

APPENDIX D

Comments on the Proposal Notice & Public Submissions

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHANGE COMMISSION

Divisional Boundary Review of Gold Coast City Council

The Gold Coast City Council advised its electoral divisions no longer meet the voter enrolment requirements set down in the *Local Government Act 2009*. As a result, the Minister for Local Government has referred the matter to the Change Commission for independent assessment.

The Change Commission has proposed changes to the Council's internal boundaries (divisions) following a period of public suggestions.

INVITATION FOR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL

Comments on the Change Commission's proposal will be accepted until 5pm on 15 July 2019. Late submissions cannot be considered.

To view the proposal and make a submission, please see the Electoral Commission of Queensland's website: <https://ecq.qld.gov.au/lgr/goldcoast> or phone 1300 881 665.

When making a comment, please remember each division must have relatively the same number of voters (quota) to ensure each person's vote has the same value. The quota for the Gold Coast City Council is 27,004 with a lower limit of 24,304 (-10%) and an upper limit of 29,705 (+10%).

Comments can be lodged through:

- Online Form

<https://ecq.qld.gov.au/lgr/goldcoast>

- Email

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- Personal Delivery

Electoral Commission of Queensland
Level 20, 1 Eagle Street, BRISBANE QLD 4000

- Post

Local Government Change Commission
GPO Box 1393, BRISBANE QLD 4001

Submissions will be made available for public inspection. To discuss any privacy concerns, please phone 1300 881 665.

Pat Vidgen PSM

Electoral Commissioner

Divisional Boundary Review of Gold Coast City Council

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From: NeilMabb
Sent: Sunday, 30 June 2019 5:26 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: Name of council incorrect

The Gold Coast City council has previously changed its name to city of Gold Coast. This should be reflected in all of your documentation.

Sent from my iPad

Date: Tue, 2 Jul 2019 at 14:42

Subject: (3568) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Lorel Dodson

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Lorel Dodson**

Submission Details

Name: Lorel Dodson

Submission Text: I would like to commend and support the Commissions proposed division boundary changes. I am very glad that the Commission's Committee was able to recognise and support the importance of keeping communities united. Additionally the proposal acknowledges and respects the clear and obvious boundary between the east and west communities of the Gold Coast which follows the Pacific Motorway(mostly).

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Sent: Friday, 5 July 2019 9:25 AM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4433) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Duncan Harvey

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Duncan Harvey**

Submission Details

Name: Duncan Harvey

Submission Text : I think all of Helensvale, the part around Westfield, should remain in division 2 and not be made part of division 7

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Councillor Peter Young

Division 5



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5 July 2019

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Electoral Commission of Queensland

Internal boundaries (Divisions) of the Gold Coast

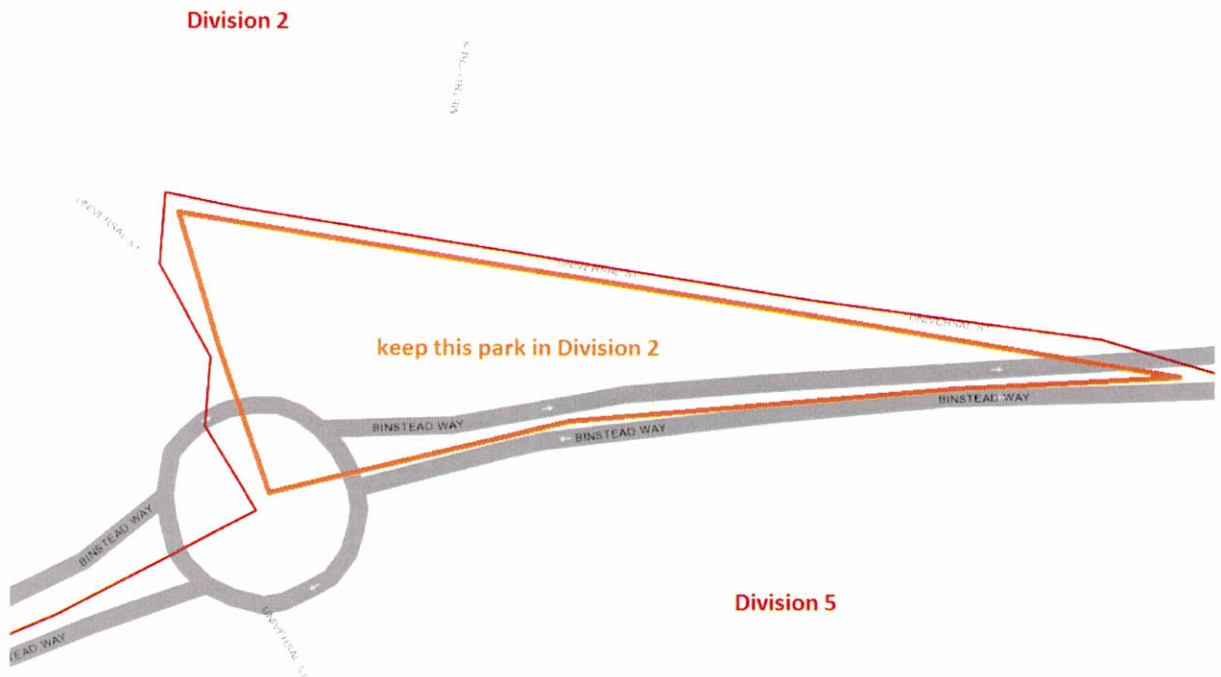
I have represented the community of Division 5 for 17 years. I am writing in regard to the proposed boundaries for the City of Gold Coast. I wish to make a few suggestions which might improve the 'community of interest' objectives and not impact on the voter numbers detrimentally.

I have provided plans to demonstrate the areas discussed. In each of the plans, the red line represents the draft (proposed) boundary. The red naming indicates the proposed Division. The orange areas are the subject of interest.

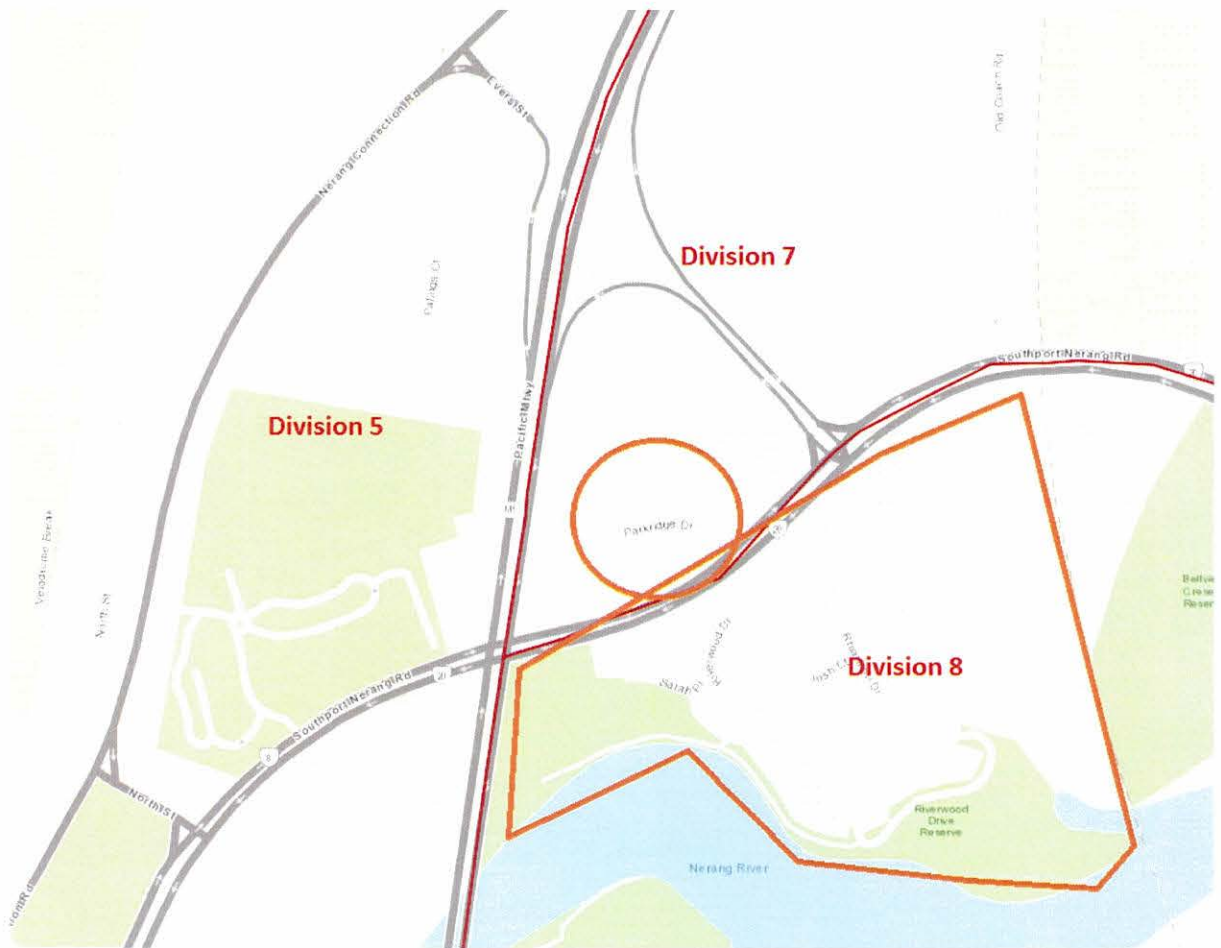
1. Remove residents from 'The Haven' in proposed Division 5 and include them in proposed Division 3. The principal reason is that The Haven is part of a development more broadly known as Riverstone Crossing. The bulk of the Riverstone Crossing population (on the western side of the Coomera River) is proposed to be in Division 3. Both parts of the estate are within one Body Corporate and it is not beneficial to have the two areas split. I estimate this will reduce the Division 5 total by about 120 voters.



2. Retain a park from the small area sandwiched between Universal Street and Binstead Way in Division 2 rather than include it in Division 5. The residents who use that park will be from Division 2 and it makes more sense that their councillor can respond to issues.



3. Remove the area of Parkridge Drive from proposed Division 7, and the area of Riverwood Drive from proposed Division 8. Both of these estates are currently in Division 5 and the residents associate with Nerang rather than the proposed localities. I estimate this will increase the Division 5 total by about 300 voters



Please don't hesitate to ask if you require further clarification.

Yours sincerely



PETER YOUNG
Councillor for Division 5

PY:pt #73918259

Sent: Saturday, 6 July 2019 6:16 AM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4439) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Jon Siddins

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Jon Siddins**

Submission Details

Name: Jon Siddins

Submission Text : This proposed change in boundaries by Gold Coast City Council is so that certain Councillors have more weight in Council meetings to shut down the only Councillors who are honest and trying to keep the rest of the Councillors honest. It is merely bullying tactics by the majority of Councillors. Please look into the true reasons for these boundary changes before making any decisions. Talk to each and every Councillor and ask if each of them are supportive of the change. I am not supportive of the changes to Division 2. It's a big enough area with a Councillor who doesn't look after the area or the residents he already has responsibility for.

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7 July, 2019

Local Government Change Commission
For Attention: Electoral Commissioner

Dear Sir/Madam

**DIVISIONAL BOUNDARY REVIEW OF GOLD COAST CITY COUNCIL:
DIVISIONS 2, 3 AND 5**

Attached please find my submission regarding proposed changes to Gold Coast City Council electoral divisions.

The proposed changes would fragment my community, situated at the proposed intersection of Divisions 2, 3 and 5, and lead to other undesirable outcomes.

I trust that due consideration will be given to my concerns.

Yours faithfully

Dave McPherson

DIVISIONAL BOUNDARY REVIEW OF GOLD COAST CITY COUNCIL 2019: CONCERNS REGARDING FRAGMENTATION OF COMMUNITIES AT RIVERSTONE CROSSING BY DIVISIONS 2, 3 AND 5

Riverstone Crossing (**RSX**) and two neighbouring developments in Maudsland lie at the intersection of three new electoral divisions. The proposed boundary changes would fragment these closely related communities and lead to other undesirable outcomes.

As a concerned resident of RSX I would like to bring these issues to the attention of the Change Commission and put forward amendments to the proposed boundaries which would resolve my concerns while not exceeding the guideline electoral quotas for any of the affected divisions.

The affected developments include:

No	Development	ABS Ref	Population	Proposed Division (GCCC)	Amended Division
1	Riverstone Crossing	SA1 3125839	1064	Division 3	Division 2
2	The Haven	MB 30563482100	265	Division 5	Division 2
3	182 Maudsland Road	SA1 3125608	60	Division 2	Division 2

This proposed amendment would have the following effect on divisional numbers:

Division	Before	After
Division 2	27,989	29,318
Division 3	25,431	24,367
Division 5	28,614	28,349

These are all within the stated upper and lower quota limits of **29,705** and **24,304** respectively.

Background

Riverstone Crossing (comprising **SA1 3125839** in its entirety) was originally zoned as part of Upper Coomera. In 2014, following submissions from the community that there was no functional relationship between RSX and Upper Coomera (postcode 4209) due to there being no road access between the two localities, and that all travel and commerce in the community took place through the neighbouring suburbs of Maudsland and Oxenford, it was rezoned to Maudsland (postcode 4210).

The Haven is a smaller suburban development in meshblock **30563482100**, comprising 68 of the 147 lots in **SA1 3125617**. It shares the single access road off Maudsland Road into RSX, Riverstone Crossing Road at the Kleinschmidt Road roundabout.

Both RSX and The Haven comprise suburban-density lots (mean size 760m² and 3,000m² respectively) in a predominantly semi-rural area with a mean lot size of 50,000m². The character of these communities is therefore closer to that of developed Division 2 than that of Division 5.

The same considerations successfully argued in 2014 for the transfer of RSX to Maudsland from Upper Coomera would apply to the retention of RSX in Division 2 instead of its proposed transfer to Division 3, which comprises mainly Upper Coomera and Coomera.

Both RSX and The Haven are governed by individual Bodies Corporate, which fall under a single overarching Governing Body. Residents share amenities and hold frequent combined community meetings, at which the Division 2 Councillor, William Owen-Jones, is a regular and popular attendee.

A smaller third development at 182 Maudsland road, comprising a childcare centre and 19 residential lots in **SA1 3125608** is currently under construction north of Riverstone Crossing between Kleinschmidt Road and Maudsland Road. This development, zoned for incorporation into Division 2, is also accessed off Riverstone Crossing at the Kleinschmidt Road roundabout.

Concerns

In the light of the above, my concerns are as follows:

1. The three developments described, which share the same access roads, urban character and community facilities, are zoned to fall into three different divisions under the proposed boundary changes. This will complicate and negatively affect the ability of the community to address matters of mutual concern through multiple divisional Councillors.
2. Although RSX backs onto Upper Coomera, the absence of access roads means there is no direct link or interaction between residents of the suburbs. All access and local commerce takes place through and in the neighbouring suburbs of Oxenford and Maudsland – and mainly those portions located within Division 2.
3. The following civic matters of concern for RSX/The Haven residents are all provided through Division 2 (and none through Division 3):
 - a. local quarry operations.
 - b. road access and traffic in the main arterials Maudsland Road and Gaven Arterial Road.
 - c. access to public transport to and from Helensvale station.
 - d. access to the M1 at Helensvale and Oxenford.
 - e. the provision of GCCC services and utilities such as water, sewer, stormwater, rubbish removal and waste transfer stations.
 - f. the provision of other utilities such as electricity, gas and telecommunications.
 - g. postal services are provided via the Post Office at Oxenford.
4. The RSX and Haven communities would lose their established relationship with the current Division 2 councillor, William Owen-Jones, who is highly regarded by residents and who has developed a keen appreciation of the views of the two communities. This would be viewed as a negative outcome by the community.

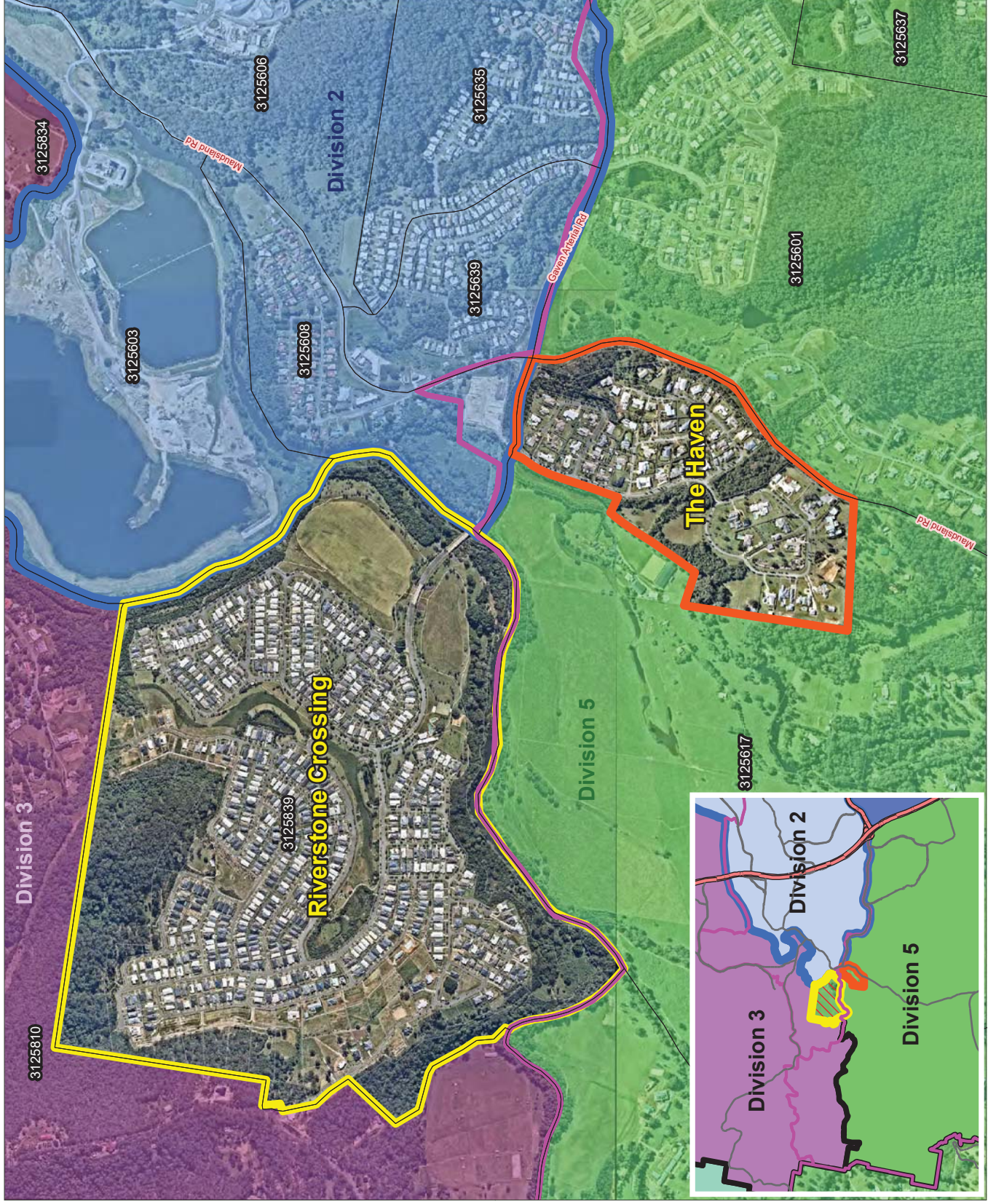
The attached map illustrates the affected communities and proposed boundary amendments.

I strongly recommend that the communities discussed be consolidated into Division 2 as shown, and thank the Change Commission for their consideration.

Legend

**Proposed changes to
Division 2 amendments**

- Proposed Div 2 boundary
- Amended Div 3 to Div 2
- Amended Div 5 to Div 2
- Existing Divisions
- SA1 boundaries



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Gold Coast Electoral Boundary Review: Riverstone Crossing

Proposed changes to Division boundary amendments: July 2019

I would like to thank the Local Government Change Commission for its review of the divisional boundaries for the Gold Coast Local Government Area.

As a resident of Bonogin, I am pleased the Commission took note of public comments opposing moving part of the suburb from division 9 to division 13. As noted in your proposed determination report, keeping communities of interest together when considering boundaries is important.

It is also sensible for the M1 Pacific Motorway to be a strong boundary between the east and west communities of the Gold Coast.

While not directly impacting me, I also agree that it makes sense to keep the entire suburbs of Southport and Nerang within their respective divisions.

I congratulate the Change Commission on the work it has done and I hope the proposed boundaries will be formally approved.

I also make two other observations regarding the Commission's Proposed Determination Report and its appendices.

Firstly, as a Gold Coast resident, I am disappointed with what I thought was the small number of submissions made when public suggestions were first called for. Given the amount of public comment in the traditional media and social media about possible boundaries, maybe some of those people should've taken a little time to make a formal submission to the Commission.

Secondly, while submissions were made by a number of Gold Coast Councillors, it seemed odd to me that the Gold Coast City Council never submitted its draft boundaries on which much public comment had been made late last year and early this year in traditional and social media. It raises questions about the use of ratepayer money, if Council staff took the time to draw possible boundaries, but these draft maps were not submitted for the Commission's consideration, no matter how flawed the Council drafts may have been.

Alexander John Wall

Sent: Monday, 8 July 2019 11:11 AM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4464) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - David Taylor

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **David Taylor**

Submission Details

Name: David Taylor

Submission Text : Dear Sirs, I write to express my disappointment in the proposed combination of Broadbeach Waters and Surfers Paradise. As you would be aware, the Broadbeach entertainment precinct is under enormous strain. I consider the precinct to include central Broadbeach in addition to Pacific Fair, Mermaid Beach highway, Q-Superstore and the new proposed Lakes Development. The proposed realignment will split those areas, currently covered by the sole division, over multiple new division making a holistic approach to the precinct's recovery more difficult. It would be preferable that Surfers Paradise remains distinct and provided separate representation to Surfers Paradise. Further, it appears the realignment is driven by a desire to obtain a quota of enrolled voters. Such reasoning is flawed, as it assumes a Councilor is obliged to represent solely a voter and not a non-resident landowner or business. Whilst other jurisdiction allow businesses and non-resident landowners to vote, the Gold Coast does not. It is clear given the number of dwellings and business within the proposed division compared to the number of enrolled voters, that this would be more numerous in this area compared to other areas on the Gold Coast. As such, to deny them the opportunity to vote and denying them representation is not consistent with the ECQ's duty to act fairly. As such, the proposed divisions incorporating Surfers Paradise and Broadbeach and others with high amounts of business and non-resident landowners should be in the minus end of the range rather than at equal or greater.

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5 July 2019

Local Government Change Commission

GPO Box 1393
Brisbane QLD 4001

By email

Dear Change Commissioners,

RE: City of Gold Coast Divisional Boundary Review

We write in relation to the proposed redistributed divisional boundaries for the City of Gold Coast.

The Southport Chamber of Commerce is the preeminent business and industry group representing the designated CBD of the Gold Coast. The Chamber has an important interest in the distribution of local government divisional boundaries within the City, particularly as they relate to the Southport area.

The Chamber prepared a submission during the public suggestion period for the review. The submission objected to a proposed redistribution proffered by the Council of the City of Gold Coast, in which the core CBD area of Southport was to be split across two divisions.

We have now reviewed the Commissions proposed boundaries and are pleased to note the central business district of Southport is retained within a single divisional area (remaining as Division 6). We also find other positive outcomes of the proposed Division 6 area:

- Division 6 retains Griffith University, Gold Coast University Hospital and the Gold Coast Health & Knowledge Precinct within the division, supporting the role of Southport as the primary location for commerce, education and technological innovation within the City.
- Division 6 will contain the Gold Coast TAFE Ashmore campus, further consolidating key educational facilities within a single Division, supporting the role of Southport as the educational centre for the Gold Coast.

- The Southport School joins St Hilda's within the Division, again consolidating major educational institutions within a single Division.
- The southern residential precincts of the suburb of Southport are brought into the Division, providing clarity to residents and consistency of representation for the suburb.
- Division 6 includes the Gold Coast commercial precinct and Council administrative offices at Bundall. It is appropriate given Southport's role as the centre of commerce and administration within the City, to have these precincts represented by the Councillor for the CBD of the City.

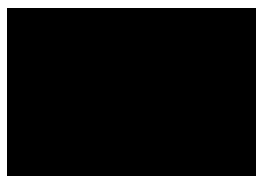
We are therefore pleased to record our **support for the proposed Division 6 boundary** and the boundary redistribution across the City broadly.

We are also pleased to note that it is evident that in preparing the proposed boundaries, the community's initiative and active participation has significantly helped inform the Change Commission's deliberations and shape the new boundaries.

We commend the Change Commission for their independent review and acknowledgement of the key concerns uncovered through the community feedback process – including the importance of holding the Southport CBD together in a single division. Public consultation in such form upholds the fundamental principal of democracy and provides communities with a voice to shape the future of where they live.

We look forward to the Change Commission progressing with the proposed boundaries for the local government election next year.

Sincerely,



Liam Campbell
Executive Board Member
 Southport Chamber of Commerce

Ltr-190507-GCCC divisional boundary submission
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Sent: Tuesday, 9 July 2019 10:46 AM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4596) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Samuel Watson

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Samuel Watson**

Submission Details

Name: Samuel Watson

Submission Text : I think this change is a waste of public money and time. More importantly the proposed electoral boundary changes will create issue particularly where suburbs will be split between electorates such as Southport and the Gold Coast CBD which is governed by Dawn Crichlow will be split between two Councillors creating more work and headaches for everyone.

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Councillor William Owen-Jones

Division 2

Ground floor Helensvale Library & Cultural Centre
Corner Sir John Overall Drive and Lindfield Road, Helensvale

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facebook.com/WilliamOwenJonesDivision2GoldCoast



CITY OF
GOLD COAST

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8 July 2019

The Electoral Commission of Queensland
Level 1, 1 Eagle St
BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Proposed Electoral Boundaries Gold Coast City

I am writing to you as the elected representative for Division 2, a position that I have held since May 2012.

I have had the opportunity to review the proposed divisions for the City of Gold Coast for the 2020 Local Government elections and I would like to make the following suggestions for minor improvements:

"Riverstone Crossing"

There is a relatively new residential estate that has been developed between 2006 and 2019 that has a principle body corporate that stretches across the Coomera River and is currently represented by both Division 2 and Division 5 (refer Attachment 1).

In the proposed new boundaries, the existing 1,064 residents that are currently in Division 2 (SA1 code 3125839) are proposed to be transferred to the new Division 3. As an observation, I believe that the new Division 3 that predominantly includes the suburbs of Coomera and Upper Coomera is a sensible community of interest and the addition of the Riverstone Crossing estate to Division 3 is supported.

However, I would suggest that it would make sense to have all residents within the principle body corporate added to the new proposed Division 3. In addition there is a small development with a further 18 dwellings that also gains access from Riverstone Crossing (road) which I also believe should form part of Division 3. My understanding is this area has less than 200 residents on the electoral roll and will be a portion of SA1 code 3125617

Attached is my suggested boundary adjustment for your consideration (Attachment 2).

With the unformed Kleinschmidt Road (which is the current divisional boundary between the existing Division 2 and Division 5) being the new boundary up to Maudsland Road, with the western boundary then being aligned with the principle body corporate through to the Coomera River.

I have discussed this suggestion with Councillor Peter Young, who currently represents Division 5 and he broadly agrees that this is an appropriate outcome.

Cont.

Helensvale

All of the suburb of Helensvale is included in the proposed Division 2 with the exception of the Helensvale Town Centre (which includes the Helensvale Railway Station, Westfield Helensvale and commercial and industrial properties) and the new residential estate named The Surrounds.

In the proposed new boundaries, the existing 121 residents that are currently in Division 2 (SA1 code 3125221) are proposed to be transferred to the reconfigured Division 7. As an observation, I believe that the new Division 7 predominantly includes the suburbs of Labrador, Parkwood, Arundel and Molendinar.

I support the suggestion of Division 6 predominantly representing the Southport CBD / Priority Development Area. However, given the complexity of accommodating the Division 6 outcome, I support the communities of interest proposed for the reconfigured Division 7, with the exception of the inclusion of the portion of Helensvale described as SA1 code 3125221.

I am mindful that there will be approximately 620 dwellings in The Surrounds between 2020 and 2024, however I believe strongly that there is community of interest that needs to be maintained between Division 2 (being the 5,000 +/- houses within Helensvale) and the section of Helensvale currently proposed to be added to Division 7. The residents of The Surrounds will be participating in recreational and cultural activities within Division 2 and The Surrounds is also part of the Helensvale State School catchment area. Finally, I also believe it is important that the Helensvale community remain connected to the public transport hub and the Helensvale Westfield Shopping Precinct.

Attachments 3 & 4 – show my suggested boundary adjustment for your consideration. I propose that the boundary be moved south to the Coombabah Creek incorporating all of SA1 code 3125221 into the proposed Division 2.

Minor Boundary Adjustments

I would propose that the boundary between Division 2 and Division 5 be adjusted to follow the road from Exit 62 through to Maudsland Road. Along certain sections of Binstead Way and Gaven Arterial Road the boundary deviates to follow statistical areas, and from a practical sense it is easier for divisional councillors to represent areas that are bounded by major roads than statistical areas (refer Attachments 5 & 6).

In addition, I would suggest that the northern boundary between Division 3 and Division 2 be the centre of the Coomera River. In particular this would prevent the inclusion of Foxwell Island into Division 2, when from a practical sense it is an uninhabited island adjacent to the Coomera Marine Precinct that is wholly within the proposed Division 3 (refer Attachment 7).

Yours faithfully


William Owen-Jones
COUNCILLOR FOR DIVISION 2

Attachments 1 - 7

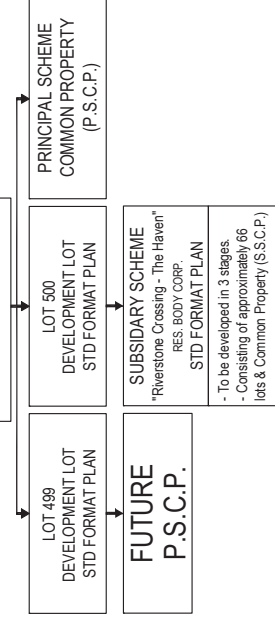
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FUTURE SCHEME LAND

SUBSIDIARY SCHEME
"RIVERSTONE CROSSING-RIVERSTONE"
RES. BODY CORP.
STD FORMAT PLAN

- To be developed in approximately 24 Stages.
- Consisting of approximately 600-700 Lots and Common Property (S.S.C.P.).

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Lot 10 on RP811067 and Lot 27 on SP117484

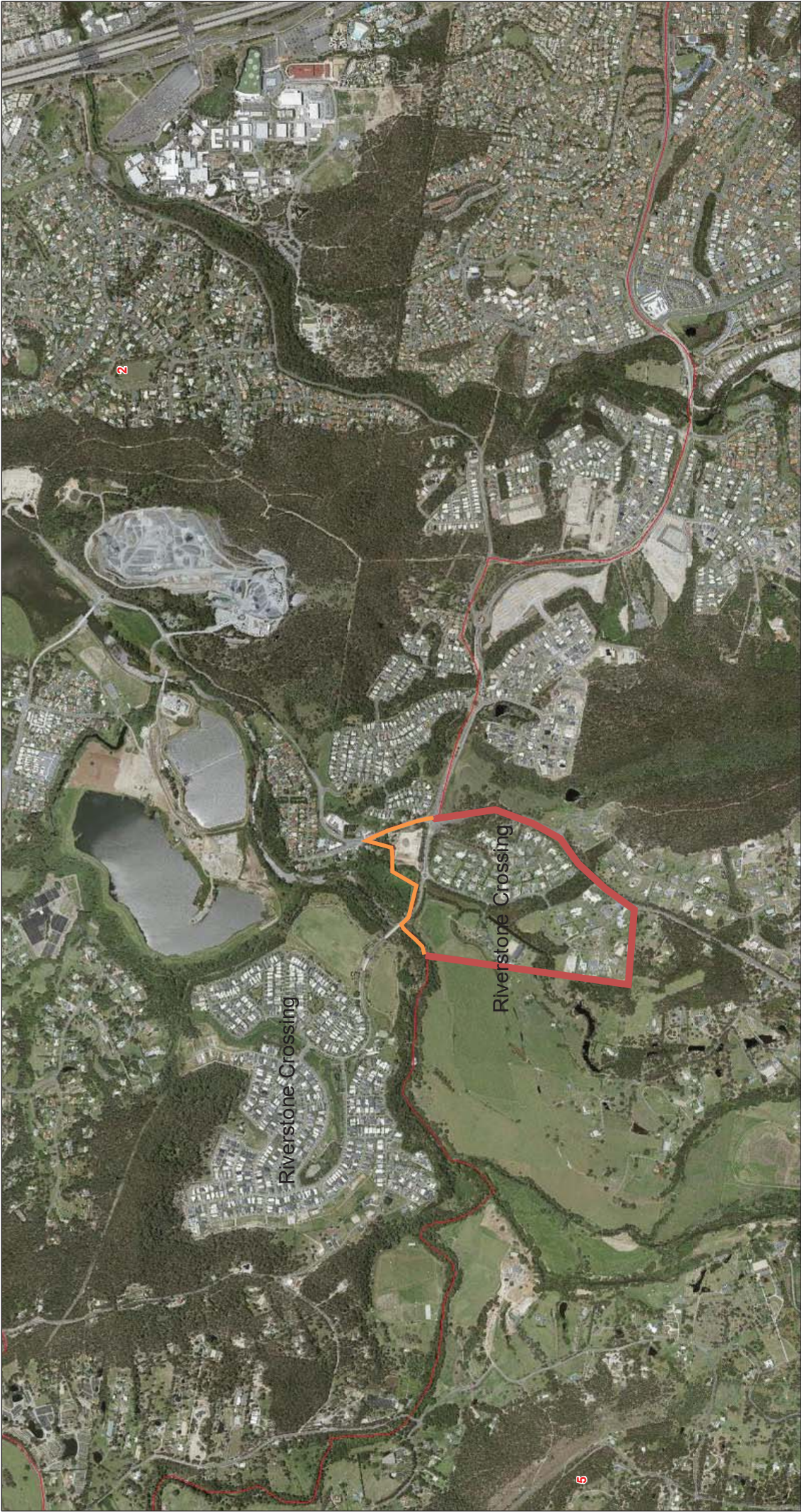
"RIVERSTONE CROSSING" CTS
PRINCIPAL SCHEME

- * This concept plan illustrates the proposed structure of the initial stage of the C.T.S. and is subject to further refinement.
- * The number of lots and staging sequence may vary, and are subject to Council approval, final design and final survey.
- * "Riverstone Crossing – The Haven" C.T.S.,(subsidiary scheme) consists entirely of standard format lots.
- * Future Scheme land will consist entirely of standard format lots.
- * All roads are public roads.
- * All services are to be maintained by utility suppliers, unless specific need arises.

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Map From Councillors Office



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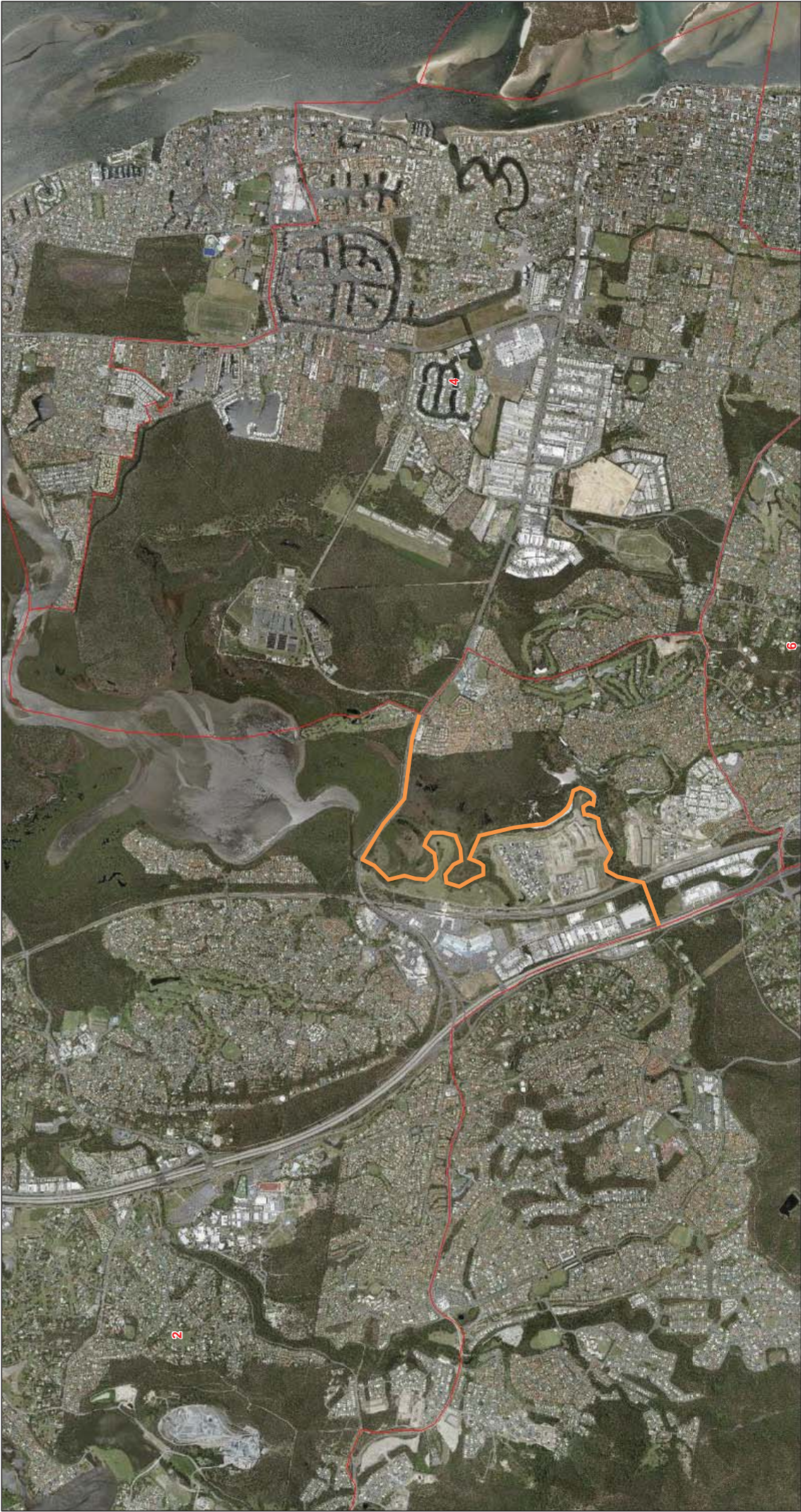
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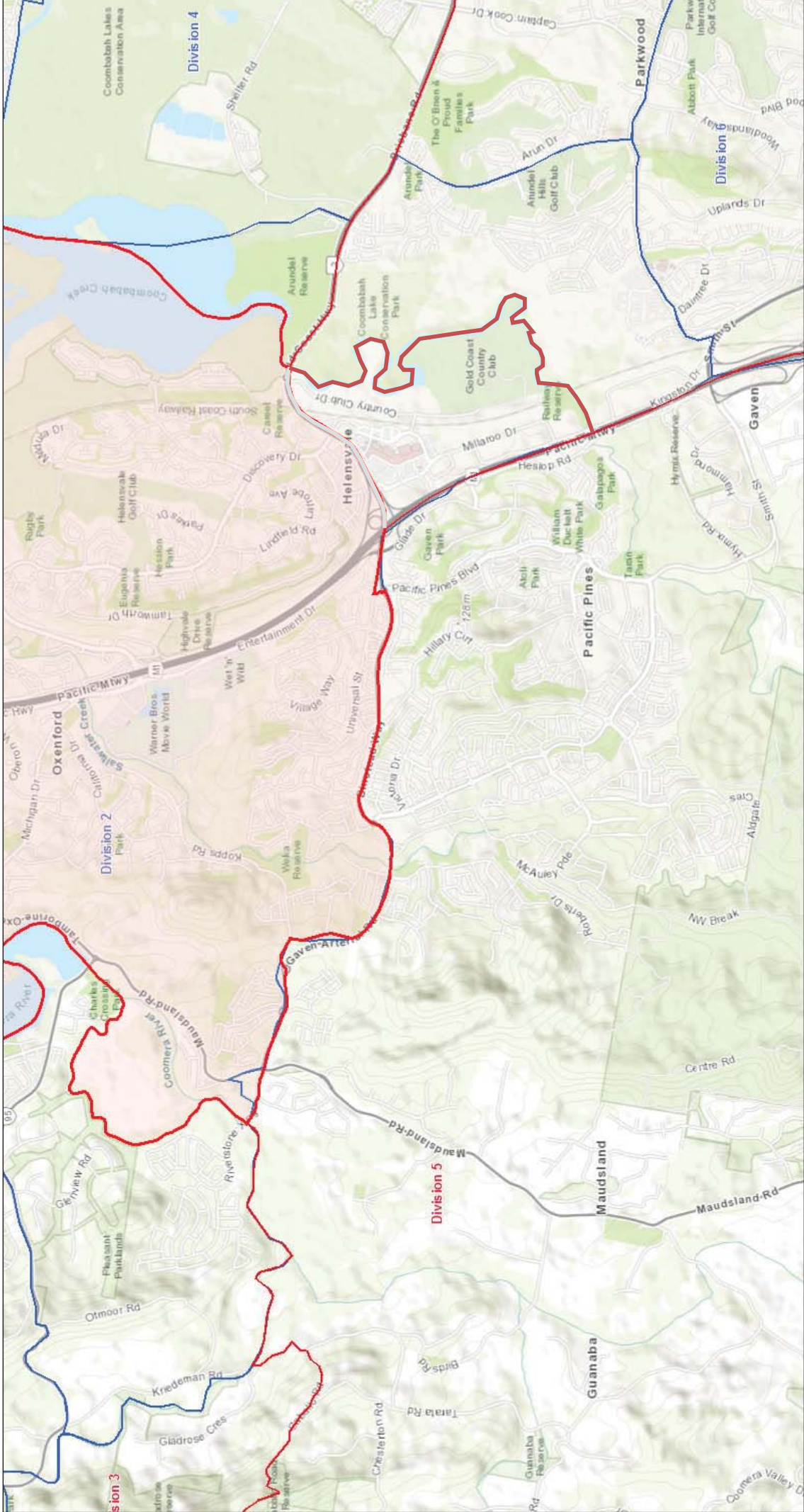
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Proposed Gold Coast City Divisions



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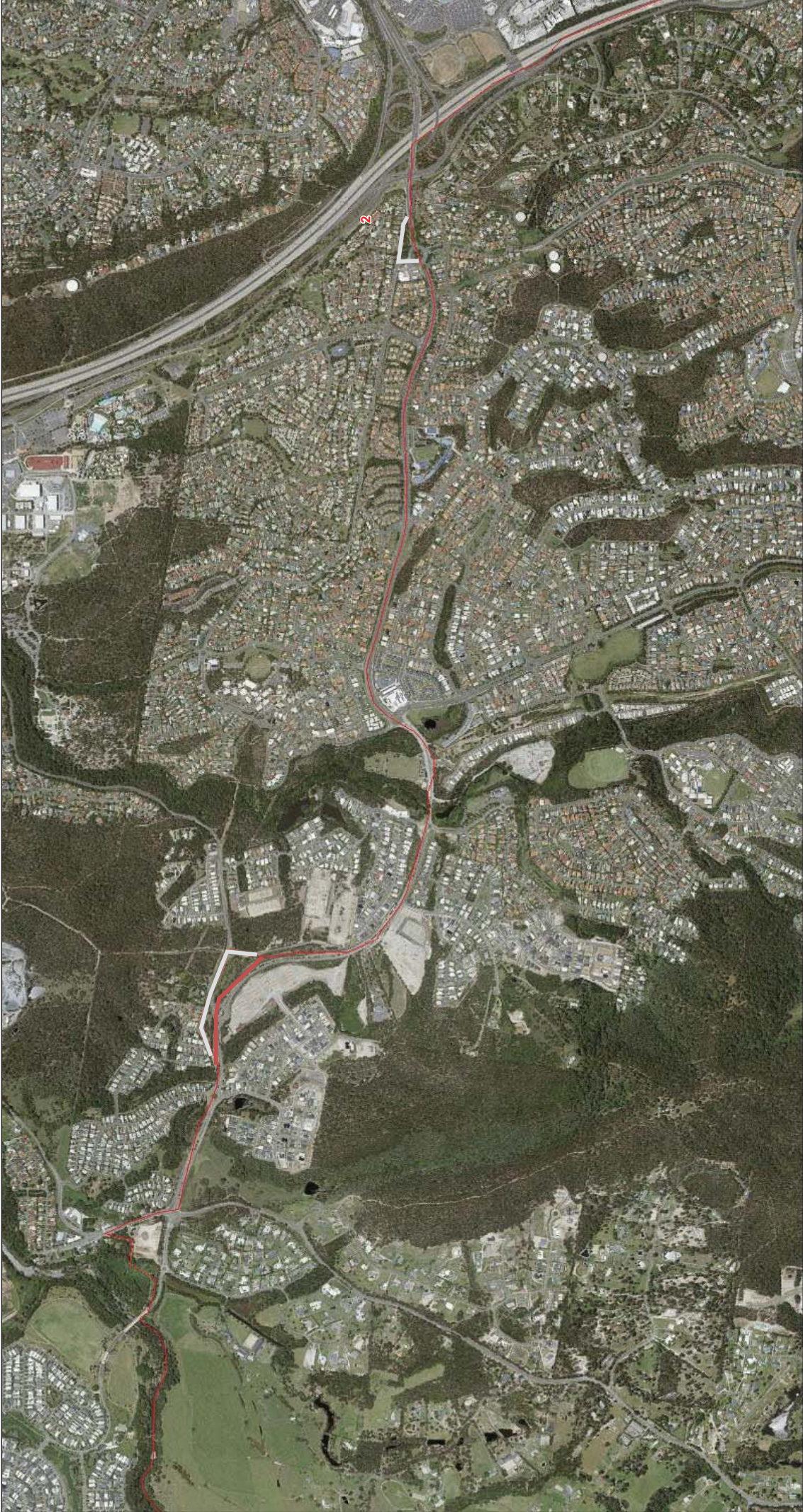
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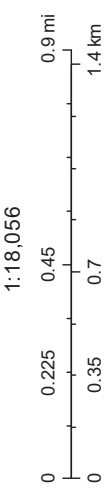
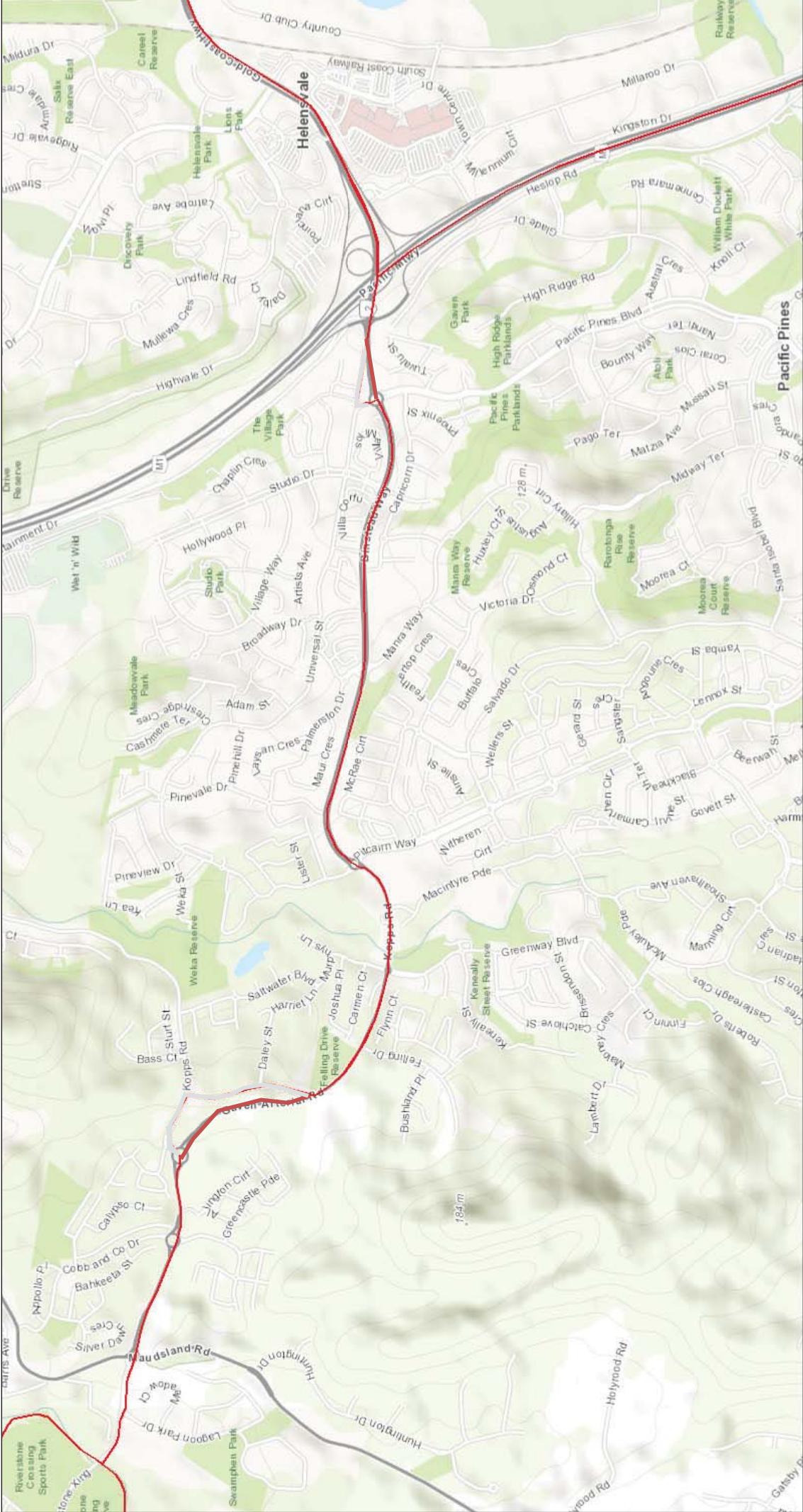
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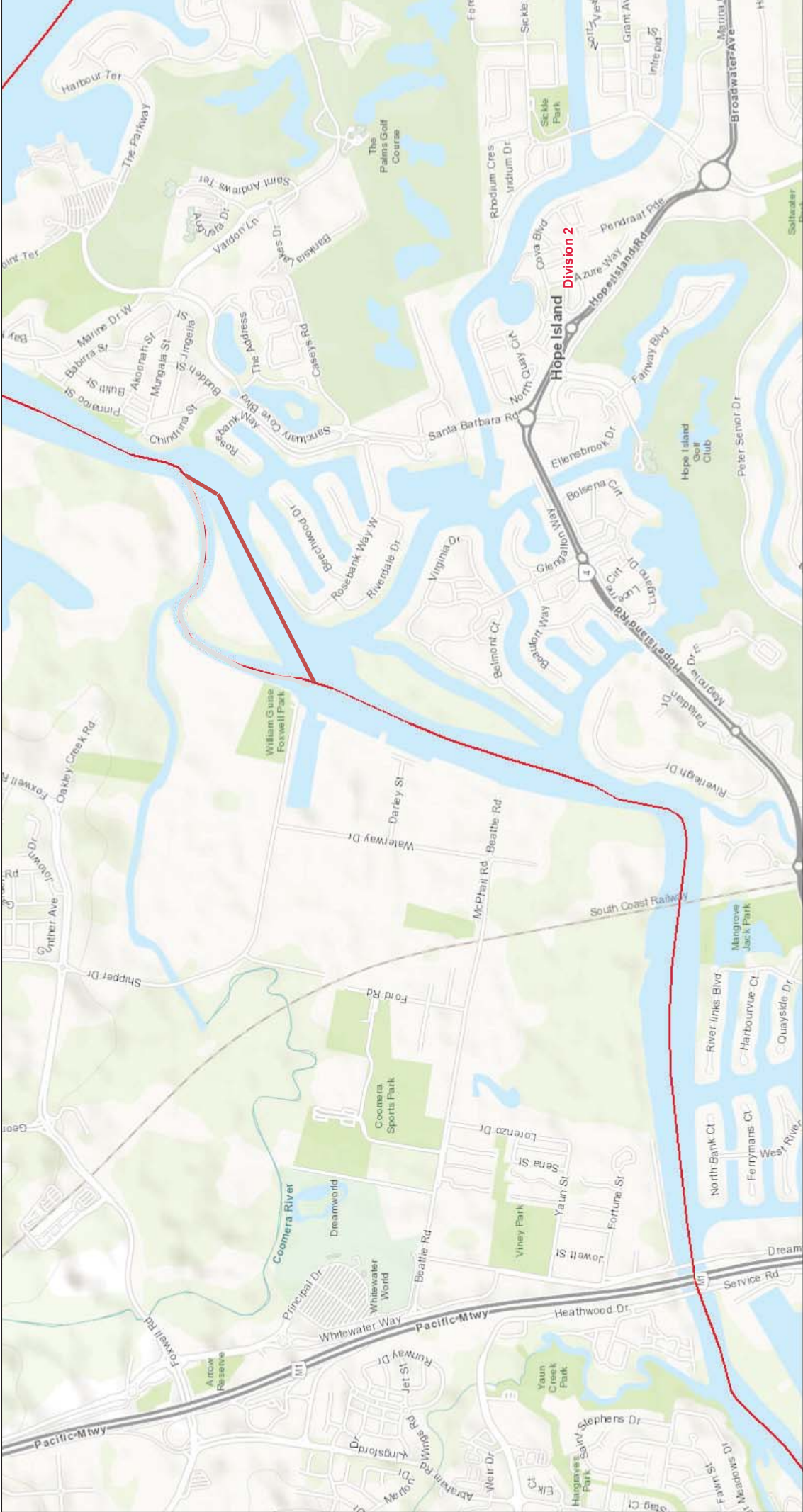
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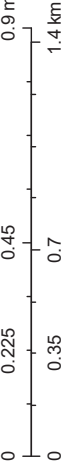
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Email transmission to: LGCCsubmissions@ecq.qld.gov.au

Dear Change Commissioners

RE: SUBMISSION REGARDING CITY OF GOLD COAST DIVISIONAL BOUNDARIES

We write in relation to the proposed redistribution of Council divisional boundaries for the City of Gold Coast.

Robina Group is a property and development corporation primarily focused on the commercial and residential development and growth of Robina through large-scale projects. Robina Group has an important interest in the distribution of Council divisional boundaries within the City, particularly as they relate to the Robina area.

We have reviewed the divisional boundaries and propose an amendment to the Division 11 boundary. Specifically, Robina Group suggests that the proposed Division 11 boundary be amended to extend further north to Boowaggan Road. This amendment is proposed based on the following grounds:

- Extending the divisional boundary north will ensure the residential community in Merrimac is not isolated and the extension of the boundary will assist in connecting and integrating the Merrimac and Robina residential communities.
- Within the proposed extension area, there are major residential development proposals. These new residential communities if established should be integrated with the Robina community and business district and should therefore be co-located in Division 11.

Robina Group is highly invested in the ongoing growth and development of the Robina area and are considerate of the local divisional representation. We believe the suggested amendment to the proposed Division 11 boundary is beneficial for the residential communities and the ongoing commercial success of the area.

We request the proposed amendment to the Division 11 boundaries be considered by the Change Commission based on the grounds presented above.

Yours sincerely



Tony Tippett
Director
Robina Group

Sent: Friday, 12 July 2019 6:52 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4645) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Warwick Ryan

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Warwick Ryan**

Submission Details

Name: Warwick Ryan

Submission Text : I purchased overpriced land at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ! My land value will drop if its changed to pacific pines due to the reputation of pacific pines! My kids attend [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ! Why is this even being debated! Who will compensate me for my land devaluation? Helensvale is on the east of the highway! Does this mean your going to change helensvale plaza to pacific pines plaza?

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Sent: Friday, 12 July 2019 7:27 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4646) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Warwick

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Warwick**

Submission Details

Name: Warwick

Submission Text : The bank would not have approved us buying land at [REDACTED] Pacific
pines=lower glass renters Helensvale=middle-upper glass home owners!

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Sent: Friday, 12 July 2019 9:38 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4647) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Thu

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Thu**

Submission Details

Name: Thu

Submission Text : There should not be any debate about this! The surrounds helensvale is what it is! Will you be changing Helensvale train station to pacific pines train station?! Helensvale plaza to pacific pines plaza?! Another politician looking to justify there job! Don't change anything!

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Sent: Friday, 12 July 2019 9:55 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4648) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Jack hopkins

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Jack hopkins**

Submission Details

Name: Jack hopkins

Submission Text : We have a Gold Coast post code and our electricity comes from the Gold Coast but we have been put in the new scenic rim council. All the farms here are nearly gone and our future is Eco tourism. We need the Gold coasts expertise to properly develop this. Scenic rim are just not geared to meet Beechmont and for that matter tambourine mountains needs going forward. Thanks for your consideration Jack Hopkins

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14th July 2019

Electoral Commission
Queensland
GPO Box 1393, BRISBANE QLD 4001
LGCCsubmissions@ecq.qld.gov.au

Dear Sir/ Madam,
Re: review of Divisional electoral boundaries City of Gold Coast.

I write on behalf of Gecko Environment Council Assoc. Inc. (Gecko) following the publication on the Electoral Commission's website of the proposed new divisional boundaries for the City of Gold Coast.

Gecko supports the proposed new boundaries, even though our previous submission had recommended an additional councillor be considered. The new divisions appear to be equitable in terms of population while still allowing for the inevitable population growth in the north of the city especially in the new Divisions 1 and 3.

We are pleased to see that Division 5 has retained its integrity of boundaries and that Division 13 is a more consolidated urban division. The new Division 10 appears to bring together the high density areas and community of interest for that type of development.

Yours sincerely

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Lois Levy.
Campaign Coordinator.

From: TOZER Glenn
Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 10:55 AM
To: LG CC Submissions
Cc: Division 9
Subject: Submission - Local Government Area of the City of Gold Coast

Dear Commissioner,

With regard to the Commission's Proposal for the Local Government Area of the City of Gold Coast, it is my personal view that the reasonable submissions of residents of Division 9, and those reasonable submissions that pertained to Division 9, including those that formed part of my own submission on behalf of constituents, are appropriately reflected in the Commission's Proposal as outlined in the Proposed Determination Report.

Specifically, the following personal comments address impacts on the current and proposed Division 9;

1. The community of Reedy Creek being added to Division 9 aligns with a perception of a closer relationship those property owners & residents have with Mudgeeraba and the Hinterland, than with the Palm Beach community of their previous Division 13.
2. The community of Highland Park being transferred to Division 5 (Nerang) aligns with a perception of a closer relationship property owners have with their adjacent northern suburbs than with Mudgeeraba and the Hinterland.
3. The retention of northern Worongary in Division 9 aligns with the future planning of the Pacific View Estate town centre and establishes a closer connection that seems to make reasonable sense.

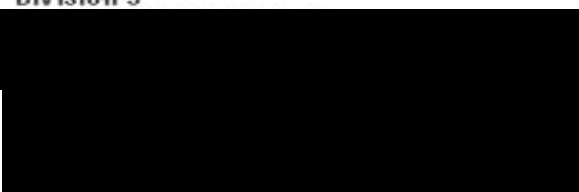
I will remain silent on the remainder of the city, save for acknowledging the difficult task of retaining only 14 divisions and changing relevant boundaries in accordance with submissions and population growth. It would seem those submissions were indeed carefully considered.

Thank you for your diligent work on this project.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Glenn Tozer

Division 9



Mr Pat Vidgen
Electoral Commissioner of Queensland

LGCCsubmissions@ecq.qld.gov.au

15 July 2019

Dear Mr Vidgen,

Local Government Boundary Review – Division 10

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed divisional boundary changes for the City of Gold Coast. I realise there are infinite ways to cut and dice the city geographically and overall, the approach makes good sense.

I made two earlier submissions on this matter. One related to Paradise Point and its negligible association with Coomera. I think the proposed **Division 4** resolves this logically.

My other submission suggested fewer beachfront divisions stretching more north-south than east-west. I refrained from indicating specific boundaries because I was unable to access the detailed population data, but I had imagined the coastal strip in three sections generally related to their urban character: south (Coolangatta to Burleigh); central (North Burleigh to Broadbeach) and north (Surfers Paradise to Main Beach).

As a resident of Broadbeach, the proposal for **Division 10** to merge north with Surfers Paradise, Main Beach and beyond, took me by surprise. Initially, I was disappointed because, Broadbeach, having always been subordinate to Surfers Paradise, is now maturing as a destination with its own distinctive character. However, I also recognize potential opportunities for better coordination and integration of council planning, development, transport and services.

The proposed Division 10 area encompasses almost the entire resort tourism and entertainment heart of the city. This area is undergoing massive change, due, in part, to the council's 2016 City Plan which supercharged development with unlimited building height designation from the top of Mermaid Beach to Main Beach. To accord accurately with this, it would be logical to move the boundary several streets further south to Peerless and Surfers Avenues. Importantly, this will also enable inclusion of Pacific Fair, Broadbeach South Light Rail Station, Broadbeach State School and Pratten Park, which all identify closely with Broadbeach.

I attach a diagram with the City Plan building heights overlay map to demonstrate this. I do hope it can be considered as a variation to the southern boundary of Division 10 before the review is finalised.

Thank you,

Tory Jones

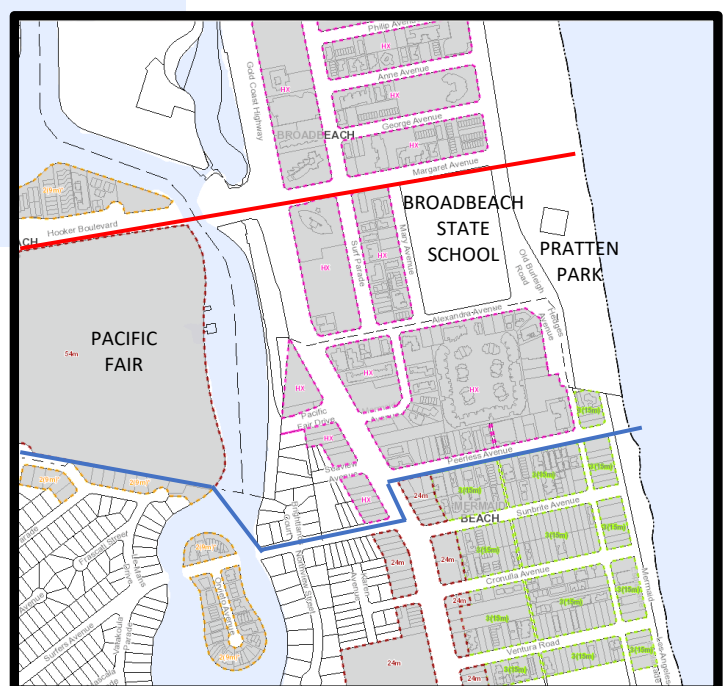
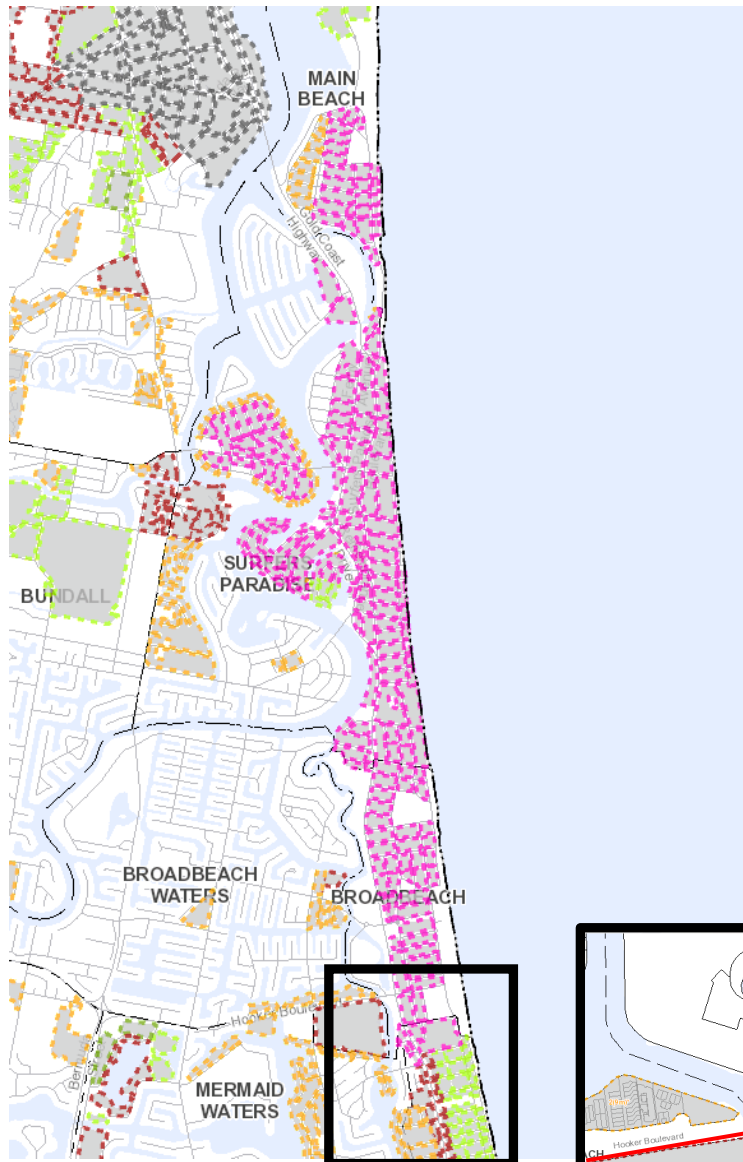
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Enc – Division 10 southern boundary variation diagram

GOLD COAST CITY PLAN – BUILDING HEIGHT OVERLAY MAP DIVISION 10 AREA

Insert shows:

- currently proposed southern boundary in red
- suggested southern boundary in blue



Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 1:59 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4651) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Marian Ware

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Marian Ware**

Submission Details

Name: Marian Ware

Submission Text : I support the changes to Division 11

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Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 2:10 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4653) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Helen Devine

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Helen Devine**

Submission Details

Name: Helen Devine

Submission Text : I am happy with the division boundary as it is now.

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Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 2:12 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4654) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Jenny Richards

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Jenny Richards**

Submission Details

Name: Jenny Richards

Submission Text : I agree with the proposed boundary change for Division 11. It groups all of Robina into the division, and the Varsity Lakes component is unchanged.

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Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 2:21 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4770) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Richard Mills

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Richard Mills**

Submission Details

Name: Richard Mills

Submission Text : I have only today read about your proposed electoral changes for Gold Coast divisions and am very disappointed that there has not been enough publicity to engage public feedback. This situation, to someone like me who reads newspapers daily, seems ridiculous and, perhaps, slightly underhand, ie. not really welcoming public opinion just in case it opposes your proposals. Personally, as a resident of Burleigh Waters for over 20 years I am quite opposed to the change to make residents south of Christine Avenue and east of Maddocks Road (and even the M1) become part of the Mermaid division. Surely Burleigh Waters residents belong to Burleigh ! Trying to make each person's vote equal to each other is great in theory but does not exist and would be impossible to implement. This is not about a gerrymander of the electoral system to influence the outcome of the local elections, surely ?

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Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 2:59 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4842) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Robyn Wells

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Robyn Wells**

Submission Details

Name: Robyn Wells

Submission Text : I am writing to request that our address [REDACTED] remains in Division 11

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Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 3:48 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4844) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Jennifer Barwick

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Jennifer Barwick**

Submission Details

Name: Jennifer Barwick

Submission Text : I'm am extremely please to see the electoral submission for Division 11 Gold Coast and encourage the state Govt to carry through with their proposal.

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Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 4:08 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4845) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Glenn Feldwick

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Glenn Feldwick**

Submission Details

Name: Glenn Feldwick

Submission Text : Dear AEC, I am very happy with the proposed changes to the boundary of Division 11, having had it explained to me. I look forward to the changes being implemented. Sincerely Glenn Feldwick

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Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 4:11 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4846) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Sacha

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Sacha**

Submission Details

Name: Sacha

Submission Text : Happy with submission, support

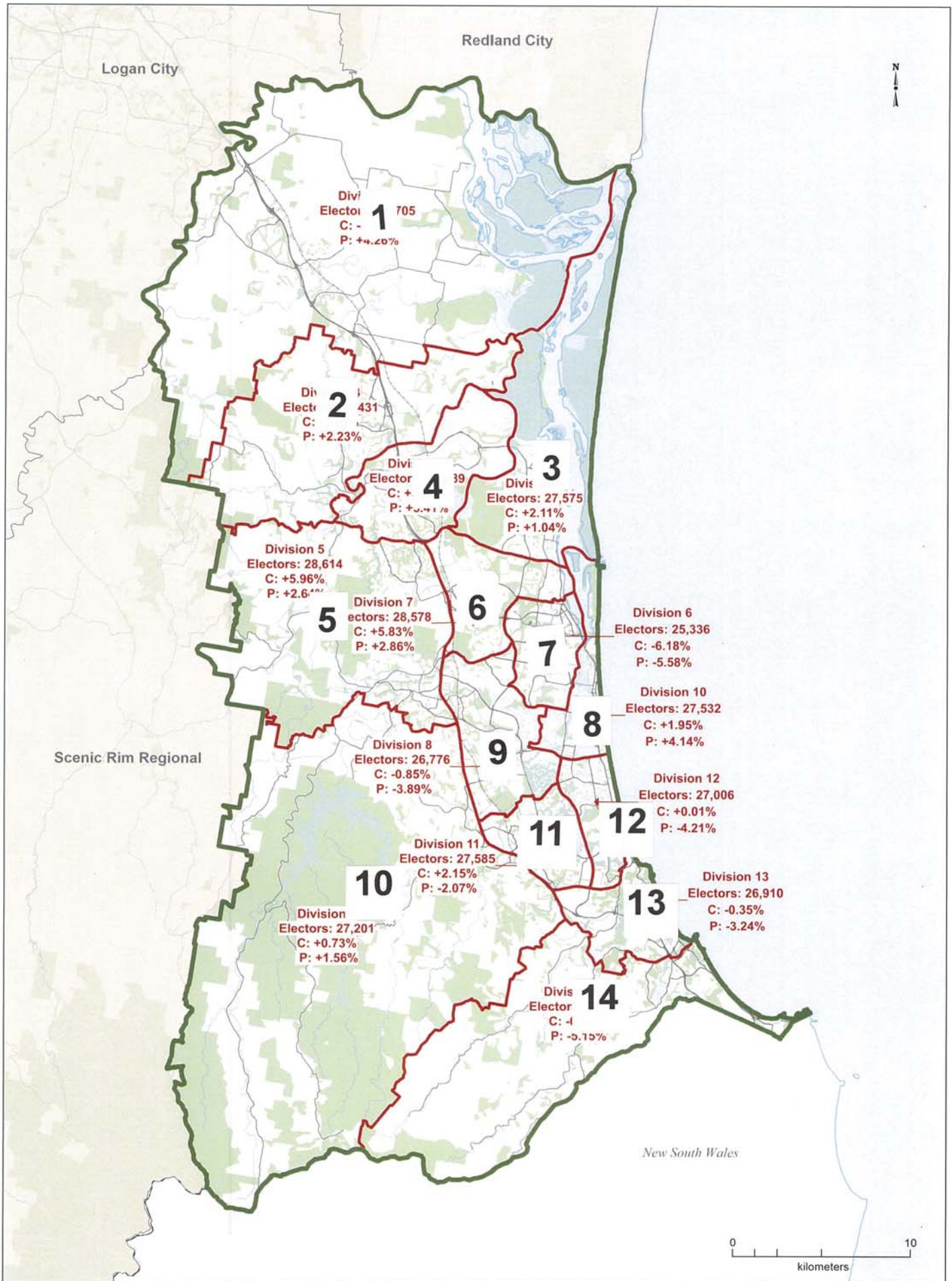
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From: Brett Anderson
Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 4:16 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: Boundary alignment
Attachments: Divisional Boundaries Proposal.pdf; ATT00001.txt

To whom it may concern,

I think this mapping will be beneficial for the new boundary alignment.

GOLD COAST CITY Proposed Electoral Divisions



Council Boundary
 Proposed Division Boundary
 Adjacent Council
 Park/Reserve
 Watercourse/Waterbody
 Major Roadway

From: CALDWELL Cameron
Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 4:19 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: City of Gold Coast
Attachments: Divisional Boundaries Proposal.pdf

Dear Local Government Change Commission

Please see **attached** a map that has been prepared to address the numbering of divisions.

The draft boundaries provide an opportunity for a logical coherent numbering strategy, adhering to a north to south approach that has traditionally been used in the Gold Coast Local Government area since amalgamation..

The numbering in the draft boundary proposal has clear anomalies in the approach as it is a mix of retention of existing boundaries, adjusted boundaries, and entirely different geographical areas not relating to previous numbering which I submit should be clarified in the finalisation of the boundaries.

There is also an opportunity to reflect the geographic features and the names of former Mayors in the names of the proposed areas.

The numbers identified on the map could relate to the following:

1. Canelands
2. Diamond Head
3. Waterways
4. Helensvale
5. Nerang Forest
6. Clarke
7. Baildon
8. Bell
9. Guragunbah
10. Hinterland
11. Stevens
12. Robina
13. Palm Beach
14. Valleys

Cr Baildon who is a former Mayor has announced his retirement at the upcoming election.

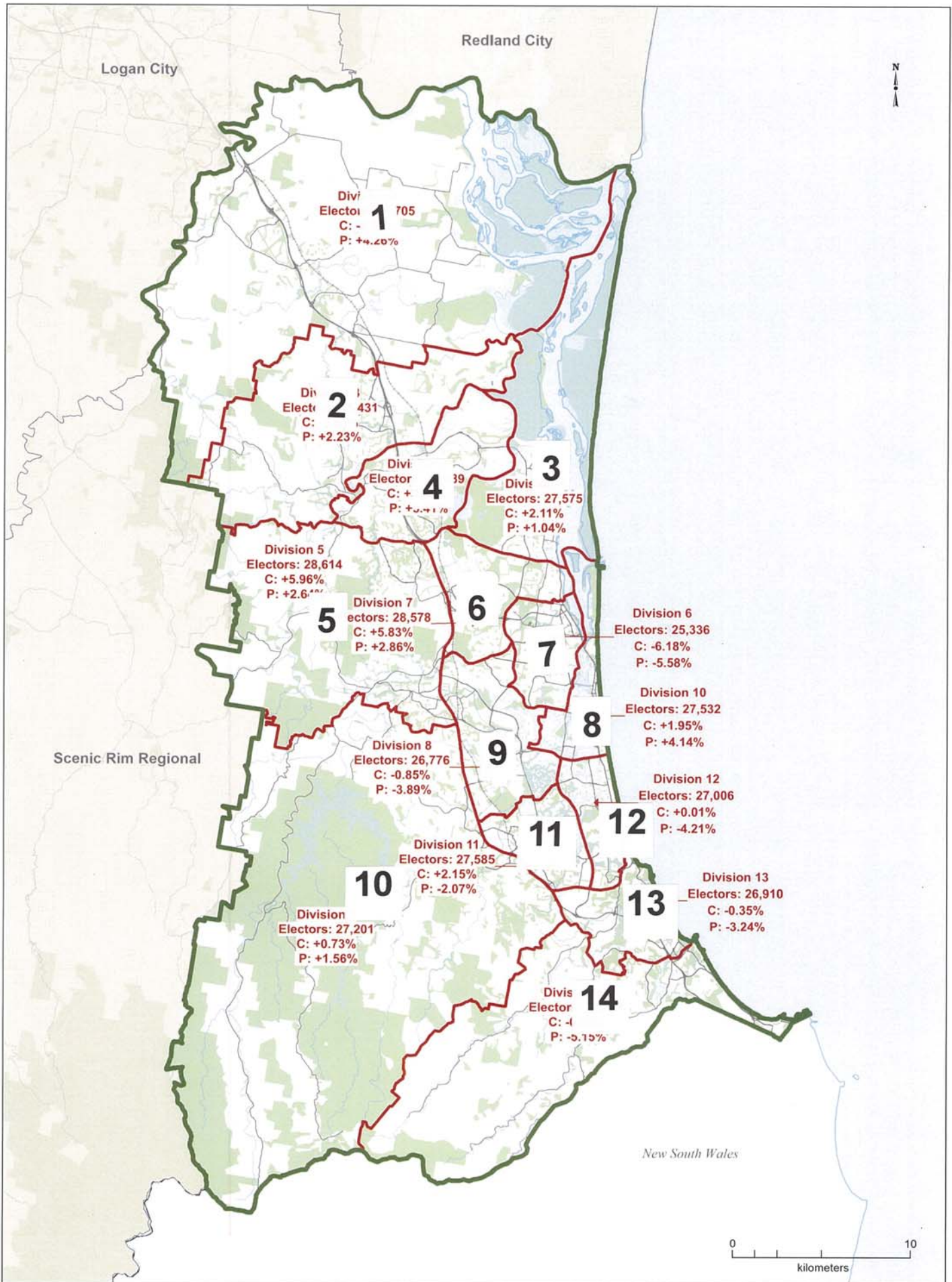
The names are specifically selected to not clash with state or federal seats.

I trust that the Commission will have favourable regard to this submission and I look forward to your decision in due course.

Regards,

Cameron Caldwell

GOLD COAST CITY Proposed Electoral Divisions



Council Boundary
 Proposed Division Boundary
 Adjacent Council
 Park/Reserve
 Watercourse/Waterbody
 Major Roadway

Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 4:48 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (4847) Gold Coast City Local Government Area - Stefan Popov

Online submission for **Gold Coast City Local Government Area** from **Stefan Popov**

Submission Details

Name: Stefan Popov

Submission Text : I am happy for the existing proposal to go through.

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PHONE 1300 300 734
DATE 23 July 2019



Phone enquiries: 1300 300 734
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Electoral Commission of Queensland
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BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Sir/Madam,

R.E: Correspondence incorrectly received by the Office of State Revenue

Please find enclosed forwarded correspondence that was received on 22 July 2019. This correspondence was wrongly received because it was addressed to one of Office of State Revenues GPO boxes.

If you have any questions, contact us on 1300 300 734.

Regards,

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Gary J Baildon AM., KSJ., D.Univ (Griffith)
Councillor Division 7



CITY OF
GOLD COAST™

5 July 2019

Electoral Commission of Queensland
GPO Box 139
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Commissioner

I write with regard to the proposed determination of City of Gold Coast internal boundaries recently published by the Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ). I believe the revised boundaries proposed for Division 10 are not in the best interests of residents and the City and I ask that you reconsider the boundaries suggested in your proposal.

My major concern is the inclusion of the significant business centres of Broadbeach and Surfers Paradise in the one Division. Noting that the current Division 7 already contains Surfers Paradise, Main Beach and Chevron Island, I strongly believe that the addition of Broadbeach would create an unreasonable workload for one Councillor, which would ultimately be to the detriment of the interests of residents and the significant business community in the Division you are proposing.

Whilst the overall number of residents in the proposed Division 10 would be comparable to the City's other Divisions as required under legislation, the strategic and operational challenges relevant to Surfers Paradise and Broadbeach, and to a lesser extent Main Beach and Chevron Island, are immense including:

- Surfers Paradise and Broadbeach being the suburbs that receive the most amount of tourists to the City;
- Current challenges facing Surfers Paradise in particular including a Council approved master planning process that is about to commence to look at the revitalisation of Surfers Paradise and the level of resident and business interest likely to be generated by this project;
- Major community and tourism infrastructure located in the proposed Division 10 including the Star Casino, the Convention Centre, The Light Rail and the City's major cultural precinct (currently under development); and
- The volume of major events that currently occur within the proposed Division 10 which probably equals or exceeds the number of major events occurring across the entire balance of the City.

For these reasons I propose that the southern boundary of the proposed Division 10 should go no lower than Armrick Avenue, Broadbeach, thereby ensuring that the business districts of Surfers Paradise and Broadbeach are located in separate Council Divisions as they always have been.

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I appreciate that this would require the proposed Division 10 to pick up additional electors and that this would have knock on effects on other Divisions. I make the following suggestions to deal with that issue:

- The proposed western boundary of Division 10 could be pushed further west to pick up more of the suburb of Bundall including the horse racing precinct and residential areas surrounding same; and
- Division 12 to the south could be extended north to include the business district of Broadbeach thereby uniting that area with the major retail precinct of Pacific Fair which has traditionally been the case.

In making this submission, I wish to confirm that I do not intend to seek re-election at the 2020 elections and therefore I can assure you there is no self-interest in what I am proposing.

Having been a long serving Councillor of the Surfers Paradise area and former Mayor of the City I believe I am well placed to provide this advice, which I believe to be in the best interests of the Gold Coast and the residents and businesses of Surfers Paradise and Broadbeach.

Yours sincerely



Gary J Baidon AM, D.Div (Griffith)
Councillor Division 7

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