



Oakland Redistricting Commission

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Commission Overview

- Created by November 2014 ballot measure
- Inaugural Commission formed in August 2020
- 13-voting members, 2-alternate members
- All Commissioners vetted by independent panel, with strict eligibility requirements
- Meetings 2nd Wednesday of each month at 5:00 pm



Redistricting Commissioners

Tracy Richmond McKnight D1 Jan Stevens D1

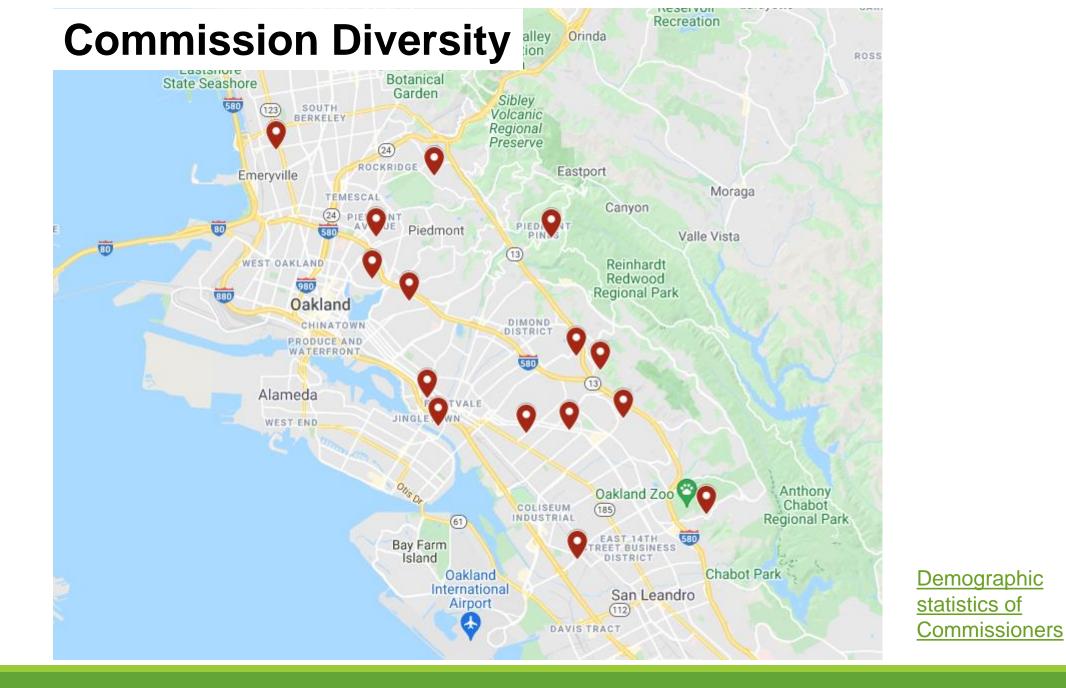
Shirley Gee D2

Amber Blackwell D3 Lilibeth Gangas D3 Paul Marshall D4 Diana Miller D4

Stephanie Goode D5 Masoud Hamidi D5 Bharat Singh D5 Benjie Achtenberg D6 Daniel Chesmore D6 Mary Velasco D6

Gloria Crowell D7 Tejal Shah D7

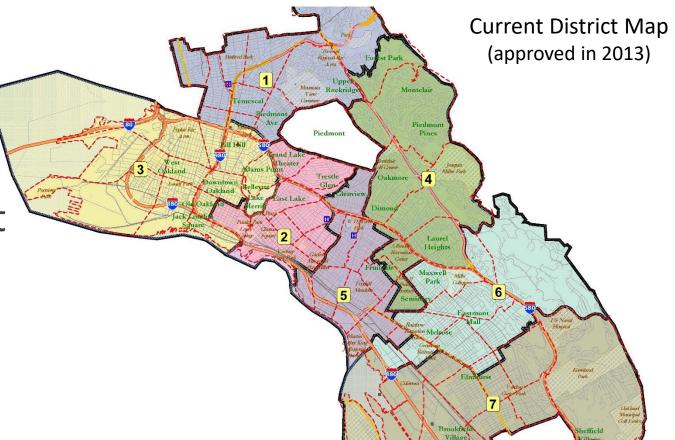




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What is Redistricting?

 Drawing new boundaries that determine which City Council and School Board District you reside in





Why is Redistricting Important?

- The Commission will approve new boundaries without bias or discrimination
- Goal is to approve a map that represents equal and equitable representation for all Oaklanders
- Redistricting occurs once every 10 years
- Direct consequences for communities' access to political power through elections, government policies and city laws



How is this Year Different?

2013

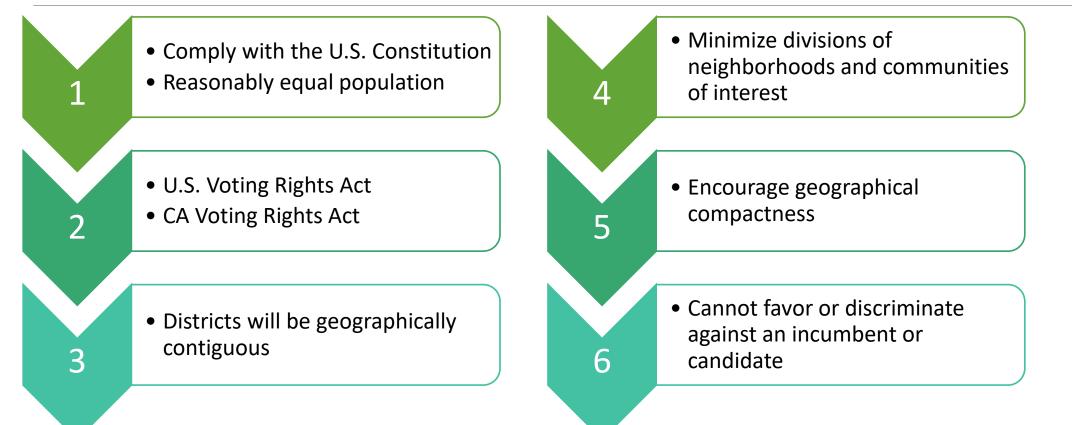
- City Councilmembers decision makers
- New districts avoid displacing incumbents from their current districts
- City Council sets criteria and priorities for redistricting process
- Redistricting takes place every 10 years, in years ending in 3 (i.e., 1993, 2003, 2013)

2021

- Volunteer Commissioners decision makers
- Commission cannot consider incumbents or candidates for office
- Top priorities set by City Charter, with Commissioners adopting additional criteria
- Redistricting takes place every 10 years, in years ending in 1 (i.e., 2021, 2031, 2041)



Commission's Mandated Priorities



Commission can also establish additional criteria that complies with the priorities listed above



What are Communities of Interest (COI)?

- A concentrated population which shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation
- Examples include areas where people share similar living standards, have similar cultures, use the same transportation facilities, have similar work opportunities, or have access to the same media



COI continued

- People can belong to multiple COI
- A COI is not the same as a district
- Identifying COI in Oakland are the key building blocks the Redistricting Commission will use in developing the new district boundaries



Commission Deadline

- City Charter dictates a December 31st deadline for approving the final boundary maps
- Should the Commission not meet the deadline, then a temporary map is issued with assistance from City staff
- Pending Commission approval, the final maps may be approved in early-2022



Redistricting Timeline



Dates subject to change



How to Get Involved?

- Visit our website, register with us, submit feedback
- Share this presentation and/or our <u>one-page flyer</u> with your friends, network and community
- Join our meetings 2nd Wednesday of each month at 5:00 pm
- Volunteer to help engage yours and other COI



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