

City of Marina
Districting Overview



California Voting Rights Act (CVRA)

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- □ Under the Federal Voting Rights Act (passed in 1965), a jurisdiction must fail 4 factual tests before it is in violation of the law.
- □ The California VRA makes it significantly easier for plaintiffs to force jurisdictions into "by-district" election systems by eliminating two of the US Supreme Court *Gingles* tests:
 - 4. Can the protected class constitute the majority of a district?
 - 2. Does the protected class vote as a bloc?
 - Do the voters who are not in the protected class vote in a bloc to defeat the preferred candidates of the protected class?
 - 4. Do the "totality of circumstances" indicate race is a factor in elections?
- ☐ Liability is now determined only by the presence of racially polarized voting

CVRA Impact

- □ Switched (or in the process of switching) as a result of CVRA:
 - At least 202 school districts
 - 34 Community College Districts
 - 120 cities
 - 1 County Board of Supervisors
 - 15 water and other special districts.
- □ Palmdale, Santa Clara and Santa Monica fought "on the merits." All lost.
 - Santa Monica and Santa Clara are appealing.
 - Palmdale spent about \$1.8 million, Santa Clara about \$800,000, and Santa Monica between \$5 and \$8 million, just on their defense.
 - Santa Monica plaintiffs requested \$22 million
 - No jurisdiction has won a case.

- ☐ Key settlements:
 - Palmdale: \$4.7 million
 - Santa Clara: \$3.16 million
 - Modesto: \$3 million
 - Highland: \$1.3 million
 - Anaheim: \$1.1 million
 - Whittier: \$1 million
 - Santa Barbara: \$600,000
 - □ Tulare Hospital: \$500,000
 - Madera Unified: about \$170,000
 - Hanford Joint Union Schools: \$118,000
 - Merced City: \$42,000



Districting Process

Step	Description				
Two Initial Hearings Sept. 17 and Oct. 1	Held prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input on the communities in the District. Hearings must be within 30 days of each other				
Release draft maps	Maps must be posted at least 7 days prior to 3rd hearing.				
Two Hearings on Draft Maps November 5 and 19	Two meetings to discuss and revise the draft maps and to discuss the election sequencing. Hearings must be within 45 days of each other				
Introduce Ordinance and Final Adoption December 3	Map must be posted 7 days prior to adoption.				
Election Day November 2020	First by-district election held in two districts.				
Adjust Maps 2021	Map adjusted using 2020 Census data				
Election Day November 2022	First by-district election held in two districts. (Mayor remains elected Citywide)				



Districting Rules and Goals

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Federal Laws Traditional Redistricting Principles Communities of interest **Equal Population** Federal Voting Rights Act Compact Contiguous No Racial Gerrymandering Visible (Natural & man-made) boundaries Respect voters' choices / continuity in office Planned future growth

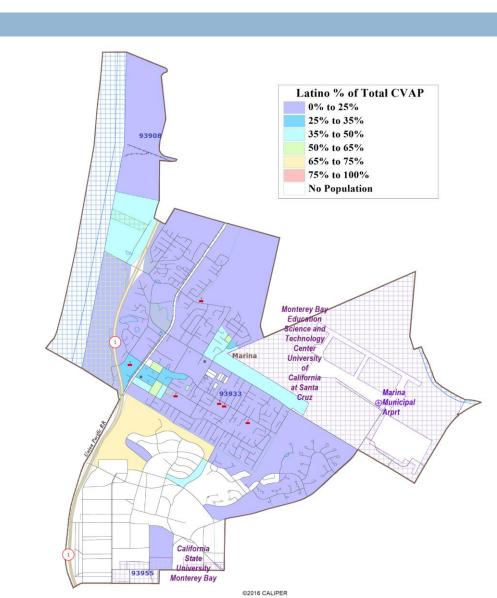
	Category	Field	Count	Pct	Category	Field	Count	Pct
		Total Pop	19,718		ACS Pop. Est.	Total	21,059	
	Total Pop	Hisp	5,372	27%		age0-19	5,435	26%
		NH White	7,112	36%	Age	age20-60	11,409	54%
		NH Black	1,581	8%		age60plus	4,214	20%
National Demographics Corporation		Asian-American	4,314	22%	Immigration	immigrants	4,947	23%
6	Citizen Voting	Total	14,281		Illilligiation	naturalized	2,758	56%
		Hisp	2,497	17%	Language spoken at home	english	12,439	64%
Damaanahia	Age Pop	NH White	6,396	45%		spanish	3,313	17%
Demographic	Age Pop	NH Black	1,325	9%		asian-lang	2,924	15%
Summary		Asian/PacIsl.	2,903	23%		other lang	896	5%
Summary	Voter Registration (Nov 2018)	Total	10,447		Language Fluency	Speaks Eng. "Less	3,346	17%
			10,447			than Very Well"		1//0
Each of the four		Latino est.	2,390	23%	Education	hs-grad	7,521	55%
Council districts will		Spanish-Surnamed	2,147	21%	(among those age	bachelor	2,598	19%
need to contain about		Asian-Surnamed	891	9%	25+)	graduatedegree	1,485	11%
4,930 residents.		Filipino-Surnamed	363	3%	Child in Household	dhild-under18	2,042	27%
Citizen Voting Age		NH White est.	5,613	54%	Pat of Pop. Age 16+	employed	9,943	59%
Population data, also		NH Black	1,188	11%		income 0-25k	1,416	19%
referred to as "eligible	Voter Turnout (Nov 2018) Voter Turnout (Nov 2016)	Total	6,374		Household Income	income 25-50k	1,655	22%
voter" data, are the key		Latino est.	1,254	20%		income 50-75k	1,395	19%
data for voting rights		Spanish-Surnamed	1,127	18%		income 75-200k	2,792	37%
analysis.		Asian-Surnamed	419	7%		income 200k-plus	264	4%
unuly 616.		Filipino-Surnamed	189	3%	Housing Stats	single family	4,802	59%
The additional data		NH White est.	3,727	58%		multi-family	3,284	41%
fields can be used,		NH Black	784	12%		rented	4,303	57%
		Total	7,473			owned	3,218	43%
where appropriate, to		Latino est.	1,563	21%	Total population data from the 2010 Decennial Census. Surname-based Voter Registration and Turnout data from the California Statewide Database. Latino voter registration and turnout data are Spanish-surname counts adjusted using Census Population Department undercount estimates. NH White and NH Black registration and turnout counts estimated by NDC. Citizen Voting Age Pop., Age, Immigration, and other demographics from the 2013-2017 American Community Survey and Special Tabulation 5-year data.			
assist in identifying		Spanish-Surnamed	1,404	19%				
"communities of		Asian-Surnamed	507	7%				
interest."		Filipino-Surnamed	242	3%				
Nov. 5, 2019		NH White est.	4,356	58%				
		NH Black est.	791	11%	2015-2017 American Community Survey and Special Tabulation 5-year data			iata.



Latino Concentrations

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Latino eligible voters are particularly concentrated along Sunset Ave between Carmel Ave and Reindollar Ave, and in the yellow Census Block along the outer ring of Hayes Circle.



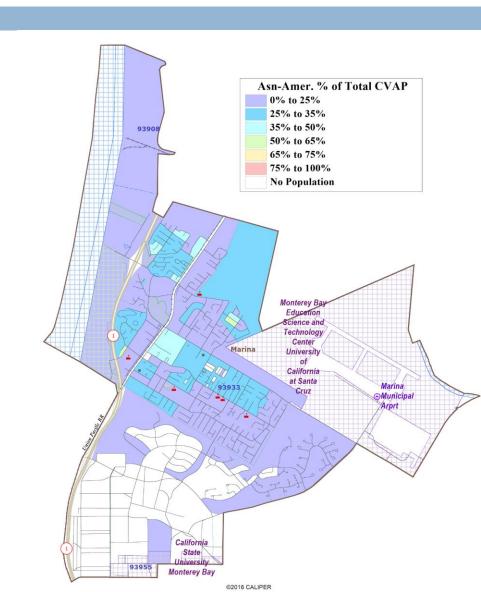


Asian Concentrations

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Asian-American eligible voters are somewhat more concentrated near the UCSC Center, but overall are not particularly geographically concentrated.

There are no geographic concentrations of African-American or Native American eligible voters in the City.





Defining Communities of Interest

1st Question: what is your neighborhood or community of interest?

A Community of Interest is generally defined as a neighborhood or community of shared interests, views, problems, or characteristics.

Possible community feature/boundary definitions include:

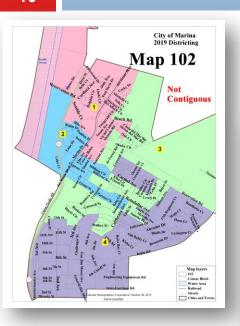
- □ School attendance areas
- □ Natural neighborhood dividing lines, such as highway or major roads, rivers, canals, and/or hills
- ☐ Areas around parks and other neighborhood landmarks
- □ Common issues, neighborhood activities, or legislative/election concerns
- □ Shared demographic characteristics
 - Such as similar levels of income, education, or linguistic isolation

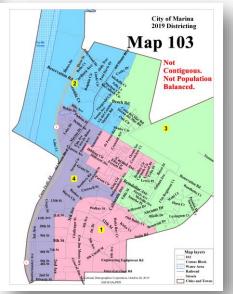
2nd Question: Does a Community of Interest want to be united in one district, or to be divided to have a voice in multiple elections?

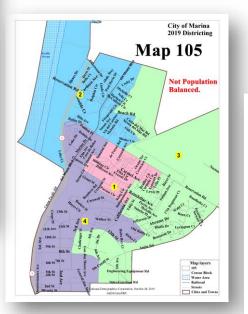




Draft Maps



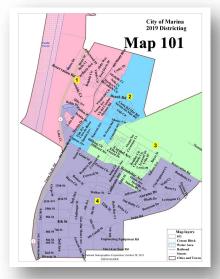


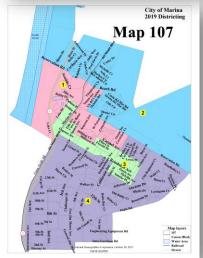


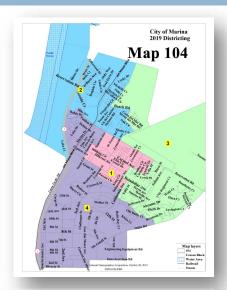


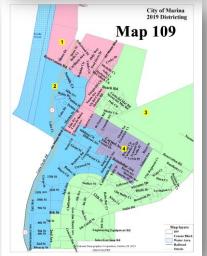


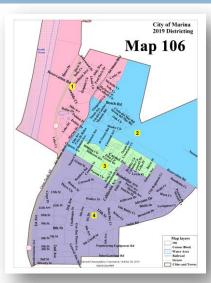
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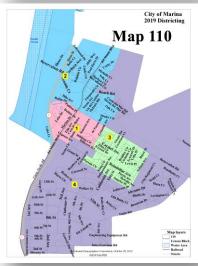




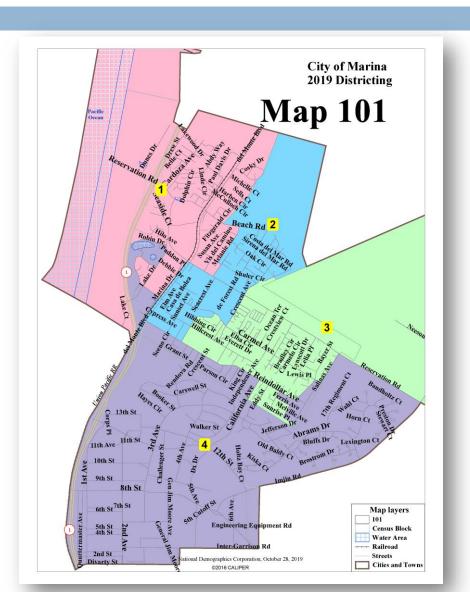




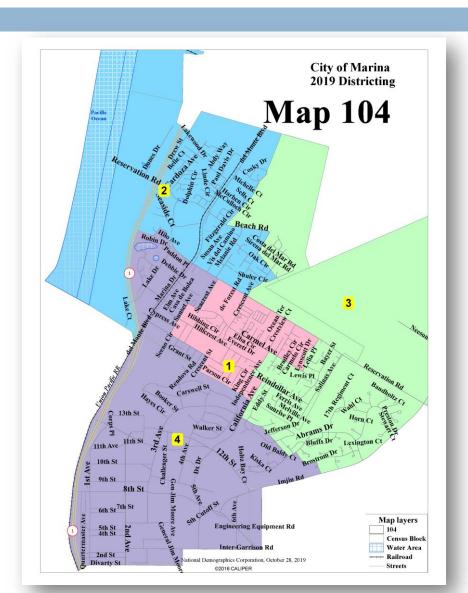




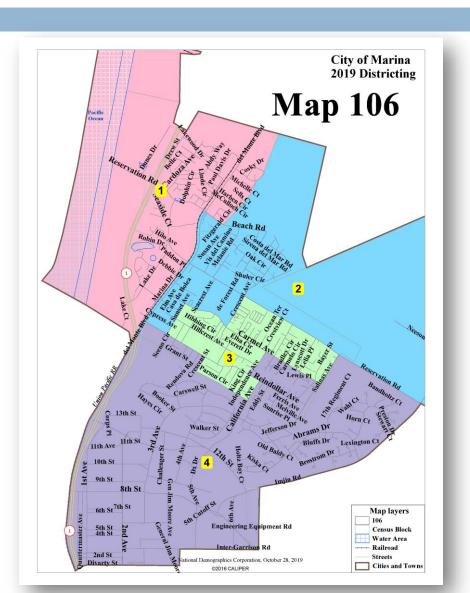






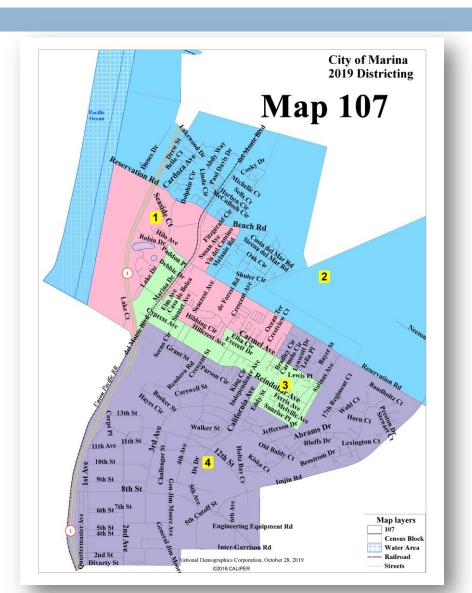




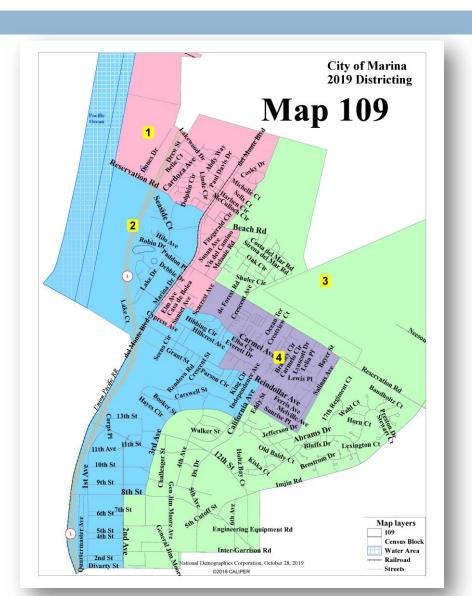




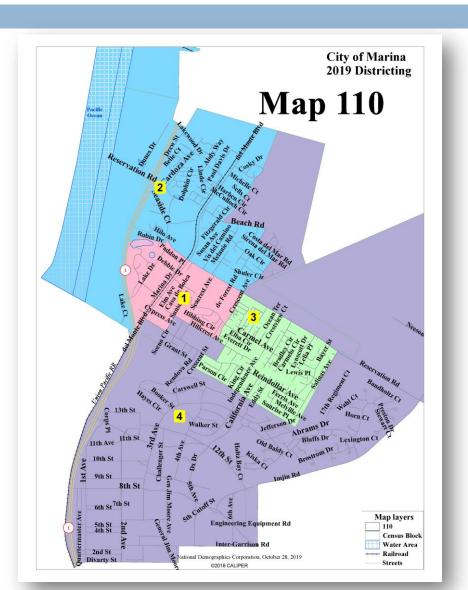
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Public Hearing/Discussion

- 1. Which maps do you prefer?
- 2. What do you like/dislike about each map?
- 3. Any changes you would suggest to your preferred map?

