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From: Natalie Rosenberg <natalierosenberg.pps@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 9:10 AM
To: 2022Redistricting; Freeman, Terrance; Howland, Nick; Diamond, Rory; White, Randy; ABowman@coj.ne; Pittman, JuCoby; Newby, Samuel
Subject: Please keep Riverside Avondale together

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As you are finalizing the new maps, I would request that you continue to keep the Riverside and Avondale neighborhoods together. Thank you for your consideration, Natalie Rosenberg

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From: Jeff Graf <jkgraf@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 9:49 AM
To: 2022Redistricting
Cc: Shannon Blankinship
Subject: Keeping Riverside Avondale Historic District Intact

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Dear City Council Members,

Some quick history about our neighborhood. **After World War II** the Riverside Avondale neighborhoods' future dimmed as the era brought unexpected challenges. By the 1970s, it was clear the area was reaching a tipping point; irreplaceable historical structures were being demolished at an alarming rate, still more were in serious disrepair. **Riverside and Avondale were losing their history, their houses, everything that made them unique and distinct.**

From its inception, Riverside Avondale Preservation knew that **securing historic district status** would help stabilize our neighborhoods. But getting there wasn't easy. It **was a decades-long effort that involved hundreds of volunteers** making records of every home in the district that was over 50 years old.

Once **the neighborhood was listed in the National Register of Historic Places** came the even more onerous effort to secure local district status, which confers critical legal protections. **In 1998, when area residents were asked to vote on the local designation of the Riverside Avondale Historic District. The measure passed with 81% approval.**

With the 2008 passage of the Riverside Avondale Zoning Overlay achieved the kind of zoning and legal protections that have been missing for much of its history. Further, it has been invaluable to have Councilpersons over the years that understood this distinction. **However, the potential for these proposed District changes that may split the district apart is in direct opposition to all of the positive things that have been achieved since those dark days.**

As many of you know, today, Riverside Avondale enjoys unprecedented popularity, stable property values, and an enviable quality of life. Nonetheless, **the things that we all enjoy about our community** — its "human" scale, walkable streets, and charming, well-preserved old homes **didn't happen by accident, and, even now, they can all too easily be undone.**

It is for all of these reasons that the Riverside Avondale Historic District and Zoning overlay should remain intact, no matter which district it may end up being part of.

Very Truly Yours,

Jeffrey Graf

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From: Chris Schultz <cdschult@outlook.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 9:50 AM
To: 2022Redistricting
Subject: Redistricting Avondale

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Good morning,

My name is Chris Schultz and I live on Geraldine Drive, located in the historic Riverside/Avondale district.

Based on the map proposals LIME and MAROON, it appears the historic district of Riverside-Avondale is being separated.

The council district and historic district have been together for decades, and the historic overlay which is defined by city council ordinance has existed since the early 2000s. Furthermore we've had a historical neighborhood organization since the 1970s that represents both Riverside and Avondale. They are not separate neighborhoods; they are clearly a single neighborhood and have been for generations. To separate this neighborhood would be an abysmal decision on behalf of the committee and would dilute the voting power of the people who live there.

Under Judge Howard's opinion, it was evident that ignoring the requests of the community was a factor in why the previous maps were thrown out. Today I ask that you please keep the whole Riverside-Avondale neighborhood intact. Our needs are unique in Jacksonville, and our extensive and long lasting history makes us one of the few places with a strong shared identity. Under all other political maps: State House, State Senate, and Congressional we are kept together. Please continue this.

I would also like to request that all of Murray Hill, Fairfax, and Lakeshore are added to the city council district. These associated neighborhoods have a longstanding relationship with Riverside Avondale and are currently well served under the same council member.

Sincerely,
Chris Schultz

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From: Wayne W Wood <WWW@jaxhistory.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 10:15 AM
To: 2022Redistricting; Freeman, Terrance; Howland, Nick; Diamond, Rory; White, Randy; Bowman, Aaron; Pittman, JuCoby; Newby, Samuel
Subject: Keeping Riverside and Avondale intact

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Dear Council Members -

Thank you for listening to my presentation yesterday. I am hopeful when all of the map-making is completed, you will support our effort to not divide the Riverside Avondale Historic District into separate Council Districts.

We also would like to stay in District 14, if possible.

Thank you,

Wayne Wood

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From: Perry Reynolds <perryreynolds4@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 10:26 AM
To: 2022Redistricting; Freeman, Terrance; Howland, Nick; Diamond, Rory; White, Randy; ABowman@coj.ne; Pittman, JuCoby; Newby, Samuel
Subject: Riverside Avondale

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Good morning

We were encouraged to hear that members of the Committee and other Council members shared our view that any final map should keep the Riverside Avondale neighborhood intact and undivided.

We will be there today to reaffirm our position and hope that you will continue to keep our message front of mind.

Thanks,

Perry Reynolds
Board Chair
Riverside Avondale Preservation

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From: Sharri Godard <sharrigodard@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 10:43 AM
To: 2022Redistricting
Subject: Redistricting Maps

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Dear Sirs,

I urge you to leave the redistricting maps as they are for the reasons below:

1. The redistricting maps being considered were drawn up by a committee of selected Council Members without the input of the impacted districts.
2. When Councilman Ferraro brought up the concern at the November 2, Redistricting Committee Meeting, that the community of San Mateo should be left in District 2, his request for consideration was met with silence and dismissed by the Committee with no discussion. This is a blatant disregard for the concerns of the residents of San Mateo.

Sincerely,

Sharri Godard

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From: Brooks Andrews <bgandrews18@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 10:46 AM
To: 2022Redistricting; Freeman, Terrance; Howland, Nick; Diamond, Rory; White, Randy; ABowman@coj.ne; Pittman, JuCoby; Newby, Samuel; Killingsworth, William
Cc: Danford, Joyce; Ferraro, Albert; Carrico, Kevin; Cumber, LeAnna; Boylan, Michael; Gaffney, Reginald; Jackson, Brenda; Becton, Daniel; DeFoor, Randle; Salem, Ronald; Carlucci, Matthew; Clark Murray, Tyrone
Subject: Riverside-Avondale Redistricting

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Redistricting Committee - Thank you for reconsidering retaining Riverside-Avondale as one neighborhood. I especially would like to call out and thank CM Diamond who formally asked for this to be taken up in the next iteration of map proposals. Putting politics aside, this would be a wise decision given our historic overlay, economic strength of our community, similar opportunities and challenges and diversity of voice. I call on the Redistricting Committee to continue the support of keeping Riverside Avondale ONE just as CM DeFoor committed to during the first round of redistricting discussions.

Best regards,

Brooks Andrews
3623 Pine St.
Jacksonville, FL 32205

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From: Shirley Thomas <shirleythomas5911@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 10:46 AM
To: 2022Redistricting
Subject: GM: On behalf of NorthRiverside CDC. We cannot be there but for the changing of District 9 to District 10. We could love to continue with City Council Tyrone Clark-Murray as our Council Woman. Why the change? Please reconsider.. Thank you Special Commi...

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Shirley Thomas,

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From: Ally Simon <allysimon426@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 9:47 AM
To: 2022Redistricting
Subject: Redistricting Objection

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My name is Ally Simon and I live on Geraldine Drive, located in the historic Riverside/Avondale district.

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Sincerely,
Ally Simon