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Subject: [REDACTED] Correspondence FW: Redistricting Plans
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***Good Afternoon Commissioners,
Please see correspondence (below) received today from Commissioner McElherne Jr.***

***Thank you,
~Elizabeth***

From: PAUL MC ELHERNE
Sent: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 10:25 PM
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@santaclaraca.gov>
Subject: Redistricting Plans

Dear fellow commissioners,

As I am not able to attend the February 10th meeting I again wanted to offer my thoughts on the plans that have been submitted and should be considered.

First in general I am not wanting to make major changes to districts if possible. The original drawing of districts took into account population and the percent of Hispanic and Non-Hispanic in each district, and to make sure they were not split in ways that would dilute their vote.

Current boundaries of D1 is 7.6% under the ideal population and D2 is 6.8% over the ideal population, making the total deviation 14.4%, which is one reason why some split to move some population from D2 to D1 seems necessary.

Next D3 and D4 with their current boundaries are only at -2.0% and +1.2% of the ideal population and I do not think these boundaries should be changed at all, as this seems so close to ideal. But in some new drawn maps part of the Nextdoor Neighborhood Central Park West has been included in D4 where it was previously in D5. The new population deviation in D5 was already at -3.4% and moving more people out of D5 increases the deviation even more.

My choices for current best plans are as follows:

First: Plan #10

Second Plan #3

Third Plan #6

Sincerely,

Paul McElherne