

# REDISTRICTING FREMONT 2021

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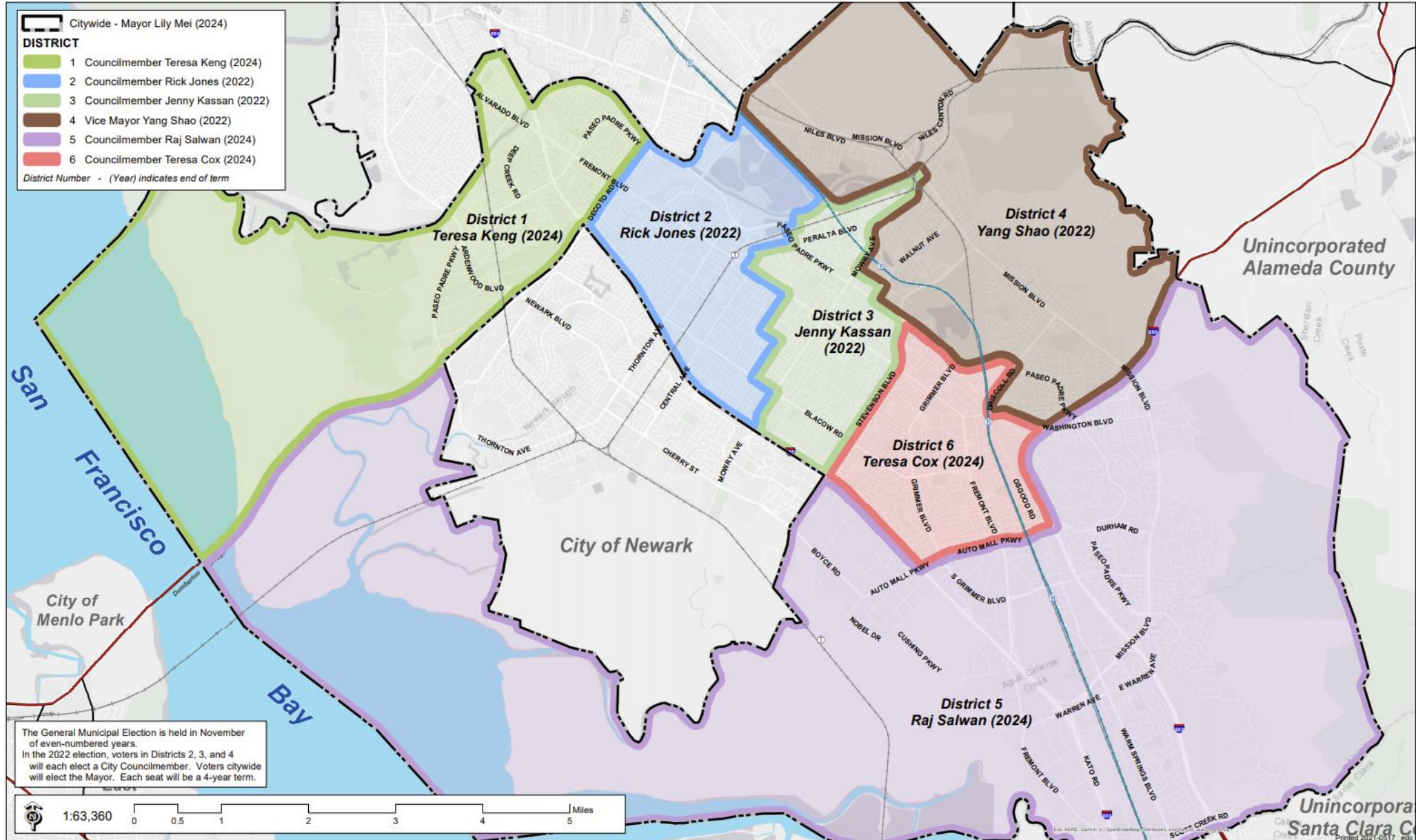
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# Districting vs Redistricting

Date	Event
February 15, 2017	City received letter claiming violation of the <a href="#">California Voting Rights Act</a> (CVRA) because Council members were elected at-large rather than by districts
June 13, 2017	Council passed ordinance approving new district boundaries
November 2018	First by-district elections in four districts
November 2020	First by-district elections in remaining two districts
<b>2021</b>	<b>Districts will be redrawn to reflect 2020 Census data</b>
November 2022	First election with new district maps

# Current District Map



# 2021 Redistricting Timeline

September 21, 2021			<b>Public Hearing #1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Held prior to release of draft maps</li><li>• Identify “neighborhoods,” “communities of interest,” and “secondary areas”</li><li>• Mapping tools overview</li></ul>
<i>Time for Public to Draw Maps</i>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Census data available Aug 16.</li><li>• Prisoner-adjusted data available up to 6 weeks later.</li><li>• Release draft maps after a three-week mandated waiting period, if applicable</li></ul>
December 7, 2021			<b>Public Hearing #2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discuss and revise draft maps.</li><li>• Discuss election sequencing.</li><li>• Identify focus maps.</li></ul>

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February 15, 2022			<b>Public Hearing #3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discuss and revise draft maps.</li><li>• Discuss election sequencing.</li><li>• Identify focus maps.</li></ul>
April 5, 2022			<b>Public Hearing #4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identify preferred map.</li><li>• Adopt map.</li></ul>
April 17, 2022			Deadline to adopt map.

# Legal Requirements

## 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

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

# Public Outreach Requirements

The City must:

- provide information throughout the process to media organizations that provide local media coverage, including media organizations that serve language minority communities.
- provide information throughout the process to civil rights, civic engagement, and community groups or organizations that serve the community, including those active in minority language communities, and those that have requested information regarding redistricting efforts.
- establish and maintain a web page dedicated to redistricting for at least 10 years following the adoption of new district boundaries.
- allow the public to submit draft maps or testimony in writing and electronically.