

**AGENDA
Oakley City Council
Special Meeting - Virtual
Tuesday, October 5, 2021
6:30 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Sue Higgins called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held via Zoom through the following link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85809005401> or by calling: 1 (669) 900-9128 and using ID# 858 0900 5401. Vice Mayor Randy Pope and Councilmembers Aaron Meadows and George Fuller were also present. Mayor Higgins announced Councilmember Williams would not be able to join.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS

2.1 Receipt of Public Input Regarding the Drafting of a Proposed Map or Maps and the Sequence of Elections for a District-Based System of Electing Oakley City Council Members (Derek Cole, City Attorney)

Mayor Higgins welcomed everyone and provided the moderator an opportunity to present.

City Attorney Derek Cole announced he would be moderating the meeting. He mentioned a translator, Nubia Aguirre, is available for translation services.

Ms. Aguirre asked if anyone needs translation services and there was no response.

Mr. Cole indicated there were no responses. He requested Ms. Aguirre stay on the line and the Interim City Manager to check if translation services are needed as participants are being admitted to meeting.

Mr. Cole began to explain the at-large election system and district election system.

Mr. McMurray apologized for his interruption and indicated 3 people needed translation services.

Mr. Cole requested Ms. Aguirre instruct participants how to switch the translation option on.

Ms. Aguirre provided instruction in Spanish.

Mr. Cole explained the transition from the City's at-large election system to a district election system started in June when the City Council voted to transition. He explained the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) says whenever the rights of a protected class are diminished by an at-large voting system, a city can elect to transition to a district system. He shared that the City received a notice of a potential violation of this law and the City chose to adopt a district election system rather than contest or defend the allegation.

Mr. Cole further explained that an at-large system is where any voter in the city can vote for the number of open City Council seats such as in Oakley's most recent election in 2020. He mentioned under a district system, the city will be divided into districts. He shared two options for districts; the first option is five Council districts of which each Councilmember would represent a district and a person would have to live in the district to vote for a Councilmember for that district. He provided an example of districts for the County Board of Supervisors. He mentioned the first district elections will be held in November 2022 and there will be two seats open. He shared the second option is four Council districts and one at-large elected Mayor like Antioch has in place. He clarified that the Council is not making that decision tonight, but will start to look at options for that. He indicated that the purpose of tonight is to have the consultant share draft maps and receive Council and public input.

Mr. Cole mentioned there have been two public hearing thus far, known as communities of interest (COI) meetings. He explained COIs are areas that should be together; e.g., neighborhoods where children go to the same school. He mentioned the public and Council have had an opportunity to provide input on COIs, the consultant has received that information, and the consultant will share draft maps for review during this meeting. He indicated there will be two meetings to review the draft maps, tonight and October 26. He mentioned the November meeting of the City Council is when the Council will consider introducing and waiving the first reading of the proposed ordinance for the map and during its December meeting, it will consider adopting the map. He introduced the consultant, Jane Hood with Q2 Data & Research, LLC.

Ms. Hood shared that she created four visualizations for review tonight based on the input received from the COI meeting on September 28. She indicated on October 12, she will post draft maps online. She mentioned she will get feedback tonight for the four visualizations. She indicated these maps are drafts and starting points, and may be altered. She explained the five criteria used for drawing districts: 1) equal population in districts, 2) compliance with the Federal Voting Rights Act (FVRA), 3) contiguity, 4) compactness, and 5) respect for COIs. She also shared that there is disregard for incumbents, candidates and political parties. Still mentioned the City is still accepting COI feedback tonight or after the meeting. She explained the computation of the ideal population for districts equals the total population divided by the number of districts.

Ms. Hood mentioned she received direction from the Council last week to look at demographics. She indicated all of the information is based on 2020 U.S. Census data. She shared maps providing Oakley's demographics.

She also mentioned she received Council feedback regarding COIs last week during the hearing on COIs and she converted the feedback into maps. She mentioned if there are any edits or changes to let her know and she can make changes.

She mentioned she heard from Councilmember Fuller the following COIs: Summer Lake, Cypress/Emerson/Delaney, Knightsen SE corner, Nunn-Wilson Park, Live Oak/Main, and North Main/West Big Break.

She mentioned she also heard from the Council regarding COIs surrounding schools. She shared a link to the school attendance zone map and mentioned she could not get a shape file from the school district. She asked if the City can help retrieve it to ensure it is as accurate as possible. She mentioned when mapping, census blocks must be respected so if there were COIs in those areas, they were not included on the map. She shared the COIs provided on the map are Antioch School District, Oakley Elementary, Knightsen SE corner, Laurel Elementary, Almond Grove Elementary, and including the Brown/Holmes horse COI as mentioned by Councilmembers Fuller and Williams.

She shared four districting plan options: A, B, C, and D. She mentioned plans A and B have 5 districts and plans C and D have 4 districts. She reviewed the following details for each plan:

Plan A: 1A: Summer Lake and Emerson/Delaney/Cypress to Main Street to Vintage Parkway and Big Break Road (+1.95% above ideal population); 2A: Live Oak Avenue, Northwest Big Break (-3.13% below ideal population); 3A: Brown/Holmes, Nunn-Wilson and Almond Grove (-0.05% below ideal population); 4A: Knightsen border-SE corner near Knightsen to Rose Avenue, E. Cypress Road to Main Street (-2.31% below ideal population), and 5A: middle of Oakley, Oakley Elementary (+3.55% above ideal population). She reviewed Plan A demographics.

Plan B: 1B: middle, Empire Avenue, Main Street, Rose Avenue, Laurel Road (+2.91% above ideal population); 2B: Rose Avenue out to Main Street to southern border and out to Empire Avenue, Empire Avenue to Winchester Drive to 3B and Brownstone Road to 5B (-1.59% below ideal population); 3B: SW corner of Oakley to Live Oak/Main Street (-.92% below ideal population); 4B north side of Oakley, North Main/West Big Break (+2.54% above ideal population); and 5B: south corner of Oakley next to Knightsen. She reviewed Plan B demographics.

Plan C: 1C: NW corner keeping Antioch School District together as well as Brown/Holmes and Live Oak Avenue/Main Street (-3.22% below ideal population); 2C: east/south side of Oakley, E. Cypress Road and O'Hara Avenue (+3.24% over ideal population); 3C: in the middle, Oakley Elementary, O'Hara Avenue, E. Cypress Road, Main Street, Rose Avenue, Empire Avenue (-2.42% below ideal population); and 4C: northern district, Emerson/Cypress/Delaney and Summer Lake, along E. Cypress Road, Rose Avenue, Main Street and Big Break Road (+2.41% above ideal population). She reviewed Plan C demographics.

Plan D: 1D: SE corner next to Knightsen, kept together Cypress/Delaney/Emerson and Summer Lake, added extra west of Main Street up to Mellowood Drive to balance (+2.2 above ideal population); 2D: Main Street, Mellowood Drive, Delta Road, Empire Avenue and Laurel Road (+1.34% above ideal population); 3D: everything west of O'Hara Avenue and Empire Avenue and Laurel Road to the edge of the City and the top is bound by Main Street and Oakley Road (-1.72% below ideal population); and 4D: north side of Oakley (-1.81% below ideal population). She reviewed Plan D demographics.

Ms. Hood covered next steps. She mentioned during the fourth hearing, feedback from the draft maps will be heard and live adjustments and input can be made during the hearing. She explained during the fifth hearing, feedback on the final map will be taken and the ordinance will be introduced. She mentioned during the sixth hearing, the Council will vote on the final map and the ordinance adoption. She shared when and where the upcoming hearings will be held. She mentioned draft maps will be posted on the districting website on October 12.

Mr. Cole suggested the Council ask questions to get clarification on any maps or presentation details. Once done, he suggested to open up to the public to provide input and have 1-1 with consultant. He mentioned they can get an idea what it would like to see at the next meeting.

Councilmember Fuller mentioned on the 4 district maps, on the SE side, there is one straight line going up. He inquired if that is Sellers Avenue.

Ms. Hood responded she is not sure. She explained this is a boundary map, but she can pull up street names.

Mayor Higgins commented she likes Plan C of the 4 district plans. She inquired if you take all of the close numbers and made one, if it would be a perfect map.

Ms. Hood replied it would be and they can balance out other districts to be closer. She mentioned if you take some population from one, you have to put it somewhere else so it may deviate.

Mayor Higgins expressed she likes Plan C of the 4 districts. She inquired if more purple (1C) can be given to yellow (3C) and some pink (2C) can be given to green (4C).

Ms. Hood inquired if Mayor Higgins has any road lines or areas she would like to see that change happen.

Mayor Higgins responded Empire Avenue down.

Ms. Hood inquired if the second part of that was taking some of 2C and moving it to 4C.

Mayor Higgins confirmed that is correct.

Ms. Hood inquired if there are any areas good for that change.

Mayor Higgins suggested the pink area along E. Cypress to Laurel Avenue to give to the green area.

Ms. Hood commented she is happy to make alterations and provide an updated plan if that is the consensus of the Council.

Councilmember Fuller agreed with Mayor Higgins.

Councilmember Meadows commented that he doesn't like Plan B. He requested Ms. Hood put up Plan A. He suggested 1A shift to the east of Vintage Parkway to get closer to zero. He also suggested to run Empire, the east boundary, all the way to the bottom and anything to the west of Empire to district 2A.

Vice Mayor Pope commented that Plan A splits the Vintage Parkway neighborhood in half so it is not good if Vintage Parkway is used as the line. He mentioned he will wait until after public comments to make any additional comments.

Public comments

No hands were raised.

Mr. Cole provided time for anyone to raise their hands to comment. There being none, he mentioned the Council heard the presentation and asked questions. He mentioned there will be another mapping exercise at the next meeting where more input will be taken and they can vet maps more. He requested the Council consider what it would like to see as options for the next meeting, if it will be the same maps with refinements or different maps.

Ms. Hood requested clarification regarding Vice Mayor Pope's comment about Vintage Parkway. She inquired if there are alterations he would like to see to more accurately reflect the neighborhood. She mentioned anyone can comment, but there may need to be some discussion regarding the north and east border of the Vintage Parkway COI as it currently may be unclear.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned the big block of red east of Big Break Road and west of Vintage Parkway goes away, and the area in white above the red east is all Vintage Parkway, everything north of the train tracks.

Ms. Hood inquired where the eastern boundary would be located.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned the area east of the Vintage Parkway neighborhood is mostly ISD property, but currently most of Vintage Parkway is not in the Vintage Parkway COI.

Vice Mayor Pope commented that Vintage Parkway is the main thoroughfare through the neighborhood so splitting the neighborhood is bad.

Ms. Hood indicated it can be revised to reflect his comments.

Councilmember Meadows commented that Vintage Parkway is included as Vice Mayor Pope mentioned and also Delta Meadows coming off of Vintage Parkway on the east.

Vice Mayor Pope commented that Nunn-Wilson park splits the COI; it would be better split on Brown Road and that square then encompasses most of the agricultural core in the middle, east of the Laurel Crest neighborhood.

Ms. Hood mentioned if there is time, she has her mapping software open and she can make live alterations based on the feedback to ensure it is being accurately reflected.

Mr. Cole recommended she do that.

Ms. Hood shared her screen with adjustments and mentioned she is using Maptitude.

Vice Mayor Pope commented to the right is most of the agricultural core and to the left is the Laurel Crest subdivision

Councilmember Meadows mentioned it is from Laurel Road to Carpenter Road and Empire Avenue to Brown Road.

Ms. Hood made adjustments.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned during the meeting he talked about everything west of Empire Avenue is in the Antioch School District; to the west of the Vintage Parkway COI all the way down Empire Avenue.

Ms. Hood mentioned not all maps are displayed right now. She pulled up the one he referred to.

Councilmember Meadows commented it should go all the way down Empire Avenue, not that there is anything in the triangle.

Ms. Hood commented that this is one layer so if there are GIS or other layers they want to provide she would be happy to take that input but this is what they have, provided by the Census data.

Vice Mayor Pope mentioned there is some residential zoning but the rest is municipal, industrial, but there could be some development on it in the future.

Councilmember Meadows agreed, at the bottom of it.

Councilmember Fuller agreed with the changes made for the Vintage Parkway and Laurel Crest areas.

Ms. Hood brought up the map with school district COIs.

Councilmember Meadows again suggested to draw the line on Empire Avenue all the way down.

Ms. Hood apologized it was not on there and indicated that adjustment will be made. She explained this map reflect the attendance zone boundaries and is the map provided on the school district website; because they do not have digital boundaries, these may not be exact.

Vice Mayor Pope mentioned a couple of schools are missing.

Ms. Hood mentioned the schools missing may not have been able to be accurately depicted here so they were not included. She inquired if anyone wants to see the plan options in more detail.

Vice Mayor Pope inquired about Plan A with the Vintage neighborhood.

Ms. Hood shared Plan B.

Councilmember Fuller mentioned it looks like the boundary goes up the bridge over the tracks and the houses northwest of the line are in the northern part and then it hooks up with Main Street, and south is still open.

He inquired if the railroad track line is being used for the boundary.

Ms. Hood responded that it goes up Vintage Parkway and then to the railway. She mentioned the Vintage Parkway COI would still be split because it includes everything above Main.

Councilmember Meadows indicated that is not correct because that is the railroad line.

Ms. Hood indicated she understands now the railroad line keeps it all together.

Vice Mayor Pope addressed the split of the Laurel Crest neighborhood on Plan B. He mentioned the better line would be to bump the line over to Brown, but it will take away more from 2B which is already under size.

Ms. Hood explained she will make the change to move everything from Brown to 2B and it will show the statistics for it. She shared the new deviation, +5.2% for 3B and -7.72% for 2B, which moves further away from the standard deviation.

Councilmember Fuller suggested east of the dog park to take the pink over to Brown into 2B. He mentioned they gain population, but the streets are rural. He suggested this would keep Laurel Crest together and would bring the population to equity in 2B. He suggested to move the red line around Winchester to Brown.

Ms. Hood mentioned the COI would be respected but the population deviation would be higher.

Councilmember Fuller mentioned streets the southern parts of Portsmouth and Birmingham are agricultural.

Vice Mayor Pope commented everything west of Brown is developed with housing, not agriculture. He mentioned east of Brown is agricultural. He asked if Ms. Hood could zoom out.

Councilmember Meadows commented he does not like Plan B at all.

Ms. Hood pulled up Plan A.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned he would like to see 2A go all the way down Empire Avenue.

Ms. Hood shared the new deviation.

Vice Mayor Pope commented there also needs to be a change to the Vintage Parkway neighborhood, between 1A and 2A.

Councilmember Meadows suggested the top squiggly thing that goes east, on the north end of it, drop it down to the tracks to 1A.

Ms. Hood made the change.

Councilmember Meadows suggested taking 3A up to Cypress between Rose Avenue and Empire Avenue. He mentioned he knows it will change things but then things will get bumped to the north.

Ms. Hood added the area to 3A.

Vice Mayor Pope commented it is a dense neighborhood.

Councilmember Meadows suggested to run the line along O'Hara Avenue.

Ms. Hood shared the deviation changed significantly in 3A and 5A.

Councilmember Fuller mentioned if you take 4A north, you're not going to reduce enough in 1A to make a difference in 1A. He mentioned 2.31% could be picked up by

going north to Cypress Road to the Delta Middle School area, but then it would be splitting areas again and it doesn't take enough from 1A to equal it out.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned Vintage Parkway probably has about 3,700 people. He mentioned 1A as currently configured has a lot of land but not a lot of people. He mentioned the same things with 2A; it has a lot of land but is not very dense.

Ms. Hood mentioned 1A is now overpopulated.

Councilmember Meadows commented he is talking about if it was moved back to how it was.

Councilmember Fuller suggested go all the way east, north of the railroad tracks to Main Street and encompass all of Vintage Parkway to Rose Avenue, and after Rose Avenue east it becomes another community of interest and moves out toward Emerson Ranch and those area.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned it is a possibility, but Carol Lane (pink area) would need to be dropped down even with Main Street so 2A is increased and 3A would need to shift to the west away from Main Street.

Vice Mayor Pope mentioned while we're here Ms. Hood can do Main Street for 2A.

Ms. Hood shared the deviation is still greater than allowed.

Councilmember Meadows suggested to take 2A farther down, following Teakwood Drive down to Chardonnay Drive. He suggested above Teakwood drive on the east-west line move to 2A with stuff above it.

Ms. Hood shared the deviation is still greater than allowed.

Councilmember Meadows suggested going all the way down Gamay Drive to see if it improves the deviation.

Ms. Hood mentioned for 2A the deviation becomes -5.1%.

Councilmember Fuller mentioned it will be hard to balance out keeping the Vintage Parkway neighborhood together if taking from 1A to 2A.

Councilmember Meadows suggested to make the change. He indicated 5A will get shrunk, but then they can put everything north of Laurel Road into 5A.

Ms. Hood shared the deviation with those changes and 1A substantially increased in deviation. She reminded the Council of another plan option they could review in the 4 district plan option.

Councilmember Meadows suggested 3A could move to east of Main Street some. He also suggested below Honey Lane to west of Malicoat Court and Olive Lane.

Ms. Hood mentioned she cannot go just below Honey Lane because there is a Census block.

Vice Mayor Pope suggested she could go to the creek.

Councilmember Fuller mentioned she is at the creek.

Councilmember Meadows suggested Laurel Road to the creek.

Councilmember Fuller suggested right along Marsh Creek.

Ms. Hood mentioned there is a block.

Vice Mayor Pope commented it splits the neighborhood.

Ms. Hood shared the deviation increases even greater.

Councilmember Meadows inquired if there is anything they can play with on their own to draw lines.

Ms. Hood mentioned they don't have a version of this software for the public or Council (an online tool) but they do have maps with census blocks and numbers.

Councilmember Fuller mentioned he wants to see Plans C and D to get an idea of population trends in 4 districts.

Councilmember Meadows commented they are talking about two completely different things and they need one version of each.

Councilmember Fuller suggested they see Plan C then come back to Plan A.

Councilmember Meadows commented they are two different plans, one is for 4 districts and the other is for 5 districts.

Councilmember Fuller suggested they see the population trends in Plan C then come back and look at Plan A again. He mentioned he keeps looking at the same thing here; moving the line from 2A on the west all the way east encompassing all of the Vintage Parkway population settles out with 1A, but he is not sure what happens with 2A and 5A; he doesn't want to split it, but it is tough. He mentioned if you take 4A up East Cypress and take all of Emerson Ranch, Delaney and Summer Lake, there will be too many there for 4A, but would keep Vintage Parkway together and those neighborhoods.

Vice Mayor Pope suggested giving Vintage Parkway to 2A and give back south of the tracks to 5A, it will put 2A over, but shrink 2A below tracks to 5A and then can give some of 5A to 3A or 4A.

Councilmember Fuller agreed with that; take line from tracks to river across from Vintage Parkway.

Ms. Hood shared the deviation for 2A is substantial so a large portion would need to be removed from 2A.

Vice Mayor Pope suggested they can give Carol Lane down Main Street to Teakwood Drive from 2A back to 5A, including everything below the tracks.

Ms. Hood shared the deviation for 5A is now substantially larger.

Vice Mayor Pope suggested taking from 5A below the canal north of Laurel Road and give it to 3A.

Councilmember Meadows agreed.

Ms. Hood mentioned the deviation for 3A is good and the deviation for 5A is getting better.

Councilmember Meadows suggested it would have to be either 2A dumping into Vintage Parkway and split or it's going to have to come down on the south side of Oakley on Neroly Road area east of Empire Avenue.

A public comment was entered into the chat by Dawn Morrow. She mentioned Vintage Parkway has high density.

Councilmember Meadows commented that there are different subdivisions within Vintage Parkway. He mentioned at Freemark Lane west is high density.

Mayor Higgins suggested adding in the top portion of 1A (Weibel Circle and Stonegate Circle area) into 2A.

Ms. Hood mentioned there are Census blocks in the high density area that can't be split. She mentioned with 5 district plans, a slight deviation will result in greater impact because the population is less than 4 district plans.

Mayor Higgins suggested the top corner of 5A go into 2A below Carol Lane.

Ms. Hood shared that the deviation is not within range.

Councilmember Fuller mentioned he likes Plan B because it came in closer.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned he didn't like Plan B because of the bottom.

Councilmember Fuller asked if he is talking about Brownstone Road.

Councilmember Meadows commented that it had an area like a pencil sticking into it.

Councilmember Fuller commented that when they had discussion regarding altering the General Plan, the houses along Brownstone Road were pretty much alike. He mentioned in Plan B, Vintage Parkway is all included (in district 4).

Councilmember Meadows commented district 4 in Plan B is a funky district.

Vice Mayor Pope mentioned it is a long line. He suggested to go up Big Break and give that to 3B.

Councilmember Meadows commented that is a good idea.

Ms. Hood mentioned everything west of Big Break will go into 3B.

Councilmember Fuller commented that the General Plan calls for a buffer on Neroly Road between Oakley and Brentwood, an open area which would fit at Brownstone Road and Neroly Road.

Vice Mayor Pope inquired if the marinas at Big Break or Lauritzen's are residential.

Ms. Hood responded that there is zero population counted there.

Ms. Hood shared that the revision of everything west of big Break into 3B now provides a deviation within range for both 3B and 4B.

Councilmembers Meadows and Fuller expressed they do not like the line at Brownstone Road at the bottom of the map.

Vice Mayor Pope commented with the exception of Riata Park, the rest is low density but should stay together.

Councilmember Meadows commented he can live with it like that.

Ms. Hood explained if they take the line out of Brownstone Road, 2B is within deviation, but 5B is below the ideal population.

Vice Mayor Pope inquired if just the Riata Park subdivision could be taken.

Ms. Hood mentioned 5B would still be below the ideal population.

Councilmember Fuller commented he likes it going all the way to O'Hara Avenue south of Brownstone Road.

Councilmember Meadows commented B is better this way.

Councilmember Fuller agreed.

Vice Mayor Pope commented that this plan still has the Laurel Crest neighborhood split.

Councilmember Meadows commented if take the area west of Winchester Drive (to Empire Avenue) and put it into 3B and at the top end take some of 1B and put it into 3B around where Lucky's is located.

Ms. Hood shared the first part of that would take the deviation above ideal population for 2B and below ideal population for 3B.

Councilmember Meadows suggested they do like before around Lucky's and carve it out to Teakwood Drive.

Vice Mayor Pope commented they would be splitting one neighborhood or another unless they take just the senior housing.

Councilmember Meadows commented that is what he was getting at originally.

Mayor Higgins mentioned they would take more from 1B.

Vice Mayor Pope suggested the northwest corner with Lucky's, to take the neighborhood just south of Lucky's.

Ms. Hood removed the Census block in the northwest corner of 1B. The deviation for 1B and 2B were within range.

Vice Mayor Pope indicated there was one block just along the perimeter of Empire Avenue and Main Street. He suggested removing the former block and taking it instead and go along Main Street to Miguel Drive.

Ms. Hood indicated there is zero population along those streets.

Councilmember Meadows recommended they not include the long line along Main Street.

Vice Mayor Pope indicated they cannot have it anyway because there is zero population, but along Empire Avenue is where the senior housing is located.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned there is no population picked up on the road.

Ms. Hood confirmed the population (240 people) is in the initial block they discussed.

Councilmember Fuller commented it fits.

Vice Mayor Pope indicated it fits the percentages, but it still splits the Teakwood neighborhood.

Councilmember Meadows responded that it barely splits it. He mentioned it is not going in too deep and it takes the senior housing; otherwise the other option would be to split Laurel Crest.

Vice Mayor Pope mentioned that would mean putting Teakwood back into 3D and trying to fix Laurel Crest.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned to fix Laurel Crest would be to run 2B along Empire Avenue which means 3B would lose population so then if you drop in the Lucky's area, 3B should be fine.

Ms. Hood showed the changes as suggested. She mentioned the deviation would now be -5.1% in 3B and -2.21% in 2B.

Councilmember Meadows inquired if a -5.1% deviation is okay.

Mr. Cole mentioned 5% is the standard deviation and he does not believe one-tenth of a percent is going to be a problem.

Councilmember Meadows expressed he is okay with this.

Councilmember Fuller commented the percentage is large in 2B.

Councilmember Meadows suggested taking some at Rose Avenue in 2B and moving it to 5B.

Vice Mayor Pope mentioned he is thinking just above Brownstone Road.

Councilmember Fuller commented that Rose Avenue north of Laurel Road and east of Rose Avenue and Main Street are neighborhoods that have been here longer and seem more compatible.

Councilmember Meadows suggested 1B going across Cypress Road in the pink area.

Ms. Hood mentioned if that area is given to 1B, the deviation goes out of range for 1B. She adjusted it to only provide some of that same area and the deviation worked.

Councilmember Fuller commented there is one area carved out in that neighborhood but he believes it is the trailer park and it is all together.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned he thinks the trailer park is further east.

Vice Mayor Pope mentioned he thinks that area is a loop.

Councilmember Meadows agreed.

Vice Mayor Pope mentioned they are weird-shaped districts.

Councilmember Meadows asked if it would be bad to lose something along Empire Avenue.

Vice Mayor Pope commented it splits it up.

Councilmember Meadows indicated it is hard not to. He suggested either going south or east on one of the lines.

Ms. Hood highlighted a block south of the line near Empire Avenue.

Vice Mayor Pope suggested highlighting one additional block.

Ms. Hood indicated the deviation was within range.

There was consensus among the Council that the map looks fine.

Councilmember Meadows inquired what the typical population is for a census tract.

Ms. Hood indicated there is nothing typical about Census tracts because every city is different.

Vice Mayor Pope inquired how big the tracts are east of where they were just working.

Ms. Hood mentioned one tract has 277 population. She added the 2 Census blocks at the request of Vice Mayor Pope. There was consensus to accept the change.

Vice Mayor Pope inquired what the tracts look like just north of Brownstone Road.

Ms. Hood shared that tract has 713 population.

Dawn Morrow provided a public comment in the chat. She inquired if all of the water can be kept in one district.

Mayor Higgins inquired if the water district map is available.

Ms. Hood indicated she does not have that map, but if Council or staff would be able to provide it, she can include it.

Councilmember Meadows indicated Ms. Morrow is talking about the river. He indicated he likes keeping everything west of Big Break in 3B because that is in the Antioch School District, other than where it sticks in and crosses Empire.

Councilmember Fuller commented 4B follows the shoreline along the river.

Councilmember Meadows mentioned he prefers this because 4B is going to grow more than any other district.

Ms. Hood suggested they can look at C or D for 4 districts. She asked Mr. Cole if there is any limit to the number of draft maps.

Mr. Cole mentioned there is no limit and at the next meeting, they will want finalist maps and to make the call then whether it will be 4 or 5 districts.

Ms. Hood shared Plans C and D.

Councilmembers Meadows and Fuller mentioned they like C better.

Councilmember Fuller commented that he doesn't have the lines in front of him, but he does not believe it splits up any neighborhoods.

Vice Mayor Pope indicated the lines fall on major thoroughfares. He inquired what the little jog is on Main Street.

Ms. Hood responded that it is the curve at Main Street and the railroad track.

Vice Mayor Pope mentioned this map does not need to be changed at all.

Councilmember Fuller commented it looks good.

Ms. Hood mentioned she will post Plan C as is and Plan B as revised with changes made tonight.

Mr. Cole thanked the Council.

3. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.

Respectively submitted,

Libby Vreonis
City Clerk