

Legislation Text

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PRESENTER:

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SUBJECT:

Approval of a resolution that will adopt the criteria for use in the City's 2021 redistricting process.

DEPARTMENT: City Attorney's Office

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Redistricting Committee reviewed this resolution that includes criteria of use in the redistricting process. They approved the resolution after deleting some language in paragraph 5 which was rewritten as follows:

5. Districts must be configured so that they are relatively equal in total population according to the 2020 federal census ~~and current population estimates from other reliable sources~~. In no event should the total maximum deviation between the largest and the smallest district exceed ten percent (10%). The City will attempt to achieve a total maximum deviation that is less than ten percent according to the best available data.

This resolution established the criteria the City will use in drawing of boundary lines as part of the 2021 redistricting process. The Redistricting Committee reviewed and approved this resolution at its meeting on October 26, 2021.

ISSUE:

After the presentation to the Redistricting Committee of Initial Assessment and the Committee's acceptance of the consultant's recommendation to continue with the redistricting process, the next steps are for City Council to adopt this resolution along with another resolution on this agenda that sets the guidelines for map submissions by the public.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

The Redistricting Committee reviewed this resolution at its meeting on October 26, 2021, and it recommended adoption by City Council with the edit to paragraph 5 noted above.