

Legislation Text

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REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY AND RECORD OF ACTION

November 16, 2021

<u>FROM</u> LEONARD X. HERNANDEZ, Chief Executive Officer, County Administrative Office

SUBJECT

Supervisorial Redistricting

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 1. Conduct a public hearing to receive, file and provide comment on the revised Supervisorial Redistricting draft maps that incorporate revisions requested by the Board of Supervisors.
 - a. Commission Map 2 Version 2
 - b. Commission Map 3 Version 2
- 2. Provide direction to County Staff that will result in the development of a single Supervisorial Redistricting draft map for future consideration by the Board of Supervisors.

(Presenter: Leonard X. Hernandez, Chief Executive Officer, 387-5417)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Promote the Countywide Vision. Improve County Government Operations. Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced, and Sustainable County. Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of additional Discretional General Funding (Net County Cost).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Board of Supervisors (Board) must adopt by December 15, 2021, boundaries for all of the supervisorial districts based on 2020 U.S. Census data so that the districts are substantially equal in population and comply with state and federal law setting the criteria used to redraw district boundaries.

The new County Charter, approved by the voters in the November 2020 election as Measure "J", required the Board to adopt an ordinance establishing a supervisorial district redistricting commission. On March 2, 2021 (Item No. 53), the Board adopted an ordinance establishing an Advisory Redistricting Commission (Commission). The ordinance requires the Commission to recommend to the Board a minimum of two possible maps containing the boundaries for all of the supervisorial districts within sufficient time for the Board to meet all State deadlines. On April 20, 2021, the Board appointed five primary and five alternate members to the Commission, nominated by each of the five members of the Board, and acknowledged the appointment of two retired Superior Court Judges by the Presiding Judge.

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The Commission conducted 16 public meetings, four of them in the evening, in 14 locations throughout the county. All meetings were livestreamed for public viewing. The Commission publicly examined and discussed five proposed Board of Supervisors district maps submitted by the public, one map created by a Commission member, three created at the direction of the Commission, and the existing districts created in 2011 with the current 2020 Census information. The Commission referred three maps for recommendation to the Board.

On November 9, 2021, the Board directed staff to make minor adjustments to Commission Maps 2 and 3 for consideration at today's meeting. Specifically, the Board directed staff to adjust Commission Map 2 so that the Rosena Ranch area would be included within the Fifth District, as a result moving the proposed Third District boundary in the northeast San Bernardino area to the west; and adjust Commission Map 3 to ensure that the Second Supervisorial District contain no portion of the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District.

The resulting maps, named Commission Map 2 Version 2 and Commission Map 3 Version 2, have been reviewed for compliance with Federal and State law including the Voting Rights Act and the Fair And Inclusive Redistricting for Municipalities And Political Subdivisions (FAIR MAPS) Act.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Administrative Office (Pamela Williams, Chief of Administration, 387-4377) on November 10, 2021; County Counsel (Julie Surber, Principal Assistant County Counsel, 387-5455) on November 10, 2021; and County Finance and Administration (Matthew Erickson, County Chief Financial Officer, 387-5423) on November 10, 2021.