



CITY OF SURPRISE
Redistricting Advisory Committee
16000 N. Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374
 Monday, April 17, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
 COMMUNITY ROOM

- A. Call To Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Current Events and Reports
- E. Staff Reports
- F. Redistricting Advisory Committee

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

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Note: A.R.S. 38-431.01(H) - During this time members of the public may address the Board\Commission only on issues within the jurisdiction of the Board\Commission which are not an item on the agenda. At the conclusion of the open call, the Board\Commission may respond to criticism, may ask staff to review the matter or may ask that the matter be put on a future agenda. No discussion or action shall take place on any item raised.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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| 1. | Internal | Consideration and action to approve or disapprove the March 29, 2023 Redistricting Advisory Committee Regular Meeting Minutes. | Community Development |
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REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - PUBLIC HEARING:

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| 2. | Citywide | Redistricting Advisory Committee and Consultant Second Public Map Review | Community Development |
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REGULAR AGENDA ITEM - NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

- G. Other Business and Future Agenda Items
- H. Executive Session

For information purposes: Upon a public majority vote of a quorum (“Commission”), the Commission may hold an executive session, which will not be open to the public, but for only the following purposes: discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(2));

or discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3)).

Confidentiality Requirements: Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(C)(D), any person receiving executive session information pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02 shall not disclose that information except to the Attorney General or County Attorney or by agreement of the Commission, or as otherwise ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction.

The Commission may vote to hold an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Commission’s attorney on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

- I. Adjournment

POSTED: Monday, April 10, 2023 @ 1:30 PM

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**CITY OF SURPRISE
Redistricting Advisory Committee
MEETING MINUTES**

March 29, 2023 / 6:00 PM

**CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM
16000 N Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374**

CALL TO ORDER.

Lloyd Abrams called the Redistricting Advisory Committee Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall Community Room, 16000 N Civic Center Plaza Surprise, AZ 85374, on March 9, 2023.

A. ROLL CALL

In attendance was Ken Johanson, Michelle Watson, Andy Cepon, Steve Wright, Kerrie Hanzel, Terry Murphy, Nate Pomeroy, and Chris Eastburn. Ron Boen was not in attendance.

STAFF PRESENT:

Lloyd Abrams, Director of Community Development; Alyssa Carpenter Planning and Zoning Secretary

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

None.

NDC REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:

Shalice Tilton.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REGULAR AGENDA ITEM:

Ken Johanson moved to approve the March 8, 9, 10th regular meeting minutes and Nate Pomeroy seconded the motion.

Review of all maps

- Map 101 (slightly not population balanced); D1 is entirely north of Bell Rd; D2, D3, & D4 cross over Bell Rd.; D5 is entirely south of Bell Rd.; D6 extends west to SR-303.
- Maps submitted by NDC based on public and committee input:
- Map 101b Population balanced version of Map 101 (adjusts the NW border of D4)
- Map 102 Minimal changes
- Map 103 More compactness
- Map 104 All districts cross over Bell Rd
- Map 105 (not population balanced); Submitter focused on original town site boundaries; desires to extend D4 westerly to include new multi-family developments.
- Map 106 D1 is entirely north of Bell Rd; D2 is entirely east of SR-303 and places the original town site and Coyote Lakes with Sun City Grand and Sun City West; D6 keeps Surprise Farms together.

Andy Cepon moved to have maps 101 and 105 not in focus, Nate Pomeroy seconded the motion.

- Map 101B Population balanced, version of 102B with Arizona Traditions in district 1 and Happy Trails in district 2
- Expressed Sun City and voice within retirement community
- Map 104, north and south of bell cohesiveness
- Polling locations within districts
- Maps need to stay tighter in boundaries for council members
- Keeping neighborhoods together, compactness and preserving the core of existing maps
- Minimize disruption for voters
- Plan for future growth in district 1, 3 and 6
- Map 102, 102B and 103 will be the focus maps

Lloyd Abrams motioned to adjourn and Nate Pomeroy seconded to adjourn.

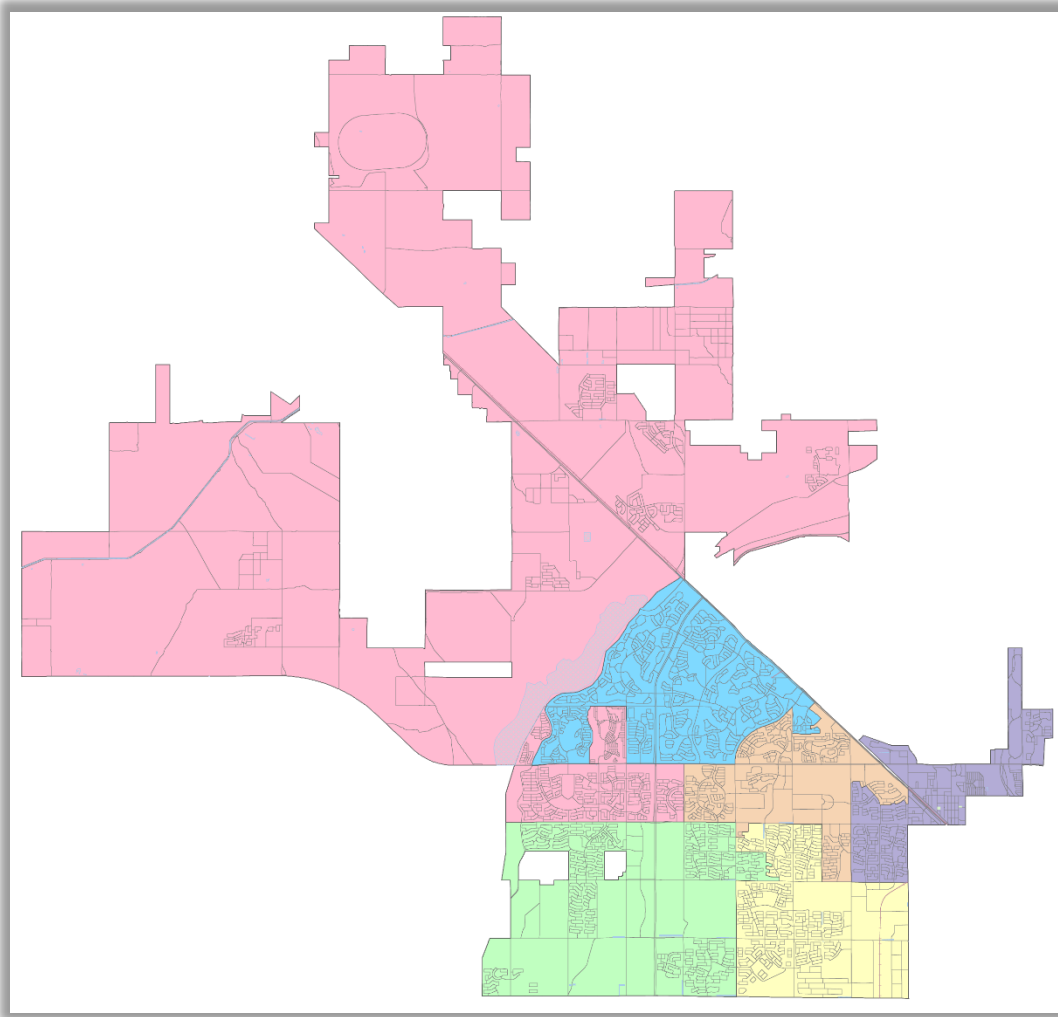
ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

The foregoing instrument is a full, true, and correct copy of the original document on file in the office of the City Clerk, City of Surprise, Arizona.

ATTEST BY: _____
Alyssa Carpenter, Commission Secretary

DATE: _____



City of Surprise Recommended Map(s)

April 17, 2023

Shalice Tilton, Sr. Consultant
National Demographics Corporation

Redistricting Process

Date	Event
3 January 2023	Council meeting 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on population balance of existing districts • Council informational hearing • Council appoints and directs committee
8 February 2023	Advisory Committee meeting 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on organization, timeline, public mapping tools and outreach
8-10 March 2023	Advisory Committee meetings 2, 3 and 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public education and opportunity for public to weigh in with any concerns about existing districts
24 March 2023 29 March 2023 17 April 2023	Deadline for public to submit maps. Advisory Committee meeting 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • first discussion of draft maps (narrow options; request revisions to be drawn by NDC) Advisory Committee meeting 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • consider draft maps and adopt recommended map(s)
2 May 2023	(Additional Committee meeting if needed to reach agreement) Council work session to review public input, draft maps and committee recommendation. Opportunity for Councilmembers to request any desired changes.
6 June 2023	Council meeting 2: vote on recommended or revised map

Redistricting Rules and Goals

Federal Laws

Equal Population
Federal Voting Rights Act
No Racial Gerrymandering

Arizona Statute 9-473.B.

Nearly equal number of inhabitants
Contiguous territory in as compact form as possible

Traditional Redistricting Principles

Communities of interest
Compact
Contiguous
Visible (Natural & man-made) boundaries
~~Continuity in office~~
Planned future growth
Minimize voters shifted to different election years
Preserving the core of existing election areas

Draft Maps

On March 29, the committee reviewed the following seven maps:

Maps submitted by the public:

Map 101 (slightly not population balanced); D1 is entirely north of Bell Rd; D2, D3, & D4 cross over Bell Rd.; D5 is entirely south of Bell Rd.; D6 extends west to SR-303.

Map 105 (not population balanced); Submitter focused on original town site boundaries; desires to extend D4 westerly to include new multi-family developments

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Map 101b Population balanced version of Map 101 (adjusts the NW border of D4)

Map 102 Minimal changes

Map 103 More compactness

Map 104 All districts cross over Bell Rd

Focus Maps

On March 29, the committee identified the following three focus maps:

Focus Maps:

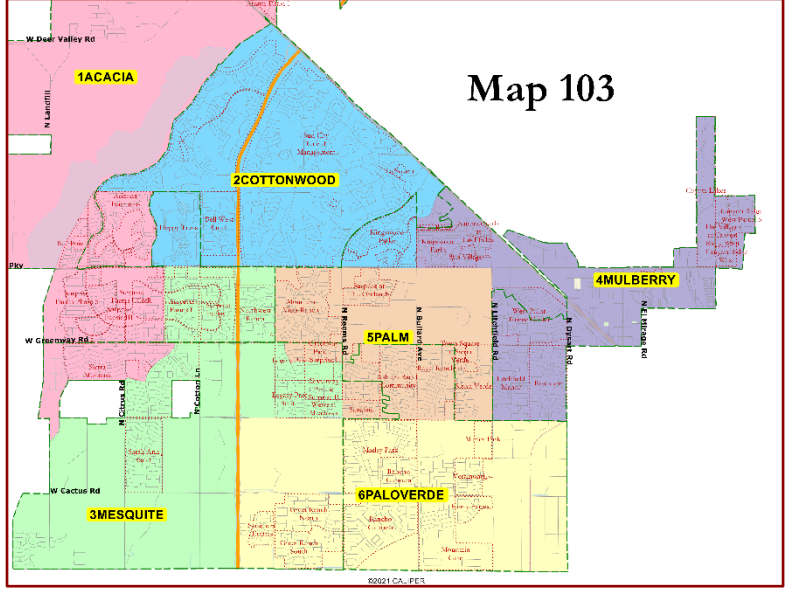
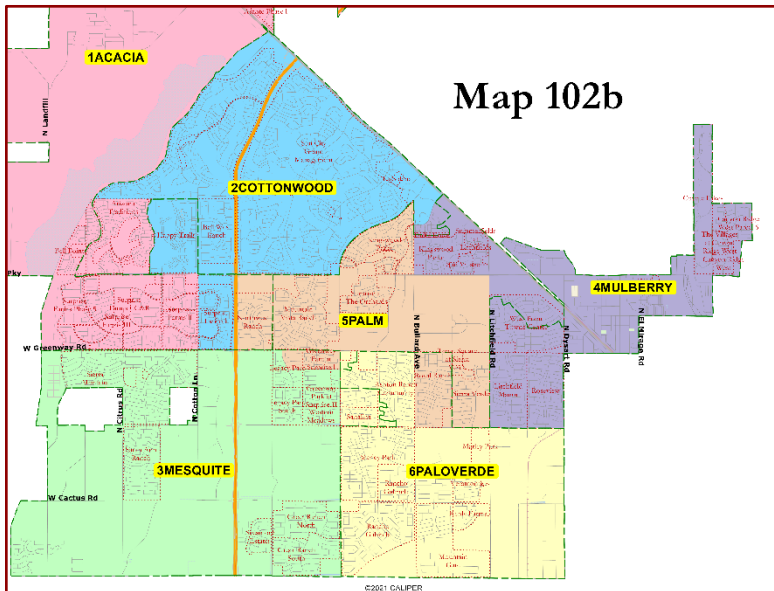
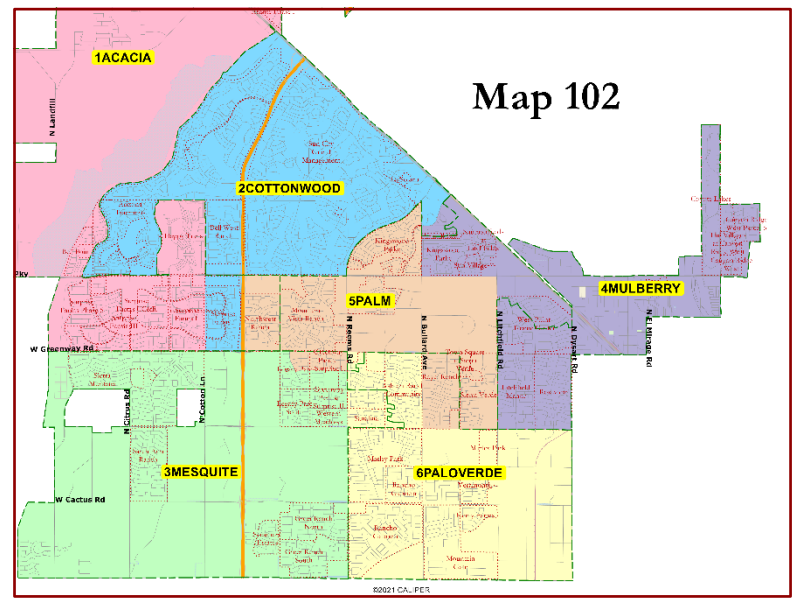
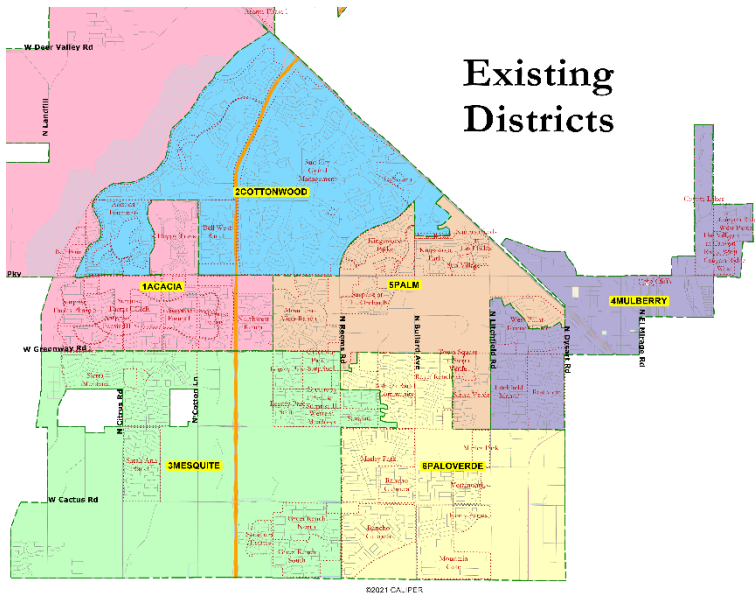
Map 102 Minimal changes

Map 102b Version of Map 102 that places Arizona Traditions in D1 and Happy Trails in D2

Map 103 More compactness

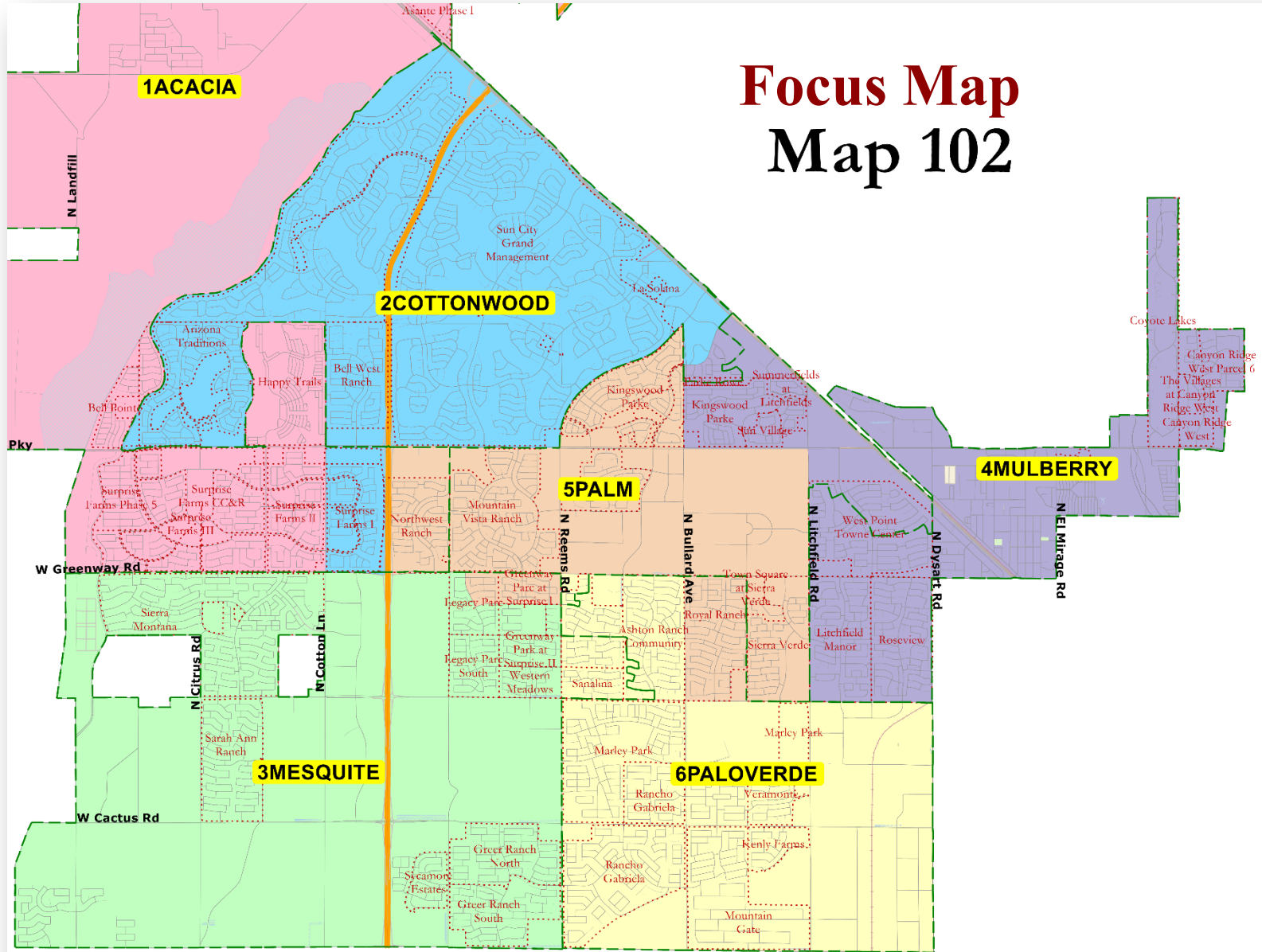
The committee discussion included consideration of desired features such as:

Uniting the community, keeping HOAs and similar neighborhoods together, compactness, preserving the core of existing districts, minimizing disruption for voters, and planned future growth.



Focus Maps

Focus Map Map 102

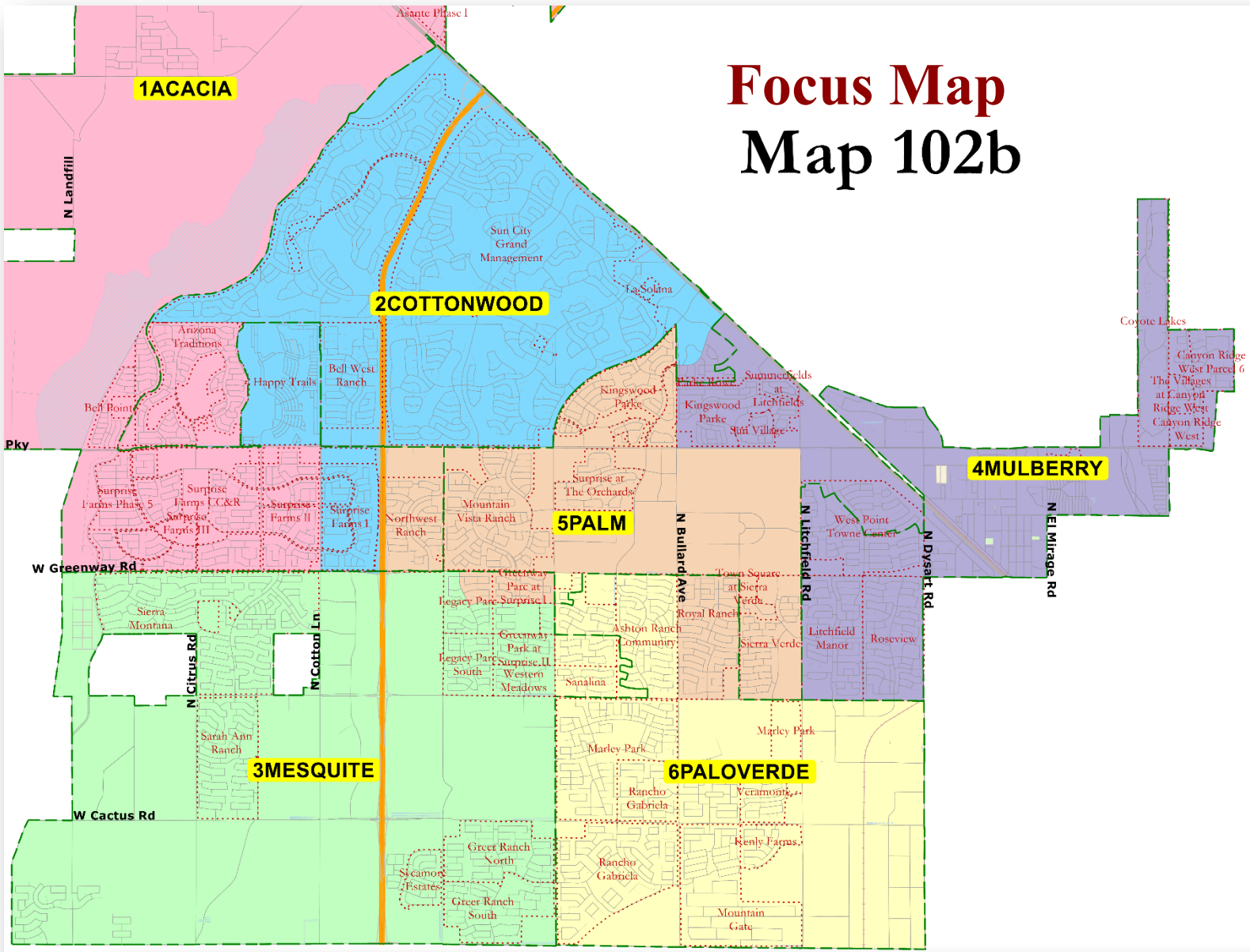


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City of Surprise - Map 102

Field	1 ACACIA	2 COTTONWOOD	3 MESQUITE	4 MULBERRY	5 PALM	6 PALO VERDE	Total
Total Population	23,497	23,034	24,309	24,808	23,906	23,594	143,148
Deviation	-361	-824	451	950	48	-264	1,774
Pct. Deviation	-1.51%	-3.45%	1.89%	3.98%	0.20%	-1.11%	7.44%

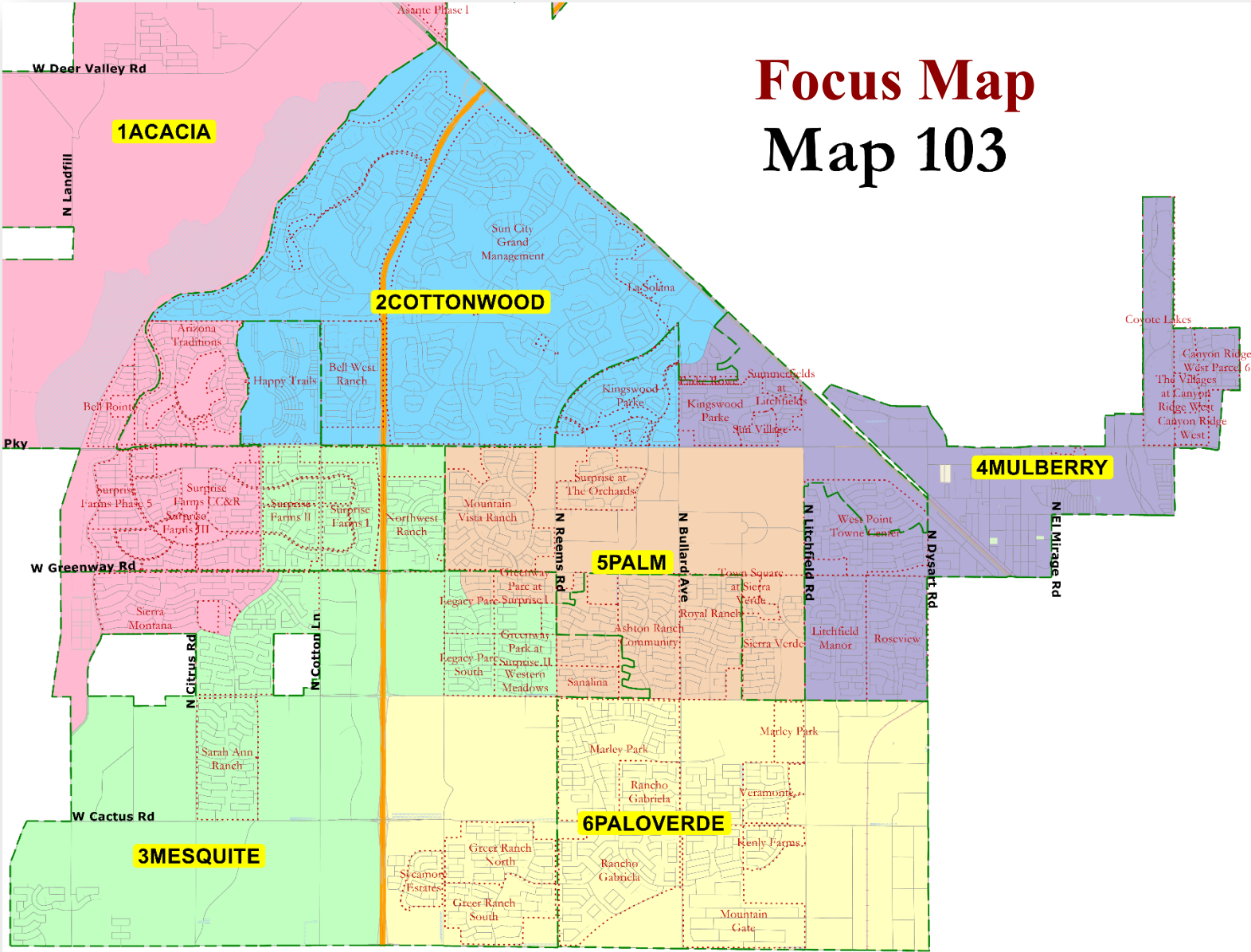
Focus Map Map 102b



City of Surprise - Map 102b

Field	1 ACACIA	2 COTTONWOOD	3 MESQUITE	4 MULBERRY	5 PALM	6 PALO VERDE	Total
Total Population	23,689	22,842	24,309	24,808	23,906	23,594	143,148
Deviation	-169	-1,016	451	950	48	-264	1,966
Pct. Deviation	-0.71%	-4.26%	1.89%	3.98%	0.20%	-1.11%	8.24%

Focus Map Map 103



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City of Surprise - Map 103

Field	1 ACACIA	2 COTTONWOOD	3 MESQUITE	4 MULBERRY	5 PALM	6 PALO VERDE	Total
Total Population	23,926	23,292	23,183	24,808	23,894	24,045	143,148
Deviation	68	-566	-675	950	36	187	1,625
Pct. Deviation	0.29%	-2.37%	-2.83%	3.98%	0.15%	0.78%	6.81%

Draft Maps

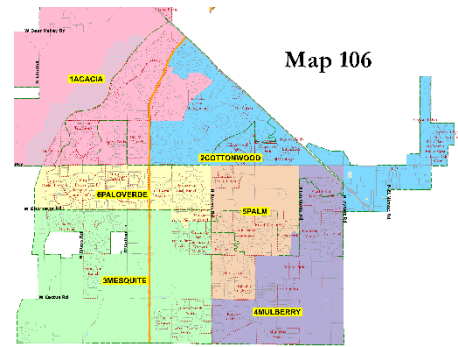
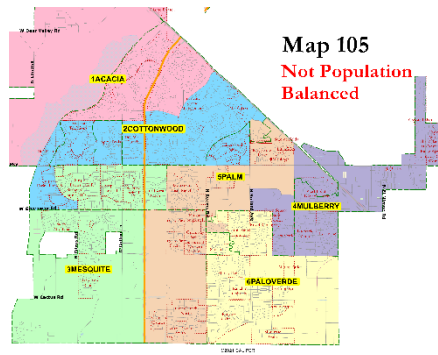
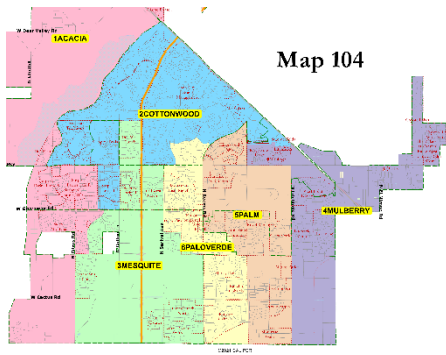
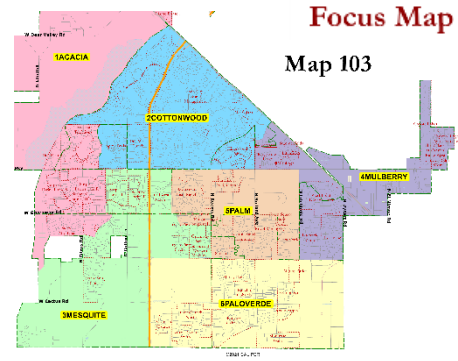
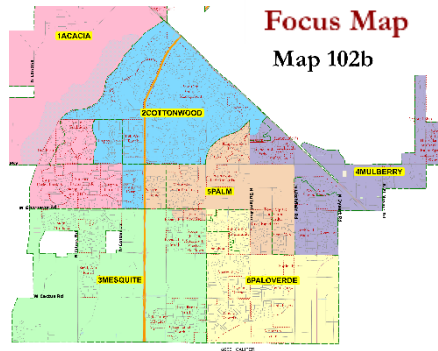
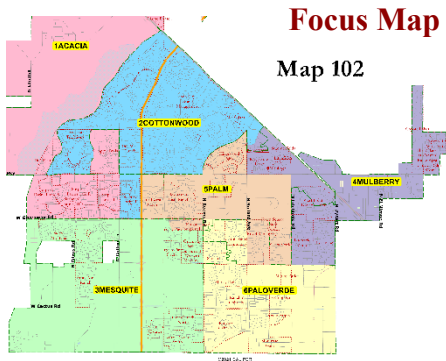
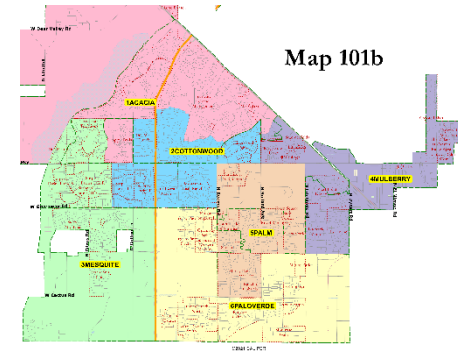
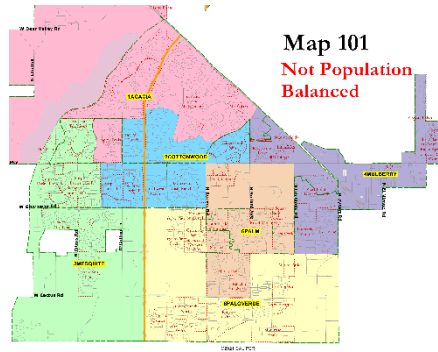
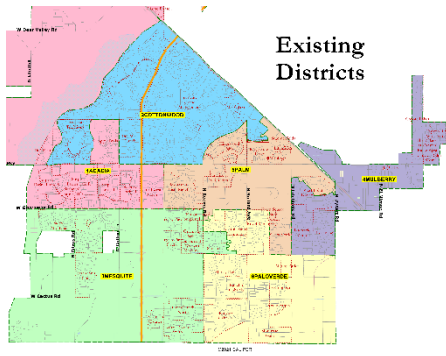
All maps are also available on the

[Interactive Review Map](#)

Printable maps and demographic summaries

are available at

surpriseaz.gov/redistricting/maps-data-input



Proposed Sequencing

- **Election Year 2024: Districts 2, 3, 4**
- **Election Year 2026: Districts 1, 5, 6**
- **After the preferred map is identified, it is recommended the committee review and, if needed, adjust the district number and election year assignments.**

Public Contacts and Website

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