Surnamed	9%		Pct of Pop. Age 16+	employed	66%
Voter Registration (Nov 2020)	Asian-Surnamed	27%			income 0-25k	14%
	Filipino-Surnamed	2%			income 25-50k	9%
	NH White est.	55%		Household Income	income 50-75k	11%
	NH Black	2%			income 75-200k	42%
	Total	127,745			income 200k-plus	24%
	Latino est.	10%			single family	57%
	Spanish-Surnamed	9%		Housing Stats	multi-family	43%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2020)	Asian-Surnamed	26%			rented	56%
	Filipino-Surnamed	2%			owned	44%
	NH White est.	56%				
	NH Black	2%				
	Total	85,460		Total population data from California's adjusted 2020 Census data. Citizen Voting Age Population, Age, Immigration, and other demographics from the 2017-2021 American Community Survey and 2016-2020 Special Tabulation 5-year data. Turnout and Registration data from California Statewide Database. "Latino" figures calculated by NDC using Census Bureau's Latino undercount by surname estimate.		
	Latino est.	10%				
	Spanish-Surnamed	9%				
Voter Turnout (Nov 2018)	Asian-Surnamed	22%				
	Filipino-Surnamed	1%				
	NH White est.	61%				
	NH Black est.	2%				

Protected Class CVAP

Latino

Asian-American

African-American

Legend:
- 0% to 25%
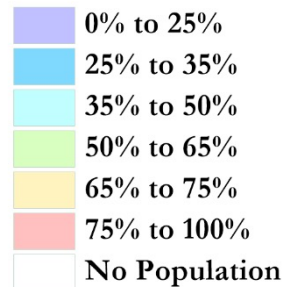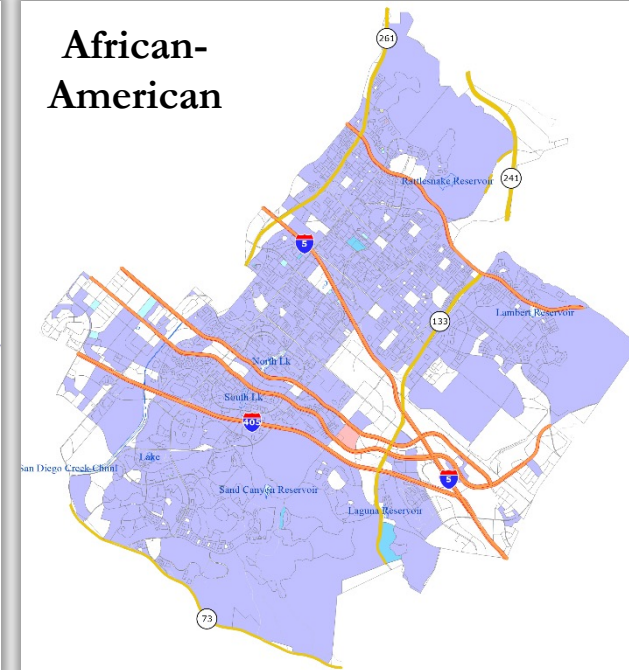- 25% to 35%
- 35% to 50%
- 50% to 65%
- 65% to 75%
- 75% to 100%
- No Population

Defining Neighborhoods

1st Question: What is your neighborhood?

2nd Question: What are its geographic boundaries?

Examples of physical features defining a neighborhood boundary:

- ❑ Natural neighborhood dividing lines, such as highway or major roads, rivers, canals and/or hills

- ❑ Areas around parks or schools

- ❑ Other neighborhood landmarks

In the absence of public testimony, planning records and other similar documents may provide definition.

Beyond Neighborhoods: Defining Communities of Interest

1st Question: What defines your community?

- Geographic Area, plus
- Shared issue or characteristic
  - Shared social or economic interest
  - Impacted by city policies
- Tell us "your community's story"

2nd Question: Would this community benefit from being "included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation"?
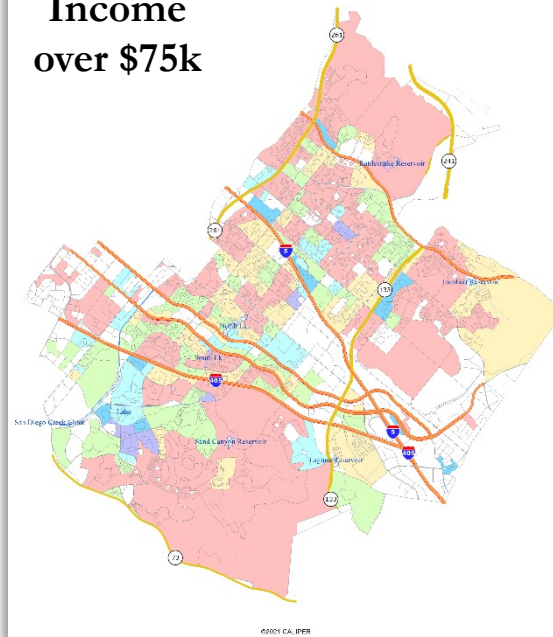
- Or would it benefit more from having multiple representatives?

> Definitions of Communities of Interest may <u>not</u> include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.
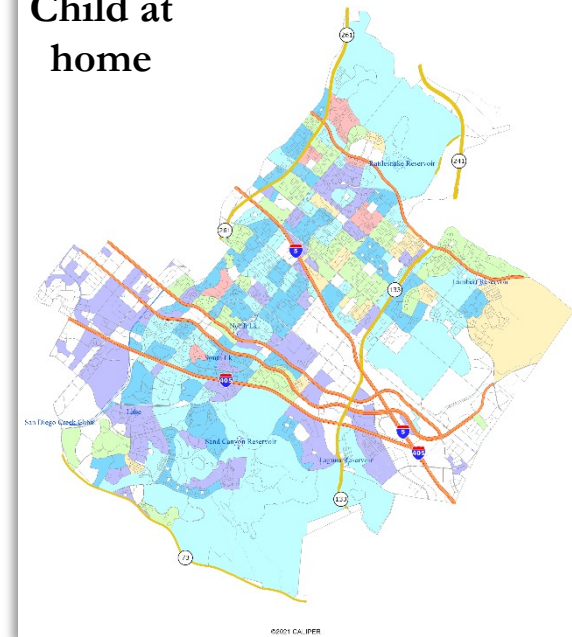
Demographics and communities


Multi-family housing
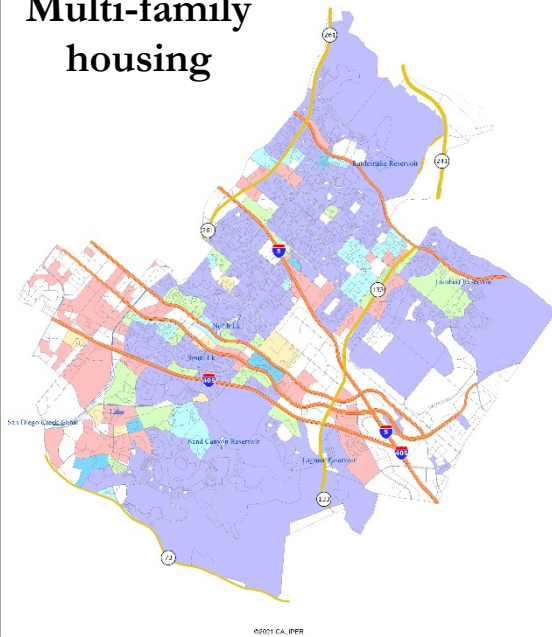
Income over $75k

Child at home

Legend:
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Possible Neighborhoods / Communities

Planning Areas

LAND USE ELEMENT
CITY OF IRVINE GENERAL PLAN

CITY OF IRVINE
ZONING MAP

IRVINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Home Owner Associations

CITY OF IRVINE
HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATIONS
WINTER 2022
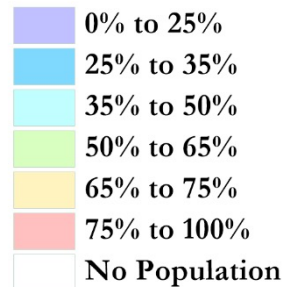
Public Mapping and Map Review Tools

❏ **Different tools for different purposes**

❏ **Different tools for different levels of technical skill and interest**

    ❏ Simple "review draft maps" tool

    ❏ Paper-based simple "Draw a draft map" tools

    ❏ Powerful, data-rich "Draw a draft map" online tool
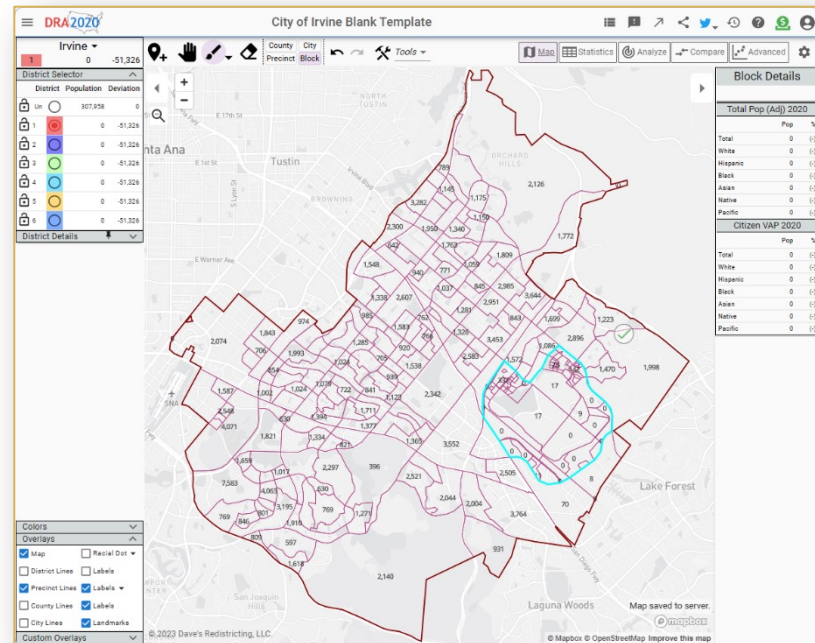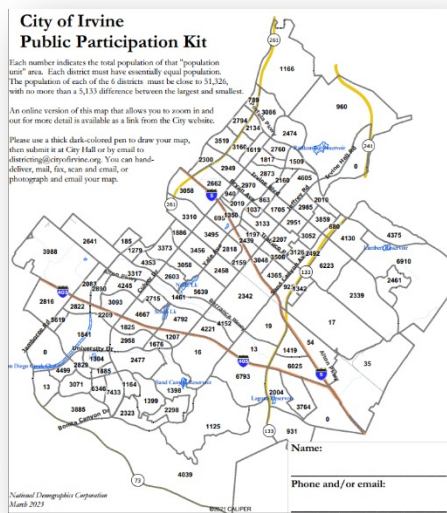
Simple Viewing Tool

Very similar to Google Maps:

- ❑ Zoom in and out, or enter an address to see which district it is in
- ❑ Choose which overlays you wish to add (if any)
- ❑ Maps will be posted here when available
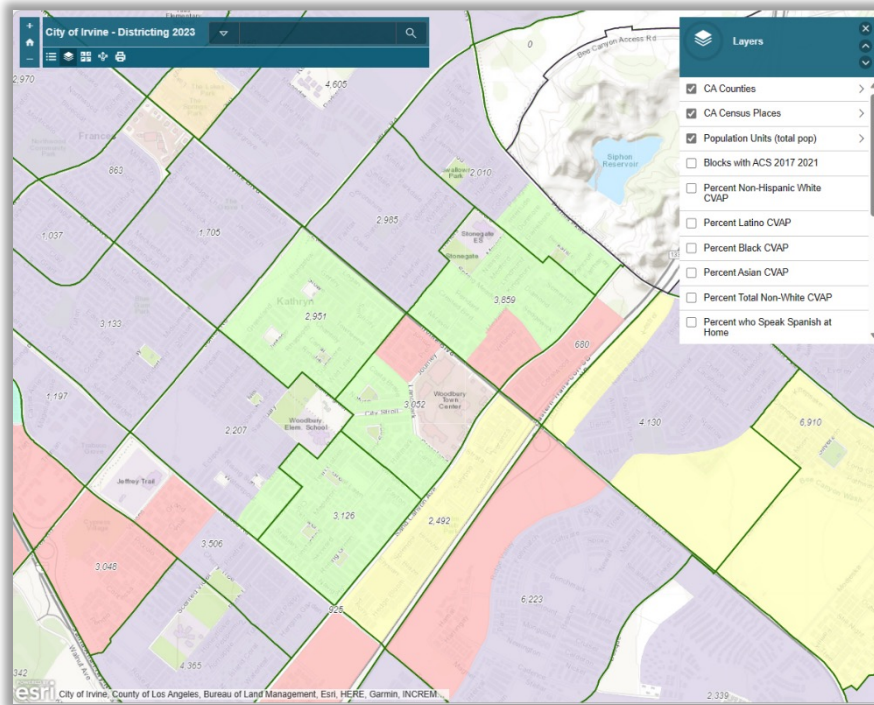
Simple Map Drawing Tool

Paper "Public Participation Kit"

- ❑ For those without internet access or who prefer paper
- ❑ Total Population Counts only – no demographic numbers

Dave's Redistricting App (DRA)

Draw Your Community of Interest or a Full District Map

- Also includes simple district-mapping tool

- Email a link to your map to the City
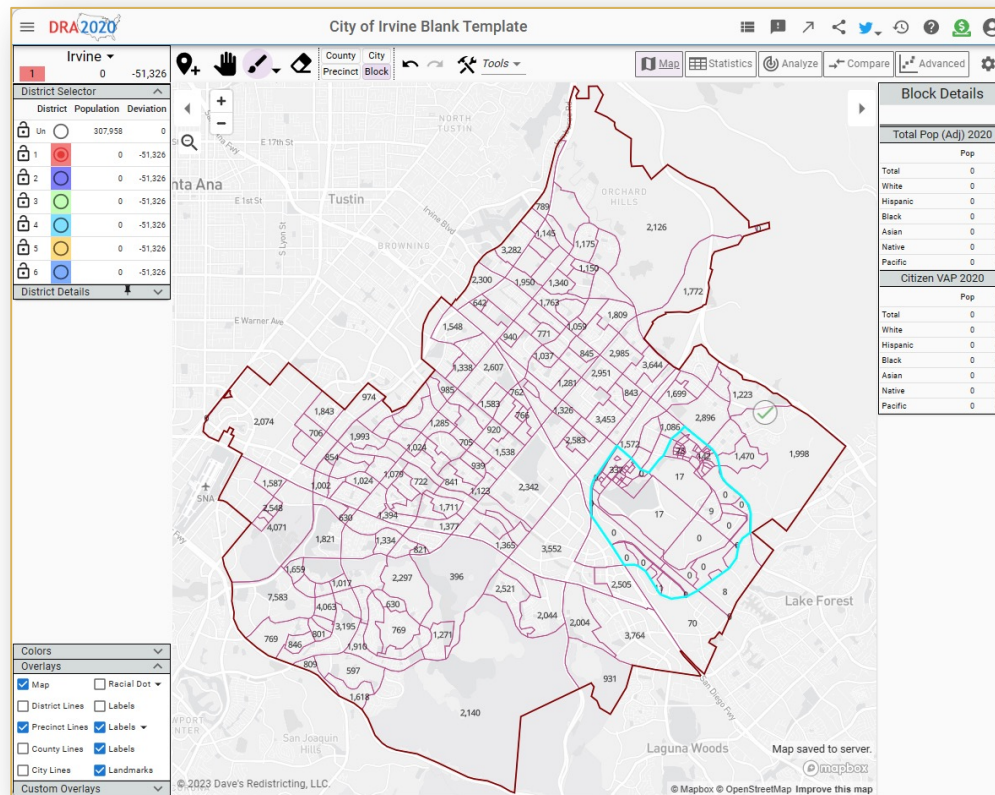
Q&A With Your Hosts

Your Turn – Communities of Interest

- Who is part of your community?
- What are some meaningful places your community recognizes or gathers at?
- What are some common concerns you share with a group?
- What are some common cultural characteristics that unite a community?
- What are common work-related traits that bring a community together?
- What is significant about the physical environment?
- What areas benefit from staying together in a district?

Your thoughts will become part of the record.

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Share Your Thoughts

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