

Bill 41-21 - Elections – Council Districts – Boundaries

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Seth Grimes: Support with Amendment to Join Four Corners / Woodmoor with Silver Spring

Councilmembers, you have heard calls from residents of Four Corners and Woodmoor for districting their neighborhoods with inside-the-Beltway Silver Spring. You can accommodate their request with a minor and nondisruptive shift to the redistricting map. Please do so.

Quoting the November 30, 2021 council staff report,

“Members of the Four Corners community requested two other precincts in District 5 be moved into District 4. According to testimony, even though the community layer in GIS shows Four Corners as one community currently assigned to District 5, there are two precincts (Precinct 13-019 and Precinct 13-023) that feel more a greater association with neighborhoods inside the beltway and next to Blair High School.”

The council could assign these precincts to District 4 if you offset the added population by shifting Precinct 05-014 into the proposed East County district, District 5. The district populations should be balanced within allowed deviations.

This idea originated with a Four Corners resident. I am simply adding my voice in support, in solidarity with the Four Corners and Woodmoor community. Please take the simple step of outlined here to respond positively to their advocacy.

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