

**CITY OF SAN MATEO
RESOLUTION NO. 76 (2021)**

**APPROVAL OF UPDATED PROPOSED TIMEFRAME TO TRANSITION FROM AT-LARGE TO BY-DISTRICT ELECTIONS
UNDER ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 10010 AND TENTATIVE PUBLIC OUTREACH SCHEDULE**

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2021, in response to a letter from attorney Scott Raffety regarding City compliance with the California Voting Rights Act, the Council adopted Resolution No. 69 (2021) declaring an intent to transition from at-large to by-district council member elections under Elections Code Section 10010. The Resolution included a tentative calendar with two different timing scenarios; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 10010 provides for an initial 90 days from the adoption of a resolution of intent to accomplish the public process to move from at-large elections to by-district elections, and allows for an extension of an additional 90 days in order to provide additional time to conduct public outreach, encourage public participation, and receive public input; and

WHEREAS, 2020 U.S. Census data is scheduled to be released in late September 2021, and the City would be required to use this data to draw its district maps. However, the initial 90-day timeframe ends before the release of up-to-date Census data; and

WHEREAS, having to immediately redraw district boundaries using 2020 Census data following the completion of the transition to district elections would be duplicative, confusing and costly; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to use additional time to conduct a more comprehensive public process that also incorporates 2020 U.S. Census data in a single process that will utilize five public hearings along with robust public outreach to garner significant input from the community; and

WHEREAS, the City fully intends to complete the transition under the CVRA within the extended timeline, and establish district boundaries no later than six months before its next Regular Election on November 8, 2022, consistent with Elections Code Section 10010(e)(3)(c)(i); and

WHEREAS, the act of adopting of this resolution is being taken without the need for litigation, and there is no impending at-large election for City Council prior to completion of the transition process; and

WHEREAS, the City's proposed timeline, attached to this resolution as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference, outlines a process in which an ordinance transitioning the City to by-district elections and approving a district map would be adopted by November 15, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA, HEREBY RESOLVES that:

1. Exhibit A to this resolution entitled City of San Mateo Districting Proposed Timelines and Public Outreach Schedule is hereby approved. The timeline and outreach schedule may be adjusted by the City Manager or designee as necessary.

Resolution No. 76 (2021)
Transition to Elections By-District

RESOLUTION NO. 76 (2021) adopted by the City Council of the City of San Mateo, California, at a regular meeting held on July 19, 2021, by the following vote of the City Council:

AYES: Council Members Rodriguez, Bonilla, Goethals, Lee and Papan
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

ATTEST:

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Eric Rodriguez, Mayor

EXHIBIT A (Revised)

City of San Mateo
Districting Proposed Timelines and Public Outreach Schedule

Activity	Proposed Schedule
Received Demand Letter	5/24/2021
Adopted a Resolution of Intention	6/21/2021
Pop-up Music in the Park	7/29/21 & 8/5/21
Direct Mailing to all addresses in the City with outreach schedule	wk of 8/1
City Services Academy - City Manager presentation	8/18/2021
Community Meeting #1 - Saturday (two: one at library & one at King Center in Spanish)	8/21/2021
Hold Public Hearing #1 to gather input from communities of interest (no draft maps drawn until these are complete) No more than 30 days apart between Hearing #1 and #2	8/23/21 @ 6pm
Hold Public Hearing #2 to gather input from communities of interest (no draft maps drawn until these are complete) No more than 30 days apart between Hearing #1 and #2	9/13/21 @ 6pm
Pop-up Movies in the Park (Every Friday in September)	9/3, 9/10, 9/17 & 9/24
Pop-up Bayfront Clean-up	9/18/21 8 am-1pm
Community Meeting #2 - Saturday (one at library)	9/25/2021
Hold Public Hearing #3 to gather public input on draft maps and election sequencing (Public Hearing #3 and #4 can be no more than 45 days apart).	9/30/21 @ 6pm
Census Data Release	9/30/2021
Insert in the Recology Bill	10/1/2021
Deadline for all initial draft maps posted on website at least 7 days prior to next round of public hearings	10/7/2021
Hold Public Hearing #4 to gather public input on revised draft maps (prison population adjusted final data) and election sequencing (Public Hearing #3 and #4 can be no more than 45 days apart).	10/14/21 @ 6pm
Community Meeting #3 - Saturday (two: one at library & one at location to be determined)	10/16/2021
Deadline for all initial draft maps posted on website at least 7 days prior to next round of public hearings	10/28/2021
Hold Public Hearing #5 and introduction of ordinance (up/down vote - no map changes) - Regular Council Meeting	11/1/2021 @ 7:30 pm
Adopt Ordinance (Regular Meeting - Consent Calendar) per Elections Code Section 15, Sunday deadline moves to next business day	11/15/2021
Six Months before next regular election the ordinance must be adopted	5/2/2022
County Elections requires a map showing the boundaries of the district and which districts are to be elected for the general municipal election	5/12/2022
First District Election	11/8/2022

Legend for color coding

Not color coded are Public Hearing dates and deadlines

Pop Up at Community Events	8
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Community Meetings with Presentations in Person Total	3 to 6
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Possibility of up to four Rotating presence at COSM Farmers Market on Saturday 9-1 - (TBD eight opportunities)	8/14 - 11/6
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As of 7/15/21