Redistricting Project
City of Elk Grove Updates

February 16, 2022

Item 4.1, Disability Advisory Committee

Overview

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Redistricting Process

- California Elections Code section 21600 requires all cities to redistrict after each Federal decennial census as a basis so that the districts shall be as nearly equal in population as may be possible

- Redistricting seeks to create districts of roughly even sizes based on total population. The district boundaries must ultimately be drawn so that identified "communities of interest" remain together as a voting bloc

- Maps for election district boundaries will be based on the total population counts from 2020 Census data, and data that comply with federal and state laws, as adjusted by the California Statewide Database (SWDB)

- State redistricting process requirements updated since last effort

Population Comparison 2010 and 2020

	2010	2020	Growth
Council District 1	37,908	39,137	+1,229 (3.2%)
Council District 2	37,564	40,462	+2,898 (7.7%)
Council District 3	37,947	40,696	+2,749 (7.2%)
Council District 4	39,596	55,829	+16,233 (41.0%)
Total	**153,015**	**176,124**	**+23,109 (15.1%)**

Current total population 18+ by Council District

	2020 Total Population	**Aged 18 and over**
Council District 1	39,137	29,929 (76.5%)
Council District 2	40,462	30,416 (75.2%)
Council District 3	40,696	30,988 (76.1%)
Council District 4	55,829	40,061 (71.8%)
Total	**176,124**	**131,394 (74.6%)**

Current total population comparisons

2020 Population By Council District
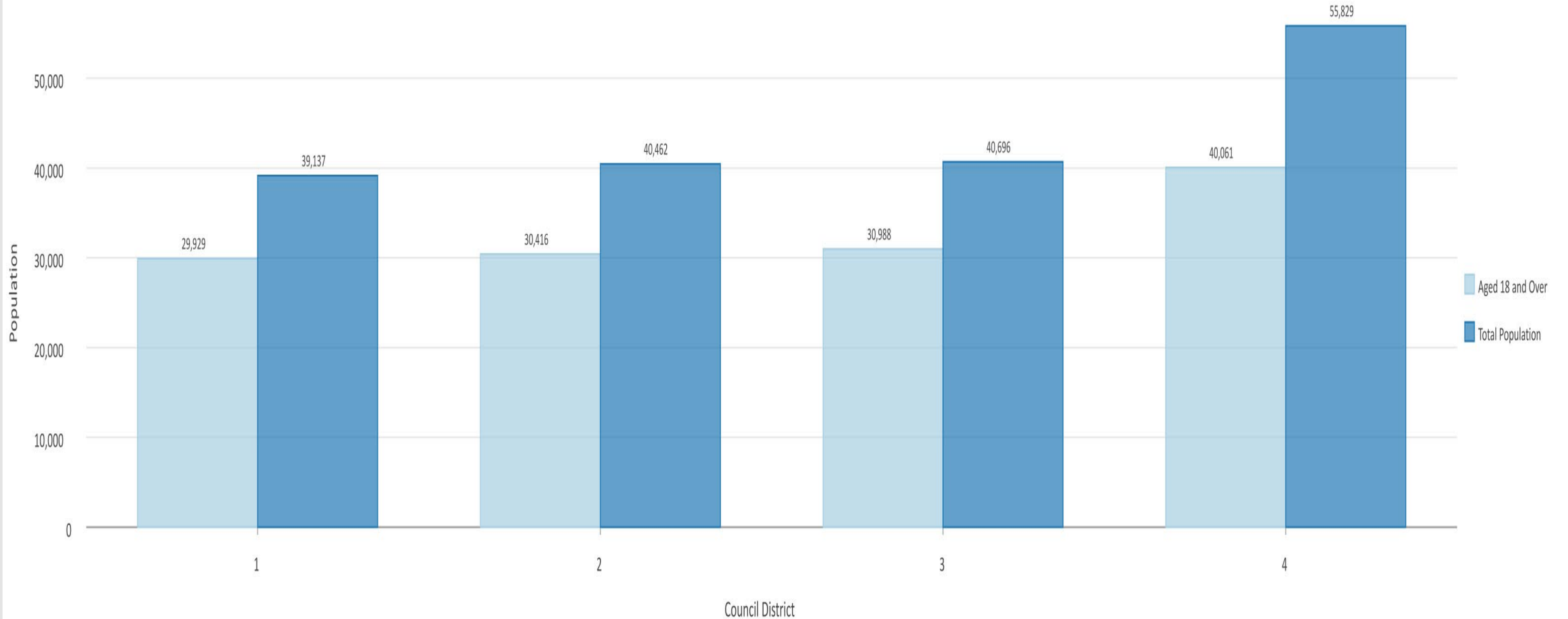
Total Population Demographics - Race, alone*

	2010	2020	Growth
American Indian and Alaska Native	965	1,404	+439 (45.5%)
Asian	40,261	58,982	+18,721 (46.5%)
Black or African American	17,172	17,854	+682 (4.0%)
Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander	1,807	2,560	+753 (41.7%)
White	70,478	57,371	-13,107 (-18.6%)
Some Other Race	10,231	13,579	+3,348 (32.7%)
Two or More Races	12,101	24,374	+12,273 (101.4%)
Total Population	**153,015**	**176,124**	

* Those who indicated that they were one race alone. In the Two or More Races column, those who indicated they were of two or more races (for example White and Asian).

Redistricting Project Timeline

Date (denotes a public hearing date)	Action
January 2022 01-26-2022	Initial presentation of timeline and analysis of demographic changes from 2010 to 2020 based on Census data for the four council districts
February 2022 **02-09-2022** 02-23-2022	**February 9, 2022 further analysis of demographic changes from 2010 to 2020 (NDC).** Community outreach and identification of Communities of Interest (City Staff): Various dates in February will be identified for teleconference meetings, pop-up events, and in-person workshop opportunities.
March 2022 03-09-2022 03-23-2022	Review of Outreach and then Analysis of Submitted Maps for consideration (NDC)
March – April 2022	Final selection of a four-district map based on 2020 Census data
April – May 2022 04-13-2022	Assistance with transmittal of final map to the Sacramento County Office of Voter Registration and Elections (NDC and City Staff)

Proposed Work Model

- City staff will work in conjunction with NDC for presentation of parameters and requirements for redistricting, NDC will provide demographic analysis of maps.

- City staff will initiate community outreach, workshop opportunities, and presentation engagements (presenting to groups on request a redistricting overview and methods to participate and submit maps)

- Community outreach a combination of teleconference and in-person workshop opportunities

- Targeted outreach would commence end of January, establish schedules for engagement throughout February, and staff would provide outreach updates at the regular meetings of February 23 and March 9.

February 2022 Milestones and Events

- Website expanded with Timelines, History to Date, FAQ, Resources, and initial Drawing Tools

- Presentations scheduled to all City Committees and Commissions [throughout February 8 to February 28]

- Outreach Workshops being scheduled for February 21, February 22, February 24, and February 28 – March 3

- Offering teleconference meetings and scheduling teleconference meetings on request

- Staff to return factors for consideration to evaluate submitted maps

  [February 23, 2022 Public Hearing, 7:00 p.m. start time]

Redistricting 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 Redistricting Principles

Minimize voters shifted to different election years

Respect voters' choices / continuity in office

Future population growth

Preserving the core of existing districts

District Drawing Criteria

- Districts should be geographically contiguous (each district should be one piece minimizing separations)

- Districts should respect the integrity of local neighborhoods or communities of interest in a manner that minimizes their division

- District boundaries should be easily identifiable and understandable by following natural or artificial barriers (rivers, streets, highways, rail lines, etc.)

- Districts should be geographically compact in a manner that nearby areas of population are not bypassed in favor of more distant populations

Protected Class CVAP

Latino

Black

Asian-American
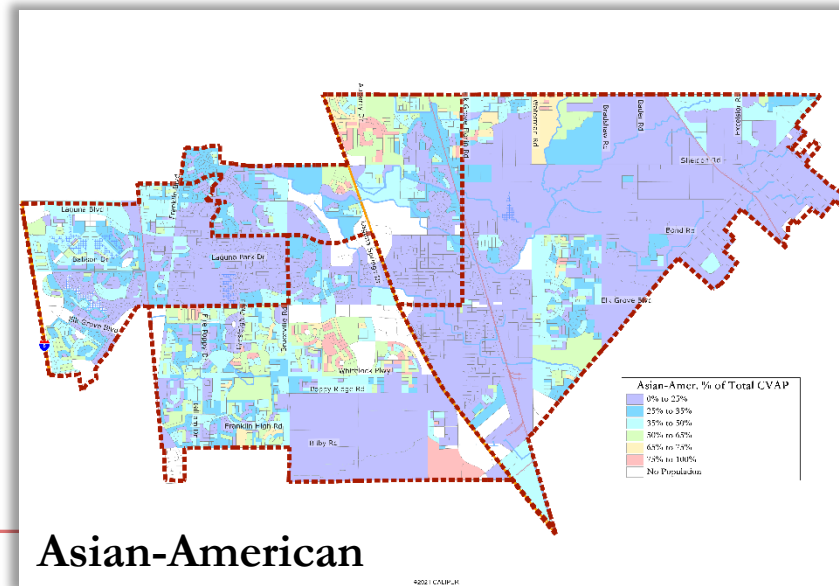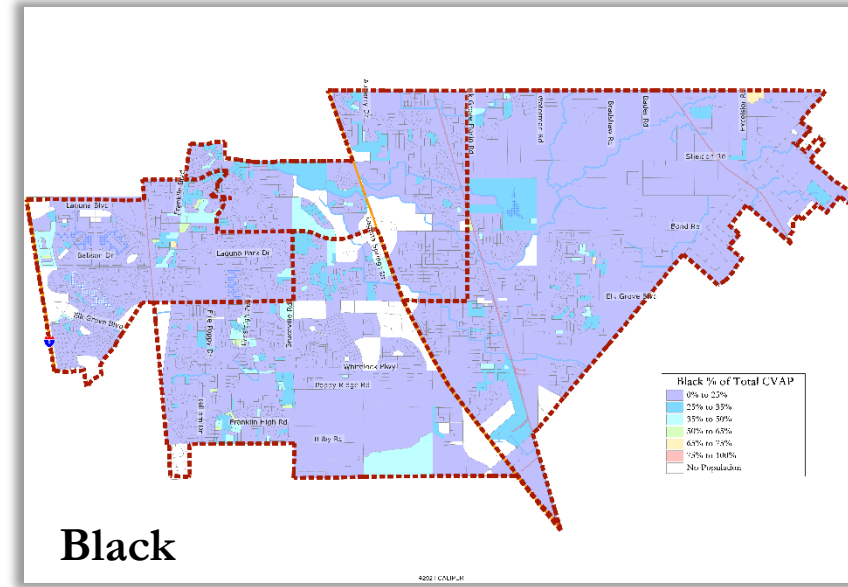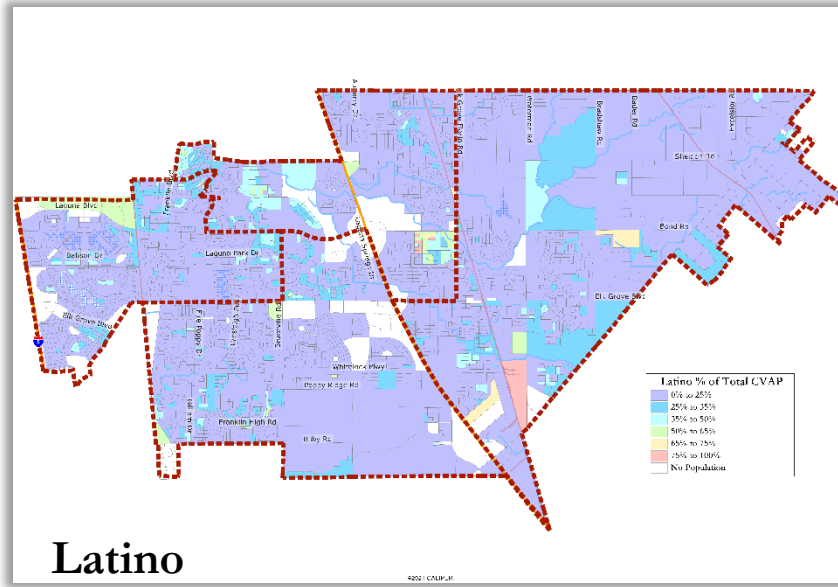
Map Drawing

- districtR

- drawEG – https://districtr.org/tag/drawEG

- District Maps

- Identify Communities of Interest

- The Map Equation

The Map Equation

- Four Districts

- Four close to even divisions by population (±5%)

- Contiguous, Communities of Interest, Identifiable, Compact

- Check the final product – do the lines make sense? How would it feel to see a district of boundary line change?

Questions?

http://www.elkgrovecity.org/city_hall/city_government/city_council/redistricting

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