

**From:** [D. Muirhead](#)  
**To:** [Redistricting](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] MH redistrict "concept" map Monterey Corridor  
**Date:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 9:45:41 PM  
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Hello City Dividers,

This is a "concept" map of my interpretation of a Community of Interest which is Economic Interests and Opportunity Zones. Other than this one COI, I see the entire city as having no other significant local concentrations deserving particular identification as a Community of Interest.

My view is that the City Council and Administration have a "hub-and-spoke" view of businesses, where the "hub" is Downtown and everything else are "spokes". The Downtown has an existing Specific Plan. There is also documentation (level of seriousness unknown) for a Monterey Corridor, which extends business and housing intents north from Main Ave. and South from Dunne. This is desirable in my view so as to have cohesion of business and residential development along the entire length of Monterey. It also is my reaction to a comment from a Planning Commissioner who objected to certain high-end retail being included in a south-city project (on Monterey between Watsonville and Oakwood School) because it would compete with Downtown businesses.

This is the best I can do given the crenelated nature of the population units and their shapes. Being that the districts do not balance in population, this proposal can only convey a thought. Shortening the corridor might allow more population-balanced although non-compact districts, but I really want us to think of Monterey as continuous from the north end of the city to the south end.

[mh.redistrict.mont\\_corr.ddm.pdf](#)

Best wishes, Doug Muirhead, Morgan Hill resident

target 11392 +/- 1140 = 10252 - 12532

District B 10880 1/2 of old eastern districts B and D  
District D 8488 1/2 of old eastern districts B and D  
District C 16867 combines old A and C  
District A 18162 replaces old A with new Monterey Corridor

note that all ".5" reflect an arbitrary division of population in half

District A  $5557 + 10688 + 1917 = 18162$

$a1 276 + a2 740 + a3 1662 + a4.5 79 + a5 350 + a6 1727 + a7 723 = 5557$   
 $+ a8 1500 + a19 907 + a9.5 5503 + a10 871 + a11 873 + a12 1034 = 10688$   
 $+ a13.5 532 + a14 246 + a15.5 293 + a16.5 576 + a17 561 + a18 0 = 1917$

District C  $11053 + 5128 + 686 = 16867$

$c1 1164 + c2 296 + c3 1661 + c4 871 + c6.5 5503 + c7 1026 + c8.5 532 = 11053$   
 $+ c9.5 293 + c5 794 + c10.5 576 + c11 1473 + c12 476 + c13 573 + c14 941 = 5128$   
 $+ c15 686 = 686$

District D = 8488

$d0 0 + d1 3450 + d2 2215 + d3 2472 + d4 276 + d5 75 = 8488$

District B  $3348 + 6108 + 1424 = 10880$

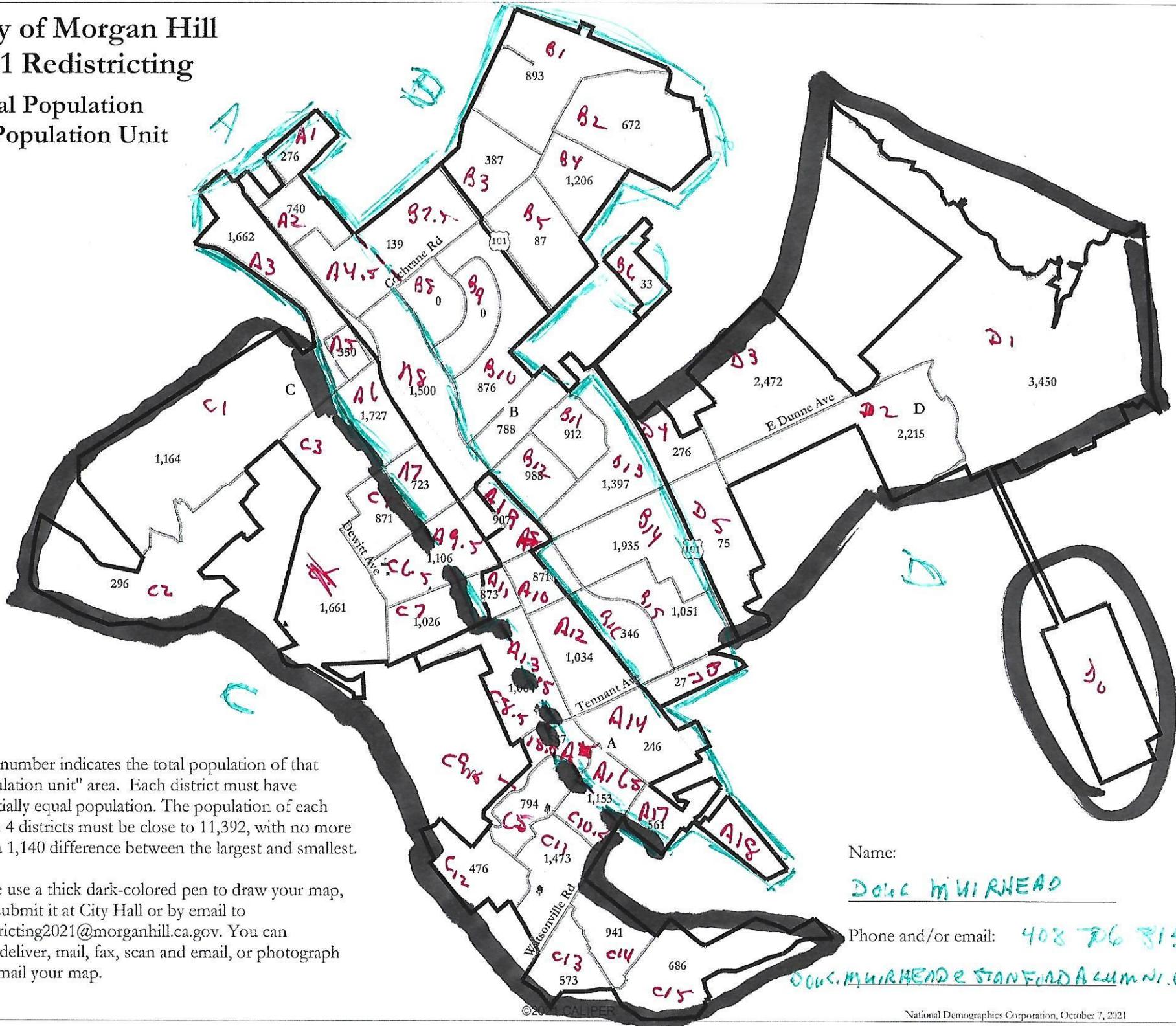
$b1 893 + b2 672 + b3 387 + b4 1206 + b5 87 + b6 33 + b7.5 70 = 3348$   
 $+ b8 0 + b9 0 + b10 876 + b11 912 + b12 988 + b13 1397 + b14 1935 = 6108$   
 $+ b15 1051 + b16 346 + b17 27 = 1424$

Except for the tail created for incumbent protection last time, I like my district (A) in the south end of town. We have a little bit of everything: single-family and multi-unit housing, a school, two large parks, a City facility, shopping centers, and a mix of commercial and industrial businesses.

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## City of Morgan Hill 2021 Redistricting

## Total Population by Population Unit



Each number indicates the total population of that "population unit" area. Each district must have essentially equal population. The population of each of the 4 districts must be close to 11,392, with no more than a 1,140 difference between the largest and smallest.

Please use a thick dark-colored pen to draw your map, then submit it at City Hall or by email to [redistricting2021@morganhill.ca.gov](mailto:redistricting2021@morganhill.ca.gov). You can hand-deliver, mail, fax, scan and email, or photograph and email your map.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Douglas MURRAY

Phone and/or email: 408-786-8150

DOC.MURKIN@STANFORDALUMNI.ORG



## Hoja de trabajo de la comunidad de interés

### Cómo documentar su comunidad de interés:

1. ¿Cuál es la naturaleza del interés social o económico común de su comunidad? Puede describir cuáles son los intereses comunes de su comunidad y por qué o cómo son importantes.  
*La mayoría de mi Comunidad ren-lamos. Yo vivo en Apartamentos, la mayoría ganamos 0 a 50 mil. 50% español, inglés y otros. En general - No educación a hablar inglés, mas fan - queremos un punto de referencia clave (como una escuela o un centro comunitario) u otros límites.*
2. ¿Dónde está ubicada su comunidad? Puede definirlo por vecindario, calles, dirección, proximidad a ~~escuelas~~, un punto de referencia clave (como una escuela o un centro comunitario) u otros límites.  
*Yo vivo en Buttefield. av. estoy cerca 101. Estoy vivo en una escuela Barret, Elementary School.*
3. ¿Cuáles son los delimitadores / límites geográficos de su vecindario? Ejemplos de definidores / límites pueden ser carreteras, caminos, ríos, colinas o parques.  
*Mi área es cerca 101 West, Dennis, av. Donne. av. y Monterey Rd.*
4. ¿Cuál es la razón fundamental para que se utilice su comunidad de interés en esta redistribución de distritos? Por favor, describa cómo los asuntos ante el Ayuntamiento tienen un impacto único en su grupo.  
*Ustedes devorían considerar las personas de familia de bajos ingresos que mucha renta, viven en apartamentos y el tráfico y necesitamos una persona que entienda la Comunidad y sus necesidades.*
5. ¿Qué le gusta de las líneas distritales actuales? ¿Qué le disgusta de las líneas distritales actuales?  
*Me gusta porque tenemos una persona que entiende a la Comunidad y trabaja con ellos. Nunca abriamos la boca a una persona que entiendiera a nuestra.*

Opcional: Comunidades en el Distrito B acuña.  
Nombre: Ernesto Gomez

Dirección de correo electrónico: grumasa37@gmail.com

¿Es usted un residente de Morgan Hill?  Sí  No



## Hoja de trabajo de la comunidad de interés

### Cómo documentar su comunidad de interés:

1. ¿Cuál es la naturaleza del interés social o económico común de su comunidad? Puede describir cuáles son los intereses comunes de su comunidad y por qué o cómo son importantes.

Un solo grupo español. Un alto porcentaje de latinos  
nuestro AP. No tener rentistas. Somos mexicanos, no  
viven nosotros nosotros; nuestra renta es sube y baja.  
Somos seniores

2. ¿Dónde está ubicada su comunidad? Puede definirlo por vecindario, calles, dirección, proximidad a un punto de referencia clave (como una escuela o un centro comunitario) u otros límites.

Montgomery & Dwight Road

3. ¿Cuáles son los delimitadores / límites geográficos de su vecindario? Ejemplos de definidores / límites pueden ser carreteras, caminos, ríos, colinas o parques.

101, Monterey Road. Strip Mall 16th Street  
Galaxy Park, Librería, Monterey Road.

4. ¿Cuál es la razón fundamental para que se utilice su comunidad de interés en esta redistribución de distritos? Por favor, describa cómo los asuntos ante el Ayuntamiento tienen un impacto único en su grupo.

Porque es importante que todos deseen  
muy importante, un representante que los conozca las  
situaciones de su vecindario. No necesitamos un representante  
que nos engañe.

5. ¿Qué le gusta de las líneas distritales actuales? ¿Qué le disgusta de las líneas distritales actuales?

No se nada de eso.

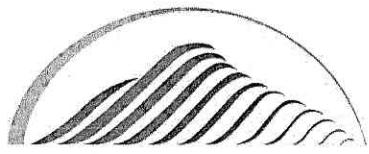
### Opcional:

Nombre: Ricardo Martinez

MARTHA GONZALEZ

Dirección de correo electrónico:

¿Es usted un residente de Morgan Hill? Sí/No



CITY OF MORGAN HILL

## Community of Interest Worksheet

### How to Document Your Community of Interest:

1. What is the nature of the common social or economic interest of your community? You can describe what the common interests of your community are and why or how they are important.

I am low income. Rent my place. I speak English + Spanish. Children Married. live in a small apartment. low income apartments.

2. Where is your community located? You can define it by neighborhood, streets, address, proximity to a key landmark (such as a school or community center), or other boundaries.

monterey ave + wright. Right in front of monterey rd.

3. What are the geographic definers/boundaries of your neighborhood? Examples of definers/boundaries could be highways, roads, rivers, hills, or parks.

monterey rd. In front of gas station. Strip mall.

4. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in this districting? Please describe how the issues before the City Council have a unique impact on your group.

A Rep. that understands + helps low income people. And provides for low income.

5. What do you like about the current district lines? What do you dislike about the current district lines?

Have a Rep. that understands needs for low income people.

### Optional:

Name: Teresa Carter

Email Address:

Are you a resident of Morgan Hill? Yes No



CITY OF MORGAN HILL

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1. What is the nature of the common social or economic interest of your community? You can describe what the common interests of your community are and why or how they are important.

Monterey St - Train English / Spanish  
Clean up Rent 1 yr col low income  
Voter age

2. Where is your community located? You can define it by neighborhood, streets, address, proximity to a key landmark (such as a school or community center), or other boundaries.

Wright / monterey st.

3. What are the geographic definers/boundaries of your neighborhood? Examples of definers/boundaries could be highways, roads, rivers, hills, or parks.

monterey Rd.

4. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in this districting? Please describe how the issues before the City Council have a unique impact on your group.

What someone do reflect me & my com  
but not, but include people smuggle to make  
this meet.

5. What do you like about the current district lines? What do you dislike about the current district lines?

My district represents me & share my values & I like that

### Optional:

Name: Anthony W. Martinez

Email Address:

Are you a resident of Morgan Hill?  Yes/No

**From:** [D. Muirhead](#)  
**To:** [Michelle Bigelow](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] MH redistrict (working) list of locations/categories of interest  
**Date:** Sunday, October 31, 2021 8:08:04 PM

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FWIW, DougM

Hello Michele,

Here is my working (and messy) list of locations/categories of interest,  
First is NDC COI from their Story Map.

Then my list with various levels of detail.

Very little info found on city web site although search  
often returns lots of (irrelevant) entries

Then a repeat of

Communities of Interest from Water District presentation

Communities of Interest from MH staff report to City Council

Regards, DougM

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look at NDC Story Map <https://arcg.is/1bbOru>

citizen voting age pop: latino, asian-american, african-american, white

renters

apartments

Income over \$75K

College Degree

Speak Spanish at home

Households with children

districtR.org - no morgan hill

Caliper's "Maptitude Online Redistricting"

MH Public Participation Kit - Paper Map w/ Population Count - want GIS shapefile

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want morgan hill details

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Master Street Tree Plan, 7 tree districts

Urban Forestry Project, December 2018

Zone 9 of the USDA Hardiness Zone Map

subdivisions (note if gated)

jackson oaks, holiday lake estates,

coyote estates <cochrane/peet>, mission view <cochrane/peet>,

alicante <peet>, borello ranch <peet>

quail hollow <wattsonville/santa teresa>,

<race horse streets e.g. native dancer>

mirasol <hale/stoney creek>, stonebridge <hale/clove>,

capriano <hale/curry>

apartments

affordable

Morgan Hill Affordable Apartments and Income Statistics Sep 26, 2018  
<https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/documentcenter/view/23635> [40 locations]  
Housing Resource Guide Updated 08-20-2021 Aug 20, 2021  
<https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/documentcenter/view/19598>  
[15 affordable, 6 senior, 8 market rate]  
senior  
westmont <cochrane>

renters

parks/trails  
county: coyote creek trail, anderson visitor center  
city: <https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/244/Parks-and-Open-Space>  
Map and Park List  
hoa

city facilities: city hall, council chambers, crc, ccc,  
outdoor fields, swim center, police hq

schools + headquarters <<https://www.mhusd.org/about/find-your-school>>  
[need to remove San Jose and San Martin locations:]  
Elementary: Barrett, El Toro, Los Paseos, Nordstrom, P.A. Walsh,  
Paradise Valley  
K-8: Jackson, San Martin/Gwinn  
Middle: Lewis H. Britton, Martin Murphy  
High: Ann Sobrato <burnett>, Live Oak <main>  
Continuation: Central High School  
Adult: Community Adult School  
Headquarters: 15600 Concord Circle Morgan Hill, CA 95037

mobile homes + rv parks  
Madrone Mobile Estates <burnett>  
hacienda Valley Estates <burnett>  
Woodland estates (w.main/native dancer>

monterey corridor and downtown specific plan

small retail and personal services

professional health services  
De Paul Medical and Urgent Care  
Park Plaza <hale>

shopping centers  
Cochrane Commons, Tenant Station, Vineyard, Madrone Village?  
Morgan Hill Center <main/hale>

Madrone Business Park and Morgan Hill Ranch Industrial Park  
MorganHill\_Business\_Ecosystem\_Map Aug 26, 2021  
<https://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/documentcenter/view/22307>

industrial/commercial

gas stations/snack shops/car washes

historical sites

Morgan Hill Historical Society Apr 26, 2021

<https://www.morganhillhistoricalsociety.org/>

cultural centers

churches

Languages spoken

Tourism Areas

levels of income or education

major streets 101, butterfield, monterey, hale/sunnyside,  
cochrane, main, dunne, tennant

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Communities of Interest from Water District presentation

- Historical communities      · Tourism Areas
- Economic interests      · School districts
- Racial composition      · Outdoor recreation areas
- Ethnic Areas      · Communities defined by natural
- Cultural amenities
- Religious facilities      resource features
- Immigrant communities      · Downtown / Urban
- Languages spoken      · Rural or Agricultural
- Geographic features      · Homeowner or Renters
- Neighborhoods      · Creative arts communities
- Economic opportunity zones      · Media markets

Communities of Interest from MH staff report to City Council

1. School attendance areas;
2. Natural dividing lines such as major roads, hills, or highways;
3. Areas around parks and other neighborhood landmarks;
4. Common issues, neighborhood activities, or legislative/election concerns; and
5. Shared demographic characteristics, such as:
  - a) Similar levels of income or education;
  - b) Languages spoken at home; and
  - c) Single-family and multi-family housing unit areas.

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## Community of Interest Worksheet

### **Redistricting Process in 2021-2022**

Every ten years, local governments use new census data to redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed. This process, called redistricting, is important in ensuring that each Councilmember represents about the same number of constituents. Redistricting is done using U.S. Census data, which is anticipated to be released around September 30, 2021. For the City of Morgan Hill, the redistricting process must be completed by April 17, 2022.

Your input is needed to redraw voting districts for Councilmembers, and one way you can participate is by assisting the City in developing a list of “communities of interest” or “COI” that can be utilized in the process to redraw district lines.

### **What do the existing council districts look like?**

You can find an interactive map of the City's current Councilmember districts here: <https://www.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=a18138a3131c4689975d24ebf3cb5ab5>

### **What is a Community of Interest?**

A Community of Interest is a group of people that: share common social or economic interests, live in a geographically definable area, and should be included within a single district for purposes of effective and fair representation in future elections.

There are some communities of interest that are considered “protected classes” in that they have rights through state or federal civil rights or voting rights laws. Some examples of protected classes in districting would be ethnic and racial minorities such as a concentration of Latinx, Asian, Black, or African American people.

There are other potential Communities of Interest that can also be considered in districting, such as: senior citizens, college students, people who live in a particular neighborhood, or even people who share concerns such as parents with young children, bicycle enthusiasts, topic interest group, etc. Communities of Interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

### **What You Can Do to Participate in the Process**

1. Provide your comments on your community of interest. If you need additional space for your responses to the questions, then please feel free to attach a sheet of paper.
2. Please return the completed worksheet via email to [redistricting2021@morganhill.ca.gov](mailto:redistricting2021@morganhill.ca.gov) or pick up and drop off a hard copy to City Hall, City Clerk's Office, 17575 Peak Ave. Alternatively, you may also complete the online form on our website [www.MorganHillRedistricting2021.com](http://www.MorganHillRedistricting2021.com).
3. Attend the City's Community Workshops and Public Hearings. The most-up-to-date schedule is available on our website [www.MorganHillRedistricting2021.com](http://www.MorganHillRedistricting2021.com).



## Community of Interest Worksheet

### **How to Document Your Community of Interest:**

1. What is the nature of the common social or economic interest of your community? You can describe what the common interests of your community are and why or how they are important.
  - Elementary School alignment
  - Level of education of homeowners
  - Similar job fields
  - Similar interests
2. Where is your community located? You can define it by neighborhood, streets, address, proximity to a key landmark (such as a school or community center), or other boundaries.

Nordstrom area back at the edge of Hill Rd and Diana
3. What are the geographic definers/boundaries of your neighborhood? Examples of definers/boundaries could be highways, roads, rivers, hills, or parks.

Dunne, Hill, Diana, Cochrane and Anderson Dam
4. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in this districting? Please describe how the issues before the City Council have a unique impact on your group.

We do not want the current boundary redistricted. I am concerned the redraw will under the veil of voting rights will have people from the other side of town with no knowledge, vested interest or understanding of impact to our homeowners/community be able to influence decisions for us.
5. What do you like about the current district lines? What do you dislike about the current district lines?

No dislike  
Likes: similar homeowners/single family, income, education, household sizes/children, close to trails/parks, economic interests, natural lines and shared interests on what happens in the district.

### **Optional:**

Name:

Email Address:

Are you a resident of Morgan Hill?      Yes

**From:** [noreply@civicplus.com](mailto:noreply@civicplus.com)  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Online Form Submittal: Community of Interest Worksheet (2021 Redistricting)  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 26, 2022 2:38:16 PM

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## Community of Interest Worksheet (2021 Redistricting)

Name: Julie Allen

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Are you a resident of  
Morgan Hill? Yes

1. What is the nature of  
the common social or  
economic interest of  
your community? You  
can describe what the  
common interests of  
your community are  
and why or how they  
are important.

East side by Anderson. Keeping green space and keeping dam  
project on time or ahead of time preferably.

2. Where is your  
community located?  
You can define it by  
neighborhood, streets,  
address, proximity to a  
key landmark (such as  
school or community  
center), or other  
boundaries.

Holiday Lake Estates

3. What are the  
geographic  
definers/boundaries of  
your neighborhood?  
examples of  
definers/boundaries  
could be highways,  
roads, rivers, hills, or  
parks.

East of Hill Road.

4. What is the rationale  
for your community of  
interest to be used in  
this districting? Please

Dam rebuilding and mitigation measures. Homes near the dam  
and hillside homes by the dam and below the dam should be  
kept together because we have most of the same concerns.

describe how the issues before the City Council have a unique impact on your group.

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5. What do you like about the current district lines? What do you dislike about the current district lines?

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I think the boundaries of District D are fine and do not need to be changed.

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## Community of Interest Worksheet (2021 Redistricting)

Name: Hope-Sutton Salvador

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Are you a resident of  
Morgan Hill? Yes

1. What is the nature of  
the common social or  
economic interest of  
your community? You  
can describe what the  
common interests of  
your community are  
and why or how they  
are important.

2. Where is your  
community located?  
You can define it by  
neighborhood, streets,  
address, proximity to a  
key landmark (such as  
school or community  
center), or other  
boundaries.

3. What are the  
geographic  
definers/boundaries of  
your neighborhood?  
examples of  
definers/boundaries  
could be highways,  
roads, rivers, hills, or  
parks.

4. What is the rationale  
for your community of  
interest to be used in  
this districting? Please

Christian faith based community

Peek Ave St. Catherine's

My resident address is located in the same district as my COI.  
However I do not see how COIs can reasonably influence  
redistricting since they span multiple districts. I think this  
approach is very confusing and has not been explained in clear  
enough terms for the community to respond in a valid manner.

I have no rationale because you haven't provided the parameters  
by which I can effectively present an argument for or against.  
Just because I am Christian and self identify as a Christian do I  
get additional representation at council meetings? If I self identify  
as a POC do I get further consideration when the council makes

describe how the issues before the City Council have a unique impact on your group.

5. What do you like about the current district lines? What do you dislike about the current district lines?

decisions that influence me, regardless of where I live? This is not a valid survey and should be discounted when trying to build a rational for redrawing lines.

My district in its current form looks to adequately represent homeowners with large properties. I don't understand why the district are drawn the way they are. So first I would put out information that explains why they were drawn the way they were in the first place. Then let's have a discussion about what, if anything, needs to be changed.

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## Community of Interest Worksheet (2021 Redistricting)

Name: Vera Todorov

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Are you a resident of  
Morgan Hill? Yes

1. What is the nature of the common social or economic interest of your community? You can describe what the common interests of your community are and why or how they are important.	Enjoyment of nature, stable government, recreational and educational opportunity, healthy business growth with well paying jobs, family supporting facilities.
2. Where is your community located? You can define it by neighborhood, streets, address, proximity to a key landmark (such as school or community center), or other boundaries.	Anderson Lake area between East Dunne and Rosandin Park
3. What are the geographic definers/boundaries of your neighborhood? Examples of definers/boundaries could be highways, roads, rivers, hills, or parks.	Holiday Lake Estates neighborhood bounded by East Dunne Ave to south, Rosendin Park to North, Anderson Lake to East, and Lakeview Dr to West.
4. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in this districting? Please	We have a community of interest relating to open space, trails and recreational uses east of Hill Road and around Anderson Lake. Larger lot subdivisions that are older and have HOAs.

describe how the issues before the City Council have a unique impact on your group.

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5. What do you like about the current district lines? What do you dislike about the current district lines?

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The current district lines well represent the interests of homeowners. The new District line appear arbitrary and to attempt to break up existing community of interest.

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## Community of Interest Worksheet (2021 Redistricting)

Name: Jennifer Holmstrom

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Are you a resident of  
Morgan Hill? Yes

1. What is the nature of the common social or economic interest of your community? You can describe what the common interests of your community are and why or how they are important.

I am interested in protecting Morgan Hill and keeping open space. I do not see the need for redistricting again since it was done just a few years back. Reserve time and resources for more pressing issues.

2. Where is your community located? You can define it by neighborhood, streets, address, proximity to a key landmark (such as school or community center), or other boundaries.

16504 Mira Flores Ct, Jackson Meadows

3. What are the geographic definers/boundaries of your neighborhood? Examples of definers/boundaries could be highways, roads, rivers, hills, or parks.

Highway 101

4. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in this districting? Please

I believe I am not in an area up for redistricting, but I do live in Morgan Hill and don't want to have time and resources spent on redistricting.

describe how the issues before the City Council have a unique impact on your group.

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5. What do you like about the current district lines? What do you dislike about the current district lines?

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## Community of Interest Worksheet (2021 Redistricting)

Name: Monique Bosomworth

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Are you a resident of  
Morgan Hill? Yes

1. What is the nature of  
the common social or  
economic interest of  
your community? You  
can describe what the  
common interests of  
your community are  
and why or how they  
are important.

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5. What do you like about the current district lines? What do you dislike about the current district lines?

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## Community of Interest Worksheet (2021 Redistricting)

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Are you a resident of Morgan Hill?	Yes
1. What is the nature of the common social or economic interest of your community? You can describe what the common interests of your community are and why or how they are important.	The greatest landmarks are the 101, Monterey Road, Hale Avenue, going north to south. The closer one gets to the Monterey Road and 101 corridor, the more higher density housing, the greater the congestion, the greater the low income housing, the greater the concentration of the immigrant community comprised of Latinos, Asians, and many other ethnic groups, and the higher concentration of very low and low economic families.  The further one drives east or west from the Monterey Road Corridor, the greater concentration of high priced single family homes, less traffic congestions, wealthier communities. On the far west side of Morgan Hill, we see less industrial or business development, less congestions, less high density housing, less public housing, and more educated and higher social economic families.
2. Where is your community located? You can define it by neighborhood, streets, address, proximity to a key landmark (such as school or community center), or other boundaries.	17720 De Witt Avenue, around the library and city center. I live in the outer edges of the Monterey Road Corridor, on the west side. The houses here are of modest prices, there are a lot of blue collar workers. We do have pockets of upper middle income households.
3. What are the geographic definers/boundaries of your neighborhood? Examples of definers/boundaries could be highways, roads, rivers, hills, or parks.	Monterey and Hale Avenue, north to south and the west boundaries of the city limits. The library area, and PA Walsh school and St Catherine school. The city park Galvan and the El Toro peak. The expensive neighborhoods west of Llagas road and the low income neighborhoods West of Monterey Road, north to south.

4. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in this districting? Please describe how the issues before the City Council have a unique impact on your group.

This question is not clear. But it is important to link community of interests together so that they may have a representative who shares their priorities and who will advocate for their priorities. For example, the current plan to divide District B to make District D contiguous, will have a significant impact on the communities of interests for those citizens living in those districts. District B's citizens share a community of interests by their living close to or proximate to Monterey Road and the 101, which share common characteristics not shared by any other of the districts. To break it up and join the pieces to other districts will break up the community of interests for those two districts.

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5. What do you like about the current district lines? What do you dislike about the current district lines?

The current district lines got it right. They aligned the community of interests of District B and at the same time maintained the community of interest shared by the other districts (A, C, D). That the population growth was pretty much equal among the 4 districts was a great outcome.

There is nothing that I dislike about the current district lines. Given how the social economic distribution occurs within the city, I believe the current maps are the best.

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