

Communication from Public

Name: Doug Decker

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 11:08 AM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Doug Decker on Agenda item 17, I am writing today to ask for your support for the current map with the District 6 restoration. I urge you to vote yes on this item. As a long time resident of Lake Balboa, I am pleased that the committee saw fit to restore District 6. We have made excellent progress in the last decade and we want that movement forward to continue. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Mariana Villafana

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 11:51 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Mariana Villafana and I work and live in CD8 is a historically Black neighborhood with a vibrant immigrant & Latinx population. I am here to emphasize the importance of centering racial justice and equity as we near the end of the redistricting process. I'm urging City Council to include critical cultural and economic assets within CD8. As the last predominantly Black community, the historical and cultural contributions of CD8's Black Los Angeles should be recognized and set-up to thrive for generations. Not only has this City historically perpetuated anti-blackness and Black erasure through its policies and resource allocations, but residents of South LA have endured divestment from local governing bodies from the previous redistricting process and beyond. Throughout this redistricting process, several South LA residents have organized and called to uplift their voices, to share their frustrations due to decades of discrimination and racist policies that have impacted our black and brown community for decades. By returning economic assets to CD8, like Expo Park and USC, an equitable COVID-19 recovery will be possible for South LA's primarily Black and Brown residents. Further, our communities face displacement and gentrification, houselessness, and unemployment. We need representation that reflects our communities' concerns. Thus it is essential that not only CD8 have economic assets within its district lines, but that CD9 keep its economic engines like LA Live, Figueroa corridor, and to gain access to parts of DTLA. As a resident of South LA, I ask for all council members to stand in REAL solidarity with LA's Black community. The time to speak up is now to ensure we create an equitable City for ALL. That means ensuring those most vulnerable, those most disenfranchised from these processes are heard. Thank you for your time.

Communication from Public

Name: Kirsten Hoagland

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 12:06 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I work in South Central LA. I am here to emphasize how important it is for the end results of this redistricting process, to be done with equity and real racial justice. I'm urging for the assets to go back to CD8 - the last predominantly black community. These are Exposition Park and USC. For the last few months through this redistricting process, several South LA residents have organized and called to uplift their voices, to share their frustrations due to decades of discrimination and racist policies that have impacted our black and brown community for decades. A community that is still hurting the most during this pandemic. This is a time to undo the harm done 10 years ago and do Justice. During a time of black erasure, we are asking for the last predominately black Council District in all of LA, District 8, the only district that lacks any assets to have the assets that were taken away a decade ago, Expo park and USC. We ask for district 9 to keep the many economic engines like LA Live, Figueroa corridor, and to gain access to parts of DTLA that were taken away as well. We ask for all council members to stand in real solidarity with our black community and speak up. Thank you for your time, Kirsten Hoagland

Communication from Public

Name: Jesse Maeshiro

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 12:16 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Jesse Maeshiro and I work with Community Coalition in South Central LA. I am writing to provide public comment on Item 1. I want to emphasize how important it is for the end results of this redistricting process to center equity. I'm urging for two important assets, Exposition Park and USC, to go back into CD8--which is the last predominantly black community in LA. Given that South LA has experienced a disproportionate economic and community health impact from COVID-19, and South LA is a primarily Black and Latinx community, ensuring a fair redistricting process is ultimately a racial justice issue. Looking ahead, it is critical that CD8 receives adequate and equitable resources to rebuild from years of chronic disinvestment and thrive after the harms of the pandemic. Thank you very much for your time, Jesse Maeshiro

Communication from Public

Name: Francine Rios

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 12:35 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Council Members, My name is Francine Rios, and I am writing this public comment in reference to Item 1 of today's meeting (Dec. 1, 2021). I'm with Community Coalition, I work in South Central LA, and live in CD9. I am here to emphasize the significance of this redistricting process being conducted with equity and real racial justice. Now is the time to undo the harm that was done 10 years ago. I'm urging for the assets of Expo Park and USC to go back to CD8, which is the last predominantly Black community in LA. South Los Angeles is the home of the largest Black community west of the Mississippi River, and it should not be divested and gouged of economic engines. South LA is also a place where many Black people can find culture and identity. Neighborhoods like Leimert Park and the Crenshaw corridor have served as the economic engine of Black Los Angeles. For the last few months of the redistricting process, several South LA residents have called in directly and submitted public comment to uplift their voices and share their frustrations due to decades of discrimination and racist policies that have impacted our Black and brown community, which is still hurting the most during this pandemic. During a time of Black erasure, we are asking for the last predominately Black Council District in all of LA, District 8, to have its assets of Expo Park and USC rightfully returned. We also ask for District 9 to keep the many economic engines like LA Live, Figueroa corridor, and to gain access to parts of DTLA that were taken away as well. We ask for all Council Members to stand in real solidarity with our Black community and speak up. Thank you for your time, Francine Rios

Communication from Public

Name: Christian Flagg

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 12:42 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Good Morning, thank you for your time. I would like to speak on Item 1 and public comment My name is Christian Flagg and I am with Community Coalition. I was born and raised in South Central LA and I'm here to stress the importance it of this redistricting process to be done with equity and reflect real racial justice. I'm urging for Exposition Park and USC to be moved back into Council District 8 - the last predominantly black community in LA. As we know, a strong economic infrastructure is critical to cultivating a thriving community. Our community has historically endured decades of economic divestments and racist policies that have hindered us from truly benefiting from the many jewels that exist in the heart of our neighborhoods. We now face alarming rates of displacement and gentrification, houselessness, and unemployment and it is essential that we have representation that reflects our communities' concerns. Furthermore it is essential for the economic assets that exist in our community to actually benefit the people that have lived here for generations. For the last few months through this redistricting process, many other South LA residents have organized and also called to uplift their voices to share similar concerns and frustrations due to decades of discrimination and racist policies that have impacted our black and brown people in South LA. A community that is still hurting the most during this pandemic. This is a time to undo the harm done 10 years ago and do Justice. During a time of black erasure, we are asking for the last predominately black Council District in all of LA, District 8, regain Exposition park and USC. Community asset that were taken away decades ago. Lastly, I also urge you to ensure District 9 keeps the many economic engines currently in its community, like LA Live, the Figueroa corridor, as well as regain access to parts of DTLA that were previously taken away. We ask for all council members to stand in real solidarity with our black community and speak up. Thank you for your time,

Communication from Public

Name: carlos leon

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 12:50 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Good morning Councilmembers, My name is Carlos Leon, I'm with Community Coalition, I work and live in South Central LA. I am here to emphasize how important it is for the end results of this redistricting process, to be done with equity and real racial justice. I'm urging for the assets to go back to CD8 - the last predominantly black community. These are Exposition Park and USC. Please stand on the right side of history and do what needs to happen! Thank you,

Communication from Public

Name: Ian Taylor

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 12:59 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Good morning Council members, My name is Ian Taylor I'm with Community Coalition and I work in South Central LA. I would like to emphasize how important it is for the end results of this redistricting process, to be done with equity and real racial justice. I'm urging for the assets to go back to CD8 - the last predominantly Black community. These are Exposition Park and USC: Our community is home to generations of Black and brown families and it is important for us to have a thriving community that can create the best futures for our children. South Los Angeles is the home of the largest Black community west of the Mississippi River and it should not be divested and gouged of economic engines. South Los Angeles is a place where many Black people can find culture and identity. Neighborhoods like Leimert Park and the Crenshaw corridor have served as the economic engine of Black Los Angeles. Baldwin Hills, Westmont, and Hyde Park are home to generations of Black Angeleno's. Residents of South Los Angeles share a common history and lived experience that goes far beyond race that unites us all. Our communities face displacement and gentrification, divestment, houselessness, and unemployment. Therefore, we need representation that reflects our communities' concerns. Community members have shared interest around social justice, public transportation, parking, tourism, affordable housing, and the need for green spaces. It is important that we have a district with resources so our district can thrive. For the last few months through this redistricting process, several South LA residents have organized and called to uplift their voices, to share their frustrations due to decades of discrimination and racist policies that have impacted our Black and Brown community for decades. A community that is still hurting the most during this pandemic. This is a time to undo the harm done 10 years ago and do Justice. During a time of Black erasure, we are asking for the last predominately Black Council District in all of LA, District 8, the only district that lacks any assets to have the assets that were taken away a decade ago, Expo park and USC. We ask for district 9 to keep the many economic engines like LA Live, Figueroa corridor, and to gain access to parts of DTLA that were taken away as well. We ask for all council members to stand in real solidarity with our Black community and speak up. Thank you for

your time

Communication from Public

Name: David Nguyen

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 02:03 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Good evening commissioners, my name is David Nguyen And I currently work in South central LA. I specifically would like to talk about CD8. I have spoken to countless community members in this district and one thing that stood out to me is that everyone wants to see real racial justice and equity. The disinvestment of our communities and racist policies has impacted south LA and we need to reverse this now. What happened 10 years ago when the last time the commissioners convened to create our current districts is a travesty for our district was cut off from key assets. We want Exposition Park and USC in CD8 where they belong. We should be gaining economic drivers from the wealthiest parts of the city instead of a poorer district. Thank you for your consideration and time.

Communication from Public

Name: Angelica Sanchez

Date Submitted: 12/01/2021 09:45 AM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Good morning Councilmembers, My name is Angelica Sanchez. I'm with Community Coalition (Work/live) in South Central LA. I am here to emphasize how important it is for the end results of this redistricting process, to be done with equity and real racial justice. I'm urging for the assets to go back to CD8 - the last predominantly black community. These are Exposition Park and USC: Our community is home to generations of Black and brown families and it is important for us to have a thriving community that can create the best futures for our children. South Los Angeles is the home of the largest Black community west of the Mississippi River and it should not be divested and gouged of economic engines. South Los Angeles is a place where many Black people can find culture and identity. Neighborhoods like Leimert Park and the Crenshaw corridor have served as the economic engine of Black Los Angeles. Baldwin Hills, Westmont, and Hyde Park are home to generations of Black Angelenos. Residents of South Los Angeles share a common history and lived experience that goes far beyond race that unites us all. Our communities face displacement and gentrification, divestment, houselessness, and unemployment. We need representation that reflects our communities' concerns. Community members have shared interest around social justice, public transportation, parking, tourism, affordable housing, and the need for green spaces. It is important that we have a district with resources so our district can thrive. For the last few months through this redistricting process, several South LA residents have organized and called to uplift their voices, to share their frustrations due to decades of discrimination and racist policies that have impacted our black and brown community for decades. A community that is still hurting the most during this pandemic. This is a time to undo the harm done 10 years ago and do Justice. During a time of black erasure, We are asking for the last predominately black Council District in all of LA, District 8, the only district that lacks any assets to have the assets that were taken away a decade ago, Expo park and USC. We ask for district 9 to keep the many economic engines like LA Live, Figueroa corridor, and to gain access to parts of DTLA that were taken away as well.

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