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Hi Peter

Nice meeting you last night. You run a good meeting.

Here are my thoughts about drawing boundary lines in this part of the desert.

Coachella Valley (CV) is unique and needs to maintain its uniqueness.

It focuses on recreation, seniors, education, health and attending facilities and support.

It is a front runner in alternative energy.

Many intra-city governmental services currently exist in CV that cement the area together.

Combining with Imperial Valley will be counter productive as they are agricultural.

A reasonable political boundary would be our surrounding mountain ridges, possibly including the High Desert area of Morongo Valley thru to 29 Palms, including Joshua Tree National Park.

The following excerpt from Thursday's The Desert Sun is worth reading.

Thanks for your consideration and service to our benefit.

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For those of you who don't read The Desert Sun, there were a couple of interesting articles on Thursday. One said the Valley is getting "grayer". The Coachella Valley is aging more rapidly than the county or the state

Cities are making decisions based on those facts.

The second article stated that 20% of local homes are seasonal, well above state average of 2.2%. Indian Wells has the highest % of seasonal homes. In Palm Desert there are 23,117 occupied units or 62.4%; 9.5% of vacant units, (excluding seasonal) and 10,418 seasonal units.

In still another article the 2010 Census shows that Palm Desert has 48,445 residents up from 41,155 in 2000.

All of these figures should bode well for Sun City properties. There are more seniors who want to make the Coachella Valley home.

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