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Hello,

I would like to submit the following comments for public testimony at the upcoming By-District Elections City Council meeting:

- The boundaries created by Council during the February 8, 2022 meeting bisects multiple residential neighborhoods by using long segments of residential streets as dividing lines rather than major streets or other major geographical boundaries. This is contrary to the goal of keeping neighborhoods and like communities together. It also creates illogical/un-intuitive boundaries.
- The council map prepared on February 8, 2022 combines Twin Lake Estates/Natomas Heights/Sierra Woods/Oxford Downs/Park/Perazzo/Alice Wild with with developments with the geographically disconnected and economically disconnected (very high income) neighborhood of Los Cerros. This map combines one of the most affluent neighborhoods in the city with one of the least affluent neighborhoods (older subsidized/low-income apartments and duplexes). The neighborhoods listed above should remain with other like neighborhoods bordered by Bidwell St, Blue Ravine, and E. Natomas, and/or the Historic district and/or the similar neighborhoods of Folsom Heights/Steeplechase/Ridgeview/Cobble Hills Ridge.
- The tweaking of the map to create an odd bulb-out of district four to include Councilmember Chalamchera and separate him from Councilmember Aquino seems completely contradictory to the goals of the districting process, particularly in keeping neighborhoods together.
- The council seemed to focus on only a few maps proposed by the Residents without any explanation of why some others, which met the requirements, were not being considered for further discussion. For Example, we heard no discussion of the the map our family proposed - the "Johnson" map - which we took great lengths to utilize major streets, creeks and power line easements to create boundaries that minimized the division of residential neighborhoods to the best extent possible. **I would like to hear the Council's thoughts on the Johnson map and why it may or may not be a candidate for further consideration.**

Thank you for your time,
-M. Johnson.