

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT ADJUSTING BOUNDARIES OF DIRECTOR ELECTORAL DIVISIONS

The Board of Directors ("Board") of the Mission Springs Water District does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1: The Board finds and determines:

- (a) The U.S. Census Bureau is required by Article I, Section 2, of the U.S. Constitution to conduct an accurate count of the population every ten years;
- (b) California Elections Code Section 22000 *et seq.* requires that "after each federal decennial census, and using that census as a basis, adjust the boundaries of any divisions so that the divisions are, as far as practicable, equal in population and in compliance with Section 10301 of Title 52 of the United States Code, as amended, to the extent those provisions apply;"
- (c) The California Elections Code Section 22000.1(b)(1) requires that the Board adopt adjusted division boundaries no later than April 17, 2022;
- (d) The Board held public hearings on December 20, 2021, February 22, 2022, and March 21, 2022 to receive public testimony relating to redistricting criteria and communities of interest, and directed staff and the District's demographic consultant to prepare draft division plans for consideration;
- (e) At its February 22, 2022 public hearing, the Board received a presentation on two draft maps (i.e., Map Option 1 and Map Option 2) prepared by the District's demographic consultant for compliance with applicable laws and standards;
- (f) At its February 22, 2022 public hearing, the Board expressed preference for Map Option 2 ("Preferred Map") and directed no changes to it;
- (g) At each of the public hearings on redistricting, the Board heard staff's presentation relating to "communities of interest," which led the Board to reach the following determinations about communities of interest on the Preferred Map relevant to Mission Springs Water District voting divisions as required under federal and state law:
 - (1) *The divisions are geographically contiguous.* The divisions are arrayed in a simple and logical form without any islands and minimal intrusions from the area of one division into another;
 - (2) *To the extent practicable, the Preferred Map respects the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods and local communities of interest.* The map redraws division lines to better align with communities of interest and most other County municipalities.

- (3) *The Preferred Map respects the geographic integrity of cities and census designated places, with divisions in those cities and places minimized.* The Preferred Map also respects in large part the jurisdictional boundaries of the County's other cities and special districts.
- (4) *The divisions are easily identifiable and understandable by residents.* The divisions in the Preferred Map form a relatively simple pattern.
- (5) *To the extent practicable, the divisions are geographically compact.* Their configurations for the most part are compact, simple shapes, with nearby populations included in the same divisions.
- (6) *The divisions are balanced in terms of total population and voting age population.* The divisions are well within the one-person/one-vote deviations permitted under federal and state voting rights laws.
- (7) *The divisions conform to concentration of minority voters.*

(h) All information in the staff reports, maps, presentations, Board debate and public testimony referenced above is hereby incorporated into this decision and serves as evidentiary basis for these findings and legislative decision.

SECTION 2: Pursuant to the provisions of the Fair Maps Act of 2019 as amended in 2020, codified at California Elections Code section 21500 to 21509, after giving consideration to those provisions and applicable decisions of the courts, the Board hereby adjusts, changes, and establishes the boundaries of the director divisions as set forth on the Preferred Map considered by the Board at its public hearing on March 21, 2022, and reflected in Exhibits A and B hereto, and they shall constitute and are hereby established as the boundaries of the director divisions of the Mission Springs Water District for subsequent elections until further readjustment is required by law.

SECTION 3: Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, and pursuant to California Elections Code section 22000, subdivision (e)(1) and (2), each of the directors in office at the time this Ordinance takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of the full term to which he or she was elected and until his or her successor is qualified, and any vacancy in a term currently underway shall be filled based on the divisions in effect at the time the current directors were elected

SECTION 4: All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: The General Manager is directed to take all necessary steps to give effect to this Ordinance. If necessary to facilitate the implementation of this Ordinance, the General Manager or his or her designee is authorized to make technical adjustments to the division boundaries that do not substantively affect the populations in the divisions, the eligibility of candidates, or the residence of elected officials within any division. The

General Manager shall consult with District General Counsel concerning any technical adjustments deemed necessary and shall advise the Board of any such adjustments required in the implementation of the divisions.

SECTION 6: This Ordinance is adopted following three noticed public hearings as required by California Elections Code section 22001, and shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon adoption.

SECTION 7: This Ordinance shall become effective immediately pursuant to California Water Code section 31027.

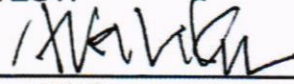
ADOPTED this 21st day of March 2022, by the following vote:

Ayes: Duncan, Grasha, Martin, Sewell, Wright
Noes:
Absent:
Abstain:



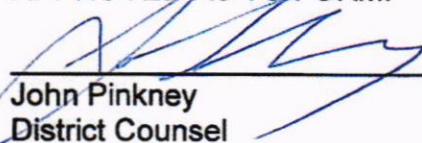
Russ Martin
President of Mission Springs Water District
and its Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Arden Wallum

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



John Pinkney
District Counsel

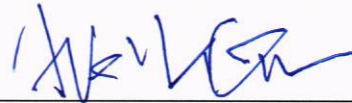
CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE)

I, Arden Wallum, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Mission Springs Water District, certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Ordinance No. **2022-01**, which was adopted by the Board of Directors of said District at its regular meeting held March 21, 2022.

It has not been amended or repealed.

Dated: March 23, 2022



Arden Wallum
Secretary of Mission Springs Water
District
and its Board of Directors

