Please include all our Neighborhood in one Council District

Dear Commissioners:

The Executive Committee of the South River City Citizens (SRCC) Neighborhood Association requests that in determining boundaries for the Austin City Council districts your commission include the entire SRCC neighborhood in a single council district.

The South River City Citizens is the largest neighborhood association (NA) in Austin. Established in 1972, it is one of the longest continuously operating NAs in Austin. We have been a united community throughout that time, working on projects in all parts of our neighborhood. The last redistricting put one area in another council district. We never stopped being a united community, but this made it much more difficult to work with the city.

As you can see from our map

(https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?mid=1aeywqU6KDKJZPDMOdtu1cWgml_VYd69k&ll=30.239120445353922%2C-97.7442565&z=14), we divide our neighborhood into 8 areas. Council District 9 currently runs east of I-35 to include Areas 6 and 7. To the south, however, Area 8 was not included with the rest of us in Council District 9; it was added to Council District 3. In keeping our community intact, it would make sense to include Area 8 as well as the St. Edwards campus (from St. Edwards Dr. to Ben White Blvd.) in our neighborhood. The housing just south as well as just north of St. Edwards is greatly affected by the university. Our neighborhood association has had a long history of working with SEU on many issues that affect the neighborhood.

Again, we ask that all areas of the SRCC be included in one Council District.

Thank you,

South River City Citizens (SRCC) NA Executive Committee