

2021 Redistricting Town Hall

February 12, 2022

Jesse Oliver
2021 City of Dallas Redistricting
Chairman

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City of Dallas

Agenda



- Welcome & Introductions
- Redistricting Overview
- 2021 Census Update & Mapping Tool Demonstration
- Receive Public Comments



Town Hall Schedule



2021 DALLAS CITY REDISTRICTING

FOR FAIR AND EQUAL REPRESENTATION

How do you want to be represented for the next 10 years?

The City of Dallas invites the public to attend a series of town hall meetings to offer input on the City's redistricting process, which happens every 10 years after the U.S. Census releases its data. The redistricting process is the redrawing of City Council districts from which Council Members are elected.



| JANUARY | TIME | LOCATION |
|---|------------------|---|
| Thursday, January 6, 2022 | 6:30 - 9:30 P.M. | Bachman Recreation Center 2750 Bachman Dr., Dallas, TX 75220 |
| Thursday, January 13, 2022 | 6:30 - 9:30 P.M. | Lake Highlands North Recreation Center 9940 White Rock Trail, Dallas, TX 75238 |
| Saturday, January 22, 2022 | 3:30 - 6:30 P.M. | Pleasant Oaks Recreation Center 8701 Greenmound, Dallas, TX 75227 |
| Thursday, January 27, 2022 | 6:30 - 9:30 P.M. | Exline Recreation Center 2525 Pine St., Dallas, TX 75215 |
| FEBRUARY | TIME | LOCATION |
| Saturday, February 5, 2022 POSTPONED to Sat., Feb. 12, 2022 | 3:30 - 6:30 P.M. | Timberglen Recreation Center 3810 Timberglen Rd., Dallas, TX 75287 |
| Thursday, February 10, 2022* | 6:30 - 9:30 P.M. | City Hall - WebEx * 1500 Marilla, Dallas, TX 75201 |

* Redistricting town halls at City Hall will be available for virtual and in person participation and will feature ASL interpreters, in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.



Visit DallasRedistricting.com or call **214-671-5197** for more information.

Redistricting Commission Membership (cont.)



City of Dallas Redistricting Commission Appointed Members

| Name | District | Email |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Jesse D. Oliver (Chairman) | Mayor Eric Johnson (District 15) | DallasRedistrictingChair@gmail.com |
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| Norma Minnis | Paul Ridley (District 14) | DallasRedistricting14@gmail.com |



Council District #12



Cara Mendelsohn

Council District #13

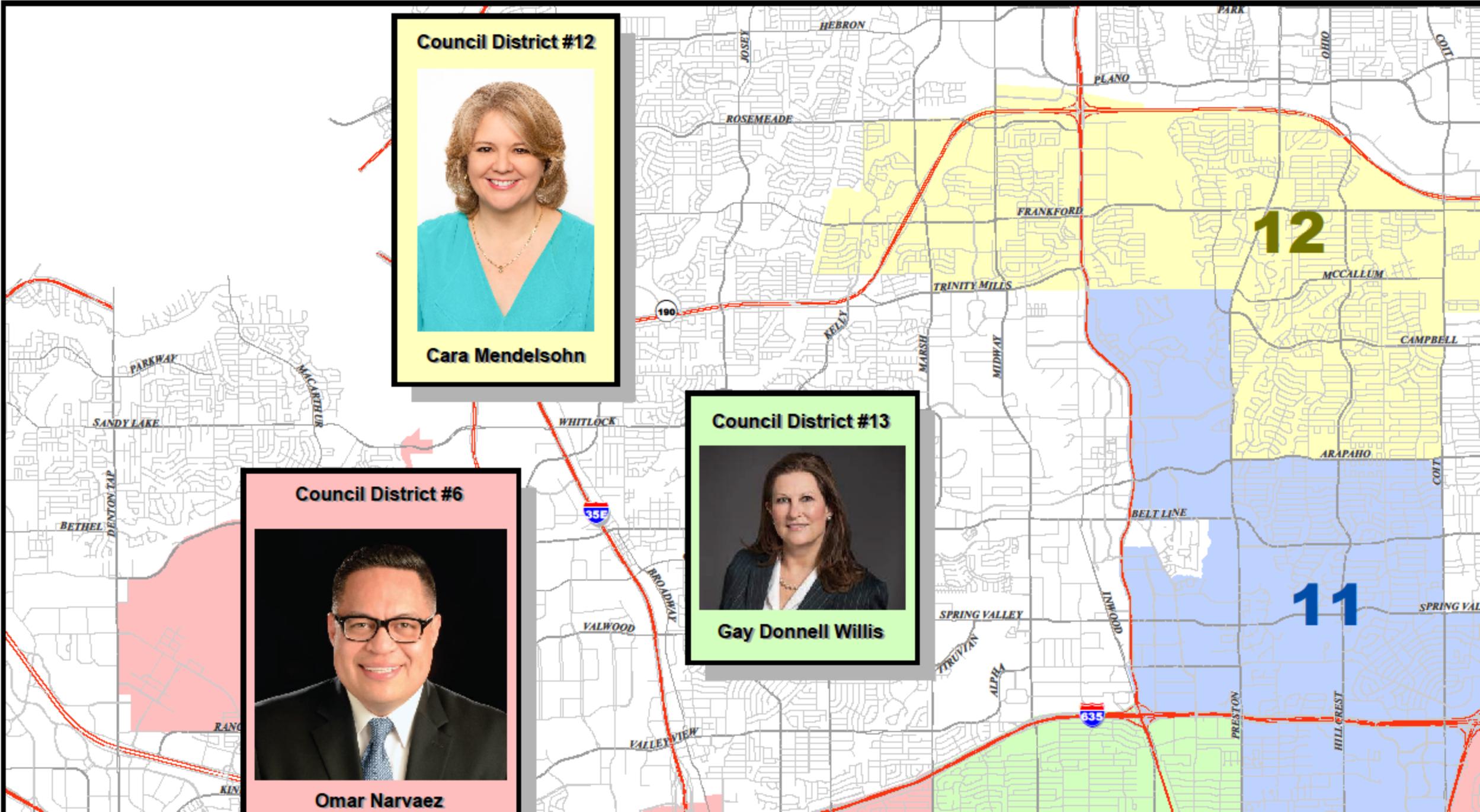


Gay Donnell Willis

Council District #6



Omar Narvaez





Redistricting Overview

- Upon the release of the 2020 census, governing boards of local government bodies, including city councils, should review population changes to determine if districts are imbalanced and must be redrawn.
- Out-of-balance electoral districts may require the local government to rebalance the population among the districts.
- The districts shall be substantially equal in population according to the total population count as presented in the census data, except where **deviation** is required to comply with federal law or is allowable by law.



Redistricting Overview (cont.)



- There shall be no discrimination on the basis of race, color, or membership in a language minority group, and the voting strength of racial, ethnic, and language minorities in the districts shall not be diluted to deprive minority voters of an equal opportunity to elect a candidate of their choice.
- The districts shall be geographically compact, to the extent possible, and composed of **contiguous** territory



Redistricting Overview (cont.)



- The reconfiguration of districts shall be neutral as to incumbents or potential candidates.
- Communities of interest shall be placed in a single district and attempts should be made to avoid splitting neighborhoods, where possible without violating the other requirements.
- The redistricting commission may adopt any other requirements of federal or state law.



Redistricting Overview (cont.)



- Redistricting is governed by federal, state and local law.
- As it relates to federal law, cities remain subject to the nondiscrimination requirements of Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.
- Section 5 Preclearance is no longer applicable.





Redistricting Work Plan & Timeline

City Council was briefed on Jan. 6

City Secretary invited the Mayor and City Council to nominate members to the Redistricting Commission

Census data distributed to state and local governments

Redistricting Commission assembles

City Council consideration of new districting plan (Council has 45 days after the districting plan is **submitted to the Mayor** to adopt, or modify and adopt, a new districting plan)

First City Council election under new districting plan (to avoid any potential litigation for using outdated district maps)

Jan

June

Aug/
Sept

Oct -
TBD

May

2/5
2023

5/6
2023

2021

City Council approved redistricting vendor contract with ARCBridge Consulting, Inc.

Development of new districting plan
(No City Charter deadline on completion date)

City Council Briefing on Census Results & Redistricting Update

90 days prior to the May 6, 2023 election **(City Charter requirement for when new districting plan must be in place for next election under new districting plan)**



Redistricting Work Plan & Timeline (cont.)



Proposed Redistricting Process – 4 Stages

- **Stage 1 (October 2021 - November 2021)** – Create a timeline and approve a process for public input, developing and accepting map plans and approving a final map plan
 - ***The Commission has adopted redistricting guidelines, Plan Submission Criteria and a timeline.***
- **Stage 2 (December 2021 – February 2022)** – Town Halls throughout the City to gain in-depth knowledge and feedback from City of Dallas constituents.
- **Stage 3 (December 2021 – April 2022)** – Development, acceptance and presentation of plans.
- **Stage 4 (April 2022 – May 2022)** – Approve a final plan for presentation to the Mayor.





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