

Communication from Public

Name: Amy Adelson

Date Submitted: 11/06/2021 06:18 PM

Council File No: 20-0668

Comments for Public Posting: I am a member of the Bowmont-Hazen-Briarcrest Coalition, and we are vehemently opposed to the Ad Hoc Committee map because it removes our area from CD5, where it belongs, and places it in CD4. Please return us to CD5! More than 200 neighbors have spent hours listening to and trying to make public comment at the Commission's Zoom meetings. We have submitted dozens of letters of public comment. And we were heard by the Commission which put us in CD5 where we belong. This new map undoes all of that work, in defiance of the explicit request of our Neighborhood Council (the BABCNC). It neglects the principles of redistricting, our expressed communities of interest and the natural boundaries of Mulholland Drive and Briarcrest. The Briarcrest eastern boundary achieves important goals for the community and city: It matches the service area for the fire department, It matches the service area for the police department, It is consistent with and matches the natural topographic boundary at the edge of a watershed, And it puts our community in the same council district as our schools, congregations and cultural institutions. Surely moving us out of CD5 and into the new configuration of CD4 was a mistake. Please help us secure representation that reflects our shared communities of interest and issues. For years, our neighborhood was neglected as our area was not protected by the Hillside Protection Ordinance other hillside neighborhoods on all sides of us received. Prior to former City Councilmember David Ryu losing his seat, the city adopted his motion to include our neighborhood in the Hillside Protection Ordinance; nevertheless, this ordinance has not yet been implemented because it is languishing without a champion. This is a critical issue facing our neighborhood and an issue that is common to the other hillside communities represented by District 5. Without a voice to make this happen, our neighborhood will go forward without the protections we require. Additionally, from a public safety perspective, the ad hoc committee's proposed map is illogical and dangerous. It effectively isolates our neighborhood and leaves the Franklin and Coldwater Canyon areas extending eastward to Bowmont, Hazen, and Briarcrest with bifurcated fire and police service from distant locations thereby impacting response time. This is not in the best interests of our community and given the increased fire danger and crime leaves us at great

risk of life and safety. I have been a resident in the Coldwater Canyon area of Los Angeles for the past 30 years. Over this time period, my neighborhood has experienced significant changes, mostly damaging to our natural topography and open space.. We are a hillside community with single family residences, open hillside space, and wildlife that roams throughout the area. We need to be assured of proper representation at the LA City Council to respond to issues that impact our unique neighborhood. Please put us back in CD5, as the Commission recommended. Thank you Amy Adelson amyadelson1@aol.com

Communication from Public

Name: Wanda Cannon

Date Submitted: 11/06/2021 06:49 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Los Angeles City Council RE: Redistricting Opposition Dear Council Members: I live in the Franklin Canyon/Coldwater/Bowmont/Hazen/Briarcrest district. I'm opposed to the Ad Hoc Committee map because it removed our area from CD5 and put it in CD4. Please return us to CD5. As a coalition, we have spent hours listening to and trying to make public comment at the Commission's Zoom meetings. We have submitted letters of public comment. And we were heard by the Commission which put in CD5 where we belong. This new map undoes of all that work. It overlooks the principles of redistricting, our expressed communities of interest and the natural boundaries of Mulholland Drive and Briarcrest. The Briarcrest eastern boundary achieves important goals for the community and city: • It matches the service area for the fire department, • It matches the service area for the police department, • Is consistent with and matches the natural topographic boundary at the edge of a watershed, • And puts our community in the same council district as our schools, congregations and cultural institutions. Surely moving us out of CD5 and into the new configuration of CD4 was a mistake. Please help us secure representation that reflects our shared communities of interest and issues. Thank you. Sincerely, Wanda Cannon

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November 6, 2021

Los Angeles City Council

RE: Redistricting Opposition

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We have submitted letters of public comment.

And we were heard by the Commission which put in CD5 where we belong.

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It overlooks the principles of redistricting, our expressed communities of interest and the natural boundaries of Mulholland Drive and Briarcrest.

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Surely moving us out of CD5 and into the new configuration of CD4 was a mistake.

Please help us secure representation that reflects our shared communities of interest and issues.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Wanda Cannon

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Name: Michael Hakakha

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Name: Steven Jarmus

Date Submitted: 11/06/2021 11:14 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear City Council Members, I have learned that an Ad Hoc Committee has been appointed to change the recommendations of the Redistricting Commission that was formed to establish the new districts boundaries following the 2020 census. My neighborhood is directly affected by the decision of the Ad Hoc Committee to move the Franklin Canyon, Coldwater Canyon and the eastern boundaries extending to Bowmont Drive, Hazen Drive, and Briarcrest Drive from CD 5 to CD 4 in direct contradiction to the recommendations of the Redistricting Commission. I and my neighbors through our coalition have spent countless hours working with the Redistricting Commission to help them to understand why including our neighborhood in CD 5 was most logical and would provide the best representation of the needs of our community. We have attended Zoom meetings and written letters/emails for public comment, The issues we face are very closely aligned with the issues other communities in CD 5 face. On the other hand, our neighborhood has little in common with the CD 4 district which is primarily covering the San Fernando Valley. In fact, the eastern border of Coldwater Canyon where I live will be the farthest, most western area of CD 4. This move fails to recognize the natural boundaries of Mulholland Drive and Briarcrest. It also moves us out of the natural topographic boundary at the edge of a watershed. Critically, by moving our neighborhood out of CD 5, we will not match the service area of LAPD nor LAFD. The distance that these important public services will have to travel to reach us in an emergency will be intolerable and any delay in response may be catastrophic. Additionally, we will be moved out of the district where our schools, our religious institutions, and our cultural institutions are located. Moving us at this late hour after so much hard work and effort to keep our hillside community in CD 5 is an affront to a fair and just process that was endorsed by the Redistricting Commission. Please return us to CD 5 where we can be aligned with other neighborhoods with common interests and issues to ensure us proper representation!!!! Respectfully submitted, Steven C Jarmus 9102 Hazen Drive