

Name	Community of Interest	What binds your community together?	How would keeping your community intact enhance the quality of its representation?	Where is your community located?	Are there any natural or man made geographical boundaries that are important to consider when drawing districts.	Any other information you would like to share?
						I live NE of East Washington and Sonoma Mtn Parkway and proposed maps A, B and C all appear fine to me.
julia mcmichael	Greater Petaluma	lack of division	By allowing the best qualified candidates to be at large not by district -- it is unnecessarily divisive in a small compact city	greater petaluma	districts should not be drawn bad idea	Petaluma is too small to have good representation by district
Mrs. A.J. Minero	Mrs. Caroline Minero	TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: I and my husband have lived in Petaluma for over 50 years. Raised our 4 children, graduated from PHS, attended SRJC, UC Davis etc. We are grandparents and great-grandparents. We have live in our home for close to 50 years. We have a diverse, caring and well educated neighborhood.; Which only strengthens us as a community.	We live in a diverse, caring, well educated, SAFE COMMUNITY.	West Petaluma, in St Vincent Church parish Petaluma High School area	St. Vincent High School Between: D Street, I Street, Sunnyslove Ave and I Street Extension	
Ed Barr	Southwest Area	The Southwest area (south of D street and west of the river) is a unique area onto its own. It has diverse needs and would benefit from localized representation.	The Southwest area been lumped into the greater Downtown permitting, building, and ideology that has created the current set of Downtown issues. Doing more of the same in another section of town would be asking for the same result. The unique character of the Southwest area has unique needs.	South of D street and west of the river.	D street, 101, E. Washington, Lakeville, Caufield, Corona, Rainier.	District representation will be tremendously helpful. The city councils have been a homogeneous cluster of disjointed Ideologies that have ushered in a series of social experiments that has left our city fractured, broken, and under served (the roads, marina, airport, and parks are an example of this). Hopefully the district concept will allow the unique areas of Petaluma to receive the attention they deserve.
Janis	Nearly extinct natives	Multigenerational families who are being priced out of our home. 5 generations grew up here and can't afford to stay. Yes, it's a fucking problem and yes, it's a distinct community.	There is no keeping my community intact. We are in survival mode in this town.	All over the country now. My "neighborhood" is not my community. My neighborhood are rentals owned by people who don't even live in this area code. I don't want to vote alongside people WHO DON'T LIVE HERE. I've been forced to move all over this town at least 8 times in the last 5 years just to stay here so my son can graduate with his friend he has known all his life at the high school where 3 generations of his family graduated from. NOT sustainable and don't put out these surveys like you really give a shit. If you really gave a shit you would stop bowing down to real estate agents.	Yeah, take a long hard look at the fact that much of this town isn't even owned by people who live here. You going to tell me that some rich transplants won't buy this election to further gentrify this town? I hope you consider this outsider property ownership when sending out ballots.	I'm sad at the loss of my home. Allowing a house less than 750 sq ft with no garage to sell for 800k will kill all of us.

Diane Garcia	Conservative, Master's Degree in Health Education background, Healthcare worker with 40 yrs experience, Against mandates, Senior citizen, Active Adult, Believes in God, Believes in the US Constitution, Grandparent, Socially active, American Citizen, Against socialism, Against CRT taught in schools, Retired College Professor	Like-minded, conservative or middle of the road people with a common goal of freedom, respect for the constitution, judging people by the content of their character not the color of their skin (MLK, Jr), support the police, against defunding the police, teaching basics in school instead of indoctrinating children to socialism, racism, and allowing children to make decisions against their parents will or without parental knowledge/permission.	The quality of representation would include people who are not bought and paid for by any corporation, and who will represent the people not any organization with which they may have even a slight conflict of interest.	Bordered by the airport, East Washington, Frazier and Ely streets.	Not that I am aware of in my neighborhood.	I am very tired of a liberal slant to the political leadership of Petaluma. We are all not liberal, yet the conservative view is not represented. If we are all different, then some should be liberal, some conservative and some in the middle. All in equal amounts. Otherwise, the people of Petaluma are not truly represented.
fred tarr	outer downtown	1. mixed race 2. near city hall 3. near central Petaluma 4. near Sonoma County/City of Petaluma West boundary 5. College educated 6. not in historic home district	Very low key, politically concerned neighborhood, for the most part most in this community are willing to discuss issues	bounded by petaluma blvd n., D st., bodega blvd. and western city limit line	nothing restrictive	this area could be expanded south of D St and north of Bodega Ave. and that would still work
Clarice Stasz	Neglected Suburbia	We live in similar homes but are a diverse population. We are very underserved. Few street trees. Parks neglected. No community centers. Street repairs few. We seem bland on the outside but are not unlike Westsiders in interests and needs. Low walkability because so little exists to walk to. We have to drive when we would rather not because we lack community richness.	We would have a voice that understands our lack of resources compared to other parts of town.	We are Southeast Petaluma, Caulfield to southern boundary. Our main landmarks are Casa Grande HS, a small strip mall, and a defunct golf course.	Highway 101 to the west. Wiseman Park on the east. Caulfield on the North.	I lived on the Westside for over 40 years. I was delighted to find my Eastside neighborhood so much friendlier. I was less delighted by how the city has ignored a large swath of the population in this sector.
Barbara	SRJC	The neighborhoods surrounding SRJC that are linked by the bike/walk path and border the Sonoma Mtn. open space. The schools include Corona Creek, Kenilworth, and Sonoma Mountain.	Maintain the open space and prevent further development of the natural and rural areas.	Washington St. to Corona, area bordering Sonoma Mountain		
James "Jim" W. Blaine III	East Petaluma	I am part of the community that successfully fought the Safeway gas station attack. I am still appalled at how the Safeway lawyer threatened the City Council with law suits, when I attended my first City Council meeting, not long after I moved here. Shortly after that my husband was diagnosed with cancer, and he passed away in March of this year. I love my immediate neighborhood and I have wonderful neighbors close by. I have hiked to every park in Petaluma, so I know the town in that way, but I don't think I can say what generally binds our community, but the Safeway gas station certainly did. When I moved to Petaluma with my husband, who is Vietnamese American, in late 2018 to live in the house he located, for a while he felt as if he was one of the few non-white people here. Over time he discovered he was far from alone, however this is a predominantly white community, with a fair number of residents of Latin/Spanish origin, and some Asians and blacks, from what I have seen. I am proud that this community has supported diversity so widely, especially as a gay man.	Any time the representative lives and works in the community represented, the greater the chance the needs of that community will be seen and handled. I am thrilled with the result of the last elections, and I think the majority of the City Council has the needs of the community at heart. I just hope that the shape of the current City Council will not be altered too greatly by district elections. I also am happy to know My neighborhood will finally be represented by someone who actually lives here.	I live in the Redwood neighborhood as de-marked on the Next Door website, near McDowell and East Washington.	Not that I can think of at this time.	I support the majority of the City Council and I am hopeful that when districts are selected, our council person will represent our needs, and continue in that vein.

Brendan Gagnon	SE Petaluma Residents	SE Petaluma is home to new apartment complexes and longstanding residential neighborhoods. Construction in this area is ongoing and businesses are trying to find a foothold. These building projects effect residents throughout this area; an area whose primary attraction is the Shollenberger Park / Ellis Creek watershed - not the revolving door of businesses in local shopping plazas.	SE Petaluma residents need a voice that can speak for its residents, not its business interests.	East of 101, North of Shollenberger, across Lakeville Highway; roughly Baywood to Frates	Highway 101; the railroad; Shollenberger Park	
Richard Deering	smdupdf	Geographic location	It will be one of seven districts of equal land area.	West Payran, Graylawn, Rocca,	No. All districts should be as equal land area as possible. No other consideration can be considered objective.	Any kind of districts defined by anything but land area cannot be objective. There will always be some prejudiced element in any district created by any other means than land area.
ROGER MANNING	westhaven7	I feel a real sense of community, common goals and participation in community activities.	We are at a crossroad of areas in Petaluma. County to the South and West and cut through traffic on two sides.	West Haven, just north and adjacent to Helen Putnum Park		
Paul Larkin	water conservation	1)Determining what are all h2o issues for this geo. area. 2) Ranking the issues by the community; 3) Determining all money resources available to conserve water; 4) Rank the resources in their reality of happening; 5) If any so-called "non-individually financed" money/work resources are available, list them (all public; all private) 6) Determine requirements to meet the obtaining of financing and timely actualizations of water conservation. (Yes, this last is an A-Z idea, like some first envisioning a bridge from Sausalito to SF, and Doyle actually getting funding & the grunts building the bridge done in 1937.) Thanks for asking.	It ideally makes something really happening more possible, following the concept of "completing by doing in small, do-able parts."	Airport neighborhoods	Casa Grande High School can serve as a rough district area. Reaching out to BIPOC, etc. (big "etc.") will need to happen too, in this rather white-bread-appearing area. No more George Floyds, no more forgotten (deliberate or otherwise) groups/persons/"races."	We are politically active. My wife can "do the numbers." I worked professionally in "saving the planet" & prefer looking holistically. But I would rather see implementation, however initially imperfect, happening, rather than waiting years for all committees/elections, etc. to resolve all nits first, which may be too late for Petaluma. Tx again.
Leif Ortegren	Leif on Raymond	A shared living experience and a sense of history, even for the newly arrived.	There are issues that are very local; for example increased D street traffic or renovation of historic structures.	Certainly "West Side" I would further say "South of "B",	The river is the obvious one. Then the major streets (D B, Western, Bodega).	
hannah	mcnear	baseball, walks, bike	able to voice as a whole what our community can benefit with based on location.	mcnear/sunnyslope	kelly creek, mcnear park, river	
Z. Mondo	Rural townsfolk	Rural west side with crop, animal, apiary interests. Unincorporated Petaluma.	We don't live in subdivisions and have different values, lifestyles and interests	West side of Hwy 101		Since we shop and dine in Petaluma proper, we should be able to vote for all and not be limited because we are in unincorporated Petaluma, unless, of course, there's an advantage of being in unincorporated Petaluma that I don't realize.
Kathi	I think it is a really bad idea to start a new voting and redistricting system. Who's idea is that?	We all share the city of Petaluma, what more is there to do except vote for the candidates? Don't break us up into pieces of the whole.	I would have elections from the city with information on all the candidates, so that all the citizens of Petaluma can vote for whoever they think best represents the city, not a special interest group.Petaluma,	Petaluma Ca. Where is yours? Outside the city limits?	The city limits are good boundaries.	I think the city should not tip the apple cart during the PANDEMIC!! Do you really believe the majority of petaluma s want to change our voting system during the upheaval of the Pandemic? I don't! I have enough to worry about and try to get done without this dumped on me!

Greg Mitchell	city hall neighbor	this community has a sense of history that binds us... the architecture, the true sense of neighborhood, the sincere friendships that have developed over the years	this question makes no sense to me.... sorry.	our neighborhood lies between city hall and Petaluma High School.... Bassett St and Western	we are west of downtown, south of Bodega, east of the hills, north of D St.	personally I see absolutely no need for district elections. Anyone in our city is able to run for office, regardless where they live within city limits. If someone feels left out of the discussion and has an issue with how things are being decided, run for office
Brett Sklove	Washington Street corridor -East of 101	Our community is ethnically and socially diverse. Our community includes a large Latino population, a Dual Immersion elementary school, numerous lower income/multi-family dwellings, as well as some of the highest property values/household incomes on the East side of Petaluma.	A representative who shares the values and diversity of the residents could address our shared concerns at City Hall.	Properties on the north and south sides of East Washington Street, east of Highway 101.	None that I can think of.	
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Carol	Petaluma	Being a united city	keeping at large elections	Petaluma	The city of Petaluma	Petaluma should be considered a whole and not broken into districts simply because some rural areas don't want to associate themselves with the rest of the town. Despite the town growing just as every other city grows, this only leads to unnecessary divisions and opposition. It's sad Petaluma is deciding it does not want to be a united front anymore and is willing to piece meal the community like this.
Susan Fuhrman	Adobe Creek	Everyone in Adobe Creek is being held hostage by Adobe Investments who can't even get a meeting with the City of Petaluma about the now-defunct Adobe Creek golf course. Meanwhile, the Adobe Creek golf course continues to fall into disrepair and our home values are suffering. We also pay some of the highest property taxes in Petaluma but can't get the city to repave Eli from Casa Grande to Frates. We need someone to listen to us and represent our interests!		Adobe Creek golf course		
Heather Muir	The Heritage District	Honoring the history and heritage of Petaluma, this "COI" would be made up of citizens committed to the unique historic character of our community. This COI would engage and partner in the political process to nurture our historical roots to the benefit of the community of Petaluma today, and into the future.	A COI made up of a population with shared values around our historic and heritage characteristics would represent 3 existing neighborhoods (Downtown, Oakhill Brewster and Downtown). These neighborhoods cross over residential, retail/restaurant, mixed-use, houses of worship and agricultural uses. A single district would allow us to collaborate across various needs to ensure that Petaluma's heritage is honored and that we enhance this inherent character for our overall community.	The Heritage District would be inclusive of the 3 existing neighborhoods known as Oakhill Brewster, Western and Downtown, as appear on this map: https://petalumamap.com/	There are crafted geographical boundaries identified in this existing map that would appear to make good sense: https://petalumamap.com/ Alternatively, we could draw the boundaries from the river in a circular fashion to neighborhoods with residences/mixed-use/agricultural established before 1925.	

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Stephanie Adams	Southeast Side	<p>Working class values, family centered. Often too busy making ends meet to engage fully in community or political activities.</p>	<p>A significant number of Petaluma residents live in modest sized homes or apartments. Many of us work more than one job to afford housing. An unfortunate number of children fend for themselves and/or care for younger siblings. This group is not now represented in our City Council, and hasn't been in the almost 30 years I've lived here.</p>			
Richard Brawn	Richard	<p>1. Values held in common and similar priorities among the values. For example, personal safety ahead of property safety. 2. Strong views on upholding personal responsibility. vs. blaming society. 3. Similar economic circumstances and mix of ages. 4. Similar views on the role of local government. Example: Government basic role if first to provide for community "utilities" such as water, sewage disposal, roads, energy distribution, etc. Second priority would be safety such as police and fire. Third to provide laws and enforcement regarding standards of conduct within the community.</p>	<p>It would a culture in which all are equal before the law regardless of position, wealth, ethnicity, connections, or influence in society. Unity does not come from facilitating and encouraging differences. Community means unity. So how does one get to "unity" without a means of achieving compromise. District elections may make it easy for entrenchment of politicians but it is very bad for achieving and maintaining unity.</p>	<p>Petaluma, of course, My neighborhood is not a community. A district within a city is not a community. It is an artificial means to deal with administration. A community must include a political decision making component that works to have everyone in the entire community achieve life, liberty and their pursuit of happiness. This questionnaire sees to confuse administration vs. how people interact. House, street, neighborhood, district etc are not natural political entity. In practice, they achieve only a hierarchy that may be needed for business or administration.</p>	<p>There should be no boundaries. Everyone on City Council should run as a city-wide candidate. City government is the lowest level of governance. Council members have to represent all and look out for the interests of the entire city. City Council must seek unity, not division or encourage differences.</p> <p>District elections ensure internal division within the city. District representations facilitate division by race, religion, ethnicity, wealth and all the other ways of dividing a community into them vs us. District elections literally ensure that change cannot happen even when critically needed. I see no way that District elections benefit the entire city. All of the cities that have district elections have serious problems due to carving up the city into divisions. Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Chicago, Detroit, etc. all of which have horrible internal divisions that are so solid that no change is possible despite all the intensity of their problems.</p>	<p>City Council has been living in a political echo chamber thanks to no face-to face meetings. For example, I am computer literate. but I do not consider Skype, Zoom, or any other media conferencing system as a means to properly communicate. I stopped taking part in City Council meetings after my first introduction to the system. Nobody I know except the few political activists I know participate. For sure all the older people have been cut out. It has been a 2-year disaster for local Council Member contact with their constituencies. Further, this system puts everything on a record that can be pulled up later for whatever purpose. The realization by those engaged makes discussion and communication impossible. Political discussion requires a level of anonymity and freedom of speech. Video conferencing which record and redistribute make for intimidation and social retribution. Those circumstances are totally undemocratic. Imagine video cameras in the voting booth! Video conferencing is fine for non-contractual business or internal conferencing for government employees. But it is not usable for the politics of maintaining unity within a community.</p>
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Rick Burg	Stop this now!	<p>This is the most divisive idea I've ever heard of! Why do we want our community aggravated by cultural differences or socioeconomic differences? Stop this now.</p>				

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Beth Wissing	Beth	Brewster-Oak Hill neighborhood		Downtown, historical neighborhood		
Kevin Tentis	Petaluma Northeast	We live in the same neighborhood. I don't see a lot of political process activities, other than those that obviously vote due to political signs in their yards.	We might see more people involved in the political process. Which in turn, might give us more of a sense of community.	Petaluma Northeast located in the Morning Star subdivision, between Maria Dr. and Sonoma Mountain Parkway.	The freeway and major thoroughfares.	I'd just like to know how many districts we are talking about here. Initially, I was just thinking Eastside/Westside, but that's Petaluma 40 years ago. I think socioeconomic status should most definitely come into play here. For example the Enclave (Lakeville) apartments, neighbors South Park Subdivision and the Adobe Creek Golf Course subdivision and there is very little in common there. Thanks.
Lucy fairweather	Central Midtown	I consider it the area between the train and the 101, and between the lynch creek trail and Caulfield lane. We have a mixture of Caucasian and Hispanic residents for the most part, and many of the homes are historic but not quite as well taken care of as west side.	We are often considered by west siders to be east side and vice versa. We are a big walking neighborhood, able to walk to all amenities and to downtown. However, we do not have enough green spaces in our neighborhood.	I consider it the area between the train and the 101, and between the lynch creek trail and Caulfield lane.	I consider it the area between the train and the 101, and between the lynch creek trail and Caulfield lane. W	We are desperate for a new park!
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carrie lamson	West SIDE-PAVE THE STREETS	Please let me know what is the city plan for paving the streets. I live on 5th between f and g. And it's beyond repair. No handicap sidewalk on my street. At other corners, if you step in the wrong place, you will end up deep in the water gutter at the corners. This is a law suit waiting to happen for the city. If a child, bike rider, senior stepped in the wrong place, they could break the leg, etc. Cheaper to fix than have a city lawsuit.	I would like it to be easier, to access plans for city planning--like when will the streets be fixed. How about something on your website--that says "if you want info about this..." I have called and written the city manager twice to and avail. Honestly, it's easier to get a congresspersons. PLEASE MAKE IT SIMPLE TO FIND OUT CITY INFRASTRUCTURE PLANS. I want less developers/less special interest people on the board of supervisors. I am very concerned about real estate development, traffic on D street. and west side. Neighborhoods should be represented on the board, not developer interests. Thank you.	West Side. Between wicker sham park and walnut park.		Fix the streets. Parking meters downtown. Let's work on Petaluma BLVD. traffic. No tractor trailers, semis on D street. More fairs and artisan craft shows in the park. More music in the park.
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Christina Miller	Western Avenue neighbors	We all live near 3 public schools, Valley Vista, Petaluma Jr. High, Petaluma High School. I believe that we are a group of active voters, many interested in environmental, social, and anti-racist issues.	While there are always happy to meet new neighbors, many of us have lived here 20+ years and have formed bonds with one and another as we walk our dogs, patronize individual businesses (as opposed to corporations making our neighborhood decisions), exercise, help each other in times of need, care for each other's pets, and walk children and grandchildren to school.	Western Avenue bisects our neighborhood(s) near Petaluma High School, Valley Vista, and Petaluma Jr. High School.	None that I know of.	This is the best neighborhood I have ever lived in. Most people are kind, thoughtful, and friendly.
Leanne Stroup	Wiseman Park	Our neighborhood is caring, sharing and compassionate. We encourage respectful behavior of each other. We compromise and work together to promote good neighbor habits. We have a good neighborhood watch mentality. We lookout for each other and the safety of others. We walk and talk together. We can text each other about important neighborhood issues.	We live next to the green belt for a reason. We enjoy the activities available to us within walking distance. We want to keep the quality of life here at Wiseman Park happy and inclusive.	From Frates to East Washington and from the Adobe Rd to South Ely Blvd. including the Adobe Creek Golf Course and clubhouse, the Airport, Wiseman Park	The green belt at the Airport and proximity to Wiseman Park and the Adobe Creek golf course. Include Arroyo Park and Shelter Hills condos and the two retirement homes on So. Ely and East Washington Street.	I was on the General Plan committee in 1985. I've lived in Petaluma since 1977. My husband and I love living in Petaluma!
Kathy Hutchinson	Midtown or Payran Neighborhood	This group has shared values and ideas on the type of development that should happen in our neighborhood and the city at large. There are many members of our community that are extremely active in representing the neighborhood to the City Council and other committees and commissions as well as starting grass roots movements to bring about change in the city. We share the same feelings about trees, parks, traffic, parking, and flood risk.	The river is an integral piece of our neighborhood and what binds us together regarding opinions about the wetlands, wildlife and development. Flood risk, and how the city is addressing (and often ignoring) it, is an ongoing concern. Someone who lives away from the river isn't going to have the same concerns as those of us who do.	Between Hwy 101 and Petaluma Blvd from Magnolia Ave/Payran St. to Jefferson St.	The communities that are immediately adjacent to the river (on either side).	
kathi	against dividing the city by interests	There must be others that think that dividing the city into special interest will separate people from each other, possibly causing discontent and arguments. A divided city into special interests will allow big business to have a larger ability to rule the "special" communities. United they stand, divided they fall. Also, I do not want a Catholic or Christian majority controlling the city (lots of neighborhood Religious Right groups around the city overshadowing other groups).	Our community is not in tact. There is a Religious school that divides the neighborhood and brings Big Business and Fitness folks to our streets. about 200 students are enrolled, but 3,000, and more, cars came to boot camps, competitions, practices etc. during the no in person instruction guidelines, or health orders. Yet our neighborhood Keokuk St. was overrun with over 5,000 vehicles per week coming for Club Football ?etc. 16 hours per day, 7 days per week, 365 days a week for over a year during the Pandemic. Also the school made \$ 175/person/ session, with about 14 to 16 sessions over the past summer. Plus they get PPP of about 1 million dollars, about \$17,000 per student tuition. We the taxpayers pay for the land they make all this money and the parents also spend money towards the Football etc Clubs (travel expenses etc might be an additional \$625 per semester. They also payed a private 40 hour/week personal trainer etc making 25\$/hour. My neighborhood is dominated by the abutting school fitness and Club Football, which would not be operating all those hours for 200 enrolled students and traffic noise 16 hours per day, if the city followed the ordinance 21.030.	I live across from St. Vincent de Paul high school. Where 1,000's upon 1,000's gather per week for sports and fitness and boot camps. Oh yes, the 200 students enrolled also spend some time in the classroom. The gym is a magnet to many people that attend the school, but most of the traffic seems to be for big Sports and boot camps etc. \$\$\$\$	Yes, the Cemetery is to the north, the Mortuary/ Crematorium is directly next door, and also to the north. The St. Vincent de Paul is also across from the Mortuary/Crematorium. (I hope that there aren't many toxins emitted from there, like Mercury.) Going South, you can travel down Keokuk to Bodega Ave. Then you could go east on Magnolia and south down Petaluma Blvd North, and west on Bodega Ave. to make a rectangular semi-community. Or else going east to include Cherry School or something.	I believe in trying to stamp out covid 19, by any means, like masks, vaccines etc etc. I would like neighborhoods to have meetings and to get together with those that have the opposite inkings, to present our data to each other in a civil way. That would be the opposite of the cities idea of having small groups of like minded folks. I think that having all Christian groups together, and separating racial or political groups to vote on issues would be not what our country was built on. It was to Unite all groups and try to function together. It would be much better to be inclusive with all types together, not separate into voting blocks. with separate boundaries.

Bernie Album	east side Petaluma	Mixed Hispanic,Asian,Caucasian ethnic cultural population. Low income to high economic incomes. Neighborhood schools and one central high school SRJCC activities Wiesman, Prince,Redwood, Leghorn Parks and athletic playing courts & fields Lucasi Community Center and Park with playground & athletic playing fields. Washington Sq., South & North Shopping Plazas,Leghorn shopping plaza Petaluma Valley Hospital, Deer Park shopping center and dog park. Rainier Ave. 101 underpass access to Hwy 101	The are common community traffic mobility issues that are negatively impacted by west-side Petaluma residence. We need representation that understands and has the same interest as local east side residences.	Eastside Petaluma is located between the intersection of Petaluma Blvd & East Washington west of Hwy 101 and Adobe Rd west of Petaluma Blvd.	Lynch Creek, Petaluma River including the basin and north Corona Reach to Stony Point Rd north of Redwood Hwy.	There are typical low lands prone to flooding during rain season that needs to be protected from developments that exasperate flooding conditions. Having an elected representative that will be exposed to these floods would provide neighborhoods with someone who is in a better position to understand their needs.
suzanne	Oak Hill/ Brewster historic district	I believe district drawing should be geographic. Geographic locations have combinations of different types of people. When trying to put people into specific types we run the GREAT RISK of having petaluma become a gerrymandered community.	Keeping our geographic communities intact guarantees that fair lines will be drawn for the districts. Community demographic make-ups shift overtime. If lines are drawn to comprise a certain amount of people in a certain area as the demographics shift it will allow for a fair vote that will reflect that change.	Oak Hill Brewster historic district	that line has already been drawn as in most communities. I might expand it to include the boundary up to washington Blvd. We already have most communities named such as Oak Hill Brewster; Midtown; The historic district on the other side of Washington Blvd.; etc. No need to re-invent the wheel.	The mayor should be elected by all the people. The districts should be drawn geographically, instead of trying to figure out who lives where, because that is constantly shifting. Please DO NOT make Petaluma gerrymandered town.
Matthew Larrabure	Matthew	My wife and I are petaluma natives. She went to petaluma high and I went to casa (graduated 2003 and 2002 respectively.) We are members of Petaluma Active 20-30, petaluma golf and country club, I am on the board for PPSC (and mentor me before that). We live in mid-Town and purchased our house there 6 years ago. My parents still live in petaluma.	I think we all identify with other people that are like minded but also important to have different views. All the same views can be dangerous and not critical thinking done. I typically have a minority viewpoint on many political items which helps ensure my thoughts and views are logical and thought out and not simply emotional.	mid-town is an important part of petaluma. It has old houses (ours built in 1940s) but also some new and is still a place people can purchase a home as a first time.	The river to the freeway and petaluma Blvd on the north.	
Will Burns	Northeast Petaluma	location	Greater advocacy for issues affecting this side of town (i.e. Rainier Connector).	N of East Washington, E of Sonoma Mtn. Parkway, N of Lynch Creek, E of N McDowell, S of Corona Rd., W of the urban growth boundary	Rainier and Sonoma Mtn. Parkway neighborhoods have similar issues related to transportation and access to the freeway and west side of town.	no
Jessica O'Brien	Petaluma resident.					This is a terrible idea. Why divide us all when the majority of Petaluma residence want the same things? Less building, more money into infrastructure improvements for residence already here, truly affordable housing, stop building in a major drought, what are we doing to decrease our impact on climate change?
taryn	north river ecological assets and flood risk; Midtown heat island with neglected aesthetic improvement (no art, significant park or street beautification); west Payran speeding and air+noise pollution	Lower income, trash, allthehomeless, polluted river, neglected by city (no improvements), too much traffic, exhaust, noise. No attention to fix problems.	Start allocating resources to our area.	Midtown, Payran / West Payran area and Morth River open space		
Kirsten O'Brien	East petaluma	Location on the east side of town	I do not like this idea. It feels like gerrymandering of Petaluma. I think all of us as one collective with similar concerns about housing, open land, climate change, over population and a strong local economy			I think this is a horrible idea and yet another huge misstep for our town

Teddy Herzog	Oakhill Brewster home owner	<p>Architectural and historical residential neighborhood. Pedestrian oriented quiet older single family residential community. Walking distance to SMART and the downtown core.</p> <p>What binds us together is the desire for a long term sustainable vision for growth of the town as well as improving the quality of life for those who already live here. Smart growth, less cars, driving slower on the streets and restoration of natural habitats where possible.</p>	<p>There is a well articulated vision for climate change solutions, social justice and next generation land use planning currently represented by the City Council majority. Keeping my Oakhill Brewster community intact would preserve that vision and voice for building a sustainable and equitable future.</p>	Oakhill Brewster northwest corner off of Washington Street and Petaluma Blvd.		
Cherry Palacios	Email	<p>Where I live on Sheldon Street, was once in the middle of the original race track and on the outskirts of Petaluma, as "the Fair" was on what is now called Fair Street. The old alley behind my house was where race horses were stabled. The water town on the corner of Fair/English Street is where you paid to go into the Fair. Sheldon Street was a dirt road, I believe until 1945, when it was black topped. One Christmas Day, one of the residents hung themselves on a tree, that has been removed on the corner of Sheldon/Dana Streets. Regarding politics, these are not discussed much, as everybody is basically a Democrat. We all got riled up with the thought of the Verizon 15 tower 5G being installed at the Creamery just down the street. Some residents on Sheldon Street are interested in the City Council meetings every other Monday or view via zoom.</p>	<p>Keeping my community intact is important to the residents. We notice how everybody is looking after their properties and keeping their homes up. Very little junk around in gardens etc. Local residents are thoughtful and kind to their neighbors. Thank goodness crime is fairly low.</p>	Off English Street, close to the Petaluma High School on Sheldon Street.	<p>Old Petaluma alleys and already designated areas. The Polly Klaas building, Petaluma High School, and the Catholic Church should be considered in our geographical boundary. The district could be from Bodega Avenue over to D Street and from Howard Street over to Melvin Street.</p>	<p>It's a good town to live in most of the time with the exception of the weekends, when outside people come to town to drink, mess up the side walks and get DUI's. Way too many bars in town and restaurants who sell hard liquor!</p>
B. Pollack	Environmental protection and quality of life	<p>Desire to protect and preserve natural resources in Petaluma and environs, including wildlife, riparian habitat along river, open space between towns, water supply, air quality, trees, etc.</p> <p>Quality of life: emphasis on more affordable housing, no more luxury housing/single family housing, traffic mitigation/relief, gradual but perceptible expansion of public transportation inside and out of town, street repairs, a Planning Department comprised of citizens who represent the best interests of citizens rather than of out-of-town developers, overarching sense of design for all new buildings (not just ugly boxes thrown up willy-nilly), affordable shopping experiences instead of pricey, tourist-oriented little boutique shops and wineries (Petaluma is more a family town--don't make it another drinking destination for tourists), developer accountability for infrastructure improvements instead of dumping the responsibility on the City (bike lanes, greenery, walking paths, street improvement, flood prevention, etc), up-to-date thorough EIRs for all proposed development, City Council more responsive to citizen input/concerns, etc.</p>	<p>Petaluma would be a more open, livable, healthy, attractive city, both to residents and visitors. It would be an example of living in harmony with nature (and climate change), despite its population growth, and would be a draw to tourists who want to see how to preserve a natural environment within and around a town. Why not have an educational, beautiful river walk, emphasizing how the ecosystem works/prepares us for climate change and the wildlife that call it home? Petalumans would have a greater sense of "ownership" of the city and the City would be relieved of the costs of lengthy, rancorous lawsuits. That money could be used for further improvements in/to the town.</p>	<p>I don't know if a geographical location can be determined for this community but there are many people throughout this town who share these ideas and want to see them realized. Perhaps it would be better to identify this community with a name, as the Greens have done nationally, rather than attempt to limit it to a specific location/area.</p>	<p>None that I can identify. I see Petaluma as a whole.</p>	

Kathleen E. Salvia	Lower Raymond Hts neighborhood	Neighbors are open, embrace the idea of "neighborhood", are open-minded, and charitable people. Neighbors are open to artistic expressions around their homes. (ex. the sea serpent living in our front yard). Seniors are not written off. Ideally, these same people also accept and encourage ethnic diversity and religious freedom.	The socio-economic demographic of my neighborhood seems to be one of privilege and I am not sure it is in need of enhanced representation, but I support carving up the districts with a goal of leveling the playing field.	6th and J Street	South Petaluma Blvd would seem to be a natural boundary. I like the industrial and natural features so close to my home but I recognize the area between So. Petaluma Blvd and the River might be better able to defend, preserve and even enhance itself if it had a rep of its own. I don't know where to draw the northern and southern lines though!	This is kind of a separate issue and I plan to contact the Petaluma Water Dept to discuss some new ways to cope with the situation: The Mountain View and Raymond Heights streets water runoff has a huge impact on us in the flats. Everyone on our streets has sump pumps to collect the runoff and then the water just goes into the storm drains which seems a tremendous waste, especially in a time of drought. Maybe the General Plan could include something about improving water usage practices.
Sage	Windsor Valley / Hayes Hill	All of the residents of our area share a love for the green spaces that surround us; Helen Putnam, Hayes Lane paths. We are a tight knit walkable community that spend lots of time out and about on the paths that surround us.	Having a named community to encompass all of the residents of this area would encourage shared interest decision making and conservation of the nature and resources that bind the area. Victoria, Westridge and the residents on the north facing slopes La Cresta Hill etc.	Victoria, Westridge and the residents on the north facing slopes La Cresta Hill etc.		
Suzanne Tucker	True representation of all citizens	Community is diverse and we learn from that diversity. Parts of City more dense and parts are more rural.	Town Hall meetings would be much more manageable and attendance would go up if the meetings were in one's own district. We would have more faith that our City Council member was representing our interests	North East Petaluma - somewhat rural	HIGHWAY 101!	I believe strongly in an actively engaged citizenry but not the NIMBY kind - the INFORMED kind.
Helen L. Gonzalez	West-side homeowner	Neighbors who care about their homes, neighbors, safety of children and animals (pets and wildlife). We respect each others' privacy and welcome diversity.		Near Cherry Valley Elementary School / Magnolia / Elm	Not sure	
Rick Burg	I'm opposed	I think this is a bad idea. It seems devious creating separate groups rather than bringing our community together.	Why are we segregating ourselves? Does this not create special interest groups thinking about themselves rather than what is good for us all?	Bad idea please move past this	This is outrageous!	
Amanda Horack	North West Rural Petaluma	My community is made up of houses spread out on farm land. Some residents raise cattle, chickens, sheep, horses and other animals. Some of the animals are used for food for human consumption. It is country side. There are no sidewalks. 1 lane and 2 lane roads are the norm. People tend to keep to themselves on my street. It is a drive for all residents to get into town. No public transportation. Our needs are different than those of residents who live in tract neighborhoods with many houses and businesses near one another.	I am not sure how much of my "neighborhood" in North West Petaluma is connected with one another. I would hope because there is a fairly small population of people who live outside of Petaluma town limits that we would be grouped together.	I live in the more rural area of North West Petaluma. A quarter mile in from where Skillman hits Bodega Avenue. On Rancho Lane, a one lane gravel road (that has potholes) and homes on land with a number of acres. It is a quiet neighborhood that is four miles away from downtown Petaluma. Liberty is the main north/south road, that ends at Pepper. Skillman is an east/west road, a quarter mile south of where I live. It continues for 2 miles east, until it ends at Petaluma Blvd. North.	I think you should group areas together that are located north of Petaluma's city limits. Neighborhoods north of Bodega Avenue should be kept together. Neighborhoods located directly south of Bodega Avenue should be kept together. I do not know if you want to go by land mass or by population size.	I will appreciate it if anyone who represents my street, Rancho Lane, and all neighboring streets can make sure street signs are visible at night. I can see the reflectors on McBrown and Genazzi street signs when driving south to turn on my home's road. But Rancho's sign is dark at night. The only way I can find my street at night is by driving very slowly from Genazzi south until I can turn right onto Rancho. I live on a narrow gravel road. It is very easy to miss if I am not paying close attention. Not having street lights makes it even more difficult for people to see land marks. I ask for an area representative to keep watch on potholes that are common on Rainsville, a thoroughfare I use daily to get to Highway 101.

Mary Alice Reis	Midtown	<p>My surrounding neighborhood community shares similar values and interests. We are mostly long-time California residents who regularly vote and care about local and state issues. Myself and the neighbors I know all work in Sonoma County. We bought "affordable" housing and continue to improve and upgrade our homes. We live here because we genuinely like what Petaluma has to offer. We shop local and support businesses. My doctor, dentist, optometrist, lawyer, veterinarian, bank, tax preparer, car mechanic, and hair salon are all in Petaluma. My neighbors and I continue to voice concerns against building on the floodplain and neighborhood high density housing without adequate parking, improved streets, and traffic enforcement. We support our public schools and library, attend Petaluma community events and want to see the fairgrounds improved for the greater good. Our neighborhood is changing as more homes are sold to families with children. In our neighborhood there is an increase in multigenerational families living together due to the high cost of housing in Sonoma County.</p>	<p>Our community has its own issues and needs. We want good schools and safe streets. Our proximity to the Petaluma River, the increasing homeless population near and river along with its history of flooding are concerns unique to this area. We need a representative who works for our interests and shares a realistic vision of safe, walkable, bike-able neighborhoods; preserving open space.</p>	<p>Midtown Petaluma, west of Hwy 101 to Lakeville St and bordered by the river.</p>	<p>Yes, the major roads: Hwy 101, East Washington, Petaluma Blvd N Lakeville Street, and Petaluma River</p>	
Pam Granger	Victoria/West Haven	<p>neighborhood and friends spread throughout the city. Since representation for district elections is supposed to be able to be drawn with one line, I'm limiting my comments to proximity community. What I'm calling the Victoria/West Haven area is not large enough to be a district all its own, however it seems that this group of residential properties should stay together when it is connected to a broader area.</p> <p>Some the elements of commonality are: * Two adjacent housing developments connected for the most part by proximity to Windsor Drive (The end of B street is close) *Both developments abut Helen Putnam Regional Park and the Water Tower open spaces and share the joys and challenges that come with that proximity, including traffic and fire hazards - two issues which greatly affect emergency evacuation options *These residents live in single family home, so may be less knowledgeable about issues particular to multi-family housing *The children in the area mainly attend Valley Vista or McNear public schools and generally matriculate to PJHS and PHS</p>	<p>Just a thought, but splintering this group into two would dilute the cohesiveness of whatever area gets West Haven. There is a small area to their north along Western which is older and more rural, which gives way to older more modest home sizes, with the exception of some elevated areas like Benjamin and up the hill like English.</p> <p>Residents down B St., D St. and south have more in common - again with the predominantly single family homes, residents often engaged in the political process...demographics would be necessary for me to think wider.</p>	<p>My community is physically located in the Victoria Development along Windsor Drive with the geographic boundaries of Helen Putnam Regional Park and the Water Tower Hill and D St. and Western Ave.</p>	<p>The Victoria Development along Windsor Drive with the natural geographic boundaries of Helen Putnam Regional Park and the Water Tower Hill and D St. and Western Ave.</p>	<p>Years ago I participated in a "Blue Ribbon Boundary Committee" to provide input for the Petaluma City School District when they needed to balance enrollment between Petaluma Junior High School and Kenilworth Junior High (prior to its move further north east). It was an interesting and challenging process. We had a number of listening sessions to enhance our understanding of the ramifications of various choices. At least busing residents to achieve city representation goals is not something that has to be weighed. :)</p>
Ann Donohue	Ann	<p>I just want to say there are way too many people here now and too many cars. It's awful.</p>				