



July 13, 2021

Mr. Fred Ali  
Chair  
Los Angeles City Council Redistricting Commission

Dear Commissioner Ali:

Thank you for reaching out to the Neighborhood Councils for input in defining neighborhood extents for the upcoming redistricting effort. While we understand there are some delays in receiving data from the 2020 Census that would allow more comprehensive feedback, we would like to start the conversation by outlining for the commission the principles that are most critical to our constituents in the redistricting effort. Our intent is to follow up with the commission once additional data is available and through the upcoming public hearing format.

The Downtown Los Angeles (DTLA) Neighborhood Council supports the following principles in guiding the redistricting effort which includes downtown Los Angeles.

- Maintenance of cohesive singular representation for the DTLA core. Including at minimum roughly the area bounded by the 10 to the South, 110 to the West, 101 to the North and Los Angeles River to the East
- Inclusion of DTLA in a district defined by its urban or developing urban character
- Inclusion of DTLA in a compact district of adjacent neighborhoods
- Inclusion of DTLA in a district comprised of neighborhoods with similar benefits and challenges that result from their common urban character which would allow council representation to focus on meeting the needs of that environment.

Thank you for your service to the residents of Los Angeles in this important task of democracy.

Very truly yours,

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