

ORDINANCE NO. 2386

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, AMENDING SECTION 1704(B) TO CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE I OF THE ARCADIA MUNICIPAL CODE DEFINING CITY COUNCIL ELECTORAL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, AND ADOPTING REVISED CITY COUNCIL ELECTORAL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AS SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT "A"

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2017, the City Council of the City of Arcadia adopted Ordinance No. 2350, changing the City's at-large election system to by-district Council Member elections, and adopting boundaries for the City's five City Council electoral districts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code § 21601, following each decennial federal census, the City Council shall, by ordinance, adjust the boundaries of any or all City Council electoral districts so that the districts shall be generally equal in population as possible and shall comply with all applicable provisions of 42 USC § 1073, as amended; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Fair And Inclusive Redistricting for Municipalities And Political Subdivisions ("FAIR MAPS") Act (AB 849) amended the process and criteria by which the City Council must evaluate and adjust its electoral district boundaries; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the FAIR MAPS Act, the City of Arcadia held public hearings on August 17, 2021, November 29, 2021, February 7, 2022, and March 1, 2022, and a Community Workshop was held in-lieu of a public hearing on November 10, 2021, to receive public input on communities of interest and the redrawing of City Council electoral districts; and

WHEREAS, in establishing district boundaries, the City Council has considered the following factors: (a) topography, (b) geography, (c) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory, and (d) communities of interest of the districts; and

WHEREAS, at the March 18, 2022, Special City Council Meeting, the City Council continued discussion to introduction of an Ordinance to the April 5, 2022, City Council Meeting, to adopt one of the seven final maps currently under City Council consideration; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the FAIR MAPS Act, the seven final maps were posted on the city's website at ArcadiaCA.gov/redistricting for public inspection prior to adoption; and

WHEREAS, the seven final maps under consideration are as follows: Map 103, Map 114 (revised), Map 115 (revised), Map 115 (revised 2), Map 115 (revised 4), Map 116, and Map 118; and

WHEREAS, at the March 15, 2022, City Council Meeting, pursuant to Elections Code § 10010(a)(2), the City Council held a public hearing to select a final map and at its April 5, 2022, Meeting, the City Council selected Map _____, herein attached as Exhibit "A" to this Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, CALIFORNIA, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The recitals set forth above are true and correct and are hereby adopted as findings in support of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. The map attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and incorporated herein by reference, shall be and hereby is adopted as the five City Council electoral district boundaries for the City of Arcadia.

SECTION 3. City Council elections shall continue to be conducted "by-district" as provided in Government Code § 34871(a).

SECTION 4. Section 1704(B) to Chapter 7 of Article I of the Arcadia Municipal Code is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

“City Council Districts and District Elections. All five Councilmembers shall be elected on a “by-district” basis from the Council districts shown and numbered on the map titled “City of Arcadia 2022 Redistricting Plan _____” attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, as posted on the City’s website, ArcadiaCA.gov/redistricting and copy of which shall be on file in the City Clerk’s Office. In 2022, and every year four years thereafter, the following three City Council electoral districts shall be elected by-district: District 2, District 3, and District 5. In 2024, and every four years thereafter, the following two City Council electoral districts shall be elected by district: District 1 and District 4.”

SECTION 5. The City Council finds that this Ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause a copy of same to be published at least once in the official newspaper of the City within fifteen (15) days after its adoption. This Ordinance shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after its adoption.

[SIGNATURES ON THE NEXT PAGE]

Passed, approved and adopted this _____ day of April, 2022.

Mayor of the City of Arcadia

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Stephen P. Deitsch
Stephen P. Deitsch
City Attorney

EXHIBIT "A"