

From: Kathleen Behrendt
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2011 4:30 PM
To: Hawkins, Dennis (Clerk)
Subject: Willow Glen Redistricting

Dear Mr. Hawkins,

I'm sure by now you have received many emails from homeowners in Willow Glen that are under the attack of possible re-districting and very upset it is even being considered. I bought my home over 40 years ago in Willow Glen..(1/2 block south of Curtner on RICHLAND AVE) and the reason I picked this area was because it was WILLOW GLEN. I found that it was a community that centers around it's little town, the social events, the schools, little leagues and parks. I came here for a reason. To raise my kids, as a single mom, in a community that I could trust, and feel safe in. We have worked long and hard to keep the status of Willow Glen high. We have helped to bring neighborhood kids back to Willow Glen schools, since the busing in of kids from out of the area, by working with our schools/administration/parents from outside the area to make them part of our school/neighborhood, etc. The folks in Willow Glen take pride in their homes, reach out to their neighbors and participate in the social events that are sponsored by the stores/restaurants/WG foundations . The Willow Glen Downtown Association has been amazing over the past 20 years making sure that the improvements benefit the community and that the events they plan keep the folks who live here in mind as well as welcome others to participate.

It might not seem like a big deal to you, but to us IT IS..**Living in Willow Glen means so much to us.** We are proud to be part of Willow Glen and our house was part of the Old Willow Glen book that was written many years ago..AND now we might not be part of Willow Glen we would be part of Cambrian Park..UNACCEPTABLE...Our houses could go down in value, too. Is it a little bit of status too, you bet, BUT we have EARNED every bit of it.

And how you are planning to re-district DOESN'T even make sense..The homes on the other side of Foxworthy behind the car dealerships are not even CLOSE to our town of Willow Glen. Why should they reap the rewards of being part of Willow Glen when my house alone has been part of this community for over 75 years..

We will fight you every way we can to get this to be stopped. When you have these meetings, when you receive these emails- LISTEN and UNDERSTAND we are an established community that works with their neighbors, supports its schools and came to Willow Glen for GOOD REASONS.

Thank you,

Kathleen Behrendt