

# Hayward City Council map with majority Asian and Latino districts

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# Why draw this map?

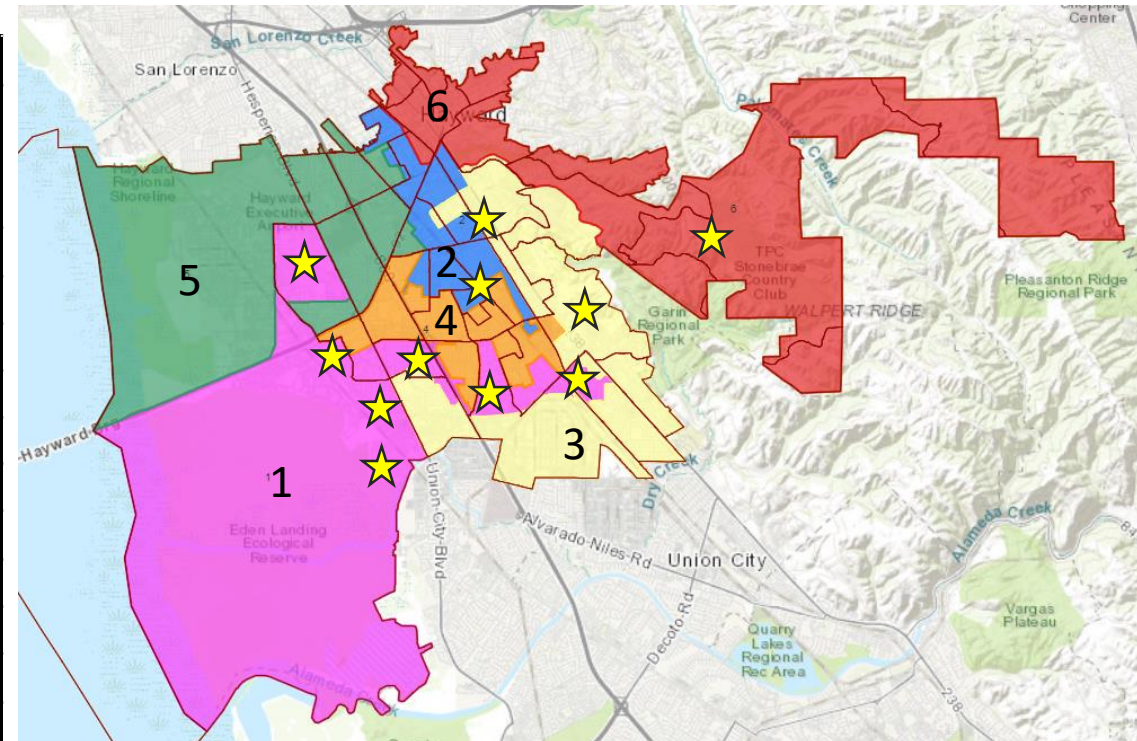
- Hayward's transition to districts stems from a lawsuit filed by plaintiff's attorney Scott Rafferty.
- As justification, Mr. Rafferty wrote: "It is possible to create at least one district that is majority Asian, which likely triggers liability under the federal Voting Rights Act."
- No such district has been publicly presented yet, to my knowledge.
- Can it be drawn?

# Can a majority Asian district be drawn using the online districting tool?

- Neighborhoods with majority Asian voters are spread throughout the city (marked by ★).
- Connecting enough without dipping below 50% is difficult.
- But **yes**: on this map, District 1's voters are majority Asian.
- Furthermore, District 2's voters are majority Latino.

<https://maphayward.org/june-22-dave-robinson/>

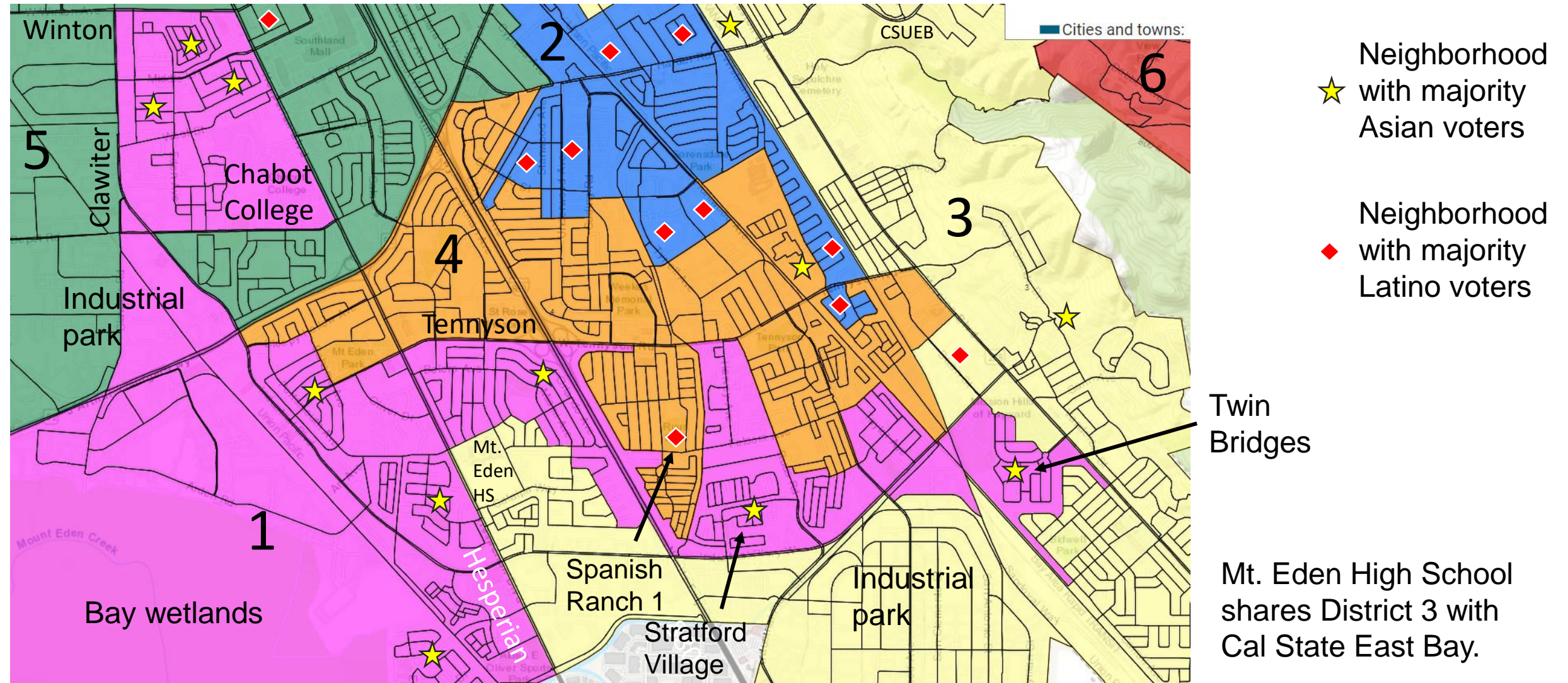
District	Population (2020)		Citizen Voting Age Population (2022)				
	Population	Dev %	% Latino	% Black	% Asian	% MMR	% White
City	163,172		31.5%	12.3%	31.0%	2.3%	20.9%
1	27,211	0.06%	25.1%	8.0%	51.8%	0.9%	12.2%
2	27,319	0.45%	50.5%	12.1%	17.5%	1.6%	14.8%
3	27,192	-0.01%	31.5%	12.3%	30.4%	0.4%	22.8%
4	26,929	-0.98%	34.1%	10.6%	29.1%	2.6%	18.5%
5	27,156	-0.14%	35.5%	10.3%	30.9%	1.5%	19.0%
6	27,365	0.62%	18.7%	19.6%	21.9%	1.2%	36.2%
<b>Ideal Pop:</b>	<b>27,195.33</b>						
<i>Lowest District Dev</i>	-1.0%						
<i>Highest District Dev</i>	0.6%						
<b>Total Plan Range</b>	<b>1.60%</b>	~~~~ A plan range up to 10% is considered legally allowable.					





# District 1 detail

- Industrial areas connect Chabot College and Twin Bridges to the district.
- Connecting Stratford Village requires crossing 880 and cutting through Spanish Ranch 1.

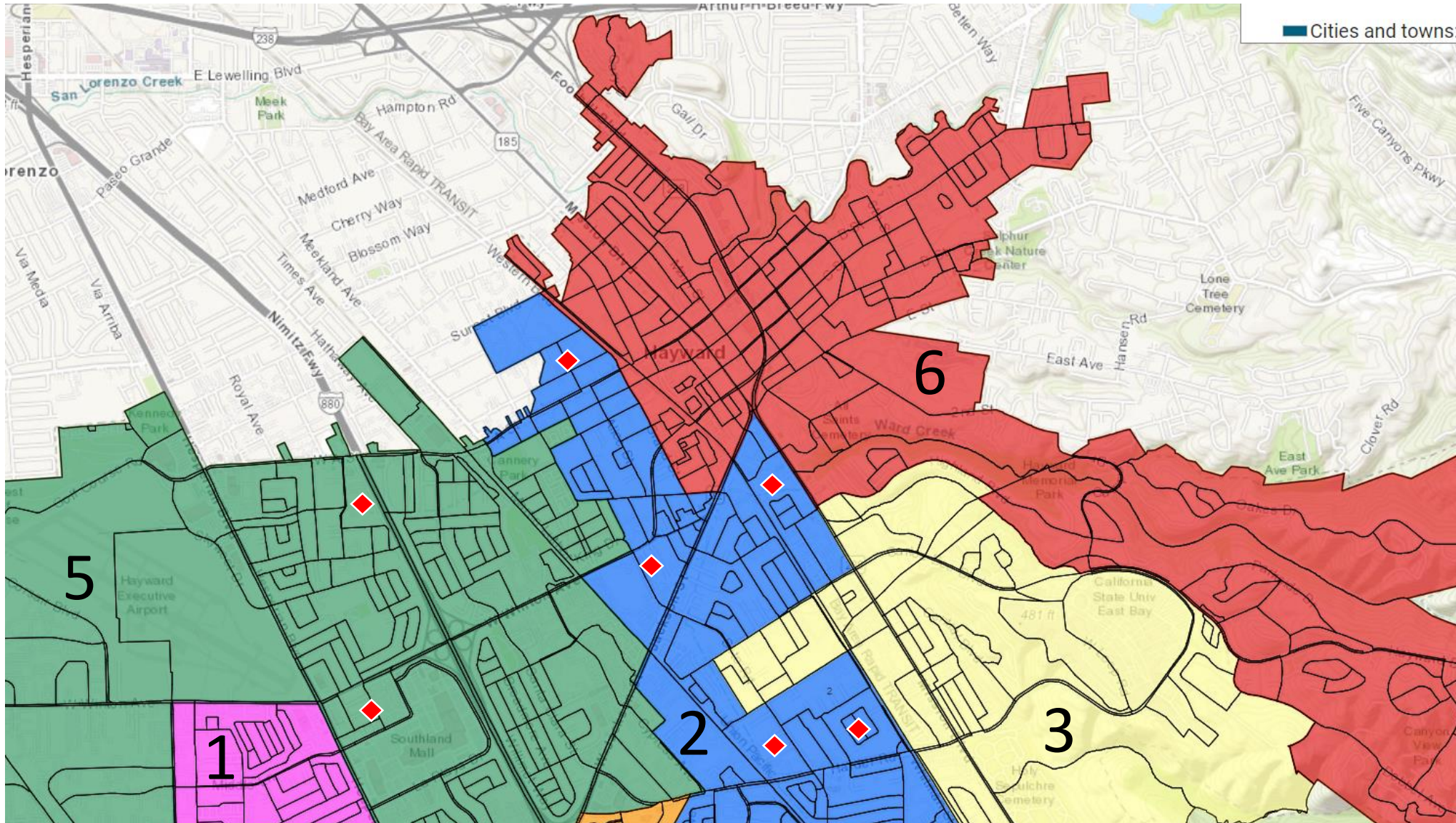




# North detail

- District 2 includes many, but not all, majority Latino neighborhoods.

◆ Neighborhood with majority Latino voters



# Should we use this map?

- This is one way to help Asian and Latino voters elect a candidate of their choice, if that is what the city wants to do.
- It could also reduce risk of future federal Voting Rights Act legal challenges.
- I have not successfully drawn such districts for other census groups.
- There is a tradeoff between compact districts and voting rights goals.
- Electing 2 in each of 3 districts by ranked-choice voting could better accomplish these goals without this tradeoff.
  - 3-district map: <https://maphayward.org/june-23-dave-robinson/>
  - 6-district map: <https://maphayward.org/june-22-dave-robinson/>