

The Task Force accounted for the diversity of community input shared with the Task Force through emails, COI map submissions, signed letters, and public comment. There were thousands of emails that described various community relationships from every corner of the City. In addition to keeping communities of interests intact, the Task Force, as much as possible, kept to the intent of keeping districts contingent and compact. Some areas of the city had neighborhoods with contested boundaries and competing communities of interests. In those situations, decisions had to be weighed with the intent to keep districts contingent and compact, with keeping the most number of communities of interest whole – all while balancing population numbers. Two districts in particular voiced uncontested unity in their communities of interests – D11 and D3 – and the Task Force was able to keep those communities whole and intact, as there were no contested boundaries or competing communities of interests. The majority of the map appeased the majority of neighborhoods, while being population compliant, contiguous, and compact.

There is only one place where the Task Force failed at being contiguous. The most gerrymandered place in this city is Portola. It is separated from the rest of its district, D9, by the 280 Freeway. One cannot get from Portola to other parts of D9 without needing to enter other districts. Portola is entirely non-contingent within its district.

The community input expressed to unite Portola with Visitation Valley and Bayview is the most consistent and persistent public input out of any community the Task Force heard from. In every meeting since February, residents from Portola, Visitation Valley, and Bayview, showed up by the dozens asking to have their community of interest – low income, monolingual, Chinese Americans – united. The socioeconomic status of Portola (median household income \$79K) is far more similar to Visitation Valley (\$56K) and Bayview/Hunters Point (\$58K and \$32K) than that of Potrero Hill (\$157K).

When they first called into public comment, it was clear they were unfamiliar with the process. They didn't understand the prompt, "You have been unmuted," and as a result, we had a lot of blank lines. The Task Force and Clerks helped to resolve this issue by having translators give instructions regularly. When the Task Force started holding meetings at City Hall, this community showed up. On most days, over 20 residents of Portola and Visitation Valley would be there in person, and some of them would stay with us till the end of the meetings – 3:30am – as long as it took.

They didn't come on behalf of a well-funded CBO, or a multi-million-dollar non-profit. They came as themselves, self-organized. They are the monolingual, marginalized, low-income, communities that this Task Force supposedly upholds. Yet, the voices of the Portola were not

heard. The community of the Portola has been historically, systematically, disenfranchised, and marginalized – by the system of Redistricting. It is a moral and legal issue. We are deeply disappointed this issue was not resolved.