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Subject: Re: 2/15 District

Mrs. Gorton,

At no time did I suggest that any part of Folsom was less than or in your horrible choice of words "disposable". I am intimately familiar with the wetland areas that Lexington shares with the Parkway and Empire Ranch and that then flows west. It is worth noting that that the open space you mention extends east to west across our city and thus crosses at least three districts and touches dozens of neighborhood developments in every map submitted for our consideration. I am grateful for that long ago work to preserve these natural spaces, and the ongoing work by Friends of the Folsom Parkway, who continue to work for their preservation and enhancement and past city councils who enacted policy that continues to preserve these open spaces. These natural assets continue to be a tremendous calling card for all of Folsom. I am happy to also thank you specifically for your part in helping them to be what they are.

You have however illustrated in superfine detail, why I had no interest in dividing the city into districts...It gives rise to conflict and factions, where none previously existed. I will reiterate my underlying point that all of Folsom's residents share some common desires for safety, economic/educational opportunity, stability and recognition of their community (meaning the full city) as being special. By-district elections won't change that but getting ourselves wrapped around the proverbial axle over which council person represents which neighborhood sure will.

You and I have a different view of what is needed from today's district lines. I feel like all things are better achieved by cooperation rather than isolation. Being represented by more than one councilperson is a step toward that cooperation.

Thank you for sharing your thoughts and I do genuinely appreciate your passion and sincere protectiveness for your neighborhood.

Best Regards,

-Mike Kozlowski
