

Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Alameda

From: David Jessup <[REDACTED]>

Date: Sat, 6 Aug 2011 03:53:22 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

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Subject: Move Santa Clara City back into Santa Clara County

Message Body:

DO NOT APPROVE A MAP THAT FORCES THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA INTO A VOTING DISTRICT WITH THE EAST BAY!!!!!!

I had to guess at the region and county above because I spent too much time on your web site trying to figure it out. I think you moved the City of Santa Clara out of Santa Clara County and into Alameda County so I picked Alameda. Did you move Alameda to San Francisco County? That makes more sense; they share a ferry service and can wave to each other.

There are many issues in the not too distant future that keep the City of Santa Clara far more focused in Santa Clara County than Alameda County, not the least of which are:

1. The Santa Clara School district crosses into N. San Jose and will face some very hard budget issues that must be resolved with San Jose as San Jose continues to promote residential expansion in that area- SAN JOSE IS BROKE, do you think Fremont cares

2. 49ers are trying to build a stadium in Santa Clara (you've probably heard), again much bigger issues for Sunnyvale and N. San Jose than Fremont or Hayward

3. San Jose Airport borders Santa Clara and any decisions regarding expansion, hours of operation, noise levels etc. are issues that really don't matter to any of the east bay cities

4. The water treatment plant in N. San Jose, serving the City of Santa Clara is considering a very expensive expansion, again east bay wouldn't care

5/6. Lew Wolf has proposed moving the Oakland A's to San Jose (NOT Fremont). I live less than 5 miles from that proposed site and even closer to the site he has chosen for the San Jose Earth Quakes. There will be issues of traffic, trash, police services etc. Do you think that the citizens of Fremont, Hayward or points east really care about these issues as much as Santa Clara residents do, or more importantly, would they want their elected representatives getting involved in the negotiations (except perhaps to move the sports teams to the east bay)?

The City of Santa Clara, has no business being aligned with cities in the east bay. We have nothing in common with those cities nor do we share their goals and challenges. Santa Clara is a high tech community much more involved with the fortunes of N. San Jose, Cupertino and Sunnyvale than Fremont and Hayward. If you need to attach another city from Santa Clara County (COUNTY) to the east bay you should choose Palo Alto, at least they have the Dumbarton Bridge in common. I did read that the Armenian community was happy, it's good to know that moving the name-sake city of Santa Clara County out of the county for voting purposes helps keep Armenians happy. Come on ladies and gentlemen get a clue. DO NOT APPROVE A MAP THAT FORCES THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA INTO A VOTING DISTRICT WITH THE EAST BAY!!!!!!

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Alameda

From: "Jack M. Vaughn" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Sat, 6 Aug 2011 03:37:25 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Jack M. Vaughn <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Maps

Message Body:

Why are the map files in these strange formats? You want me to use a pdf or jpg format to add to my comments (as stated above) but you won't put the maps in a jpg or pdf format. Why do you make information SO HARD for people to get? It's amazing. Now everyone has to download special software just to view the maps. Democracy demands the free flow of information to function. This website is a joke. Get a freakin clue. A fourth grader could do a better job.

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Redistricting August 8, 2011

Our dysfunctional American governments will definitely continue for 10 additional years due to the corrupt redistricting that is currently taking place following last year's census as mandated by the Constitution.

Our congressional and legislative elections every 2 years are the root cause because the overwhelming majority of our districts are gerrymandered, deliberately noncompetitive, guaranteeing safe seats for the badly performing, neglectful and often extremist incumbents. The special interests shower large campaign contributions on the sure winners and get favoritism in return at your family's expense.

Our House of Representatives and State Legislatures are broken on a bipartisan basis which has resulted in the needless recession, massive unemployment and debt; also in our comparatively few women representatives and legislators plus our comparatively inferior education, health and public transport.

The accelerating decline of the United States of America will not be halted unless we now maximize the number of competitive plus or minus 2% districts. Only true competition will facilitate both Republican and Democrat Reform candidates pledged by affidavit to working in the capitals full time solely in the public's interest and voluntarily limiting contributions solely from individual voters within their districts and not exceeding \$100.

If the American people do nothing again, we will definitely get more of the same unsatisfactory results regardless of who is President or Governor with our division of powers.

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