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This is addressed to all but more specifically Mike Kozlowski since it is his belief those living in Lexington are insignificant, disposable, and provide no value based upon his comments. Comparing the splitting of Lexington to that of Chicago is insensitive and out of touch with his own community. Both maps Council has put up for consideration divide the LPE wetlands and clearly split the neighborhood known as Lexington-Parkway intentionally while leaving others intact. If those words do not scream discrimination to you, perhaps reevaluating why you ran for City Council in the first place may be in order.

The people of Lexington fought to ensure development did not destroy valuable wetlands, and with a swipe of a pen, Council has erased <u>decades</u> of hard work. You know the wetlands I'm talking about, Mike. Right? They are the ones sitting in the Parkway giving esthetic and value to your neighborhood so you can sell your home at a pretty good price. So the next time you see one of us inconsequential Lexington people out and about in the community, be sure to shake our hand while looking us in the eye.

When Council does not listen to the public, it creates animosity and distrust, which ultimately puts the City in a position to defend lawsuits. Knowing little about the lawsuit served upon the City that forced the community into by-districts, it is reasonable to assume the lawsuit was filed because voters were tired of not being heard and having self-interests put above the public interest. As I understood the City demographer's comments, Council has two options: (1) go forward with the two maps currently proposed by the demographer, or (2) reject the demographer's maps and create a completely new one. Option 2 sounds like a good olive branch to me.

For your convince, I have attached a map outlining the wetlands that extend from Lexington/Parkway into Empire Ranch so can take pleasure in boasting about your destruction. Right, Mike?