

City of Monterey Park Redistricting 2021



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Virtual Informational Meetings via Zoom

What is redistricting? How can I get involved?

Join us at one of the informative meetings to learn about the redistricting process.

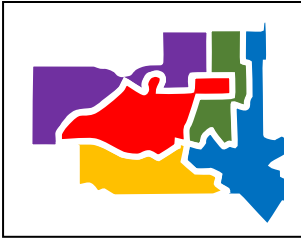
Zoom Meeting ID listed below, or by phone (888) 788-0099 or (877) 853-5247

- Monday August 16 @ 6:30 pm, Zoom Meeting ID: 834 0637 7265
- Monday, August 30 @ 6:30 pm, Zoom Meeting ID: 864 5156 4722
- Wednesday, September 22 @ 3 pm, Zoom Meeting ID: 873 9327 5951
- Wednesday, September 29 @ 3 pm, Zoom Meeting ID: 823 4093 8232
- Saturday, October 16 @ 10 am, Zoom Meeting ID: 874 1636 9451
- Saturday, October 23 @ 10 am, Zoom Meeting ID: 892 7886 5991
- Tuesday, November 9 @ 6 pm, Zoom Meeting ID: 836 7186 6169
- Tuesday, November 16 @ 6 pm, Zoom Meeting ID: 826 8173 0036

Interpreter service is available by calling the City Clerk's office 72 hours in advance for arrangement.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at (626) 307-1360
or via email at mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov.





City of Monterey Park Redistrict Process

Every ten years, local governments use new census data to redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed. [Assembly Bill 849 \(2019\)](#) requires cities and counties to engage communities in the redistricting process by holding public hearings and/or workshops and doing public outreach, including non- English speaking communities.

What is redistricting?

Every ten years, districts must be redrawn so that each district is substantially equal in population. This process, called redistricting, is important in ensuring that each city councilmember represents about the same number of constituents. In Monterey Park, the City Council is responsible for drawing council districts. Redistricting is done using U.S. Census data, which is released around September 30, 2021.

Why does redistricting matter to me?

Redistricting determines which neighborhoods and communities are grouped together into a district for purposes of electing a councilmember.

The City Council will seek input in selecting the next district map for our City Council. You have an opportunity to share with the City Council how you think district boundaries should be drawn to best represent your community.

You can contact the City Clerk at (626) 307-1359 or via email at mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov to find out more about how the process works.

What do the existing council districts look like?

You can find a map of the City's current council districts here: www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/DistrictElections

What criteria will our City Council use when drawing district lines?

To the extent practicable, district lines will be adopted using the following criteria: (1) geographically contiguous districts (each city council district should share a common border with the next), (2) the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods or communities shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division, (3) geographic integrity of a city shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division, (4) easily identifiable boundaries that follow natural or artificial barriers (rivers, streets, highways, rail lines, etc.), and (5) lines shall be drawn to encourage geographic compactness. In addition, boundaries shall not be drawn for purposes of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

How will our City Council notify the public about redistricting?

The City Council will reach out to local media to publicize the redistricting process. Also, we will make a good faith effort to notify community groups of various kinds about the redistricting process. Our public hearings will be provided in applicable languages if residents submit a request in advance. The City Council will notify the public about redistricting hearings, post maps online before adoption, and create a dedicated web page for all relevant information about the redistricting process.

How can I get involved?

The City Council will be holding hearings to receive public input on where district lines should be drawn. The schedule for the hearings will be posted on the City's website at www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Redistricting2021

You can also submit public comments, including suggested draft maps, by emailing: mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov

Where can I find out more?

The City maintains a webpage on the city's redistricting process here: www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Redistricting2021

