

City of McFarland

Introduction to Districting

Dec. 14, 2023

National Demographics Corporation

Election Systems

1. “At Large”
2. “From District” or “Residence” Districts
3. “By District”

**The California Voting Rights Act
was written to specifically
encourage by-district elections.**

Districting Process

Step	Description
Two Initial Hearings December 14 & January 11	Held prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input on the composition of districts.
Initial Public Map Deadline January 15	Deadline for map submissions from the community for Public Hearing 3
Release draft maps January 18	Maps must be posted at least 7 days prior to 3 rd hearing.
Third Public Hearing January 25	Meeting to discuss and revise the draft maps and election sequence
Final Public Map Deadline January 29	Deadline for map submissions from the community for Public Hearing 4
Release revised maps February 1	Maps must be posted at least 7 days prior to 4 th hearing.
Fourth Public Hearing February 8	Meeting to discuss the draft maps and election sequence; selection of preferred map and introduction of ordinance
Map adoption February 22	Map adopted via ordinance. Final map must be posted at least 7 days prior to adoption.

Redistricting Rules and Goals

1. Federal Laws

Equal Population
Federal Voting Rights Act
No Racial Gerrymandering



2. California Criteria for Cities

1. **Geographically contiguous**
2. **Undivided neighborhoods and “communities of interest”**
(Socio-economic geographic areas that should be kept together)
3. **Easily identifiable boundaries**
4. **Compact**
(Do not bypass one group of people to get to a more distant group of people)

3. Other Traditional Redistricting Principles

Future population growth

Prohibited: “shall not favor or discriminate against an incumbent, political candidate, or political party..”

Demographic Summary

Total population from the California adjustment to the 2020 Census

Other demographic data from the American Community Survey and Statewide Database

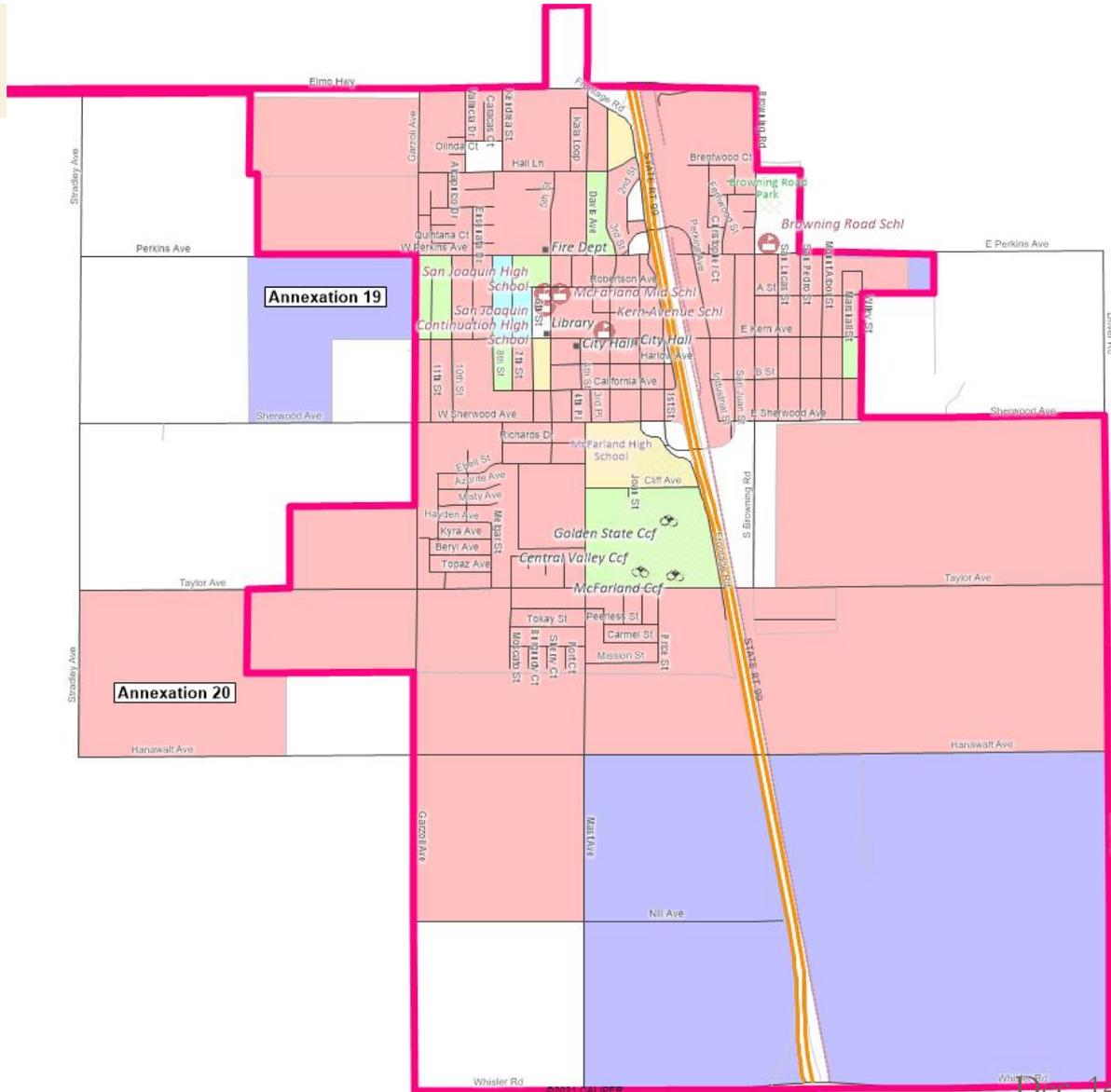
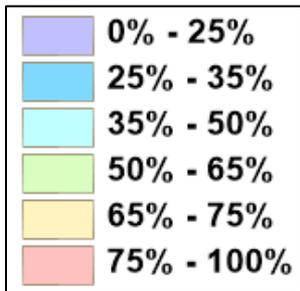
Each of the 4 districts must contain about 3,484 people.

Data include current population of both Annexation 19 (7 residents) and Annexation 20 (2 residents)

<i>City of McFarland</i>					
Category	Field	Total	Category	Field	Total
Census	Total Population	13,935	Age	age0-19	39%
Total Pop.	Hispanic/Latino	96%		age20-60	51%
	NH White	3%		age60plus	10%
	NH Black	0%	Immigration	immigrants	32%
	NH Asian/PacIsl.	1%		naturalized	24%
	NH Native Amer.	0%	Language spoken at home	english	24%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	5,639		spanish	75%
	Hisp	91%		asian-lang	1%
	NH White	7%		other lang	0%
	NH Black	0%	Language Fluency	Speaks Eng. "Less than Very Well"	48%
	Asian/PacIsl.	1%		Education (among those age 25+)	hs-grad
Native Amer.	0%	bachelor	2%		
Total	4,610	graduatedegree	2%		
Voter Registration (Nov 2022)	Latino est.	98%	Child in Household	child-under18	64%
	Spanish-Surnamed	88%	Pct of Pop. Age 16+	employed	57%
	Asian-Surnamed	1%		Household Income	income 0-25k
	Filipino-Surnamed	2%	income 25-50k		36%
	NH White est.	0%	income 50-75k		16%
NH Black	0%	income 75-200k	22%		
Total	1,438	income 200k-plus	1%		
Voter Turnout (Nov 2022)	Latino est.	94%	Housing Stats	single family	85%
	Spanish-Surnamed	85%		multi-family	15%
	Asian-Surnamed	0%		rented	46%
	Filipino-Surnamed	2%		owned	54%
	NH White est.	2%	Total population data from California's adjusted 2020 Census data. Citizen Voting Age Population, Age, Immigration, and other demographics from the 2017-2021 American Community Survey and Special Tabulation 5-year data. Turnout and Registration data from California Statewide Database. "Latino" figures calculated by NDC using Census Bureau's Latino undercount by surname estimate.		
NH Black	0%				
Voter Turnout (Nov 2020)	Total	2,507			
	Latino est.	92%			
	Spanish-Surnamed	88%			
	Asian-Surnamed	0%			
	Filipino-Surnamed	2%			
NH White est.	6%				
NH Black est.	0%				

Latino CVAP

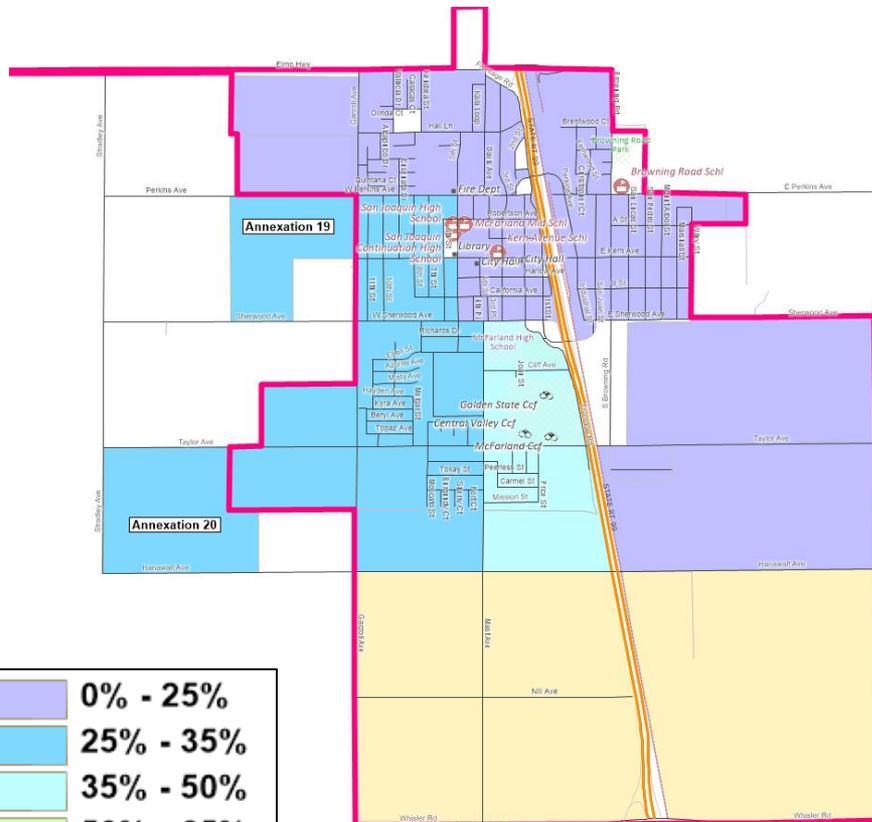
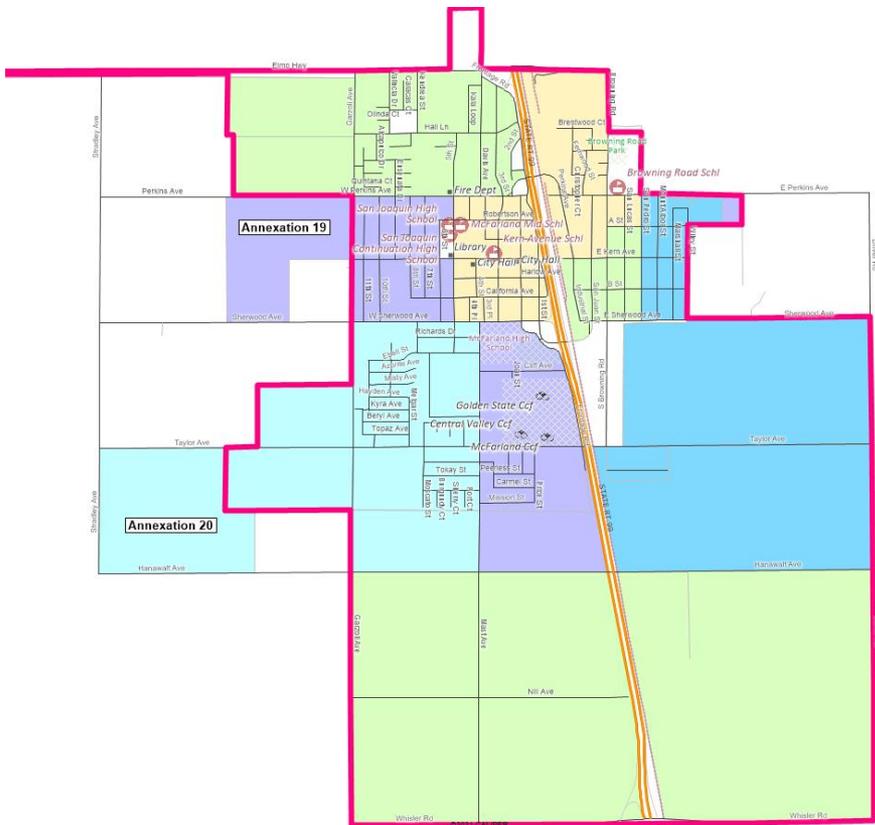
Latinos predominate throughout the city



Other Socio-Economic Demographics

Renters

Income \$75k +



Defining Neighborhoods

1st Question: What is your neighborhood?

2nd Question: What are its geographic boundaries?

Examples of physical features defining a neighborhood boundary:

- Natural neighborhood dividing lines, such as highway or major roads, rivers, canals and/or hills
- Areas around parks or schools
- Other neighborhood landmarks

In the absence of public testimony, planning records and other similar documents may provide definition.



Beyond Neighborhoods: Defining Communities of Interest

1st Question: What defines your community?

- Geographic Area, plus
- Shared issue or characteristic
 - Shared social or economic interest
 - Impacted by county policies
- Tell us “your community’s story”

2nd Question: Would this community benefit from being “included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation”?

- Or would it benefit more from having multiple representatives?

Definitions of Communities of Interest may not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

Public Hearing & Discussion

What is your neighborhood and what are its boundaries?

What other notable areas are in the City, and what are their boundaries?