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1 Section 1. The 2020-2022 Redistricting Committee is hereby established
2 for the purpose of reviewing the 2020 Census data and making
3 recommendations regarding redistricting of City Council Districts.

4 Section 2. The Redistricting Committee shall provide a fair and balanced
5 representation of all geographical areas of the City in the redistricting process
6 and provide a total membership that reflects the racial, ethnic, and gender
7 makeup of the City’s population.

8 Section 3. The Redistricting Committee shall consist of nine members,
9 one from each Council District. Each Committee member shall be an elector
10 and resident of the Council District they represent. In addition, there shall be
11 nine alternate members of the Committee, one from each Council District, who
12 are electors and residents of the district represented. Following the
13 requirements in Section 2 above, each Councilor shall appoint the Committee
14 member and alternate from his or her district. Each alternate may attend and
15 participate in all meetings and functions of the Committee, but may not vote
16 on any question unless the Committee member is absent at the time of the
17 vote.

18 Section 4. All meetings of the Redistricting Committee shall comply with
19 the State Open Meetings Act, Sections 10-15-1 et seq. NMSA 1978.

20 Section 5. The task of the Redistricting Committee is to use the
21 population data from the official 2020 U.S. Census along with any other
22 pertinent information to make a report recommending changes in the Council
23 District boundaries that the Committee decides are necessary and/or
24 desirable, taking into account the following:

25 A. The need to comply with Constitutional principles governing voting
26 rights, population, and other related factors;

27 B. The desirability of Council Districts that are relatively compact with
28 as few geometric extremes as possible; and

29 C. Adherence to existing precinct boundary lines.

30 Section 6. The Redistricting Committee shall select a chair and a vice-
31 chair from among its members, shall require five members to constitute a
32 quorum for purposes of conducting business, and shall conduct its meetings
33 generally in accordance with the rules of procedure of the City Council. For all

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1 motions other than motions to adopt the Committee’s final recommendations,
2 a motion is adopted by an affirmative vote of a majority of members present.
3 For motions to adopt the Committee’s final recommendations, an affirmative
4 vote of a majority of all members is required. The Committee’s final
5 recommendations may include one or more maps for the City Council to
6 consider. The foregoing does not prohibit the submission of a minority report
7 to the Council.

8 Section 7. The Redistricting Committee shall receive training and
9 background information from consultants and staff on topics relevant to the
10 Committee’s task, including, but not limited to, the timelines for redistricting,
11 the requirements of the federal Voting Rights Act, relevant federal and state
12 court decisions, and the data available from the U.S. Census Bureau. The
13 Committee shall meet as many times as it deems necessary to produce its
14 recommendations within required deadlines or timeframes. The Committee
15 shall begin meeting in March 2022 and the Committee shall submit a final
16 recommendation to the City Council by no later than July 1st 2022.

17 Section 8. The Redistricting Committee shall be provided staff support
18 from the Council’s contractor(s), Council Services, and the City Attorney to
19 carry out its tasks.

20 Section 9. R-10-109 (Enactment R-2010-103), which established the
21 redistricting committee for the 2010 census, is now obsolete and is hereby
22 repealed.

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