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Mr. Charles McClendon

City Manager
City of Cathedral City



Re: City Council Districts

The map previously submitted by Kendra Culbertson and Randy Winbigler on behalf of the Cathedral City Neighborhood Action Group (CCNAG) has been deemed out-of-balance for all districts, with the exception of the southern-most district, which includes the Cove. Since our primary objective is to keep the entire Cove neighborhood "in-tact" within a single council district, we would support any of the recommendations "approved and posted" as of this date, with the exception of maps submitted by SKaplin1 and SBarnes2, which divide the Cove into two districts. Attached is a list of attendees of our last CCNAG community meeting, all of whom support "One Cove/ One District".

The importance of the Cove's topography and demographics makes it a natural district within the City. The Cove has continued to identify itself as a single unit, not only geographically, but philosophically. In 1996 Cove residents mounted a campaign to stop further development in the Santa Rosa Mountains. The Cove continued to identify itself as a single unit when, in 2000, the residents were successful in coordinating with City Hall to tax themselves for construction of sewers, new streets and gutters.

This was followed by a similar campaign in 2002 to ensure the Glory To God Ministry did not build in the wash, west of the Cove. This would have destroyed our quiet, dark and beautiful landscape. This too was successful. Most recently, many Cove residents mounted a coordinated effort, although unsuccessful, to prevent Rocky's Pawn Shop from inhabiting a building at an entrance to the Cove. Similarly, residents from throughout the Cove met to discuss and strategize about potential input regarding the new Medical Cannabis industry in our City.

Not to leave the Cove as a unified district would divide an already unified electoral unit and would seem contrary to the "purpose for districting". The fact that current City Councilmen reside in the proposed district must not be a factor in the districting process.

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