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The purpose of this note is to express my complete dissatisfaction with the Commission meeting held last night at the Willow Glen Senior Center.

It is completely unacceptable that my neighbors and I discovered very late yesterday afternoon that a Commission meeting was to be held last night. Many of the speakers at last night's meeting stated that they also had just heard about the meeting today or the day prior (Sunday) from a neighbor or friend. Why wasn't this meeting advertised or reported in the Willow Glen Resident newspaper (which lands on nearly every Willow Glen driveway every Friday)?

The venue chosen to hold this meeting was also completely inadequate. There was a huge overflow crowd outside of the meeting room at the Senior Center. Some people gave up and left because there was nowhere to sit and no way to see the commission and speakers. This meeting should have been scheduled at a large facility such as Willow Glen High School.

I found Commission member Judy Chirco's behavior very unprofessional and inappropriate. When she spoke during the meeting she received some audience feedback (whispering, talking). She literally shouted into the microphone that the audience was to remain quiet while she spoke.

This morning I queried "San Jose City Council Redistricting Commission" on Google and found very little information on the web about the Commission or their meetings. I did see an op/ed piece by Commission member Dave Fadness. It is very ironic that the last sentence in his op/ed piece states:

***To be most effective, early citizen involvement is imperative - and essential to an acceptable outcome.***

I completely agree with this statement but it is clear that early citizen notification by the Redistricting commission has not occurred or has been very ineffective.

- Please advise me where I can obtain biographical information on the members Redistricting Commission and their email addresses
- Please advise me where I can obtain a schedule of upcoming meetings

**Please include me (and my husband) in the group that want to be added back into Council District 6!** We would like to see the boundary for District 6 extended to Foxworthy Avenue as discussed in last night's meeting. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

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