



County Executive Office

Memorandum

December 2, 2021

To:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

From:

Frank Kim, County Executive Officer

Subject:

Exception to Rule 21

of Orange, ou=CEO, Date: 2021.12.02 11:48:06

The County Executive Office is requesting a Supplemental Agenda Staff Report for the December 7, 2021, Board Hearing.

Agency:

County Executive Office

Subject:

Adoption of 2021 Redistricting Map Ordinance

Districts:

All Districts

Reason for supplemental: The County Executive Office is requesting this Supplemental item be placed on the December 7, 2021, Board agenda as the final redistricting map was adopted on November 22, 2021, and the ordinance must be considered no later than December 14, 2021, to meet the deadline set by statue for adoption of the final redistricting map. This Agenda Staff Report and attachments were finalized after the filing deadline to the Clerk of the Board.

Andrew Do, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

cc:

Board of Supervisors County Executive Office

County Counsel



SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA ITEM AGENDA STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE:

12/7/21

LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION:

Board of Supervisors

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S):

All Districts

SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:

County Executive Office

DEPARTMENT HEAD REVIEW:

Department Head Signature

DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON(S):

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SUBJECT: Adoption of 2021 Redistricting Map Ordinance

CEO CONCUR

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW

Approve Ordinance to Form

Action

Nicole Walsh

CEO Signature

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County Counsel Signature

Public Hearing

3 Votes Board Majority

CLERK OF THE BOARD

Budgeted: N/A

Current Year Cost: N/A

Annual Cost: N/A

Staffing Impact: N/A

of Positions:

Sole Source: N/A

Current Fiscal Year Revenue: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

County Audit in last 3 years N/A

Prior Board Action: 11/21/2021 #1, 11/16/2021 #37, 11/9/2021 #1, 11/2/2021 #23

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

- Read Title of Ordinance. 1.
- 2. Order further reading of the ordinance be waived.
- 3. Conduct public hearing.
- 4. Adopt 2021 Redistricting Map Ordinance.

SUMMARY: Adoption of the 2021 Redistricting Map Ordinance will allow the Board of Supervisors to approve new district lines to reflect the changes due to the 2020 Census date and meet the December 15, 2021, deadline for adoption of new Supervisorial District Boundaries.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Every 10 years, local governments use new Census data to redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed. This process, called redistricting, is important in ensuring that each board member represents about the same number of constituents. In Orange County, the Board of Supervisors (Board) is responsible for adopting boundaries for Supervisorial Districts following the federal decennial Census.

Under Assembly Bill (AB) 849, cities and counties are required to engage communities in the redistricting process by holding a minimum of four public meetings and/or workshops and doing public outreach, including to non-English-speaking communities. The County exceeded these requirements and conducted five evening workshops throughout the County that was also streamed online with a phone-in option in August to gather input and information on communities of interest prior to receipt of the data and the drawing of any maps. The Board also conducted public hearings as part of its regular Board meetings on June 22, 2021, July 27, 2021, September 28, 2021, November 2, 2021, November 9, 2021, November 16, 2021, and November 22. Staff also conducted a virtual public workshop on September 29, 2021, prior to the opening of the public map submission period to provide information on redistricting data and an Esri, Inc. (Esri) software overview. Information on these workshops was provided in the County's threshold language and translators in the County's threshold languages were made available upon request.

After release of the adjusted data by the state, the public was invited to submit maps through the Esri software from October 1-15, 2021. On November 2, 2021, the Board conducted a public hearing and received public testimony on eight proposed maps received during the submission period; they were numbered 1 through 8. At the November 2, 2021, meeting, the Board tabled maps 1, 3, 6, 7 and 8, and advanced maps 2, 4 and 5. Following the Board meeting, Board members submitted their map revisions to map proposals 2, 4 and 5, through Esri software. On November 9, 2021, the Board received public comments on the revised map proposals, which included revisions to map proposals 2 (2A), 4 (4A, 4B, 4C) and 5 (5A, 5B) and voted to allow each Board member to submit one additional map revision for consideration along with the other maps at the November 16, 2021, Board meeting. At the November 16, 2021, Board meeting, the Board considered in addition to the prior maps, new revisions to the prior maps -2A-1, 4C-1, 5A-1 and 5B-1 and decided to advance two maps for consideration at the November 22, 2021, meeting. The map proposals advanced were labeled 4C-1 and 5A-1.

At the November 22, 2021, Board meeting, the Board selected map 5A-1 and directed staff to prepare the ordinance for consideration at the December 7, 2021, Board meeting. Map 5A-1 complies with state and federal law. The Supervisorial Districts in the selected map are substantially equal in population, with a population spread of 9.58 percent. The selected map also creates a district with a majority-minority Latino citizen voting age population in District 2. Finally, the selected map complies with the requirements of the Elections Code, Section 21500: (1) the districts are geographically contiguous; (2) local communities of interests are respected; (3) the division of cities and census designated places is minimized; (4) the boundaries are easily identifiable; and (5) the districts are compact.

Upon approval of the ordinance, the new Supervisorial District map will become effective January 6, 2022. A Supervisor, regardless of if they reside in the newly drawn district, will continue to represent the same numbered district, with the new boundaries, to which they were elected through the remainder of their term.

The County's 2021 redistricting website at www.ocgov.com/redistricting will remain active for 10 years as required by law. In addition, details of the map approved by the Board by ordinance are viewable on the County's redistricting website.

The Board received updates on the 2021 Redistricting Process at its February 23, 2021, and June 22, 2021, Board meetings. The Board also adopted the 2021 Public Participation Plan on July 27, 2021.

Other prior actions taken by the Board related to the 2021 redistricting include approval of a contract for Redistricting Support Services with CSU Fullerton Auxiliary Services Corporation on December 8, 2020, and a contract amendment with Esri for the Redistricting Solution on May 25, 2021.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

STAFFING IMPACT:

ATTACHMENT(S):

Attachment A - Assembly Bill AB 849

Attachment B - Ordinance Adopting Supervisorial District Map

Attachment C - Elections Code, Section 21500