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**Sent:** Monday, August 9, 2021 8:21:51 PM (UTC+00:00) Monrovia, Reykjavik  
**To:** Jason Callahan <[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** HPD ICRC Commissioners <ICRC.Commissioners@austintexas.gov>; Julie Woods <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Re: D3 Virtual Public Forum for ICRC

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Thank you for the invitation, Mr. Callahan. I have shared it with our commissioners. I know I won't be able to attend because we are knee deep in meetings related to redistricting.

I did want to call your attention to a brand new public engagement tool on our website that allows people to leave comments on redistricting, as well as upload their own marked up maps.

Visit this website:

[https://www.speakupaustin.org/city-of-austin-redistricting?tool=survey\\_tool#tool\\_tab](https://www.speakupaustin.org/city-of-austin-redistricting?tool=survey_tool#tool_tab)

Below is the latest press release put out by the ICRC. The City will be posting it soon on their sites. It usually takes them a few days to do so.

### PRESS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release

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Redistricting commission initiates collaborative digital tool for public feedback on redistricting

AUSTIN, TX (Aug. 9, 2021) – In light of the City's move to Stage 5 of COVID precautions on Wednesday, Aug. 4, 2021, the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (ICRC) launched a public engagement tool to help keep Austin residents involved in the redistricting process and rescheduled some public forums to a virtual format.

District 2's Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2021, public forum will remain an in-person event. The public can attend the ICRC's District 2 forum 6-8 p.m. at Mendez Middle School, 5106 Village Square Dr., Austin, TX 78744.

"Public Forums are critical to the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission's collection of the public's input on how Austin's City Council Districts should be redrawn," said Commissioner Selina Yee of District 1. "To keep

the process as open and as collaborative as possible, the ICRC has launched an Event Feedback section on SpeakUp Austin! website so that citizens can let us know how we can make such forums as effective as possible."

To submit feedback directly to the commission about redistricting visit SpeakUp Austin! at <https://www.speakupaustin.org/city-of-austin-redistricting>. Scroll down to the "Event Feedback" tab and click on "Your Suggestions for Redistricting." After registering on the site, the public can take the survey and even upload a map or instructions for redistricting. This information will be gathered through October 2021 and used to help draw the new city district boundaries.

Another way to participate is to contact ICRC commissioners or leave feedback please email: [icrc.commissioners@austintexas.gov](mailto:icrc.commissioners@austintexas.gov) or write to: Housing and Planning Department, Attn: ICRC, P.O. Box 1088, Austin, Texas 78767.

Due to rapid changes in scheduling due to COVID restrictions, for the most up-to-date events information from the ICRC please refer to events pages on these platforms:

<https://www.speakupaustin.org/city-of-austin-redistricting/>

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/AustinRedistrict/events/>

The volunteer board of commissioners continue to focus on gathering feedback in each of the districts as they wait for the 2020 Census data to redraw the boundaries for the 10 city council districts. The in-person public forums will be socially distanced and masks are recommended. For residents of districts with in-person forums who do not want to attend in-person and for those residents whose district forums have already passed, two virtual options were added at the end of August. (See full schedule below.)

Schedule of remaining ICRC public forums:

- Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2021, 6-8 p.m., District 2 at Mendez Middle School, 5106 Village Square Dr., Austin, TX 78744
- Saturday, Aug. 14, 2021, 1-3 p.m., District 1 at George Washington Carver Museum and Cultural Center, 1165 Angelina St., Austin, TX 78702
- Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021, 6-8 p.m., District 5 via Videoconferencing,  
Register in advance for this webinar:  
[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_3TZ4li3KQOmzO92w8p4Inw](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3TZ4li3KQOmzO92w8p4Inw)  
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
- Saturday, Aug. 21, 10 a.m.-noon, Virtual Public Forum No. 1 via Videoconferencing,  
Register in advance for this webinar:  
[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_jyywSIEgSU6qjHMPjcg5hg](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jyywSIEgSU6qjHMPjcg5hg)  
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
- Friday, Aug. 27, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Virtual Public Forum No. 2, via Videoconferencing,  
Register in advance for this webinar:  
[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_FvRbBtg0QWirQxYWmBuTzA](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_FvRbBtg0QWirQxYWmBuTzA)  
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Public input forums are recorded and made available after the meetings here:  
<http://www.austintexas.gov/page/watch-atxn-live>.

Past meetings and agendas can be viewed on the commission's website at [www.austintexas.gov/cityclerk/boards\\_commissions/meetings/116\\_1.htm](http://www.austintexas.gov/cityclerk/boards_commissions/meetings/116_1.htm)

Interpretation and/or translation services will be available free of charge by advance request in Spanish, Chinese or Vietnamese. Call 311 or email [matthew.dugan@austintexas.gov](mailto:matthew.dugan@austintexas.gov) to request these services 48 hours in advance of a forum.

To find City Council Districts in Austin visit this link and type in an address:

<https://www.austintexas.gov/GIS/CouncilDistrictMap/>

#### ICRC Information

Commissioners are: Joshua Blank (District 8), Sara Inés Calderón (D2), Erin Dempsey (D10), Camellia Falcon (D7), Luis Gonzalez (D10, Vice-Chair), Errol Hardin (D1), Shaina Kambo (D9), Prabhu Kannan (D5), Dr. Sterling Lands (D4), Hoang Le (D3), Brigham Morris (D3), Christina Puentes (D7, Chair), Eugene Schneider (D6) and Selina Yee (D1).

The ICRC board will hold its weekly commission meeting via videoconferencing 6 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 11, 2021.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/98278207374?pwd=eEhDSFpzNjVlZWFXNGcyYWpOKzZvZz09>

Meeting ID: 982 7820 7374

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+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

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Passcode: 442998

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/azmXrvLGe>

On Mon, Aug 9, 2021 at 3:00 PM Jason Callahan <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Christine,

I'm glad you received my email from the city as I was just going to resend that, but I'm also happy to discuss any of this further with you and/or any of the ICRC commissioners. Also, if you and/or any commissioners would like to hear from others in my neighborhood (Dawson) or discuss the process with us, we have a neighborhood association meeting at 6:30pm tonight on Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86544660133?pwd=UGt6TEpSd3FHVDNzc2lhSnhDV3hWQT09>

I've copied our president, Julie Woods, in case you'd like to be added to this or a future meeting's agenda, and here's our website:

<https://www.dawsonneighborhoodassociation.org/>

Thanks, and best wishes,  
Jason Callahan



On Mon, Aug 9, 2021 at 11:35 AM Christine Granados <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hello Mr. Callahan,

I was at the D3 Virtual Public Forum and you gave commissioners some great feedback. I was tasked with summarizing all the comments from the forums for the commissioners and wondered if you could help clarify something that you said.

You stressed that your portion of D3, which is south of the river, has been neglected, because of the way the district map has been drawn and the needs in your neighborhood are different from the needs from the rest of east Austin.

Can you tell me specifically what neighborhood you're referring to? (Your address would be helpful.) Also, can you explain what needs in particular are not being met, so I may add that to your commentary

Thank you for your feedback,

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Christine Granados  
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