

**Anthony Mejia**

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**Subject:** RE: Strongly support map109!!

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From: Peck, Mary A. [REDACTED]  
Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2023 7:06 AM  
To: CouncilMeeting Comments <[CouncilMeetingComments@palmdesert.gov](mailto:CouncilMeetingComments@palmdesert.gov)>  
Subject: Strongly support map109!!

Sent from my iPhone

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**Subject:** RE: Yes on Map 109

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**From:** Maria Torres [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 7, 2023 4:27 PM  
**To:** CouncilMeeting Comments <[CouncilMeetingComments@palmdesert.gov](mailto:CouncilMeetingComments@palmdesert.gov)>  
**Subject:** Yes on Map 109

Hello

We are writing in support of advancing Map 109. This districting map is fair and makes the most sense for all residents.

Thank you,

Eglert Gutierrez & Maria Torres

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**From:** Linda Joy Salas <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 8, 2023 2:14 PM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Subject:** Want 102/103C Map



From the maps submitted to Palm Desert City Council, the ones that met the criteria were 102b, 103b and 109.

102b and 103b were established by a resident, and a majority of the public comments supported these maps. However, the council chose to submit map 109 without giving the public a chance to choose. The reason stated was that it broke up one gated community.

Another Palm Desert resident worked around it by submitting a corrected version of 102b or 103b labeling it with a C.

When the majority of the voters approve something, the council is obligated to take that into consideration.

I vote for 102/103C and would like that to be noted for the record.

Linda Joy Salas (CalBRE: [REDACTED])  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Dennis Steele [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 9, 2023 9:51 AM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Subject:** Map 102



Hi,

Earlier in the mapping process, I supported Maps 102 and/or 103. I'm now aware that the council moved to only present Map109 despite the popularity of maps 102/103.

I understand there was an issue with the boundary dividing up a particular development, however that has been remedied with Map 102C recently presented to the council.

I'm writing this to lend my support to map 102C as it is the map that creates districts more in line with the purpose of district voting.

<https://redistrictpd.org/draft-maps/>

Thank you,  
Dennis Steele

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**From:** info@redistrictpd.org  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 9, 2023 10:06 AM  
**To:** CityClerk; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Palm Desert Redistricting - New submission from Contact Us



### Name

Barbara Spencer

### Email

[REDACTED]

### Message

In looking at Map 109 Renumbered, as well as other maps, I find the 109 Renumbered more cohesive for the entire Palm Desert area. Other maps show jumbling and breaking up of areas and disorganized in appearance. I prefer the Council to strongly consider May 109 Renumbered.

Barbara Spencer

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**From:** Dori Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 9, 2023 10:33 AM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Subject:** Comments on Re-Districting

Please forward this to the City Council members; it's about the maps in consideration for re-districting.

The City Council made a commitment to consider at least two maps but suddenly voted to ONLY consider one, map 109.

109 has many concerning issues according to the CA Voting Rights Act. If you look at how North Palm Desert is divided, it separates the school district that sends students to PSUSD. The issues in North Palm Desert vary widely from the rest of the city. They have more wind and sand, the potential for rail service that will be installed there, and businesses that create taxes for the city but don't serve the needs of the North PD community. Also, the size of the districts doesn't seem to follow the rules for compactness.

Also, it is VERY concerning that the demographer, when asked whether 102b could be corrected, said "no." Yet, Steven Nelson redrew the map, changed the dividing line, and met all the criteria.

AND, 102c follows all guidelines, doesn't divide the school district, and is favored by the majority who attended both focus-group sessions.

ONCE AGAIN, City council members are dragging their feet on this issue and not following what the guidelines are for redistricting! From past actions and votes, it seems clear to residents of Palm Desert that most of the City Council does not want to move to five-district voting and are using the maps as a way to keep delaying.

This must stop! The City Council must consider more than one map, continue to seriously consider input from residents, and move swiftly to 5 voting districts.

Dorea Smith, [REDACTED], Palm Desert

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**From:** FAITH C MCINNIS [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 10, 2023 5:36 PM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Subject:** 5 Districts



As a voting resident of Palm Desert, I see that 102c looks the most likely map to meet the needs of our PD citizens.

Please pass my input along. Thanks,

Faith McInnis

[REDACTED]  
Palm Desert, CA 92260

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**From:** info@redistrictpd.org  
**Sent:** Monday, December 11, 2023 12:59 PM  
**To:** CityClerk; jennifer@tripepismith.com; mackenna@tripepismith.com  
**Subject:** Palm Desert Redistricting - New submission from Contact Us



### Name

SHAYNA STILLMAN

### Email

[REDACTED]

### Message

I am a full time Palm Desert home owner and cannot attend the meeting on Thursday 12/14 but want to register my vote in favor of Map 103B.



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**From:** Joan Speer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 11, 2023 12:50 PM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Subject:** Comment on Maps for redistricting Include Map 102b/c



Dear City Council Members:

This is in support of putting Map 102b/c back on the table for consideration. There is **NEW INFORMATION** that was not available at the time.

Here are my reasons:

- 3 of the 5 maps that passed all criteria had the North part of PD (across the top of PD north of Country Club Dr.) all together in one District. My understanding is that the reason all were rejected is because they split a gated community.
- There is **NEW INFORMATION**. Map 102b was reworked to be able to include the whole of that gated community and still fulfill all criteria.
- People in the north-side have stated that they want to have their district include the whole upper part of Palm Desert. They are in a different School District.
- **There needs to be more than one map up for consideration!**

In addition, **Map 102c is more compact with clearer boundaries and includes a community of interest.** With Map 109, there is a potential that Council members who live as far south as Hovley could be elected in both Districts 4 and 5 – which also cover north Palm Desert. With Map 102c, there would be one Council Member who lives north of Country Club guaranteed.

**Please include Map 102b/c for consideration.**

Thank you, Joan Speer Palm Desert resident 92260

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**From:** Illene Lackman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 12:49 PM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Subject:** Want Map 102



Hi,

I just became aware of the fact that the council has selected map 109 and it looks like it won't address the issues that those of us in the north Palm Desert Area are concerned about.

Please register my vote for Map 102. It is the clearest and most precise division of the area mapped.

Illene Lackman  
North Palm Desert resident