

# City of Los Alamitos

## Introduction to Redistricting

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# Redistricting – Why Now?

- ❑ Los Alamitos moved to districts in 2018 and used districts for first time in 2020
- ❑ Redistricting is required when the decennial Census data is released, once every ten years
- ❑ Delays in receiving the Census data have delayed states, counties, cities, and other jurisdictions throughout California and the US
- ❑ New laws like the Fair Maps Act have changed how districts are drawn and how the process is conducted

# Redistricting Process & Schedule

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Step	Description
<b>Two Initial Hearings</b> 1/18 & 2/7	Held prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input on the communities in the Districts.
<b>Deadline for Submission</b> 2/21/22	Deadline for maps available for discussion at the February 28 <sup>th</sup> Hearing
<b>Two Draft Map Hearings</b> 2/28 & 3/7	Two Public Hearings to discuss and revise the draft maps
<b>Deadline for Submission</b> 3/11/2022	Deadline for maps available for discussion at the March 21 <sup>st</sup> Hearing
<b>Final Adoption</b> 3/21/2022	Final selection and adoption of a map at a regular Council meeting
<b>Map Adoption</b> By April 17, 2022	Final map must be posted at least 7 days prior to adoption. Map adopted via ordinance or resolution.

# Redistricting Rules and Goals

## 1. Federal Laws

Equal Population  
Federal Voting Rights Act  
No Racial Gerrymandering



## 2. California Criteria for Cities

1. **Geographically contiguous**
2. **Undivided neighborhoods and “communities of interest”**  
(Socio-economic geographic areas that should be kept together)
3. **Easily identifiable boundaries**
4. **Compact**  
(Do not bypass one group of people to get to a more distant group of people)

**Prohibited:** “Shall not favor or discriminate against a political party.”

## 3. Other Traditional Redistricting Principles

Minimize voters shifted to different election years

Respect voters’ choices / continuity in office

Future population growth

Preserving the core of existing districts

# Defining Neighborhoods

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**1<sup>st</sup> Question: What is your neighborhood?**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Question: What are its geographic boundaries?**

**Examples of physical features defining a neighborhood boundary:**

- Natural neighborhood dividing lines, such as highway or major roads, rivers, canals and/or hills
- Areas around parks or schools
- Other neighborhood landmarks

**In the absence of public testimony, planning records and other similar documents may provide definition.**



# Beyond Neighborhoods: Defining Communities of Interest

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## 1<sup>st</sup> Question: What defines your community?

- Geographic Area, plus
- Shared issue or characteristic
  - Shared social or economic interest
  - Impacted by county policies
- Tell us “your community’s story”

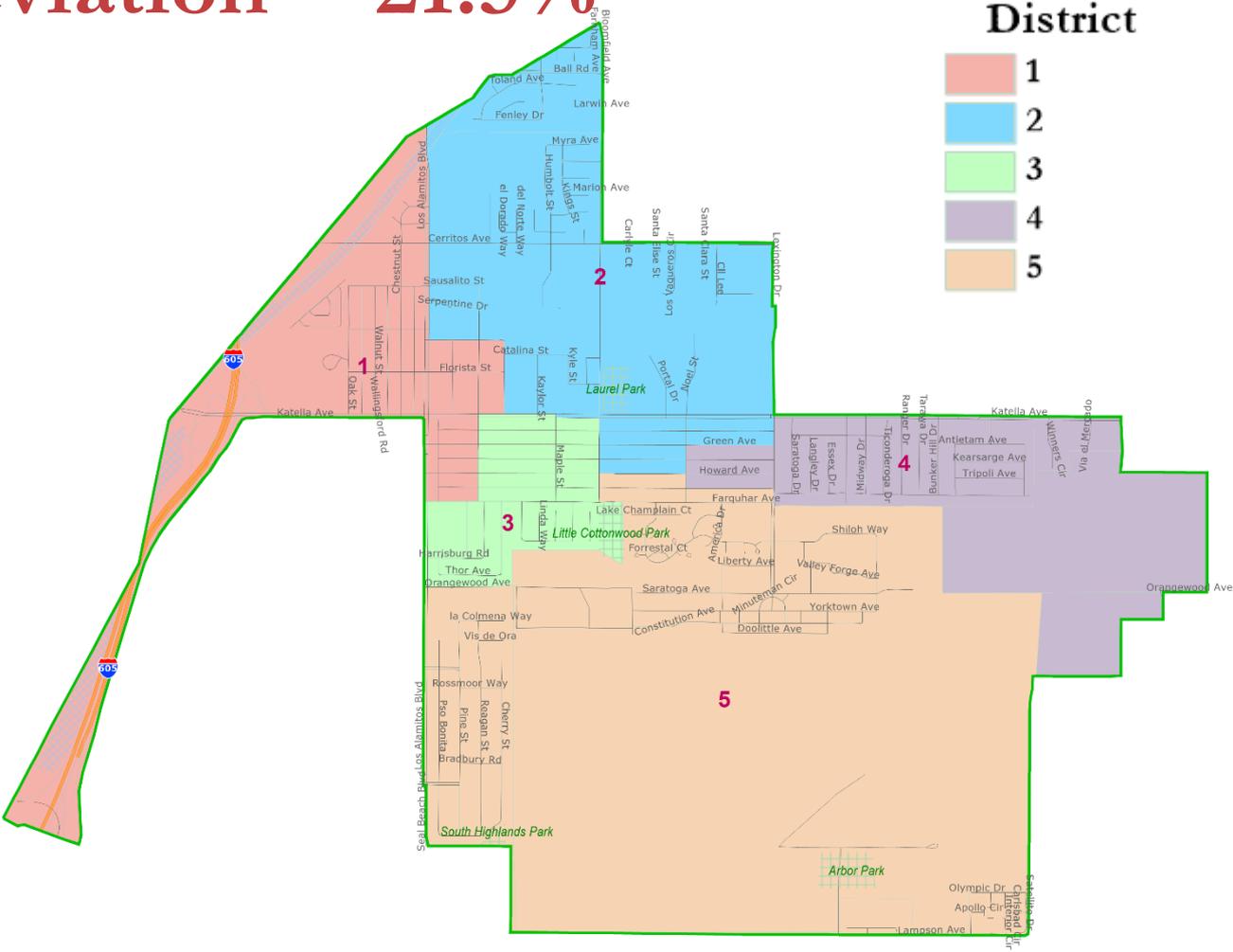
## 2<sup>nd</sup> Question: Would this community benefit from being “included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation”?

- Or would it benefit more from having multiple representatives?

Definitions of Communities of Interest may not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

# Current Districts

Total Deviation = 21.5%



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# Demographic Summary of Existing Districts

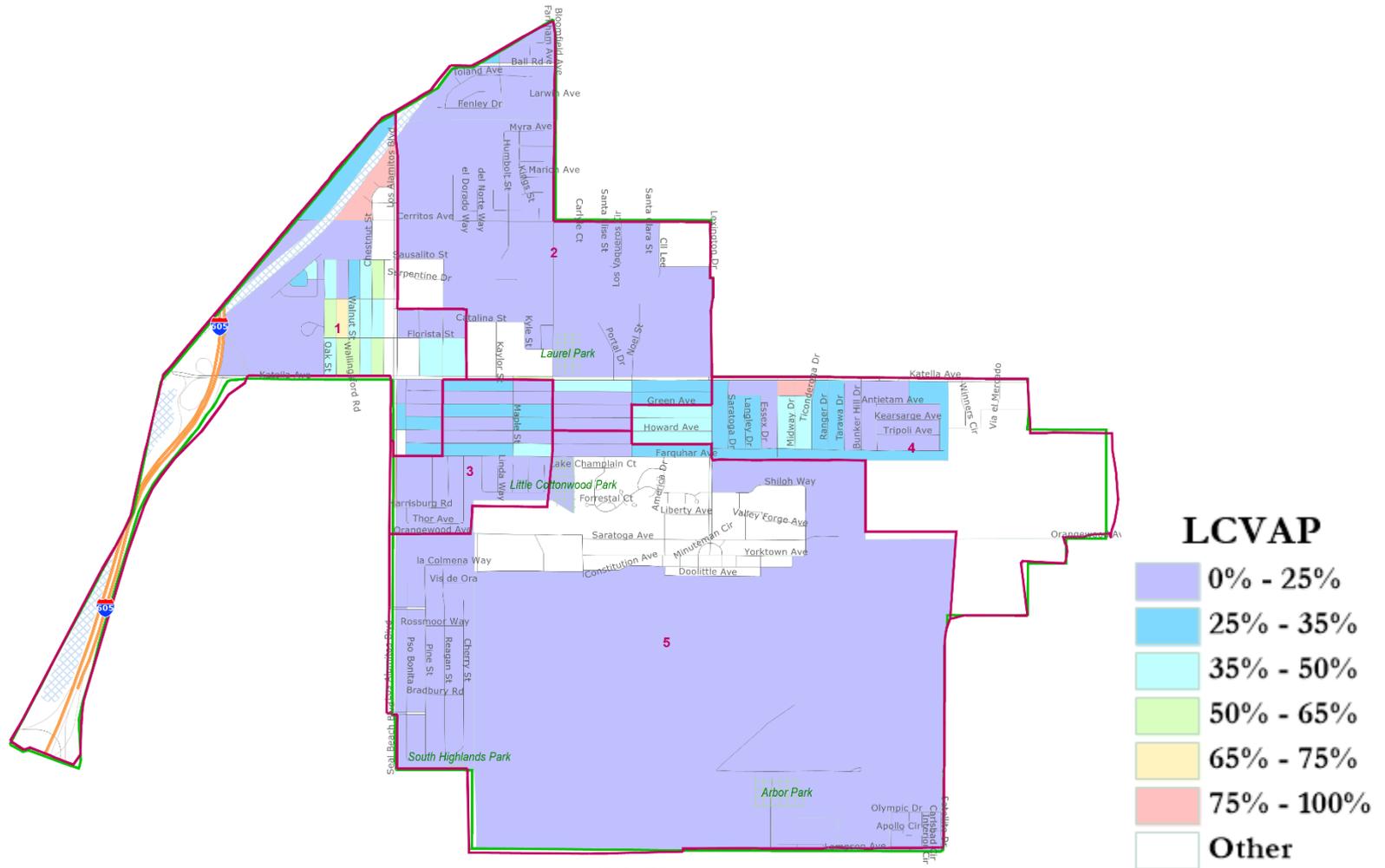
District		1	2	3	4	5	Total
<b>2020</b>	2020 Census (Adj)	2,325	2,237	2,744	2,250	2,238	11,794
	Deviation from ideal	-34	-122	385	-109	-121	507
	% Deviation	-1.43%	-5.16%	16.33%	-4.61%	-5.12%	21.49%
2020 Total Pop	% Hisp	31%	21%	26%	28%	22%	26%
	% NH White	38%	45%	46%	49%	55%	46%
	% NH Black	5%	3%	4%	3%	2%	4%
	% Asian-American	22%	28%	19%	17%	16%	20%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	1,604	1,575	1,846	1,617	1,715	8,356
	% Hisp	33%	12%	21%	31%	15%	22%
	% NH White	41%	53%	53%	54%	71%	55%
	% NH Black	12%	8%	6%	3%	7%	7%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	12%	25%	19%	10%	7%	15%

Estimates using official 2020 State-Adjusted Census Data

Each of the 5 districts must contain about 2,359 people.

# Latino CVAP

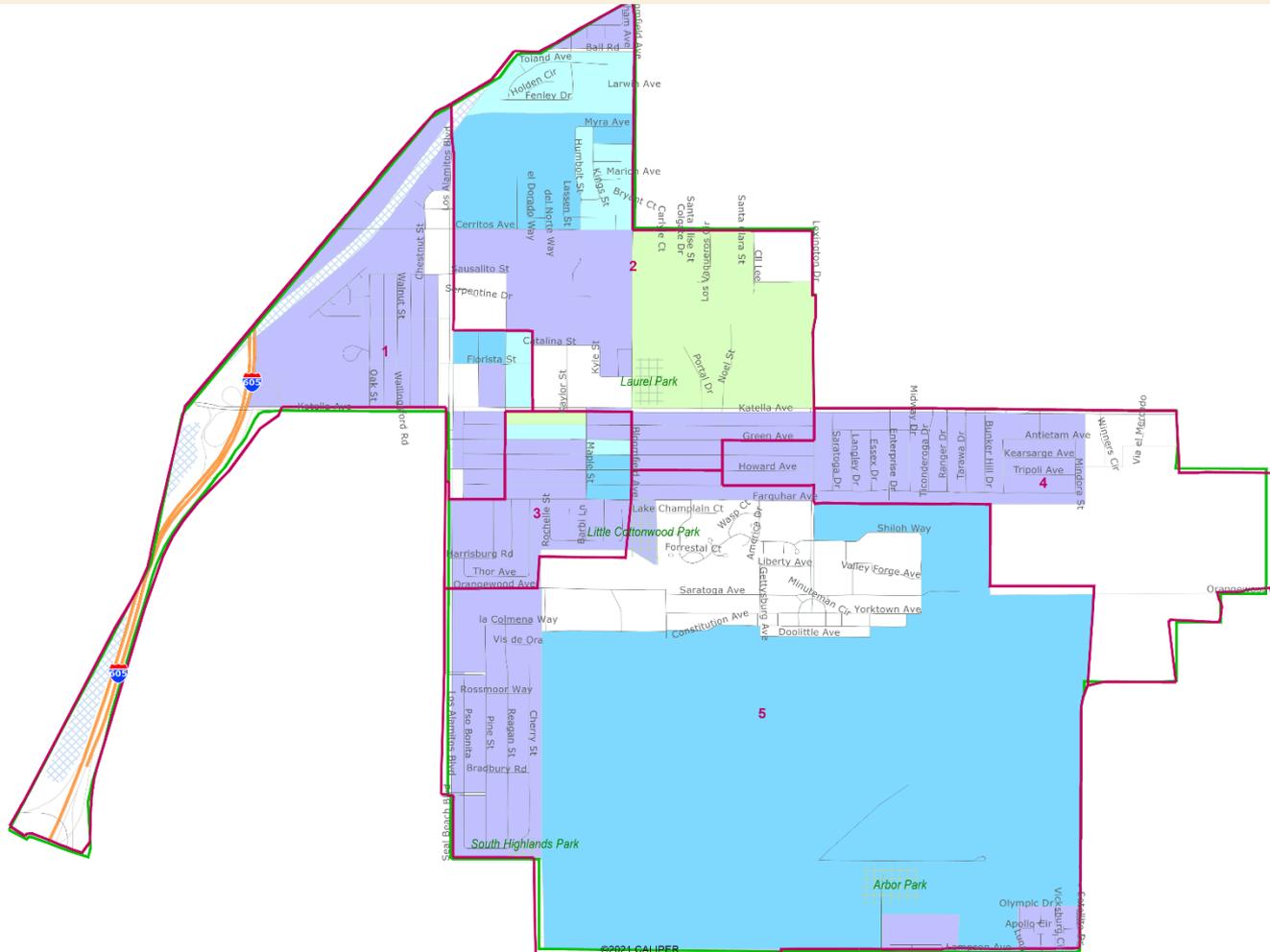
Latins are concentrated in Old Town West, particularly west of Los Alamitos Blvd.



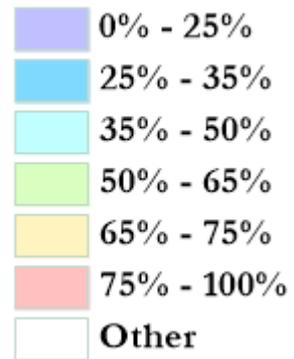
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# Asian CVAP

Asian neighborhoods are found particularly in the northern portion of the city, particularly north of Cerritos Ave and east of Los Alamitos Blvd.

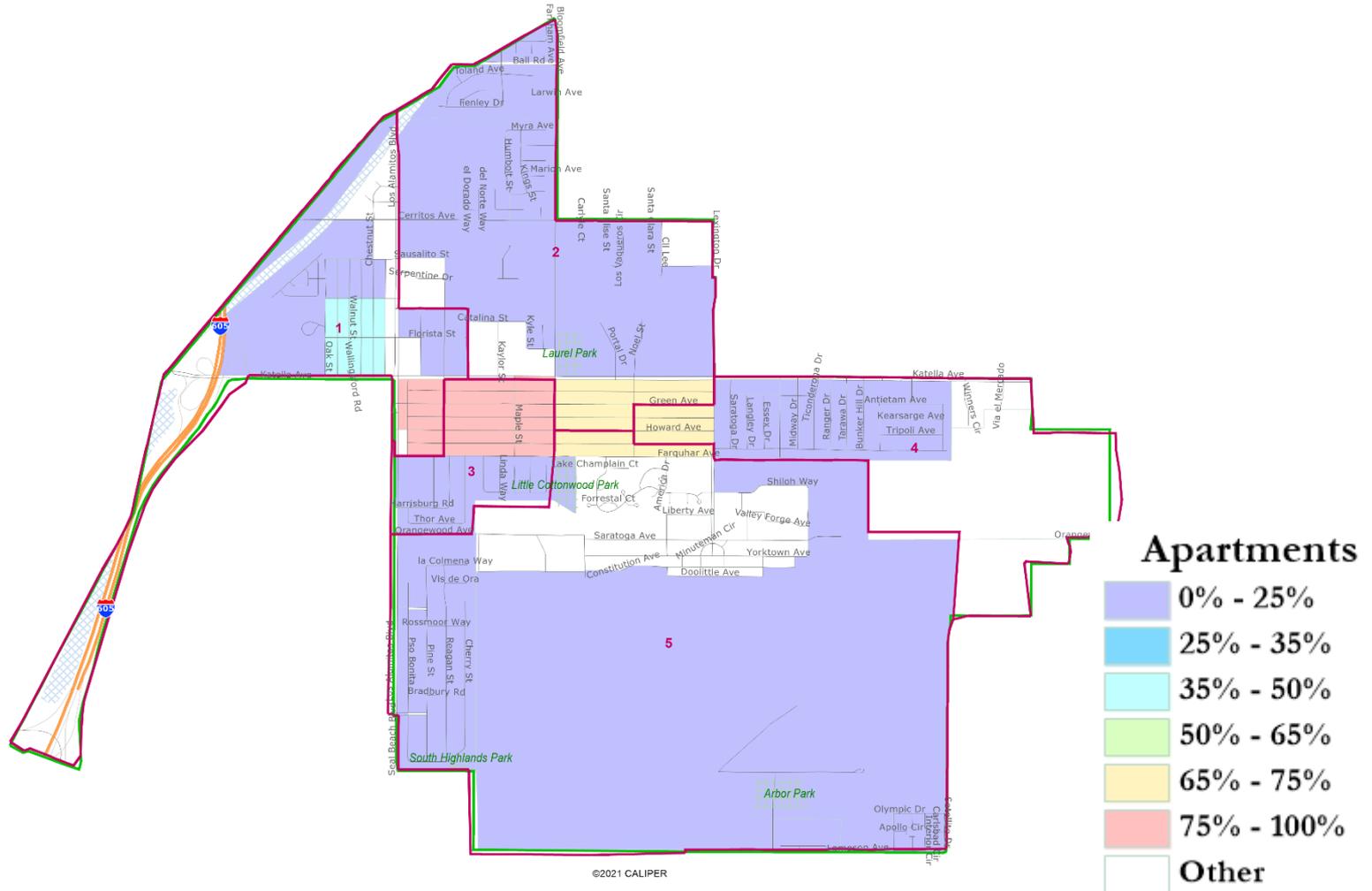


## ACVAP



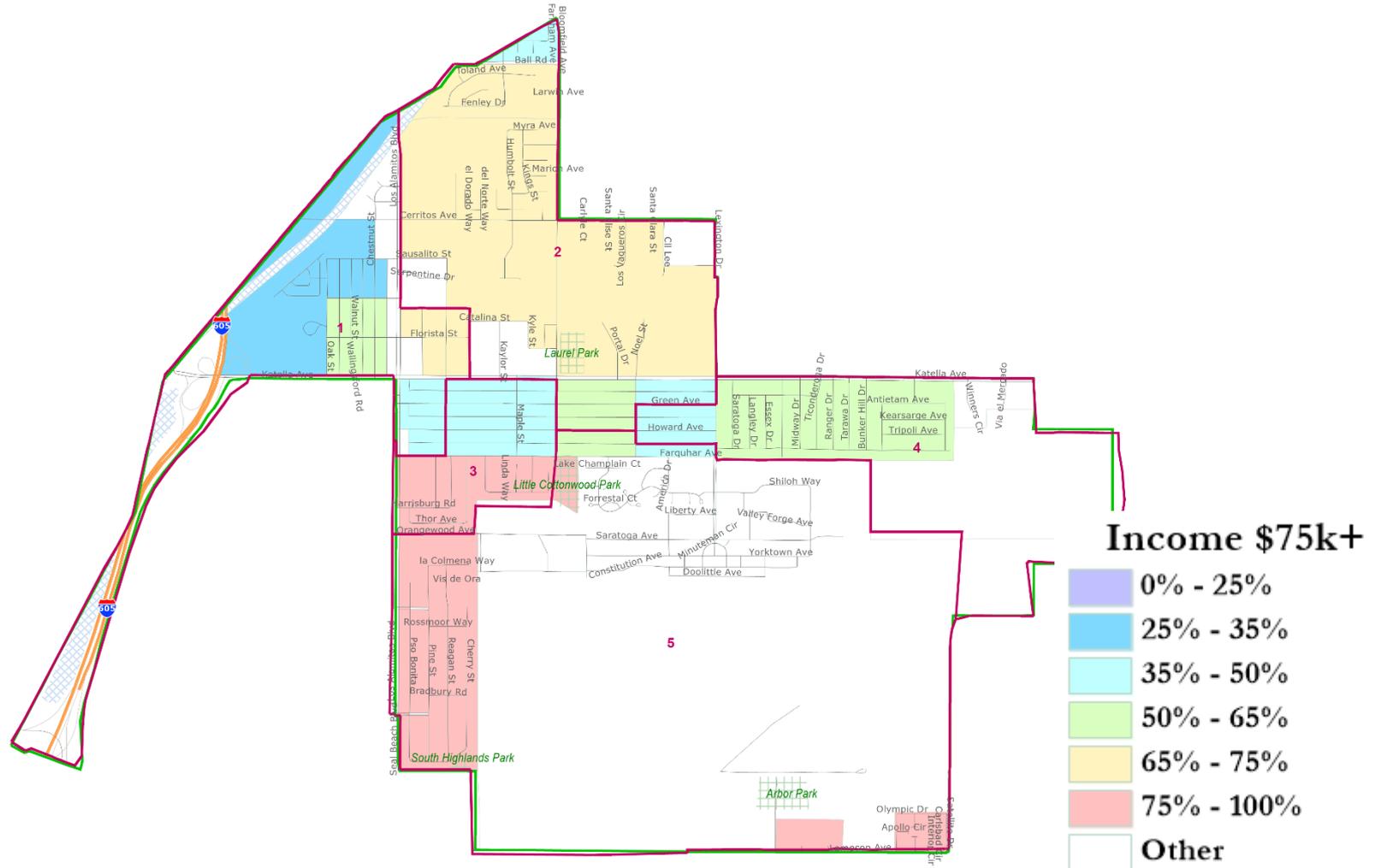
# Apartments & Multifamily Housing

Other socio-economic measures are available



# Income over \$75k

Other socio-economic measures are available



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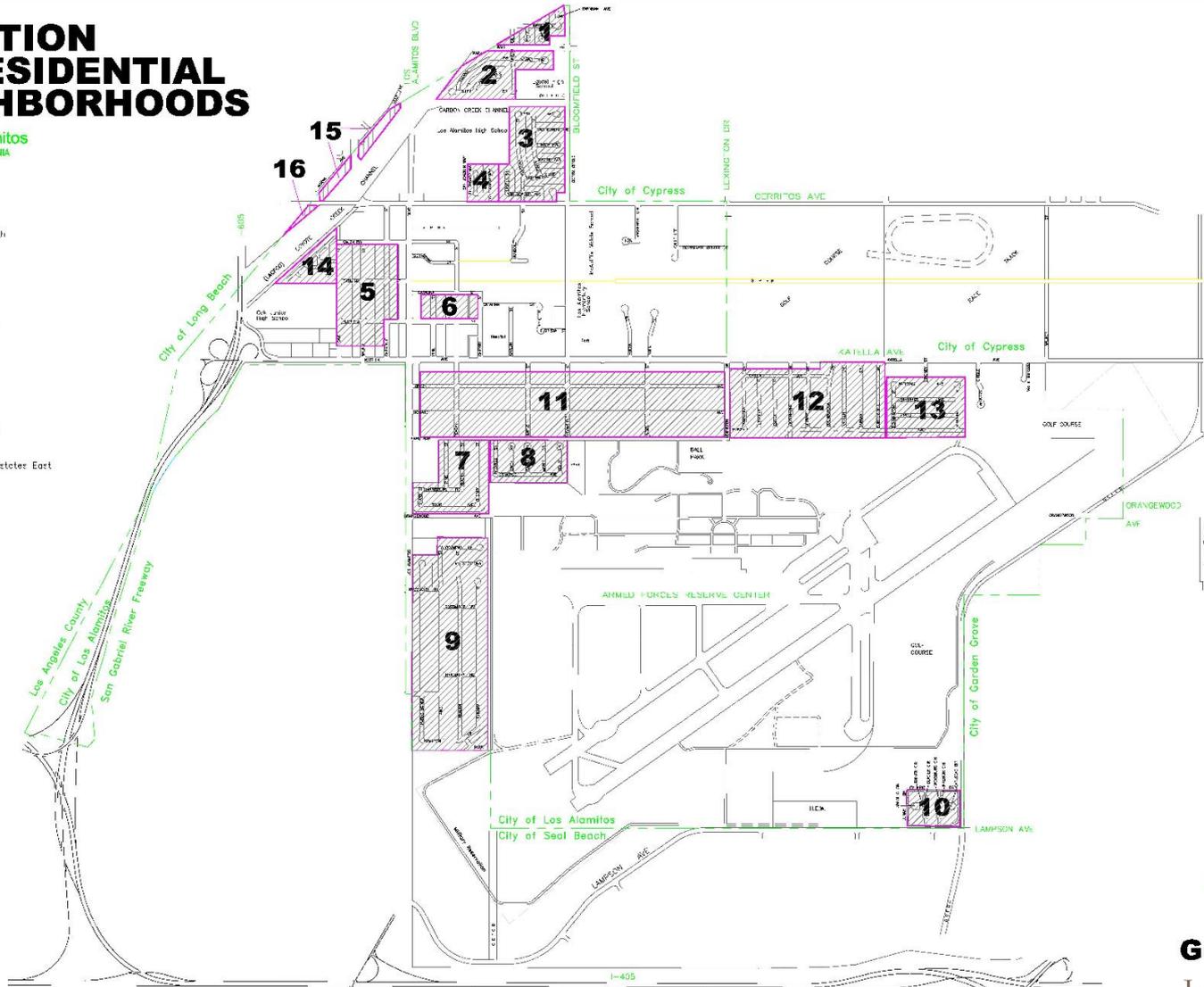
# Neighborhood Map

## LOCATION OF RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS

City of Los Alamitos  
ORANGE COUNTY - CALIFORNIA

### LEGEND

- City Boundary
- 1** Country Square
- 2** College Park North
- 3** Greenbrook
- 4** Woodcrest
- 5** Old Town West
- 6** Old Town East
- 7** Old Dutch Haven
- 8** Suburban
- 9** Highlands
- 10** Parkwood
- 11** Apartment Row
- 12** Carrier Row
- 13** New Dutch Haven
- 14** Royal Oak Park
- 15** E Dorado Park Estates East
- 16** Junglows



**General Plan**

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# Public Mapping and Map Review Tools

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- **Different tools for different purposes**
- **Different tools for different levels of technical skill and interest**
  - Simple “review draft maps” tool
  - Easy-to-use “Draw your neighborhood” tool
  - Paper- and Excel-based simple “Draw a draft map” tools
  - Powerful, data-rich “Draw a draft map” tool

Whether you use the powerful (but complicated) online mapping tool, Excel, the paper kit, or just draw on a napkin, we welcome your maps!

# Simple Map Drawing Tool

## Paper “Public Participation Kit”

- For those without internet access or who prefer paper
- Total Population Counts only – no demographic numbers

### City of Los Alamitos Redistricting 2022 Population by Neighborhood

The indicated numbers are the total population of each neighborhood or area.

Each of the five districts should each have approximately equal population. With a total population of 11,794, each district should contain about 2,359 people, approximately between 2,225 and 2,500 residents.



Neighborhood	Council District	Pop.
Apt Row 1	1	152
Apt Row 2	1	200
Apt Row 3	1	189
Apt Row 4	3	239
Apt Row 5	3	446
Apt Row 6	3	506
Apt Row 7	3	319
Apt Row 8	3	331
Apt Row 9	3	283
Apt Row 10	2	314
Apt Row 11	2	448
Apt Row 12	5	496
Apt Row 13	2	241
Apt Row 14	4	588
Apt Row 15	4	253
Apt Row 16	5	240
<b>Apt Row Total</b>		<b>5,245</b>
Bungalows	1	80
Carrier Row	4	862
College Park North	2	332
Country Square	2	112
El Dorado Park Estates	1	67
Greenbrook/Woodcrest	2	655
Hospital Area	2	15
Klein Manor/Laurel Park	2	96
Los Alamitos Channel	1	0
Military Reserve	5	21
New Dutch	4	547
Old Dutch	3	644
Haven/Suburbia	1	240
Old Town East	1	240
Old Town West	1	1,150
Parkewood	5	228
Rossmoor Highlands	5	1,253
Royal Oak Park	1	245
Unassigned Area	1	2
Unassigned Area	4	0
Unassigned Area	2	0
<b>City Total Pop.</b>		<b>11,794</b>

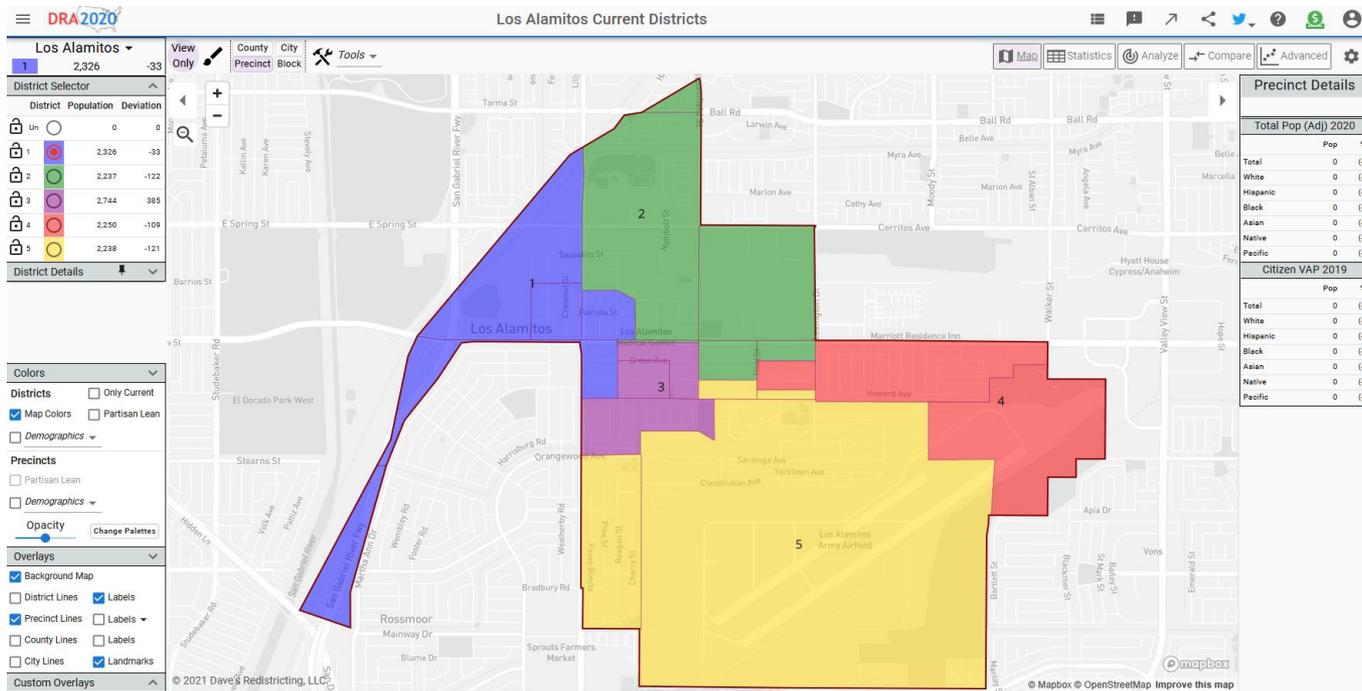
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# Dave's Redistricting App (DRA)

## “Draw Your Community of Interest” focus

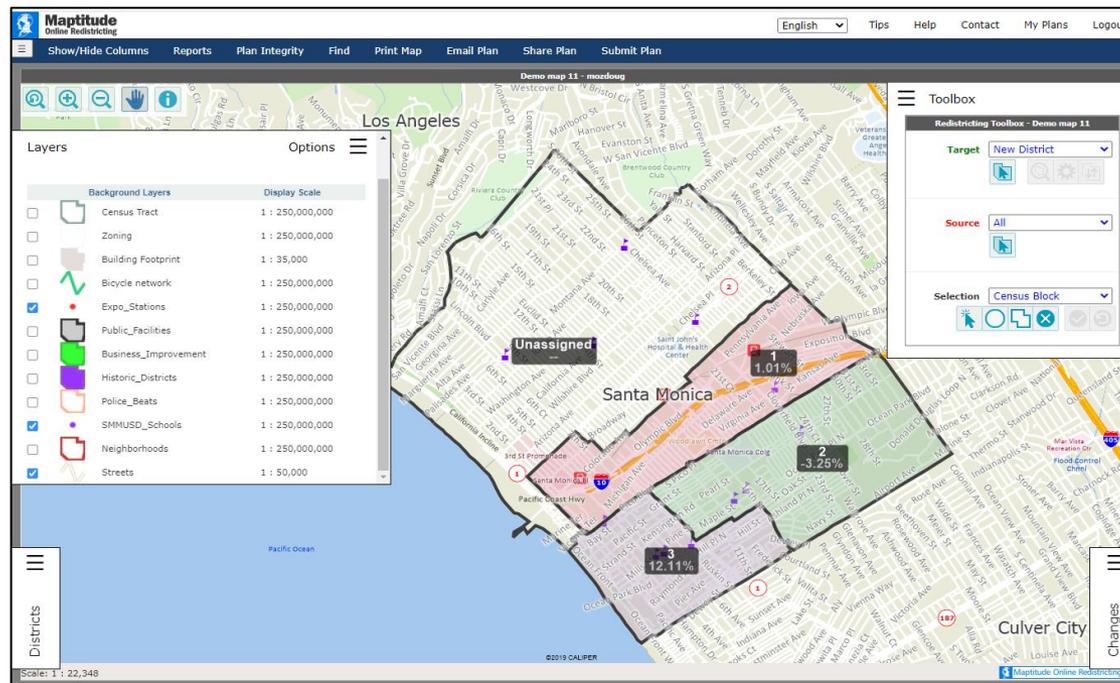
- Also includes simple district-mapping tool
- Only available in English
- Email a link to your map to the City and publish or share



# Caliper's “Maptitude Online Redistricting”

## Full Database, Powerful Online Mapping Tool

- Powerful, common, data-rich online tool
- Six language options: English, Spanish, Portuguese, Vietnamese, Mandarin and Korean
- [Quick Start Guide](#)



# Hearing & Discussion

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What is your neighborhood and what are its boundaries?

What other notable areas are in the City, and what are their boundaries?

Any questions about the mapping tools?

