

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

To: INTERESTED STAKEHOLDERS
From: Commission Outreach Sub-Committee
Subject: REQUEST FOR INPUT ON CONTACTS AND HEARING VENUE LOCATIONS
Date: October 23, 2011

The 2010 Census is complete and the Los Angeles City Council and citywide elected officials have appointed 21 members of the Los Angeles City Council Redistricting Commission (LACCRC) to undertake the required redrawing of city council district boundaries to reflect changes in the population of the city.

As part of this process the LACCRC is planning to hold two sets of public hearings between the end of November 2011 and the middle of February 2012. The LACCRC is required to submit its final redistricting maps to the Los Angeles City Council by March 1, 2012. The first set of hearings will be held prior to the end of the 2011 year to receive input on the concerns of specific stakeholders regarding existing council district boundaries and concerns the commission should be aware of prior to drafting new boundary maps. This includes identifying “community of interest” issues and how council districts interface with neighborhood council boundaries.

The commission has organized three different outreach teams where around seven commission members will conduct hearings in one region while another team of seven commissioners will be conducting hearings in another region. By having three teams fan out over the city in the same time frame, we believe we can obtain a broader range of input from various stakeholders. All testimony will be recorded and brought to the full commission for review. Shortly the commission plans on developing a master calendar and venue location to conduct these hearings.

In January and February the full commission will be holding hearings on its draft maps showing possible revised boundaries for each council district. These hearings will be located in at least five or six regional areas of the city covering the Valley, Westside, Central, East, and South Los Angeles.

We are currently surveying all Council District offices for input on stakeholders who should be included on outreach efforts, and what venues in each district may be appropriate to conduct outreach hearings. We are also seeking similar input from the various field deputies of the Mayor’s Office, neighborhood alliance coalitions, and major business and labor organizations serving the City of Los Angeles.

We would like to ask for the same input from other stakeholders with interest in the governance of the City of Los Angeles. Contact information on stakeholders and suggested venues would be appreciated. Please submit your information to Mr. John Wickham of the Chief Legislative Analyst Office. His contact information is as follows: MR. JOHN WICKHAM – (213) 473-5738 OR john.wickham@lacity.org