

City of Palmdale



Presentation of Draft Maps

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Redistricting Timeline

Date	Event
August 23, 2021	Advisory Redistricting Commission (ARC) convenes
September 14, 2021	1st Public hearing
September 20, 2021	California to release official redistricting data
October 12, 2021 October 16, 2021 October 25, 2021	Community Workshops to demo mapping tools and receive public input
November 3, 2021 January 12, 2022 February 2, 2022	Public hearings to receive public input and discuss draft maps
April 17, 2022	Legal deadline for Council to adopt new district map

Legal Requirements & Other Goals

1. Federal Law

- ✓ Ensure equal population
- ✓ Comply with federal Voting Rights Act
- ✓ Prevent racial gerrymandering

2. California Law

1. Ensure geographic **contiguity**
 2. Minimize division of neighborhoods & **“communities of interest”**
 3. Create easily identifiable boundaries
 4. Maintain **compactness**
- ✓ Do not “favor or discriminate against a political party”

3. Other Goals

Might include:

- Minimize changes to election cycles
- Respect voters’ choices
- Preserve core of existing districts

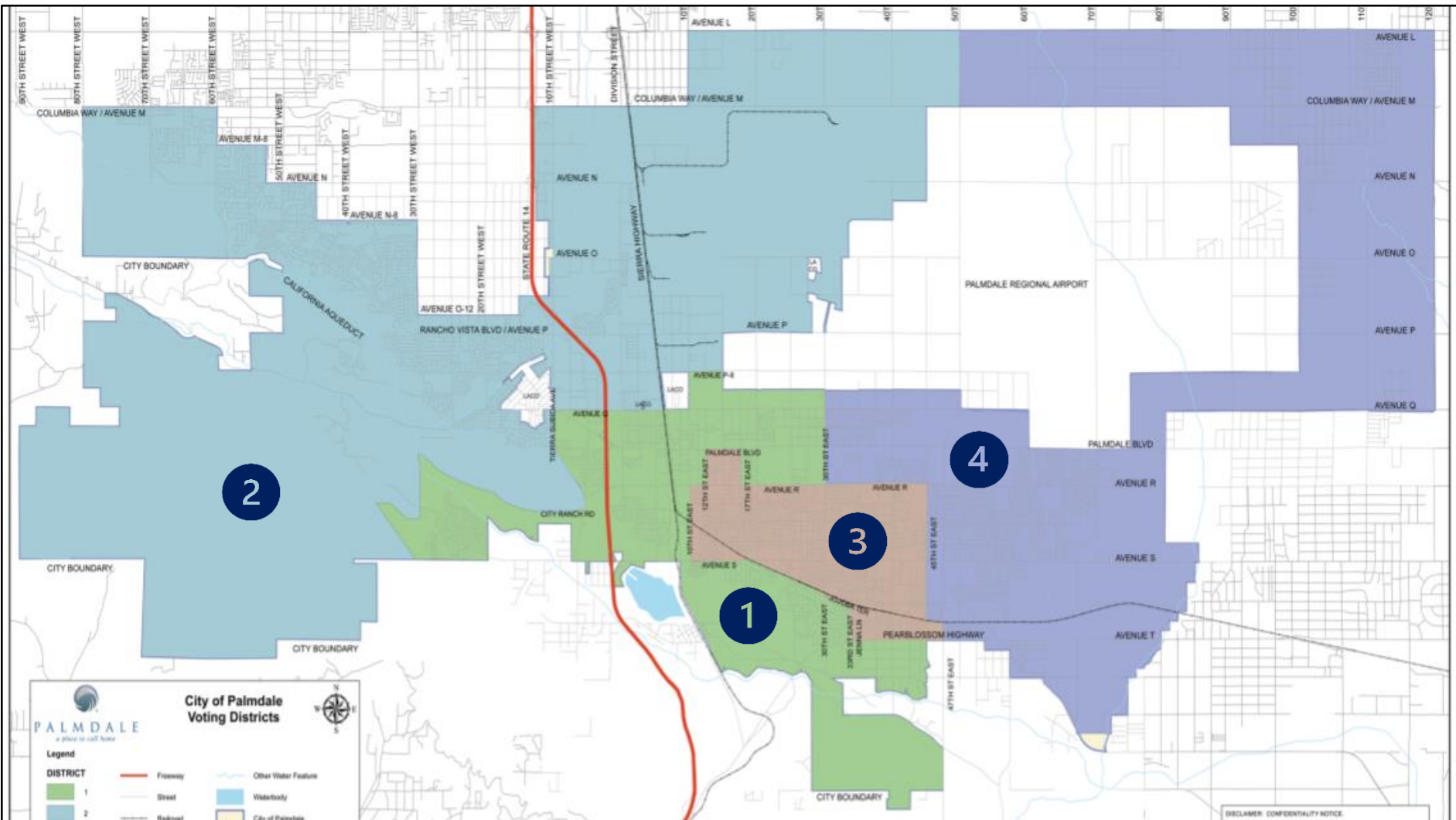
Do not bypass a nearby population to take in a more distant population

✓ Current Districts Are Population Balanced

CENSUS 2020 - CITY OF PALMDALE						
District		1	2	3	4	Total
Total population		44,930	41,484	41,631	42,349	170,394
Deviation from ideal*		2,332	-1,115	-968	-250	3,446
% Deviation		5.47%	-2.62%	-2.27%	-0.59%	8.09%
2020 pop	% Hisp	61%	40%	72%	73%	62%
	% NH White	14%	34%	11%	9%	17%
	% NH Black	18%	13%	11%	13%	14%
	% Asian-American	4%	9%	3%	3%	5%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	23,057	25,655	21,933	22,783	93,428
	% Hisp	53%	33%	61%	62%	52%
	% NH White	24%	44%	20%	17%	27%
	% NH Black	17%	13%	13%	17%	15%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	5%	9%	5%	4%	6%



*Ideal Population: Each district should contain approximately 42,598 people

Current District Map (2015)



Beyond Neighborhoods: Defining “Communities of Interest”

Under California Elections Code, “community of interest” has a very specific definition in the context of redistricting:



A “community of interest” is a population that shares common social or economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation.

Definitions of “communities of interest” do **not** include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates

Palmdale's Communities of Interest Include...

1. Area around Plant 42
2. Rancho Vista
3. Area around City Hall (including seniors, historically black community, apartment dwellers)
4. Eastside/East of Sierra Highway
5. Area around Palmdale Oasis
6. Area around Amphitheater
7. Area around Domenic Massari Park

Public testimony is summarized for brevity and clarity

Public Mapping Tools

Use the tools to draw your community of interest, the district you want for your area, or an entire citywide map

**Paper
Participation Kit**

Palmdale Redistricting 2021
Total Population by Population Unit

**ArcGIS
Interactive Map**

**DRA 2020 Online
Mapping Tool**

Draft Maps

Total Maps: 8

Public Submissions (7)

[Public Map 201](#) (*Not population balanced*)

[Public Map 202](#)

[Public Map 203](#)

[Public Map 204](#) (*Not population balanced*)

[Public Map 205](#)

[Public Map 206](#)

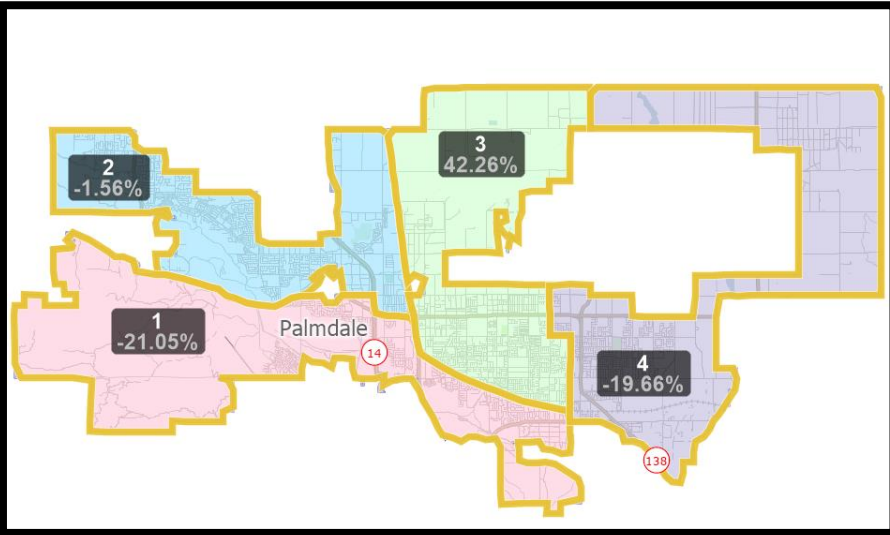
[Public Map 207](#) (*Not population balanced*)

Consultant Produced (1)

[NDC Minimal Change](#)

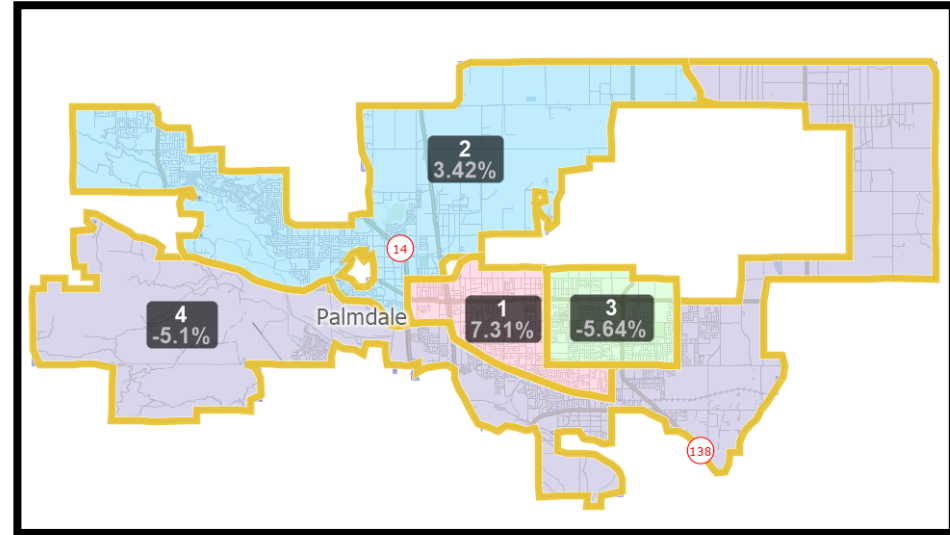
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drawpalmdale.org

Not Population Balanced



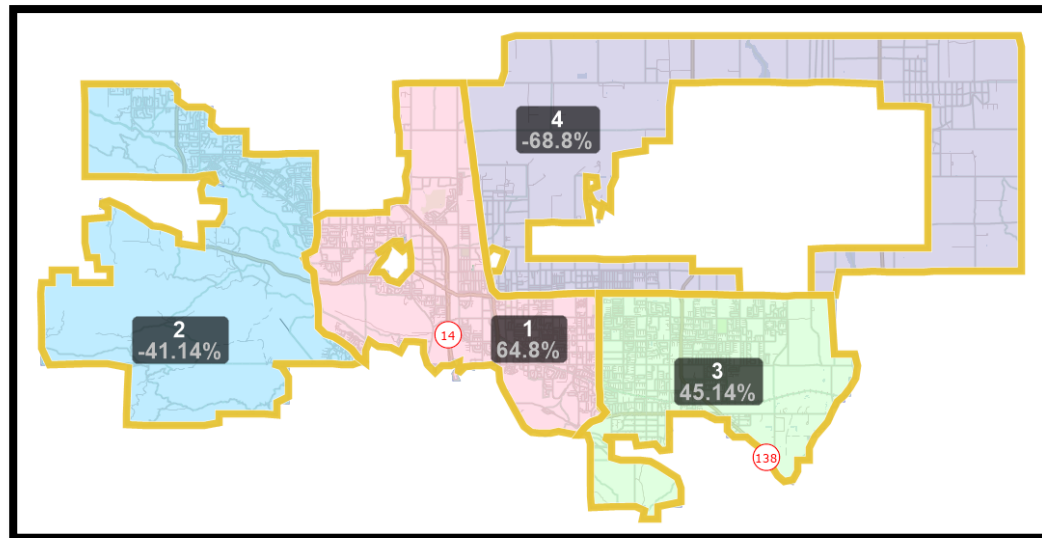
[Public Map 201](#)

63.31% Total Dev.



[Public Map 204](#)

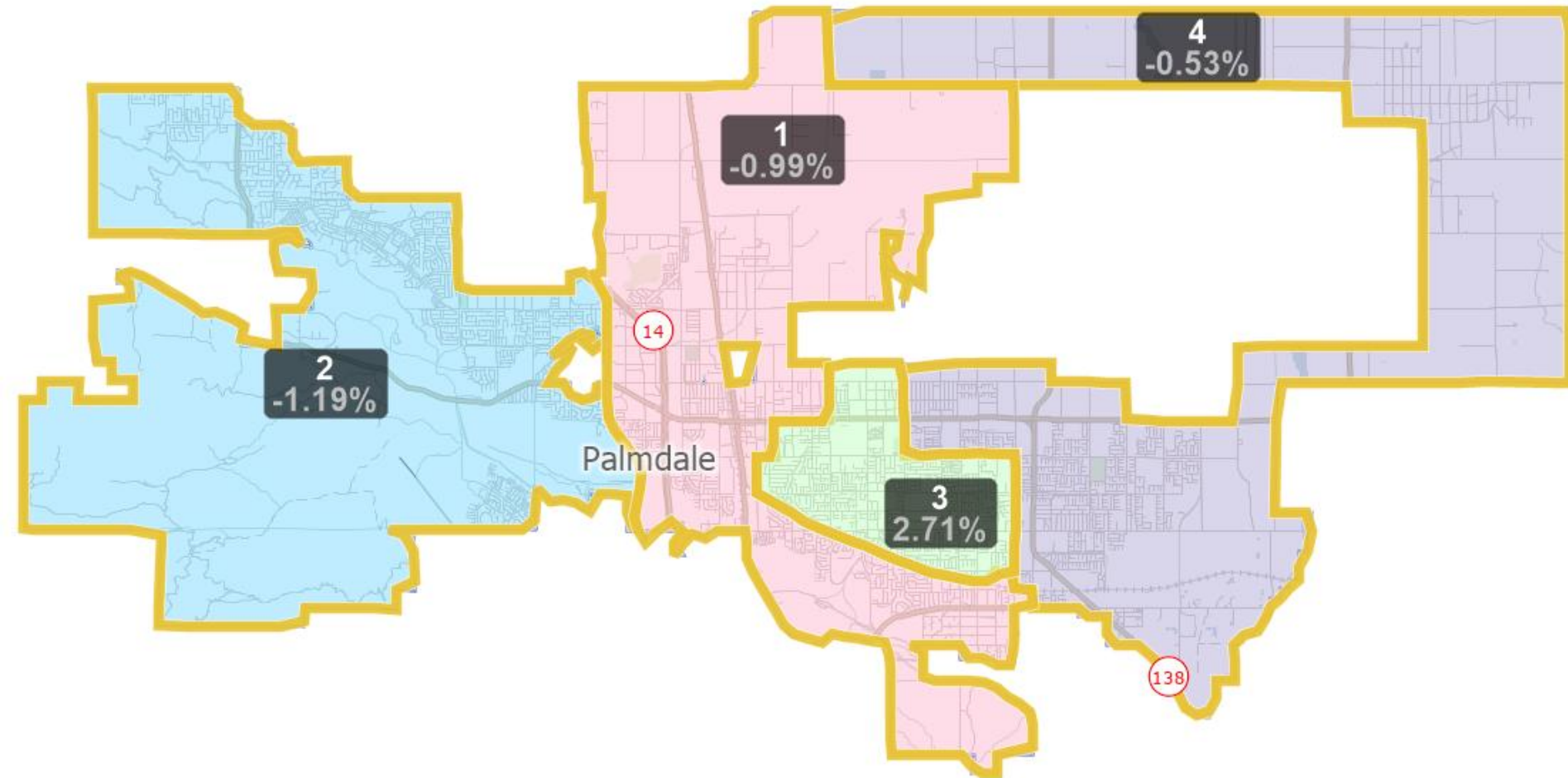
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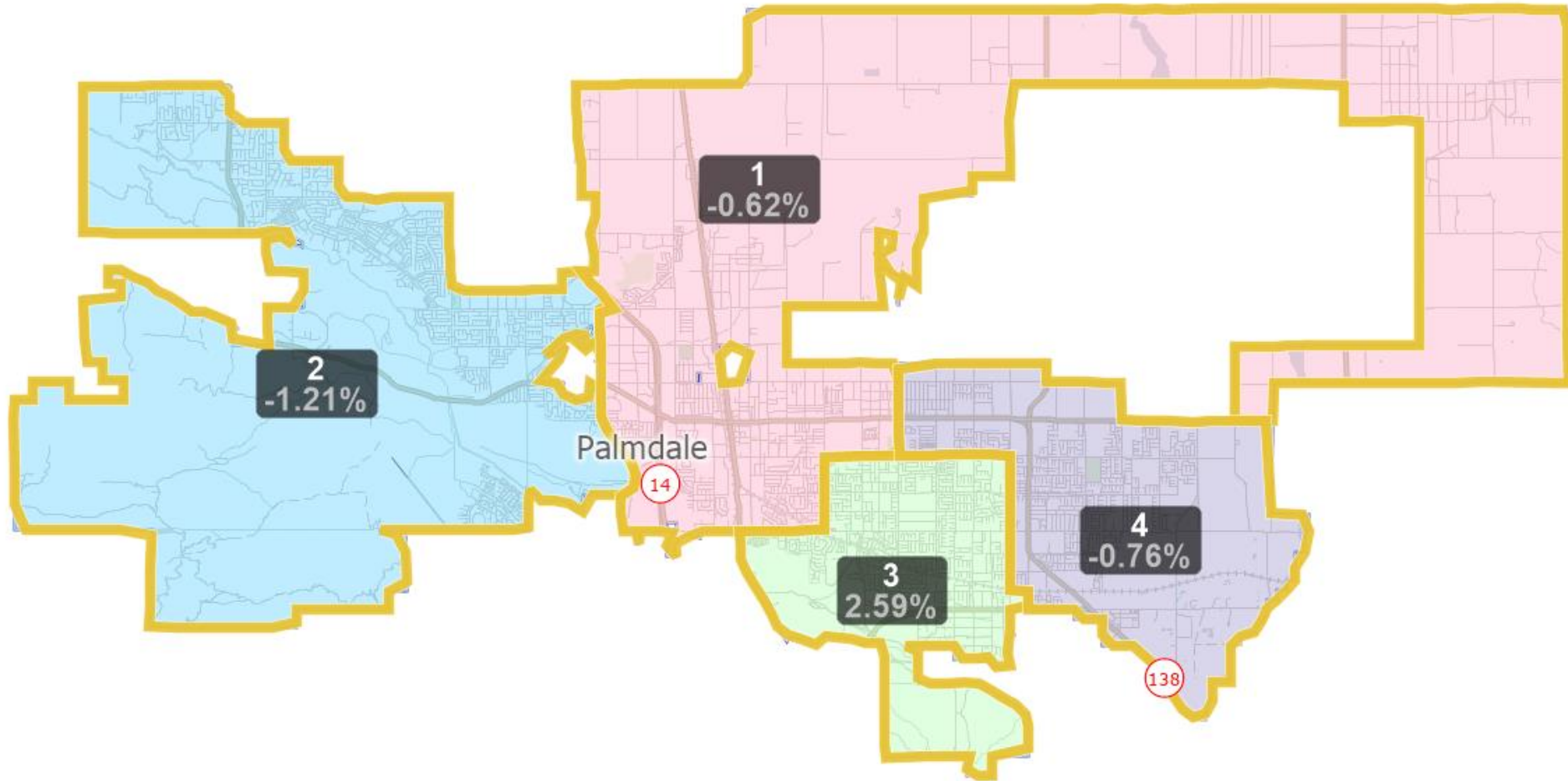
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133.6% Total Dev.

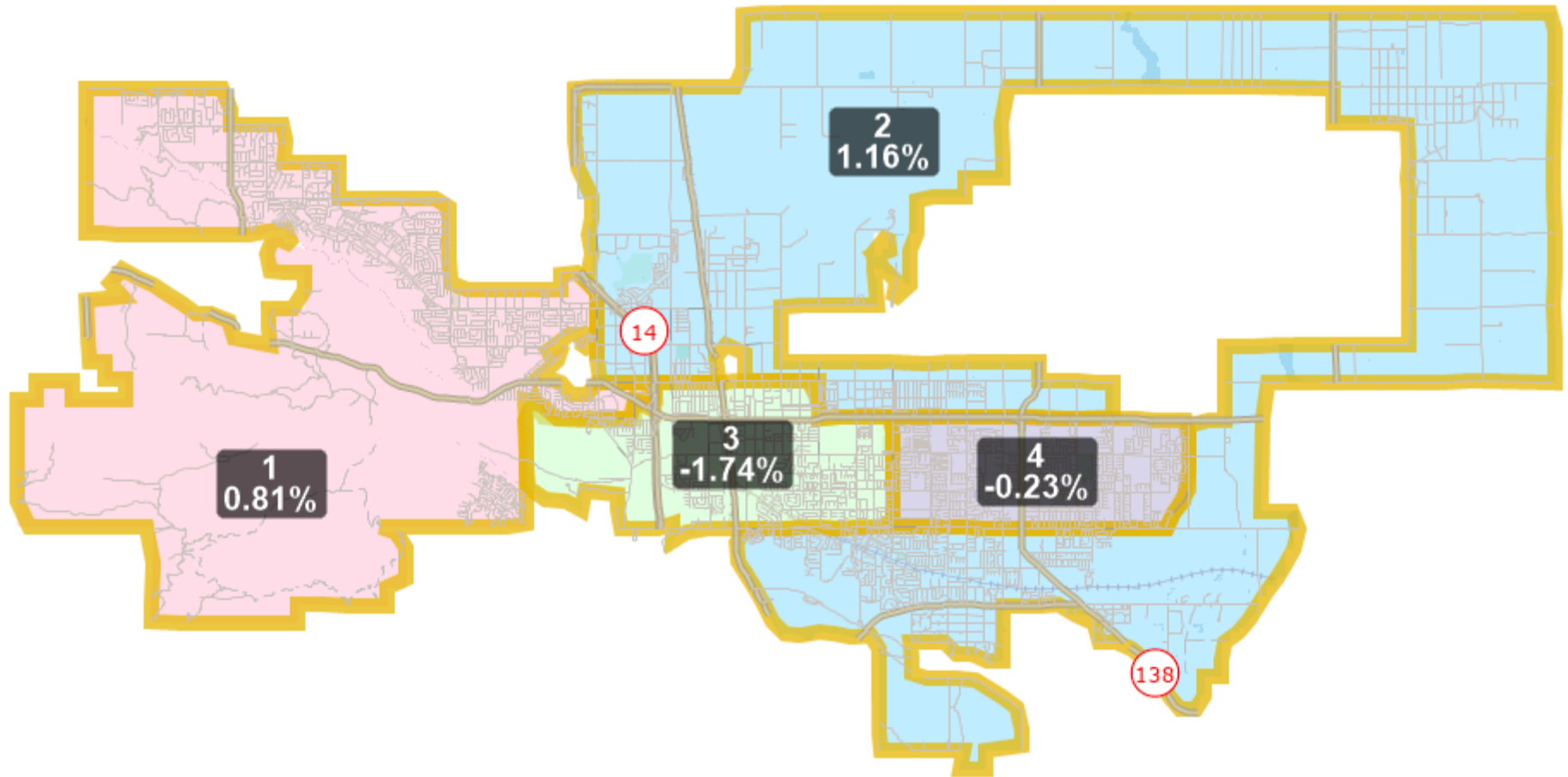
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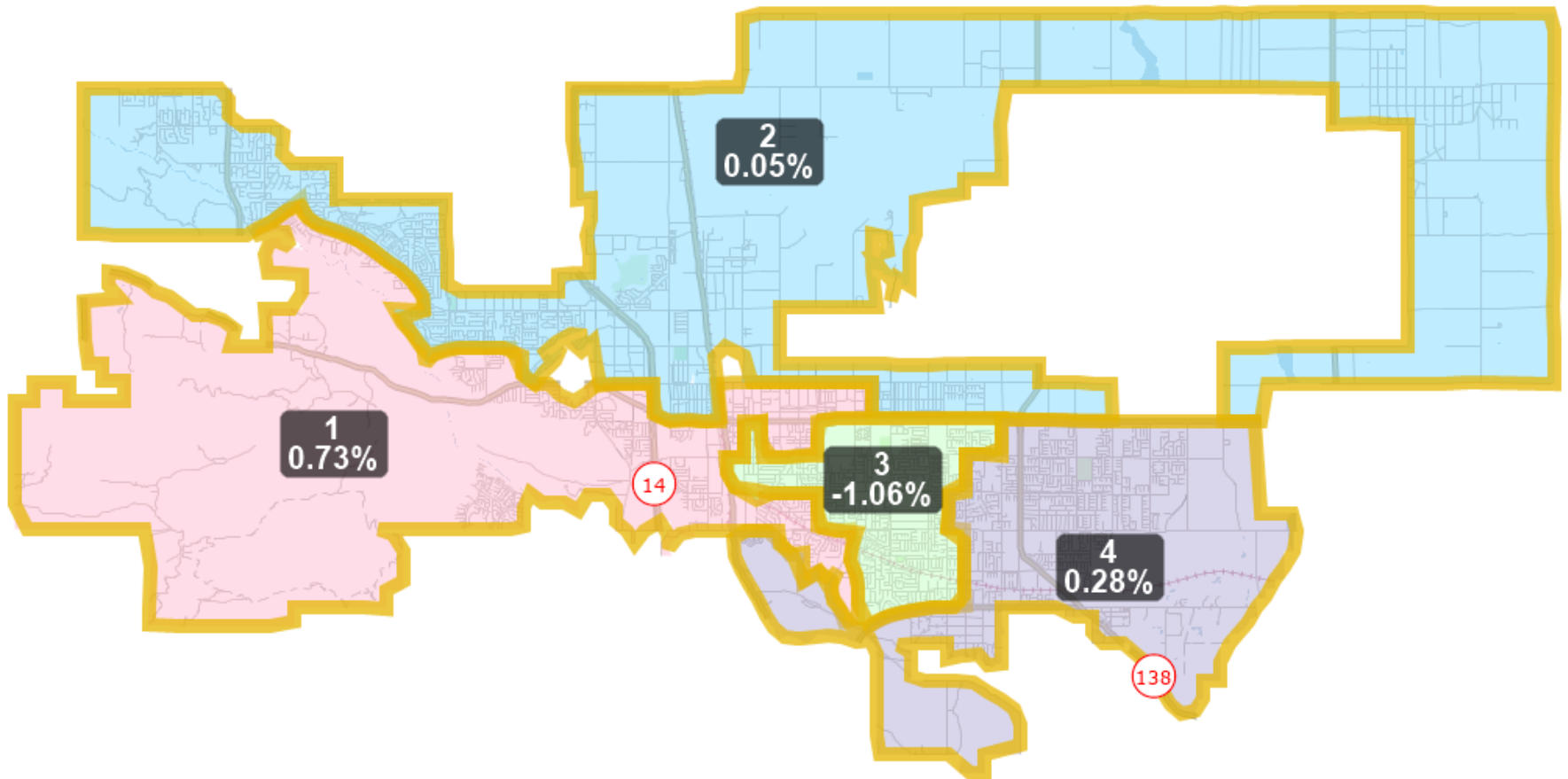
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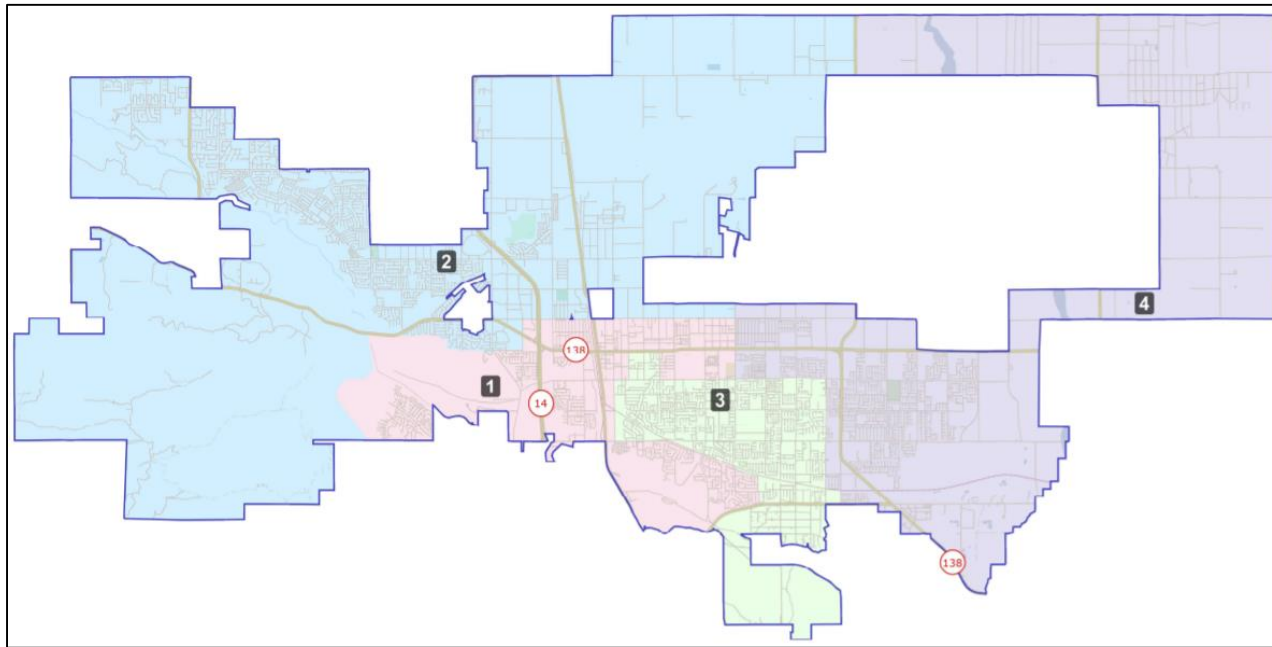


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Public Map 206

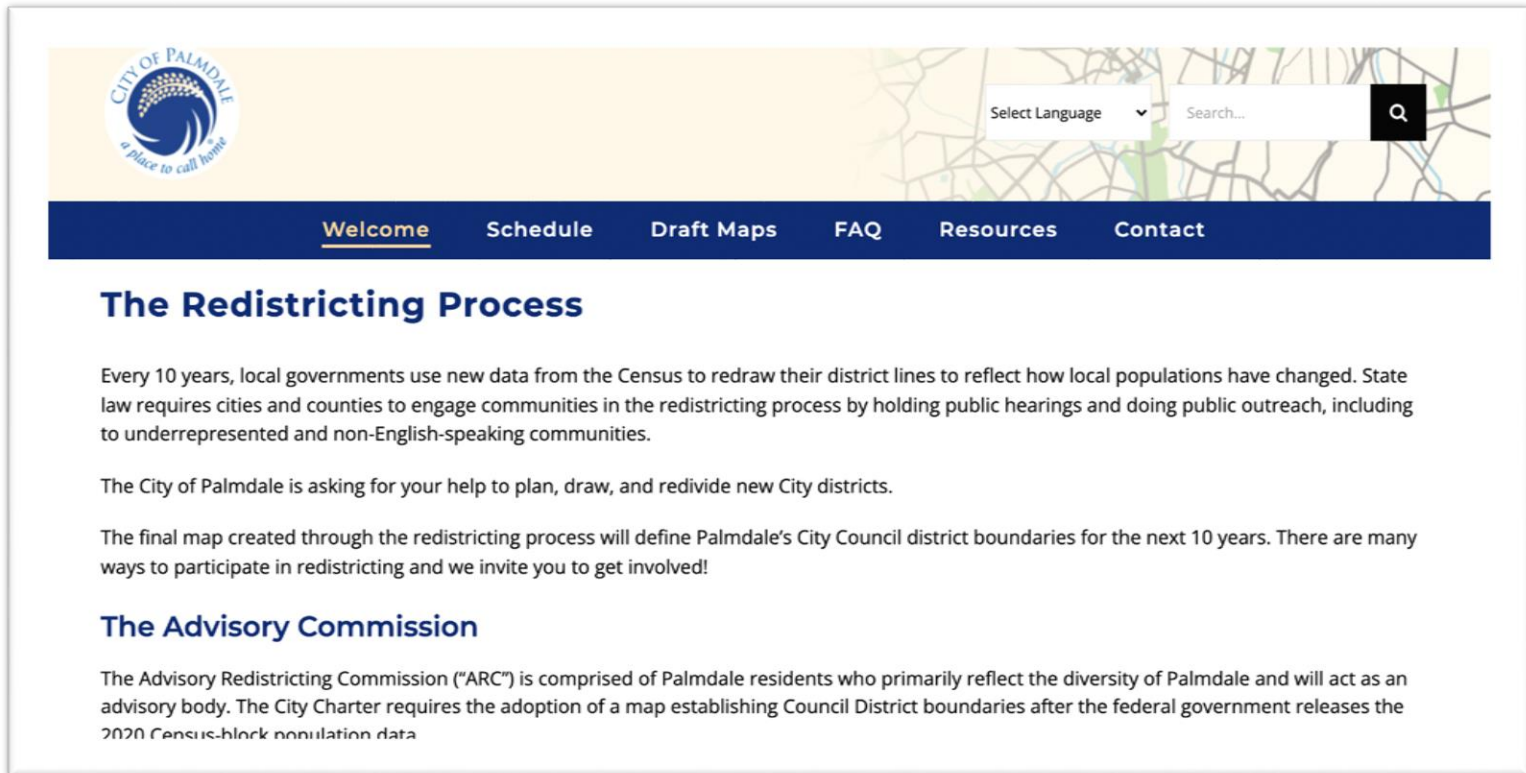




NDC Minimal Change Map

<i>City of Palmdale - NDC Minimal Change</i>						
District		1	2	3	4	Total
2020	2020 Census (Adjusted)	43,007	42,391	42,647	42,349	170,394
	Deviation from ideal	409	-208	49	-250	658
	% Deviation	0.96%	-0.49%	0.11%	-0.59%	1.54%
2020 Total Pop	% Hisp	62%	40%	72%	73%	62%
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Share Your Thoughts



The screenshot shows the City of Palmdale website. At the top left is the City of Palmdale logo with the tagline "a place to call home". To the right is a search bar with a "Select Language" dropdown and a "Search..." input field. Below the header is a dark blue navigation bar with links: [Welcome](#), [Schedule](#), [Draft Maps](#), [FAQ](#), [Resources](#), and [Contact](#). The main content area has the heading "The Redistricting Process" in bold blue text. Below this is a paragraph: "Every 10 years, local governments use new data from the Census to redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed. State law requires cities and counties to engage communities in the redistricting process by holding public hearings and doing public outreach, including to underrepresented and non-English-speaking communities." This is followed by another paragraph: "The City of Palmdale is asking for your help to plan, draw, and redivide new City districts." Then another paragraph: "The final map created through the redistricting process will define Palmdale's City Council district boundaries for the next 10 years. There are many ways to participate in redistricting and we invite you to get involved!" Below this is the heading "The Advisory Commission" in bold blue text, followed by a paragraph: "The Advisory Redistricting Commission ('ARC') is comprised of Palmdale residents who primarily reflect the diversity of Palmdale and will act as an advisory body. The City Charter requires the adoption of a map establishing Council District boundaries after the federal government releases the 2020 Census-block population data."

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