

Next redistricting workshop to be held Wednesday Dec. 1 at City Hall

The City of Costa Mesa will hold a second community workshop on Wednesday Dec. 1 at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Community Room to seek the public's help to review and revise the City districts as required by state law and discuss the currently proposed draft maps.

The primary goal when developing election districts is to draw lines that respect neighborhoods, history and geographical elements. The City of Costa Mesa is seeking the public's help to plan and draw new City district maps that will define the six City of Costa Mesa district borders. These new districts will impact how to elect Council Members for the next 10 years.

The city continues to encourage residents to submit draft boundary proposals, revisions to submitted maps, or offer comments on any maps. The city's demographer will continue to review all submissions and make revisions as necessary, based on Council direction and community input.

The public can learn more about the mapping tools that are available here on the City website and draw their own map.

Every 10 years, local governments use new data from the Census to redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed. State law requires cities and counties to engage communities in the redistricting process by holding public hearings and doing public outreach, including to underrepresented and non-English-speaking communities.

There will be one more community workshop on Saturday, Jan. 8, 2022, 10:00 a.m. Location TBD.

More information about the process, how you can be involved, and the schedule of events is available at www.redistrictcostamesa.org.