U.S. Constitution One Person, One Vote Principle

The largest and smallest populated districts cannot vary by more than a total of 10 percent

Entities that elect by wards or districts must evaluate their districts after each Federal Census to determine if the districts remain within the 10 percent rule

2020 Federal Census data for Bryan indicate that the City's 5 districts have a 26.41 percent variance from the largest to the smallest populated, therefore the City must redistrict to comply with federal law

The City engaged the law firm of Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, Acosta, LLP, to provide legal advice and assist with the redistricting process.

The Bickerstaff law firm assisted the City with initial districting and redistricting following the 2000 and 2010 Federal Census. Brazos County and Bryan ISD also use Bickerstaff for redistricting. The Bickerstaff law firm is considered a leading expert in redistricting in the State of Texas and has decades of experience in this area of expertise.

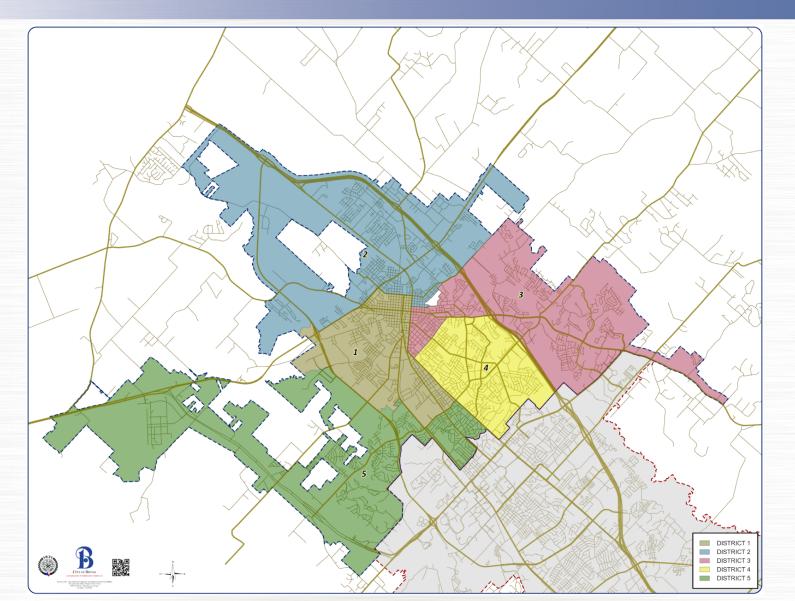
Bickerstaff has formulated and provided a legal review of the proposed map and resulting population figures to ensure it meets the one person, one vote principle of the U.S. Constitution, thereby complying with federal law.

Bickerstaff recommends adoption of the plan as submitted, as does staff.

Charter Language - City Council Districts. The city shall be divided into five City Council single member districts. Following each federal decennial census.....the City Council shall, by ordinance, adjust the boundaries of the City Council districts using legally appropriate criteria for determining where to place boundary lines. The City Council shall hold one or more public hearings before voting on a proposed plan.

The redistricting of single member districts which must occur in response to the federal decennial census may raise a question regarding the effect of boundary changes on residency requirements for city offices. In determining whether a person has complied with a residence requirement for a city office, residence in an area while the area was not part of the given district is considered as residence within the district if the area is part of the district on election day.

# **Current Council Districts**



Review of Existing Districting Plan from 2010 Census:

Total Population = 75,375

Total Hispanic = 36.28 percent

Total Anglo = 42.97 percent

Total Black = 17.6 percent

Total Asian = 1.69 percent

Total Other = 1.45 percent

Target Population = 15,075 (total population divided by number of single member districts)

Variance in Single Member Districts = 1,119

Total Variation = 7.42 percent

Review of Existing Districting Plan from 2010 Census:

### **Single Member District 1**

Total Population = 14,918

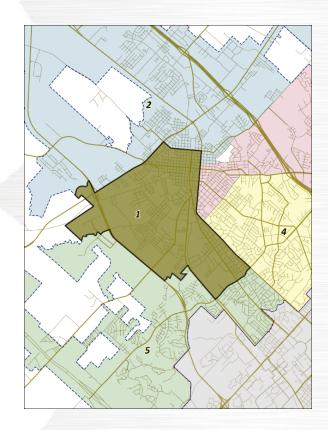
Total Hispanic = 67.23 percent

Total Anglo = 12.29 percent

Total Black = 19.26 percent

Total Asian = 0.14 percent

Total Other = 1.07 percent



Review of Existing Districting Plan from **2010** Census:

### **Single Member District 2**

Total Population = 15,599

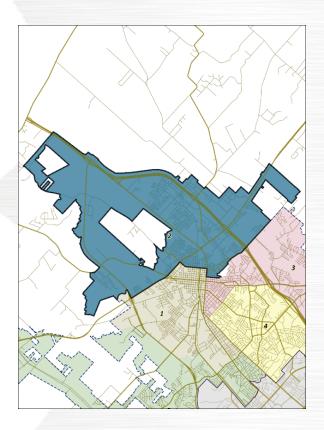
Total Hispanic = 40.82 percent

Total Anglo = 22.16 percent

Total Black = 35.63 percent

Total Asian = 0.24 percent

Total Other = 1.14 percent



Review of Existing Districting Plan from 2010 Census:

### **Single Member District 3**

Total Population = 14,574

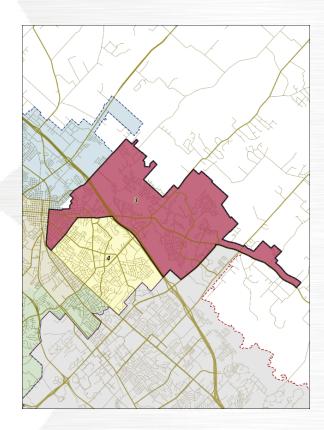
Total Hispanic = 27.93 percent

Total Anglo = 58.97 percent

Total Black = 9.95 percent

Total Asian = 1.45 percent

Total Other = 1.68 percent



Review of Existing Districting Plan from 2010 Census:

### **Single Member District 4**

Total Population = 14,615

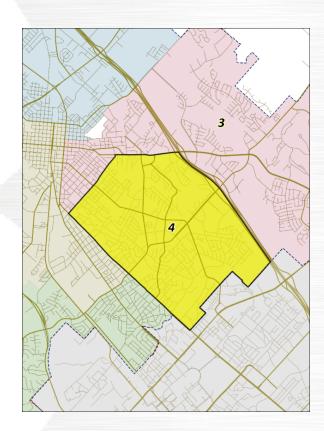
Total Hispanic = 18.14 percent

Total Anglo = 70.58 percent

Total Black = 8.22 percent

Total Asian = 1.28 percent

Total Other = 1.77 percent



Review of Existing Districting Plan from 2010 Census:

### **Single Member District 5**

Total Population = 15,669

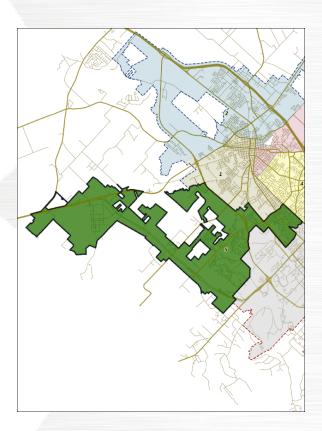
Total Hispanic = 26.99 percent

Total Anglo = 52.28 percent

Total Black = 13.91 percent

Total Asian = 5.19 percent

Total Other = 1.62 percent



### **Application of 2020 Federal Census Data to Current SMD Map:**

Target Population of 16,796 (10 percent deviation from largest to smallest equals 1,679.6 people)

SMD 1 is 1,836 people below the target (10.93%)

SMD 2 is 205 people below the target (1.2%)

SMD 3 is 2,600 people above the target (15.48%)

SMD 4 is 1,447 people below the target (8.62%)

SMD 5 is 888 people above the target (5.29%)

Variation from largest to smallest SMD is 4,436 people, or 26.41 percent

### 2020 Federal Census Data:

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Total Population = 83,980
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Percent Hispanic = 39.09%

Percent White = 39.56%

Percent Black = 15.33%

Percent Asian = 2.4%

Percent American Indian/Alaskan Native = 0.14%

Percent Hawaiian/Pacific Islander = 0.1%

Percent Other = 0.45%

Percent Two Or More Races = 2.9%

(Above Percentages are Rounded)

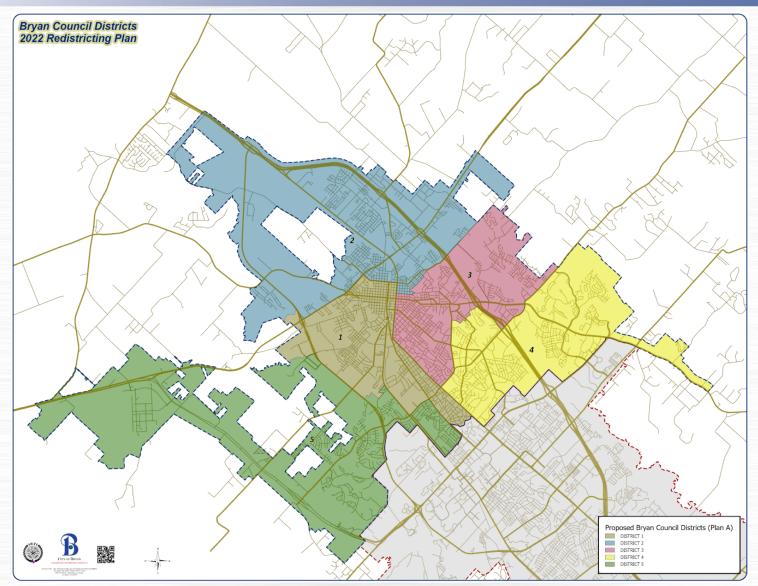
Target District Population = 16,796 (total population divided by number of single member districts)

10 Percent Allowable Variation = 1,679.6

Variance in Proposed Single Member Districts with New District Plan = 1,376

Total Variation = 8.19 percent

# **Proposed Redistricting Plan**



# 2020 Census Demographics

District	Total Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Hispanic (%)	Non- Hispanic White (%)	Non- Hispanic Black (%)	American Indian/ Alaskan Native (%)	Asian (%)	Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander (%)	Other (%)	Two or More Races (%)
District 1	16100	16796	-696	66.61	15.39	15.08	0.14	0.48	0.06	0.50	1.73
District 2	16595	16796	-201	52.42	18.17	26.83	0.10	0.42	0.02	0.31	1.72
District 3	17267	16796	471	32.08	50.17	11.69	0.17	1.74	0.12	0.49	3.54
District 4	17476	16796	680	18.01	66.83	8.33	0.20	2.31	0.10	0.44	3.78
District 5	16542	16796	-254	28.50	44.64	15.25	0.08	7.12	0.19	0.51	3.72

# 2020 Census Demographics

District	Total Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Hispanic	Non- Hispanic White	Non- Hispanic Black	American Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian	Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	Other	Two or More Races
District 1	16100	16796	-696	10725	2478	2428	22	78	9	81	279
District 2	16595	16796	-201	8699	3016	4452	17	69	4	52	286
District 3	17267	16796	471	5539	8662	2019	30	301	20	85	611
District 4	17476	16796	680	3147	11680	1455	35	403	18	77	661
District 5	16542	16796	-254	4714	7384	2522	13	1177	32	84	616

2020 Census Figures by District Under New Plan:

### **Single Member District 1**

Total Population = 16,100

Total Hispanic = 66.61 percent (10,725 people)

Total Anglo = 15.39 percent (2,478 people)

Total Black = 15.08 percent (2,428 people)

Total Asian = 0.48 percent (78 people)

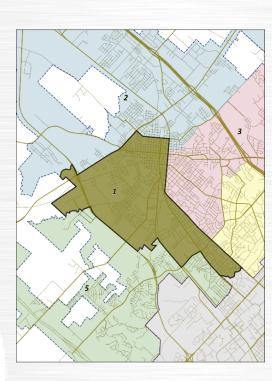
American Indian/Alaskan Native = 0.14 percent (22 people)

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander = 0.06 percent (9 people)

Other = 0.50 percent (81 people)

Two or More Races = 1.73 percent (279 people)

Deviation from Target 16,796 = -696 (4.14 percent)



2020 Census Figures by District Under New Plan:

### **Single Member District 2**

Total Population = 16,595

Total Hispanic = 52.42 percent (8,699 people)

Total Anglo = 18.17 percent (3,016 people)

Total Black = 26.83 percent (4,452 people)

Total Asian = 0.42 percent (69 people)

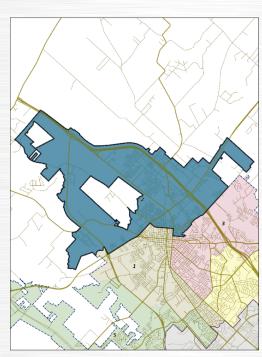
American Indian/Alaskan Native = 0.10 percent (17 people)

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander = 0.02 percent (4 people)

Other = 0.31 percent (52 people)

Two or More Races = 1.72 percent (286 people)

Deviation from Target 16,796 = -201 (1.20 percent)



2020 Census Figures by District Under New Plan:

### **Single Member District 3**

Total Population = 17,267

Total Hispanic = 32.08 percent (5,539 people)

Total Anglo = 50.17 percent (8,662 people)

Total Black = 11.69 percent (2,019 people)

Total Asian = 1.74 percent (301 people)

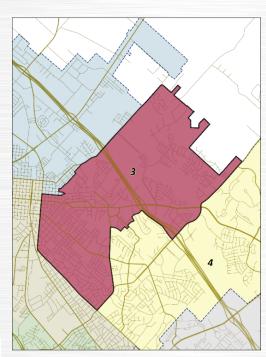
American Indian/Alaskan Native = 0.17 percent (30 people)

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander = 0.12 percent (20 people)

Other = 0.49 percent (85 people)

Two or More Races = 3.54 percent (611 people)

Deviation from Target 16,796 = +471 (2.80 percent)



2020 Census Figures by District Under New Plan:

### **Single Member District 4**

Total Population = 17,476

Total Hispanic = 18.01 percent (3,147 people)

Total Anglo = 66.83 percent (11,680 people)

Total Black = 8.33 percent (1,455 people)

Total Asian = 2.31 percent (403 people)

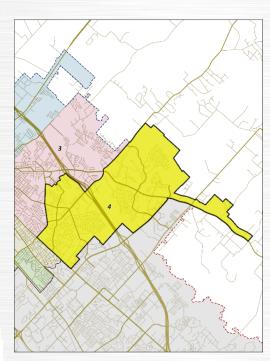
American Indian/Alaskan Native = 0.20 percent (35 people)

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander = 0.10 percent (18 people)

Other = 0.44 percent (77 people)

Two or More Races = 3.78 percent (661 people)

Deviation from Target 16,796 = +680 (4.05 percent)



2020 Census Figures by District Under New Plan:

### **Single Member District 5**

Total Population = 16,542

Total Hispanic = 28.50 percent (4,714 people)

Total Anglo = 44.64 percent (7,384 people)

Total Black = 15.25 percent (2,522 people)

Total Asian = 7.12 percent (1,177 people)

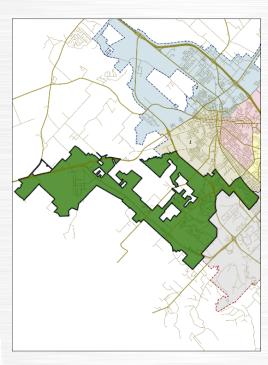
American Indian/Alaskan Native = 0.08 percent (13 people)

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander = 0.19 percent (32 people)

Other = 0.51 percent (84 people)

Two or More Races = 3.72 percent (616 people)

Deviation from Target 16,796 = -254 (1.51 percent)



**2020** Census Figures by District Under New Plan:

#### **Interesting Statistics from 2020 Census Under Proposed Plan:**

SMD 1 has the largest percentage of Hispanic population at 66.61 percent, followed by SMD 2 with 52.42 percent, and then SMD 3 with 32.08 percent

SMD 2 has the largest percentage of Black population at 26.83 percent followed by SMD 5 with 15.25 percent

SMD 5 has the largest percentage of Asian population at 7.12 percent

SMD 4 has the largest percentage of Two Or More Races at 3.78 percent

SMD 4 has the largest percentage of American Indian/Native Alaskan at 0.20 percent

SMD 5 has the largest percentage of Hawaiian/Pacific Islander at 0.19 percent

SMD 5 has the largest percentage of Other at 0.51 percent

COMPARISON OF VOTING AGE POPULATIONS 2010 AND 2020 CENSUS:

	2010	2020
Total	55,867 (31% Hisp 49% Ang 16% Black)	64,048 (34% Hisp 45% Ang 15% Black)
SMD 1	9,789 (63% Hisp 16% Ang 19% Black)	11,150 (63% Hisp 19% Ang 15% Black)
SMD 2	10,817 (36% Hisp 27% Ang 36% Black)	11,841 (47% Hisp 22% Ang 29% Black)
SMD 3	10,722 (23% Hisp 65% Ang 9% Black)	13,506 (29% Hisp 54% Ang 11% Black)
SMD 4	11,940 (16% Hisp 74% Ang 7% Black)	14,317 (16% Hisp 70% Ang 7% Black)
SMD 5	12,599 (23% Hisp 58% Ang 11% Black)	13,234 (25% Hisp 49% Ang 13% Black)

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- \*From Bickerstaff law firm adopt as presented with no changes
- \*From staff adopt as presented with no changes
- \*From Secretary of State Election Division adopt a plan before filing for SMD 4 special election begins

(Any requested changes to the proposed map will have to be reworked by the Bickerstaff law firm and will not occur prior to filing for the special election for SMD 4 vacancy)

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**QUESTIONS?**