

Last Chance to Submit District Election Maps for #DrawGoleta

Maps Due TOMORROW, January 6

GOLETA, CA, January 5, 2022 – This is it! There is only one day left for the public to submit a proposed map suggesting the City's first district election boundaries. Maps are due **tomorrow**, **January 6, 2022**, to be considered by the City's Public Engagement Commission and then City Council. We hope you will take time out to help us #DrawGoleta and be a part of this historic process.

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 City Council.

To submit a map online, go to <u>DrawGoleta.org</u> and to the <u>Draw a Map</u> page where you can access the <u>DistrictR mapping tool</u>. Remember to draw four districts, each with a population close to 8,200 people. Please remember these three steps when submitting your completed map: click the "Save" button in the upper right-hand corner; give your map a name; and click "Share to Gallery." If you need assistance drawing your DistrictR map, watch our <u>"How to Draw a Map" video tutorial</u> for step-by-step instructions to guide you.

If you choose to use the paper map tool, there are two versions, one meant to be used with Excel and a more basic version. You can pick up the basic paper map tool at City Hall or the Goleta Valley Library during normal business hours, or print out a copy of either version from the <u>Draw a Map page</u>. Please use a thick dark-colored pen to draw your map. Paper maps can be hand-delivered to City Hall (130 Cremona Drive, Suite B), sent via email as a scan or photograph to <u>CityClerkGroup@CityofGoleta.org</u>, or faxed to 805-685-2635.

Please note, if you submitted a map before the mapping tools were updated with the official Census 2020 population data on October 20, 2021, you will need to draw a new map to ensure that it is population balanced.

For additional questions or assistance, please contact <u>cityclerkgroup@cityofgoleta.org</u> or call 805-961-7505.

Sign up here to receive emails and/or text messages from the City on district elections.

Thank you for your interest in helping to shape the future of Goleta and being a part of the City's historic District Elections process!