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Downtown Dallas has finally gotten a representative in Paul Ridley who actually cares about downtown, Victory and Uptown. Now you are planning on splitting downtown off from Victory and Uptown. These 3 districts should continue to be together because they all have similar concerns. If you put downtown into district 2, downtown with all it's tax revenue will once again be completely ignored. The rest of District 2 has nothing in common with downtown.

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From:



Subject: RE: Map 40 is the map with the strongest winnable 9 minority districts!
Date: Monday, April 25, 2022 6:02:15 PM

External Email!

All,

First I want to thank Ms. Vanlandingham for responding. It helps clarify her source, the consultants compiling the Analysis of each map.

Using that source explains much. Even with it, Map 41 has only 2 districts as Black while Map 40 has 3.

But VAP numbers are a much more precise prediction of winnability and is the measurement I used. With VAP scores Map 41 still only has 2 Black districts, 3 & 8, not four as does Map 40, in districts 3, 4, 8 & 10. Map 41 does make up the needed additional Black winnable districts but with much weaker numbers than Map 40.

Regarding District 10 in Map 40, you have a Black plurality district with a 39% Black population with the closest challenger being the White population of only 17.33%. The Black population is 2.24 times greater than the White population, usually a clear indication of winnability.

Again, thank you for responding Ms. Vanlandingham.

Bill

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Sent: Mon, Apr 25, 2022 5:34 pm
Subject: RE: Map 40 is the map with the strongest winnable 9 minority districts!

All,

I appreciate Mr. Betzen's passion and dedication for strong representation in Dallas. I have referred to the data provided by the consultants and posted along with Map 40. That spreadsheet for Total Population shows only 3 Black majority districts - D3, D8, and D10. There has been significant discussion about the viability of a sustainable Black District in D10. But even counting D10, the consultants' spreadsheet shows only 3 Black Districts. This is what I referred to in my statement today.

Thank you,
Melanie Vanlandingham

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----



Subject: Map 40 is the map with the strongest winnable 9 minority districts!

Honorable Chairman Jesse Oliver and Redistricting Commission,

Ms. Vanlandingham spoke supporting Map 41 this afternoon. She stated something very untrue when she said before the Redistricting Commission that Map 41 had more and stronger minority districts than Map 40. That is not true! I hope this was an honest error in testimony, but it still must be clarified and corrected. This email is being copied to Ms. Vanlandingham requesting she explain to us how her statement was true.

Remember this chart documenting the winnability of each of the final 13 maps. Orange colors designated maps eliminated. The yellow one is Map 40, the best map for the Dallas minority community. The data in the chart explains how. How else can winnability be more accurately measured over the next decade?

Maps producing closest to 9 winnable Minority Districts using VAP percentage point advantage over second place racial group VAP percentage																											
Map Author(s)	Date Sent in	COD number	Max. Total Deviation	Perimeter	Neighborhood Assn Splits	Winn-able Black Dist.	Winn-able Hispanic Dist.	Winnable Black Districts with percentage point advantage over nearest challenger group (W or H) with District # (D#) and recorded as pph or ppw.								Winnable Hispanic Districts with percentage point advantage over nearest challenger group (W or B) with District # (D#) and recorded as ppw or ppb.								Opportunity District Percent Minority			
								D#	1	D#	2	D#	3	D#	4	D#	1	D#	2	D#	3	D#	4				
Orange = rejected maps 4/22/22.																											
3 Commissioners	3/5/22	017	9.95%	43.8	25	4	3	3	15.1 pph	4	8.2 pph	8	5.8 pph	7	3.5 ppH	1	72 ppB	5	58.7 ppB	6	48.2W	???	9.3 ppW	107-61.5%			
Norma Minnis	3/23/22	020	8.01%	46.1	53	4	3	4	19.2 pph	3	14.2 pph	8	2.5 ppH	10	17.5 ppW	5	48.3 ppW	2	47.9 ppW	6	41.5 ppB	7?	29.5 ppB	1-71.4%			
Bill Betzen	4/1/22	025	9.46%	42	63	4	4	3	35.4ppH	8	11.3ppH	4	1.5ppH	10	21.6 ppW	1	64.4 ppW	5	57.9 ppB	6	53.7 ppB	2	37.8 ppB	7-79%			
Map 25 above was presented 4/11/22 & approved for ongoing consideration but not until strong criticism of the 63 Neighborhood Splits was given. 5 hours work cut the # of splits in half for Map 38 which was then for some reason rejected on 4/22/22! This indicates potential for consideration of Map 25 is gone! The only chance for 4 WINNABLE Hispanic Districts remains with Map 40 by Domingo Garcia! Maps 35, 38, 39, & 42 rejected 4/22/22!																											
VanLandingham	4/2/22	026	8.18%	44.3	39	4	3+1?	8	9.96pph	3	14.4pph	4	4.12pph	10	11.2 ppw	6	63.24ppb	5	57.44ppb	1	44.44ppw	7	11.54 ppb				
Kevin Felder	4/3/22	027	8.43%	44.7	42	4	3	3	18.76 pph	8	5.73 pph	7	1.95 pph	4	1.21 pph	1	66.9 ppb	5	59.43 ppb	6	44.8 ppw	2?	6.95 ppw	7-88.17%			
Wm. Hoyt	4/14/22	035	7.92%	42.3	65	4	4	3	34.97 pph	8	11.2 pph	4	1.5 pph	10	21.21 ppw	1	64.53 ppw	5	57.67 ppb	6	53.96	2	37.15 pph	7-77.49%			
Bill Betzen	4/15/22	038	8.90%	42.8	39	4	4	3	35.2 pph	8	10.8 pph	4	2.2 pph	10	21.5 ppw	1	63.6 ppw	5	57.5 ppb	6	54.1 ppb	2	38.4 ppb	7-79.3%			
Kevin Felder 3th Black dist = 10	4/15/22	039	6.37%	46	51	5	3	4	8.49 pph	8	4.46 pph	7	3.43 pph	3	4.08 ppw	5	59.16 ppw	1	56.56 ppw	6	51.67 ppw			D10 = 16.22 ppw			
Domingo Garcia	4/15/22	040	8.71%	43	58	4	4	3	34.32 pph	8	11.26 pph	4	1.89	10	21.59 ppw	1	65.06 ppw	5	57.88 ppb	6	52.08 ppw	2	35.4 ppb	7-78.95%			
VanLandingham	4/15/22	041	9.45%	43	36	4	3	8	7.33 pph	3	6.42 pph	4	-1.11	7	-6.11 pph	5	47.5 ppb	6	53.23 ppb	1	45.14 ppw						
VanLandingham	4/15/22	042	9.01%	43.3	38	4	3	8	7.33 pph	3	6.42 pph	4	-1.11	7	-6.04 pph	1	54.27 ppw	5	47.5 ppb	6	48.27 ppb						
Jeff Kitner	4/15/22	043	2.66%	39.7	41	3	3	8	8.08 pph	3	10.75 pph	4	-8.16	10	4.14 ppw?	1	67.11 ppb	5	41.24 ppb	6	34.02 ppb						
Sarah Evans	4/15/22	044	4.33%	38.1	29	4	300%	4	12.75 pph	3	11.2 pph	8	5.75 pph	10	5.07 ppw?	1	53.23 ppw	5	46.81 ppb	7	31.94 ppb	2?	27.28 ppw				
Due to CVAP a 50+ percentage point advantage over the next highest White or Black VAP percentage is needed to make an average Hispanic District comfortably winnable. A simple Black Plurality creates a winnable Black District. This is due to CVAP and the inability for about 38 percent of Dallas Hispanic adults to vote.																											
This chart was made using the maps posted as of 4/22/22 and producing the most winnable minority districts out of the 14 Dallas City Council Districts.																		Updated by Bill Betzen 4/22/22.					bbetzen@aol.com				

If Map COD-040 is not selected for ongoing consideration it is a vote against equitable minority representation. The needed amendments to unify West Dallas in District 6 can easily be done to Map 40 as well as any additional amendments. Then it will also maximize minority representation with 9 winnable districts!

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To the members of the Dallas redistricting task force, thank you for your time and service to our city.

The Lake Highlands Women's League, a 501 c 3 service organization, has been serving our District 10 community since 1969. We raise funds through our annual "Holiday in the Highlands" home tour and over 90% of funds raised are returned to our neighborhood schools and non-profits.

We strongly advocate for the redistricting Map, COD017, that keeps our compact, racially diverse, community of interest district intact and inclusive of the Lake Highlands High School attendance area. We believe this map stays as close to possible the current district boundaries, while accomplishing the population redistribution necessary.

Strong neighborhoods lead to a strong city.

Sincerely submitted by member of the Lake Highlands Women's League

Allison B Brown

LHWL President, 2021-2022