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Dear esteemed Board of the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority,

As members of the historic Japantown neighborhood, we have reviewed the SCVOSA's Draft Plans to modify district boundaries and respectfully ask that our Japantown neighborhood be preserved in its entirety. We do not believe that bisecting our community is helpful for future planning and input with regards to access to green spaces.

Our west and east boundaries are North 1st to the Union Pacific Rail Road tracks (near North 7th Street), north to Hedding Street and south to Empire Street. Fourth Street is technically the physical center of Japantown. I have attached a screenshot of the City of San Jose ARCGIS map designating our district. The SCVOSA proposed redistricting divides both the Japantown Business Improvement District and Japantown Neighborhood Association.

<https://www.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=3c5516412b594e79bd25c49f10fc672f>

Please consider keeping Japantown intact within a single district. Thank you.

Regards,  
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