

I supported the redistricting process from the start, immediately appointing community involved individuals to the redistricting committee, with the clear intentions to create 2-2 precincts, Republican / Democrat, for the makeup of Commissioners Court. There was a lot of misinformation that my appointed committee members were being irresponsible or partisan, and all of that was in how you calculate the numbers with the last two elections results. There were unnecessary personal attacks on committee members, including mine, and I regret that - especially after this court issued clear guidelines that were to be followed on practices of protecting communities of interest and unification efforts of fairness. I thank all the members of the committee who gave so much time and dedication to that effort. Your work is appreciated.

I never publicly supported one map over another until we heard the committee results, constituent's comments, the redistricting attorney and the demographer's vetting of the committee's top final maps that meet current legal criteria. Today, I will support a map that will achieve what the process was set out to do!