

REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE
SUBSTITUTE ATTACHMENTS TO THE
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Trumbull Redistricting

Charge of the Committee

- ✓ **Follow “one-person one vote” rule**
- ✓ **Number of people each council member should represent is 1, 715 people**
- ✓ **Remove unnecessary split districts**

Trumbull Redistricting

Four (4) District Plan

Advantages

Reduces split districts from four to one (Same as 7 District Plan)

Potential minimal cost savings by reducing polling places (Less than \$8,000)

Disadvantages

Substantially larger districts

Unequal population between some districts (“Super District”)

Unequal district representation, (6,5,5,5) v. (3,3,3,3,3,3,3)

Large voter impact: moves approximately 18,000 people and 11,000 voters v. approximately 4,900 people and 3,100 voters under 7 district plan

Large voter impact will inconvenience and confuse people and may disenfranchise voters due to:

- More candidates on ballot -“Super District” would have 10

- Fewer polling places

- Change in voting locations

- Longer driving time to polls

- Longer waiting lines at polls

Minimizes the “neighborhood” concept

Dilutes relationship of the representative and the constituent

Increase costs to inform more people about district changes

Increase costs to move polling place(s) from a public building(s) to a privately owned location(s)

Diminishes minority representation

Displaces current Council members from current districts

Mathematically increases the chance of recounts v. 7 district plan

Trumbull Redistricting

Seven (7) District Plan

Advantages

Reduces split districts from 4 to 1

Aligns Town Council voting districts within less than 1% of population

Equal population between districts

Maintains district balance, NO "SUPER" DISTRICTS

All districts have "EQUAL NUMBER" of representatives.

Minor voter impact, moves approximately 4,900 people and 3,100 voters v. 18,000 people and 11,000 voters under 4 district plan

Follows natural Town features and transportation infrastructure

Voter impact is lessened and voter participation is encouraged by:

- Less voter confusion

- Same voting locations

- Smaller lines at polling places

Enhances the "neighborhood concept"

Preserves current minority representation

Minimizes disruption regarding Council members and their districts

Mathematically reduces the chance of recounts v 4 district plan

Disadvantages

Loss of potential savings (less than \$8,000)

Greater workload for registrars