



PRESS RELEASE

Pick Your Favorite Goleta District Elections Map on [DrawGoleta.org](https://drawgoleta.org)

Provide Your Comments by noon on January 26th to be Considered by the Public Engagement Commission

GOLETA, CA, January 21, 2022 – Draft maps from the public are on display on [DrawGoleta.org](https://drawgoleta.org). Now is the time to go to the website and provide feedback on the maps submitted and pick the one(s) you would like the Public Engagement Commission to consider recommending to the Goleta City Council. There is a place where you can comment on each map and we encourage you to do so before noon on Wednesday, January 26th, so that we can provide your comments to the Public Engagement Commission before their meeting at 6:00 p.m. that night. At the meeting, the PEC will review the maps and the comments to develop recommendations on district boundaries for the Goleta City Council. The comments on the website will help the PEC decide which are the most popular maps and why.

We are proud to say that after a comprehensive #DrawGoleta outreach campaign, the Goleta community stepped up. There are 51 different public maps and 5 additional demographer maps presented for consideration and available for public review at [DrawGoleta.org/Draft-Maps](https://drawgoleta.org/Draft-Maps).

Beginning this November, the City will be divided into four districts, and voters in each district will elect a City Councilmember who lives in their own district. The Mayor will continue to be elected by voters across Goleta. Districting is important because it will determine how our neighborhoods will be represented on the City Council.

In addition to submitting comments on the draft maps, the public is also encouraged to watch or participate in the Public Engagement Commission meeting on January 26th. The agenda and staff report are available here: <https://tinyurl.com/2dch5vtc>. The virtual meeting can be watched live on Goleta TV Channel 19 or [here](#) on the City's website.

Public comment about the agenda may also be sent to the Public Engagement Commission in advance of the January 26, 2022, meeting at jshaw@cityofgoleta.org.

City Council will review the recommendations of the Public Engagement Commission and conduct further public hearings at their February 1, 2022, meeting, and at a February 3, 2022, special meeting.

Thank you for helping us #DrawGoleta!