

CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

3191 Katella Avenue
Los Alamitos, CA 90720

AGENDA CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING Monday, July 30, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Edgar
Mayor Pro Tem Kusumoto
Council Member Chirco
Council Member Hasselbrink
Council Member Murphy

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

At this time, any individual in the audience may come forward to speak on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. Remarks are to be limited to not more than five minutes per speaker.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar items may be acted upon by one motion unless a Council Member requests separate action on a specific item.

A. Approval of Minutes (City Clerk)
Approve the Special and Regular City Council minutes of July 16, 2018.

B. Adopt Ordinance 2018-05 – Establishing District-Based Election System (City Clerk)

At its regular meeting of July 16, 2018 the City Council introduced for first reading, read by title only, and waived further reading of Ordinance No. 2018-05. Adoption of Ordinance No. 2018-05 will establish a district-based election system for members of the City Council, including the adoption of the district map and election sequencing.

Recommendation: Adopt Ordinance No. 2018-05 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT-BASED ELECTION SYSTEM FOR MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.”

5. CLOSED SESSION

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR/ EVALUATION OF EMPLOYEE

Agency Negotiators: Michael S. Daudt, City Attorney
Unrepresented Employee: Bret M. Plumlee, City Manager
Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9. Name of Case: *Los Alamitos Community United, et al. v. City of Los Alamitos, et al.* Superior Court of California, County of Orange, Case No. 30-2018-00987018-CU-WM-CXC.

6. ADJOURNMENT

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing Agenda was posted at the following locations: Los Alamitos City Hall, 3191 Katella Ave.; Los Alamitos Community Center, 10911 Oak Street; and, Los Alamitos Museum, 11062 Los Alamitos Blvd.; not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk
Dated: July 30, 2018

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS**

SPECIAL MEETING – July 16, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council met in Special Session at 5:31 p.m. Monday, July 16, 2018, in the Council Chamber, 3191 Katella Avenue, Mayor Edgar presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members: Chirco, Hasselbrink, Murphy,
Mayor Pro Tem Kusumoto, Mayor Edgar

Absent: Council Members: None

Present: Staff: Bret Plumlee, City Manager
Sean Connolly, Police Captain
Michael Daudt, City Attorney
Emeline Noda, Recreation Manager
Ron Noda, Recreation Manager
Eric Nunez, Police Chief
Andy Perea, Interim Development Services Director
Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk
Maria-Luisa Valdez, Interim Administrative Services Director

3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

A. Interview Applicants for Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission (City Clerk)

This report provides relevant information by which the City Council may appoint a member to the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission.

City Clerk Quintanar summarized the Staff report. The City Council interviewed Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission applicants: Vanessa Bartsch, Jonathan Crans, and Scott Dunagan.

City Clerk Quintanar passed out the Indications of Support. Council made its selections. City Clerk Quintanar read the following Indications of Support: Vanessa Bartsch – 1, Jonathan Crans – 2, and Scott Dunagan – 2.

City Clerk Quintanar passed out the Indications of Support and requested Council only consider Applicant Crans and Dunagan. Council made its selections. City Clerk Quintanar read the following Indications of Support: Jonathan Crans – 3 and Scott Dunagan – 2.

Motion/Second: Edgar/Chirco

Unanimously Carried: The City Council appointed Jonathan Crans to the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission with a term expiring December 2020.

City Clerk Quintanar explained the recruitment process that occurs in November for all Commissions. Applicants were encouraged to reapply at that time.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Troy D. Edgar, Mayor

Attest:

Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS**

REGULAR MEETING – July 16, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council met in Regular Session at 6:12 p.m. Monday, July 16, 2018, in the Council Chamber, 3191 Katella Avenue, Mayor Edgar presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members: Chirco, Hasselbrink, Murphy,
Mayor Pro Tem Kusumoto, Mayor Edgar

Absent: Council Members: None

Present: Staff: Bret Plumlee, City Manager
Sean Connolly, Police Captain
Michael Daudt, City Attorney
Emeline Noda, Recreation Manager
Ron Noda, Recreation Manager
Eric Nunez, Police Chief
Robert Acosta, Fire Chief
Andy Perea, Interim Development Services Director
Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk
Maria-Luisa Valdez, Interim Administrative Services Director

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Kusumoto invited Orange County Fire Authority Chief Fennessy to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. OCFA Chief Fennessy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. INVOCATION

Council Member Hasselbrink led the Invocation.

5. PRESENTATION

A. Presentation of a Tile Plaque to Steven A. Mendoza for His Service as Development Services Director

Mayor Edgar and the City Council presented a Tile Plaque to Steven A. Mendoza. Mr. Mendoza spoke briefly.

B. Presentation of Grant Check Towards Recreation & Community Services Scholarship Fund from Run Seal Beach

Mayor Edgar and the City Council accepted the grant check from Tim Kelsey, Recreation Manager. Mr. Kelsey spoke briefly.

C. Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to Barb Ringhofer for Coordinating the Annual Rossmoor Highlands 4th of July Parade and Festival

Mayor Edgar and the City Council presented a Certificate of Recognition to Barb Ringhofer. Ms. Ringhofer spoke briefly.

D. Presentation of a Proclamation to Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Chair, Tanya Doby, for Parks Make Life Better Month

Mayor Edgar and the City Council presented a Proclamation to Tanya Doby. Ms. Doby spoke briefly.

E. Introduction of New Orange County Fire Authority Chief Brian Fennessy

Mayor Edgar and the City Council presented a Certificate of Recognition to Chief Fennessy. Chief Fennessy spoke briefly.

F. Presentation by District Attorney Rackauckas Regarding Human Exploitation and Trafficking (HEAT) Unit

District Attorney Rackauckas was unable to attend.

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

At this time, any individual in the audience may come forward to speak on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. Remarks are to be limited to not more than five minutes per speaker.

Mayor Edgar opened Oral Communications.

Shelley Henderson, Chair of Los Alamitos Chamber of Commerce, thanked Council Member Hasselbrink for agreeing to speak at August Networking Breakfast and spoke briefly about the California Supreme Court ruling regarding employees and independent contractors.

Henry Josefsberg expressed appreciation for Mr. Mendoza and the firefighters. He spoke regarding the different characteristics of each neighborhood, his belief that districting would dilute the votes of the community, opposition to the Green map, and a preference for the maps that were submitted by residents.

Joel Block, Rossmoor resident, spoke regarding the outcome of the Federal District Court case and stated opposition for Council's adopted Ordinance 2018-04 and continued use of taxpayer funds to defend its decision. He stated comprehensive immigration reform was needed and suggested Council use taxpayer's money to help reconcile the complex issues related to immigration.

Barbara Farrell, resident, spoke in opposition to the Green map stating it silenced renters in Apartment Row, cuts across too many neighborhoods, and doesn't use natural boundaries such as Katella and Los Alamitos Blvd. She stated the residents who spoke at the Public Hearing had opposed the Green map and there was no public knowledge of residents who stated support, as referenced by Council at the last meeting. She opposed spending money on the lawsuit to defend Council's decision on SB54 and thanked the firefighters for their service.

Dean Grose, resident, questioned if Staff had followed up on the Homeland Security grant process for its defense related to SB54. He stated the districting process was an attempt at extortion and suggested Council bring forward a criminal case against the Malibu attorney who filed suit. He referred to results of a grassroots study that indicated there was not an increase in Latino officials.

Art DeBolt, resident, stated support for Council's decision regarding SB54 and encouraged Council to continue on its path. He gave a brief history of American history and encouraged the Council to stay strong and defend its oath and the Constitution.

Monica Teramino, resident, recalled Mayo Edgar's statement there was not an illegal immigrant problem in Los Alamitos and stated opposition to the Council's continued fight. She referred to ongoing issues in her neighborhood created by legal residents of Los Alamitos.

Mayor Edgar Closed Oral Communications.

7. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, Council Members may also report on items not specifically described on the Agenda that are of interest to the community, provided no action or discussion is taken except to provide Staff direction to report back or to place the item on a future Agenda.

Council Member Murphy spoke regarding attendance at the Chamber Breakfast, Music and Movie in the Park sponsored by Randy Hill, and thanked the residents who came forward during the districting process and encouraged them to stay involved.

Council Member Hasselbrink gave an update on Orange County Fire Authority membership and budget, attendance at the 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular, Music and Movies in the park, Serve Los Al Day, and she thanked the Recreation Department for its successful back to back events and the residents for participating.

Council Member Chirco spoke regarding attendance at the 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular, 4th of July Parade in the Highlands, voting district Public Hearings, Music and Movies in the Park, and Serve Los Al Day.

Mayor Pro Tem Kusumoto advised he was in Washing, D.C. for 4th of July, he spoke regarding litigation costs due to members of the community suing the City, Council's support for local control, City's participation in legal districting process, and announced he would be running for this third and final term this November.

Mayor Edgar spoke regarding attendance at the 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular, Serve Los Al Day, Council's stance on SB54 had to do with maintaining local control of the police department and nothing to do with racism or immigration, Sessions lawsuit is related but does not have a direct effect on what the Council is doing, the City's rights as a Charter City, and requested the City Manager Performance Evaluation be added to the July 30th Council meeting.

8. ITEMS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Plumlee thanked Staff, Council, and the City's partners for their support on a great 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular.

Council Member Murphy took a moment to thank Colonel Bond for his assistance in reestablishing the relationship with the City and the Base and allowing the City a platform to move forward.

Mayor Edgar spoke briefly regarding the districting process and the special events in neighborhoods. He stated the Council should equally represent all the neighborhoods.

9. WARRANTS

Motion/Second: Hasselbrink/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council approved the Warrants for July 16, 2018, in the amount of \$21,609.83 ratified the Warrants for June 19, 2018 to July 15, 2018 in the amount of \$1,621,903.40, and authorized the City Manager to approve such expenditures as are legally due and within an unexhausted balance of an appropriation against which the same may be charged for the time period of July 17, 2018 to August 19, 2018.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Edgar	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Kusumoto	Aye
Council Member Chirco	Aye
Council Member Hasselbrink	Aye
Council Member Murphy	Aye

10. CONSENT CALENDAR

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Council Member Murphy pulled item 8A.

Mayor Edgar pulled item 8D.

Motion/Second: Hasselbrink/Chirco

Unanimously Carried: The City Council approved the following Consent Calendar items:

B. Amendment No. 1 – Race on the Base Management Contract (Recreation)

This agenda item was a contract extension for management of Race on the Base.

The City Council authorized the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with RUN Racing, LLC., extending the contract term to March 30, 2019.

**C. Approval of Final Tract Map 17841 (10742 Walnut Street)
(Development Services)**

The Final Tract Map 17841 for the subdivision of airspace of a single parcel for condominium purposes, located at 10742 Walnut Street, is ready for submission to the County Recorder's Office for final review. (Applicant: Nick Zamvakellis)

The City Council:

1. Adopted Resolution No. 2018-24 entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING TRACT MAP NO. 17841 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 10742 WALNUT STREET"; and,

2. Directed the City Clerk to endorse on the title sheet of Tract Map 17841, the certificate which embodies the approval of said maps, and submit maps to the County of Orange Recorder's Office.

End of Consent Calendar

Items Pulled from Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of Minutes (City Clerk)**
Approve the City Council Minutes of June 18, 2018 – Special, June 18, 2018 – Regular, and July 9, 2018 – Regular.

Council Member Murphy referred to page 9, paragraph 2, of the June 18 Regular minutes. He clarified the direction to have representatives present was from one Council Member and not the entire Council. He suggested moving forward that the Council only be referred to as a whole when there is a motion that is acted upon.

Council and Staff briefly discussed the actions of the meeting and the minute process moving forward.

Motion/Second: Murphy/Chirco

Unanimously Carried: The City Council approved the City Council Minutes of June 18, 2018 – Special, June 18, 2018 – Regular, and July 9, 2018 – Regular.

- D. Approval of Notice of Completion for Los Alamitos Blvd Median Project CIP (16/17-08) (Development Services)**

The Los Alamitos Boulevard Median Improvement Project (CIP No. 16/17-08) project is complete and in compliance with the plans and specifications. Therefore, Staff recommends that City Council accept the work as complete, direct filing of the Notice of Completion and authorize retention release as prescribed by the Public Contract Codes.

City Council and Staff discussed the restriping of Los Alamitos Blvd. and the timeline. Concerns were raised the process for restriping was taking too long. Council was advised striping, repaving, and new crosswalks still needed to be completed.

Motion/Second: Edgar/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council

1. Accepted as complete the construction contract by GMC Engineering Inc for the Los Alamitos Boulevard Median Improvement Project (CIP No. 16/17-08); and,
2. Directed the City Clerk to record the Notice of Completion/Final Report with the County Recorder's office; and,

3. Authorized Staff to release the 5% retention to the contractor, in the amount of \$80,423.98, thirty-five (35) days after recordation of the Notice of Completion.

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. **Fifth Public Hearing of Five – Transition to District Based City Council Elections (City Clerk)**

The purpose of this public hearing is to receive input from the City Council and public regarding draft maps and election sequencing for a district-based election system.

Mayor Edgar received clarification from City Attorney Daudt it was at the presiding officer's discretion to allow speakers to comment on this topic again. He advised since it was an important topic, he would allow all speakers to comment again.

Mayor Edgar opened the Public Hearing for comments. There being no one present wishing to speak, Mayor Edgar closed the Public Hearing for Comments.

City Clerk Quintanar summarized the Staff report and advised Dr. Justin Levitt, the City's demographer from NDC, was available for questions if needed.

Mayor Pro Tem Kusumoto asked if all the maps provided were legally compliant and defensible. He questioned if there was a basis for a lawsuit.

Dr. Levitt advised all the maps were population balanced and met the basic requirements of the Voting Rights Act (VRA). He stated the case would be heard in Federal court and there were higher standards to meet. He referred to the Green map and advised the map kept two demographics, Asian-American and Hispanic, together. This was the intent of the VRA that could be used as part of the City's defense in choosing the map.

Motion/Second: Chirco/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council:

1. Conducted a public hearing to receive public input on district boundaries and election sequencing; and,
2. Introduced for first reading, read by title only, and waive further reading of Ordinance No. 2018-05, and set for adoption at an Adjourned Regular meeting on July 30, 2018; and,
3. City Attorney Daudt read the title of Ordinance No. 2018-05 entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT-BASED ELECTION SYSTEM FOR MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL."

12. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Annual Dues Assessment for City Council Memberships (Administrative Services)

Council asked staff to agendize a report to discuss and provide direction regarding the City Council's memberships.

City Manager Plumlee summarized the Staff report.

City Council received a PowerPoint presentation from Association of California Cities - Orange County (ACC-OC) Chief Executive Officer, Heather Stratman, and discussed the following topics:

- Membership of ACC-OC included cities, special districts, and agencies
- Model ordinances and white papers were not used by staff
- Legislative tracker tool was still available under the member's only section, but was not publicized as much as prior years
- In regards to the City's action on SB54, ACC-OC does not take legislative positions for individual City's or request its membership to take a position
- ACC-OC's involvement regarding AB 448 addressing the homelessness issue in Orange County
 - Board would be made up of nine representatives
 - Participating agencies would join a trust and sign a contract
- ACC-OC Board has not set a directive to address the Districting issue and need for legislative reform at this time
- ACC-OC Budget of \$900,000 per year
- ACC-OC continues to address the sober living home issue because it believes the law is flawed and needs reform
- Concern SB54 attacks charter cities and local control without any support from ACC-OC for reform
- Council and City Manager's involvement in the North Orange County Service Planning Area, Santa Ana's threat of litigation, and Judge Carter's order for participation to address homelessness
- ACC-OC is involved with the process and has taken on the legislative portion with AB 448
- Orange County Board of Supervisors voted 4/1 to support the bill, with Supervisor Steele dissenting

BREAK

The City Council took a brief recess at 8:18 p.m.

RECONVENE

The City Council reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

City Council received a PowerPoint presentation from Orange County Division League of California Cities (League) Public Affairs Regional Manager, Tony Cardenas, and discussed the following topics:

- Orange County Division of the League still exists; however, it no longer collects dues
- Cities are automatically included in the appropriate division when dues are paid
- Only cities can be members of the League
- League does not support the gas tax, but it does support the ensuring that cities receive their fair share of the funds
- Questions regarding opposing the repeal of gas tax and having the state tax on repairing freeways

City Council received a PowerPoint presentation from Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Board President and Mayor Pro Tem of Ontario, Alan Wapner and discussed the following topics:

- Lack of updates for District 20 representative
- Thanked President Wapner for presenting to the Council
- Upcoming opportunity to serve on the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG) board

City Council and Staff discussed the following topics:

- Concern for lack of involvement in ACC-OC and high membership dues
- Concern for lobbyist activities of the ACC-OC and possible conflicts of interests
- Legislative tracker tool was not as robust as previous years and the availability of the tool was not marketed well
- Events are held at inconvenient hours for full-time workers and still included a cost
- Staff did not utilize the tools available from ACC-OC
- League legislative emails were more pertinent to the City and utilized on a consistent basis
- More than half of ACC-OC membership were non-city entities and advocacy was not City focused
- ACC-OC may still provide benefits without the City paying dues
- Concerns regarding ACC-OC's involvement with the homelessness bill including having lobbyists involved in the process

Motion/Second: Hasselbrink/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council voted to continue membership in all associations, except the Association of California Cities – Orange County due to lack of participation.

Mayor Edgar pulled item 12D forward.

D. Los Alamitos Museum Historical Designation Plaque (Recreation)

This report sought consideration of an application submitted by the Los Alamitos Museum Board of Directors to the Orange County Historical Commission for a

Historic Site Plaque at the former Los Alamitos Fire Station, and current home to the Los Alamitos Museum, located at 11062 Los Alamitos Blvd.

Recreation Manager Ron Noda summarized the Staff report and answered questions from the City Council.

Mayor Edgar clarified this item was brought forward by the Orange County Historical Commission and not by the Museum Board. He questioned the location of the plaque.

Recreation Manager Noda advised it would be mounted in a publicly visible location. He would seek input from the Board on the location.

Marilynn Poe, Vice President Los Alamitos Museum Board, confirmed this was a request from the Orange County Historical Commission. She advised Margaret Kendrick was the Second District Representative and had retired from the Museum Board after 30 years of service. Ms. Kendrick was now a non-voting meritorious member of the Museum Board.

City Council and Staff discussed the following topics:

- Plaque would be on the outside of the building and would not limit the ability to move the building
- History of the historical plaque designation request that started in 2015
- Deed for the museum requires it to be used for a public place. Should the museum vacate the property, the City could use it for a Community Center
- This designation would not encumber the building
- Council's approval was specific to the County of Orange process and did not include moving forward with State or Federal designations
- Approval was a plaque that recognizes the building
- City's only obligation would be to notify the County and return the plaque should the designation no longer be wanted

Motion/Second: Kusumoto/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council authorized the City Manager to sign the Orange County Historical Commission Historical Plaque Program Property Owner Agreement for the Historical Designation Plaque for the former Los Alamitos Fire Station.

B. Designation of Voting Delegate and Alternate for the League of California Cities' 2018 Annual Conference & Expo (City Clerk)

The League of California Cities Annual Conference & Expo will be held at the Long Beach Convention Center, September 12-17, 2018. The League is requesting City Council designation of a Voting Delegate to the Annual Business Meeting.

Mayor Edgar and Council Member Hasselbrink expressed an interest in attending.

Motion/Second: Chirco/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council:

1. Appointed Mayor Edgar to serve as the City's Voting Delegate for the League of California Cities 2018 Annual Business Meeting; and,
2. Appointed Council Member Hasselbrink to serve as the City's Alternate Voting Delegate in the event of the Voting Delegate's absence.

C. Recreation and Community Services Foundation Options (Recreation)

This agenda item provides an opportunity to discuss the possibility of creating a 501(c)3 nonprofit Recreation and Community Services Foundation.

Recreation Manager Emeline Noda summarized the staff report and answered questions from the City Council.

Mayor Edgar advised he had met with Recreation Managers Emeline and Ron Noda and City Manager Plumlee to address his questions. He would withhold comment until after his colleagues had a chance to speak.

Mayor Pro Tem Kusumoto and Staff discussed the following topics:

- Option 2 would save approximately \$6,000
- Caution regarding City Management and operation of a 501(c)3
- Consideration of the LAEF model
 - LAEF has staff members, La Palma does not
 - LAEF has an annual solicitation of fundraising
- Concern regarding how to establish a governing body, how members would be appointed, if they would be restricted to residents, ensuring the Board stated focused on the mission statement
- Senior Club has options to change as needed and has a Staff member that advises on best practices
- Senior Club currently does not pay rent
- Support for a model similar to LAEF with dedicated staff, partnership with the City to use facilities and resources

TIME LIMITS

Per Resolution 2013-09 "Council Meeting Time Limits", City Council considered extending the time limits.

Motion/Second: Edgar/Murphy

Unanimously Carried: The City Council voted to continue discussion until 10:00 p.m.

Council Member Chirco indicated he had spoken with Recreation Managers Emeline and Ron Noda and City Manager Plumlee and believed it was great idea. He stated he was unfamiliar with the City's previous involvement with non-profits.

Council Member Murphy questioned how this would assist in raising funds and did not recall Council support for this item when it was previously brought up. Staff advised a non-profit could supplement staff's fundraising efforts. It would also allow the City to apply for grants and more businesses may donate for the tax

deduction. It was unknown how much additional funds would be brought it, but it provided an additional mechanism for Staff to generate funds.

Council Member Hasselbrink stated Staff needed the tools to compete with local non-profits. She cautioned Council against letting former negative experiences with 501(c)3 discourage the City from exploring all possible funding avenues.

Mayor Edgar spoke regarding the following topics: 501(c)3 could provide a fundraising tool to the City, benefit to businesses to allow for tax deduction, concern regarding direct donations for specific programs, marketing benefits, concern this would eliminate the personal side of the City in establishing relationships with the Chamber and local businesses, concern a Board of Directors may eventually drive funding towards their preferred event/program, concern the City would become dependent on the 501(c)3 for funding, not sure if this is the right tool for the City, support for giving the City the right tools and hearing other perspectives, and supportive of Staff continuing with their fundraising efforts as is.

Mayor Pro Tem Kusumoto referred to the Public Facilities Corporation used to refinance Laurel Park where the Council is also the Board of Directors, and suggested a similar structure for fundraising.

Council Member Chirco asked if La Palma or La Mirada had experienced any loss of control or difficulties with foundations. Recreation Manager Emeline Noda indicated City Staff had met with both cities and neither had made such an indication. She added Staff was able to work through the personality conflicts they came across with the Senior Club and would continue to do so.

Council Member Hasselbrink referred to LAEF and stated there was clear governance and various personalities. She reiterated she did not want to lose out on an opportunity based off past negative experiences.

City Manager Plumlee advised City Attorney Daudt's firm had recently worked with the City of Garden Grove on a similar project and could assist in further analysis.

Motion: Hasselbrink

Directed staff to start forming a Community Foundation and do the necessary research needed for the Senior Club option.

Motion died for lack of a second.

Mayor Edgar tabled the item.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Edgar questioned if there was anything new to report at this time. City Attorney Daudt stated there were no pending court dates since the last council meeting.

Council Member Hasselbrink suggested we only add the item if needed instead of consistently putting it on the agenda to ensure the message is not that Council is constantly working on the lawsuit.

City Attorney Daudt advised it was included on the agenda so any last minute information could be provided to Council.

Council Member Hasselbrink stated the agenda could be revised within 72 hours. Mayor Edgar stated emergency items could also be added.

Mayor Edgar advised Closed Session would not be held as there was nothing new to report.

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

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14. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council adjourned at 9:55 p.m. to Monday, July 30, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Troy D. Edgar, Mayor

Attest:

Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk

City of Los Alamitos

Agenda Report Consent Calendar

July 30, 2018
Item No.: 4B

To: Mayor Troy D. Edgar & Members of the City Council
Via: Bret M. Plumlee, City Manager
From: Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk
Subject: Adopt Ordinance 2018-05 – Establishing District-Based Election System

Summary: At its regular meeting of July 16, 2018 the City Council introduced for first reading, read by title only, and waived further reading of Ordinance No. 2018-05. Adoption of Ordinance No. 2018-05 will establish a district-based election system for members of the City Council, including the adoption of the district map and election sequencing.

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Background

The City currently utilizes an at-large election system where voters citywide select each of the five City Council Members. By contrast, a district-based election system is one in which a city is physically divided into separate districts, each with one council member who resides in the district and is chosen solely by the voters residing in that district.

The City received a certified letter on March 29, 2018, from Kevin Shenkman, an attorney with the law firm of Shenkman & Hughes in Malibu, California. The letter asserts that the City’s at-large election system violates the California Voting Rights Act by diluting the ability of Latinos to elect candidates of their choice or otherwise influence the outcome of Los Alamitos’ City Council elections. Mr. Shenkman claims “polarized voting” may be occurring and threatens litigation if the City declines to voluntarily convert to district-based elections.

The California Voting Rights Act (“CVRA”), codified as Elections Code sections 14025 et seq. became law on January 1, 2003. The purpose of the CVRA is to prevent the disenfranchisement of protected classes; which are broadly defined to include members of a race, color, or language minority group. Any voter who resides in a city and is a member of a protected class may file a lawsuit against the city for a violation of the CVRA. To succeed, the plaintiff must only show that, as a result of an at-large election, “racially polarized voting” has occurred. “Racially polarized voting” means there is a difference between the choice of candidates preferred by voters in a protected class and candidates preferred by voters in the remainder of the voting population. If the plaintiff prevails in litigation, the CVRA allows for the recovery of significant attorneys’ fees and expert witness fees. On the other hand, even if the city prevails, it cannot recover either attorneys’ fees or costs.

Consequently, cities throughout the State have increasingly faced legal challenges to their at-large election systems. Nearly all have settled claims out of court by voluntarily transitioning to district-based elections. Those cities that have attempted to defend their existing at-large election systems have incurred significant legal costs. A few examples:

Palmdale: \$4.5 million
Whittier: \$1 million
Anaheim: \$1.1 million

Modesto: \$3 million
Santa Barbara: \$600,000

Staff is unaware of any city that has prevailed in defending its at-large election system under a claim filed pursuant to the CVRA.

On September 28, 2016, the Governor signed AB 350 into law, codified as Elections Code section 10010. The legislation provides a “safe harbor” from CVRA litigation for cities. Once a city receives a demand letter, it has 45 days of protection from litigation to assess its situation. If within that 45-day period, a city adopts a resolution of intention declaring its intent to transition from at-large to district-based elections, outlining specific steps to be undertaken to facilitate the transition, and estimating a timeframe for action, then a potential plaintiff is prohibited from filing a CVRA action for an additional 90-day period. Under AB 350, a city’s liability is capped at \$30,000 if it utilizes the safe harbor provisions after receiving a demand letter.

The first step in transitioning to district-based elections is adoption of a resolution of intention. Pursuant to Government Code Section 34886 and Elections Code Section 10010. On May 11, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-08 (“Resolution of Intention”) declaring its intention to transition from at-large to district-based elections for the City Council commencing with the General Municipal Election in November 2020. Through its approval of the Resolution of Intention, the City Council determined that it was in the public interest to begin the process of transition from at-large to district-based elections due to the uncertainty of litigation to defend against a CVRA lawsuit and the potentially extraordinary cost of such a lawsuit, notwithstanding the City Council’s assertion that the City’s election system is legal in all respects.

Elections Code Section 10010 provides that before any map or maps of the boundaries for the proposed districts are drawn, the City must conduct two (2) public hearings over a period of no more than thirty (30) days, at which time the public is invited to provide input regarding the composition of said districts.

Public Hearings

Public Hearing #1 was held on Tuesday, May 29, 2018. Three members of the public spoke during the public hearing. They expressed concern that more outreach to the public needed to occur, opposition to the mandated expedited timeline, and questioned the benefit of district elections. Council discussed the California Voting Rights Act, which mandates the transition to district-based elections, and stated concern district elections would not properly represent the will of all Los Alamitos residents. Council pointed out this was not a Council driven action and the Council was required by law to move forward with district-based elections in an expedited manner to remain within the safe harbor provisions of the CVRA and avoid costly legal fees. Council acknowledged there was not a large turnout for the public hearing and directed Staff to advertise future meeting dates in more locations.

Public Hearing #2 was held on Monday, June 4, 2018. Six residents of Apartment Row and one Rossmoor resident spoke in favor of district-based elections and stated support for having at least two representatives from their area. One resident spoke in opposition to district-based elections. Council reiterated concern district elections would not properly represent the will of all Los Alamitos residents. Council encouraged residents to contact them directly with any concerns.

Public Hearing #3 was held on Monday, June 18, 2018. Council and the public reviewed the four maps submitted by NDC and three resident maps. Council did not request any changes to the proposed maps. Council requested information on the possibility of a directly elected Mayor and the possible scenarios for sequencing of the districts.

Public Hearing #4 was held on Monday, July 7, 2018. Council opened the Public Hearing and discussed the proposed maps. Council unanimously voted the Green map as the preferred map with preferred sequence of Districts 1 and 3 up for election in 2020 and Districts 2, 4, and 5 up in 2022.

Public Hearing #5 was held on Monday, July 16, 2018. Council opened the Public Hearing and unanimously voted to introduce Ordinance No. 2018-05 establishing a district-based election system for members of the City Council, adoption the district map, and election sequencing. Council adjourned the item to July 30, 2018 for adoption of said Ordinance.

Community Outreach

Since adoption of the Resolution of Intention, the City has engaged in outreach efforts to inform the public about district elections and the process associated with developing the City Council election districts. The Public Hearing Notice for the hearings was published in English, Spanish, Korean, and Vietnamese in the May 16, 2018 edition of the News Enterprise. A color ad noticing the dates ran in the May 2nd edition of the News Enterprise. A color ad was posted on the Orange County Breeze website on May 30 and will run until July 16, 2018. The notices were posted on the City's website, in the three posting locations throughout the City, published on local Channel-3 and the City's social media outlets including Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor.com. The recordings of the Public Hearings are running at least once a day on Channel 3 and are available on the City's website. Staff created a new flyer to inform the public and get them engaged. The Chamber of Commerce sent the Public Hearing dates out to their mailing list on March 30, 2018. On March 31, 2018 Staff sent out an email blast to the City's distribution list of approximately 560 Los Alamitos residents. The Los Alamitos Unified School District has also sent the information to its distribution list. Staff continues to post information on social media platforms and advise the press of the upcoming dates as they approach.

Neighborhoods

At the June 4, 2018 Public Hearing, concerns were risen that Apartment Row needed at least two representatives. Apartment Row is a densely populated area and will require at least two districts as drawn in the draft maps provided by NDC.

The City is comprised of 16 residential neighborhoods. The neighborhood borders do not match census block borders and therefore we cannot calculate neighborhood by neighborhood population counts. NDC has compiled calculations based on nearby groupings of neighborhoods (i.e. Country Square, College Park North, Greenbrook and Woodcrest combined; El Dorado Park Estates East and Bungalos combined; etc). The grouping of various neighborhoods is dependent on the context of each overall map. Specific demographic information is available via an interactive map on the City's web at: <http://cityoflosalamitos.org/district-elections/>. To view total population by block, users

would click on the “census block” layer. As they zoom in, population counts are calculated. Voter registration information for the 2014 and 2016 General Election turnout data is provided in the demographic spreadsheet for each district in each map

Discussion

At its July 16, 2018, Public Hearing the City Council unanimously voted to introduce Ordinance No. 2018-05 establishing a district-based election system inclusive of the Council’s preferred district map and sequence of by-district elections. Council selected the Green map as the preferred district boundary map with the preferred sequencing of Districts 1 and 3 in 2020 and Districts 2, 4, and 5 in 2022. The final district boundaries and sequence of district elections will be reflected in the adopted Ordinance. These changes will be in effect for the November 2020 General Municipal Election.

Council adjourned the meeting to July 30, 2018 for adoption of Ordinance No. 2018-05. The City Clerk and demographer will then work with the County Elections Division to have the district map integrated into the countywide voting system. The first district election for two Council seats in Los Alamitos (Districts 1 and 3) will be held in November 2020.

Fiscal Impact

Transitioning to district elections required the City to retain the services of a demographer, National Demographic Consultants (NDC). The cost of these service is roughly \$17,000. Significant Staff time was required to transition to district-based elections and to administer the process including the need for five (5) public hearings. Council appropriated \$20,000 from the General Fund to the Election Expense account for this purpose on May 11, 2018.

Should the City Council ultimately adopt Ordinance 2018-05 to transition to a district-based electoral system, the law firm of Shenkman and Hughes, which threatened litigation if the City declined to voluntarily transfer to district-based elections, may seek reimbursement for its documented costs up to \$30,000; the City, however, will not be exposed to the potential much higher legal fees involved in defense of a lawsuit brought under the California Voting Rights Act. Additional legal fees have been incurred by our City Attorney as well for this unbudgeted item. Once these additional charges have been realized, an appropriation request will come back to the Council.

Submitted By: Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk

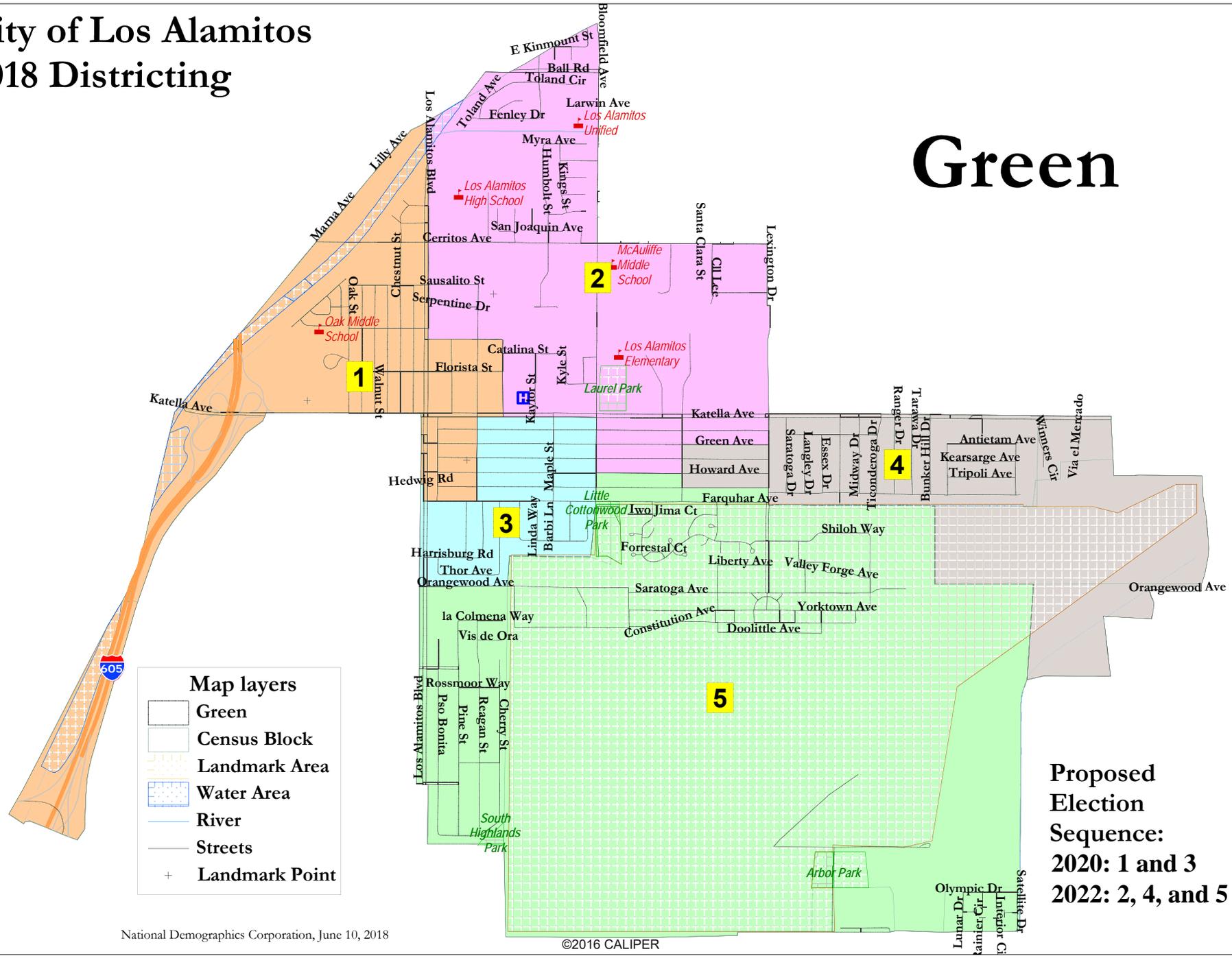
Approved By: Bret M. Plumlee, City Manager

- Attachments:*
- 1. Council Preferred Green Map with proposed election sequencing*
 - 2. Ordinance 2018-05*
 - 3. Proposed Draft Maps (with proposed election sequencing and demographics)*
 - 4. Resident Submitted Maps and demographics*
 - 5. Neighborhood Map with Population Data*
 - 6. Adopted Timeline for District-based Elections*
 - 7. Conceptual Map: Four-District/Mayor Elected At-Large (Illustrative purposes only)*
 - 8. Flyer Advertising Public Hearing Dates*
 - 9. Flyer Requesting Public Input*
 - 10. Demand Letter*

City of Los Alamitos 2018 Districting

Green

**Proposed
Election
Sequence:
2020: 1 and 3
2022: 2, 4, and 5**



Map layers

- Green
- Census Block
- Landmark Area
- Water Area
- River
- Streets
- Landmark Point

National Demographics Corporation, June 10, 2018

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ORDINANCE NO. 2018-05**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT-BASED ELECTION SYSTEM FOR MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, members of the City Council of the City of Los Alamitos are currently elected in at-large elections, in which each City Councilmember is elected by voters of the entire City; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2018, the City received a certified letter from attorney Kevin Shenkman of the law firm of Shenkman & Hughes asserting that the City's at-large Councilmember election system violates the California Voting Rights Act ("CVRA") and threatening litigation if the City declines to voluntarily change to a district-based election system where each City Councilmember resides within a designated district boundary and is elected only by the voters in that district; and

WHEREAS, the City denies its current at-large election system violates the CVRA or any other provision of law and asserts the City's election system is legal in all respects and further denies any wrongdoing whatsoever regarding the way it has conducted its City Council elections; and

WHEREAS, while the City Council strongly believes that the interests of all of the City's residents have been fully and fairly represented under the City's current at-large election system, the City Council has concluded it is in the public interest to transition to district-based elections due to the uncertainty of litigation to defend against a CVRA lawsuit and the potentially extraordinary cost of such a lawsuit, even if the City were to prevail; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-08, declaring the City's intention to transition from at-large to district-based elections pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10010; and

WHEREAS, the City retained an expert demographer to assist the City with the process of analyzing the City's population, developing draft district maps consistent with the CVRA and the Federal Voting Rights Act, and gathering input from residents on the potential Council district maps; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with California Elections Code Section 10010(a)(1), the City Council held two public hearings on May 29, 2018 and June 4, 2018 where the public was invited to provide input regarding the composition of the City's voting districts before any draft maps were drawn; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with California Elections Code Section 10010(a)(2), the

City Council held two additional public hearings on June 18, 2018 and July 9, 2018 where the public was invited to provide input regarding the content of the draft maps and the proposed sequence of elections; and

WHEREAS, at its July 9, 2018 meeting, the City Council selected its preferred district map, determined its preferred sequence of district elections, and directed staff to bring forward this Ordinance for its consideration; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with California Government Code Section 34886, it is declared that the change in the method of electing members of the City Council of the City of Los Alamitos made by this Ordinance is in furtherance of the purposes of the California Voting Rights Act of 2001 (Chapter 1.5 (commencing with Section 14025) of Division 14 of the Elections Code) and to implement the guarantees of Section 7 of Article I and Section 2 of Article II of the California Constitution.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.

SECTION 2. Establishment of a District-Based Election System.

A. By-District Elections. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 34886, beginning in November 2020 and upon the expiration of the current terms of office of members of the City Council, City Councilmembers shall be elected by the five Council districts established by subdivision (B) of this Section. Elections shall take place “by-district” as that term is defined in California Government Code Section 34871, meaning one City Councilmember shall be elected from each district by the voters of that district alone.

B. Council Districts. All five Councilmembers shall be elected on a “by-district” basis from the Council districts shown and numbered on the district map attached hereto as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein by reference, a copy of which shall be on file in the City Clerk’s office.

C. Sequence of Elections. Commencing with the November 2020 General Municipal Election, and every four years thereafter, the following two Council districts shall be elected by-district: District 1 and District 3. Commencing with the November 2022 General Municipal Election, and every four years thereafter, the following three Council districts shall be elected by-district: District 2; District 4; and District 5.

D. Residency in Council District Required. A Councilmember elected or appointed to represent a Council district must reside in that district and be a registered voter in that district, and any candidate for City Council must reside in, and be a registered voter in, the Council district in which he or she seeks election at the time nomination papers are issued. Termination of residency in a Council district by a Councilmember

shall create an immediate vacancy for that district unless a substitute residence within the district is established within thirty (30) days after the termination of residency.

E. Expiration of At-Large Terms of Office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the Councilmembers in office prior to the November 2020 General Municipal Election shall continue in office until the expiration of the term to which he or she was elected. In the event a vacancy occurs before the expiration of the term of a Councilmember in office prior to the November 2020 General Municipal Election, a person who is appointed or elected in accordance with Section 502 of the Los Alamitos City Charter to fill such vacancy may reside anywhere within the corporate boundaries of the City.

SECTION 3. If necessary to facilitate the implementation of this Ordinance as determined by the County Registrar of Voters, the City Clerk is authorized to make technical adjustments to the Council district boundaries that do not substantively affect the populations in the districts, the eligibility of candidates, or the residence of elected officials within any district. The City Clerk shall consult with the City Manager and City Attorney concerning any technical adjustments deemed necessary and shall advise the City Council of any such adjustments required in the implementation of the districts.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance for any reason is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify as to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause a summary thereof to be published within fifteen (15) days of the adoption and shall post a Certified copy of this Ordinance, including the vote for and against the same, in the Office of the City Clerk, in accordance with Government Code Section 36933.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 30th day of July, 2018.

Troy Edgar, Mayor

ATTEST:

Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael S. Daudt, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) ss.
CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS)

I, Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk of the City of Los Alamitos, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 2018-05 was duly introduced and placed upon its first reading at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 16th day of July, 2018 and that thereafter, said Ordinance was duly adopted and passed at an adjourned regular meeting of the City Council on the 30th day of July, 2018 by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:

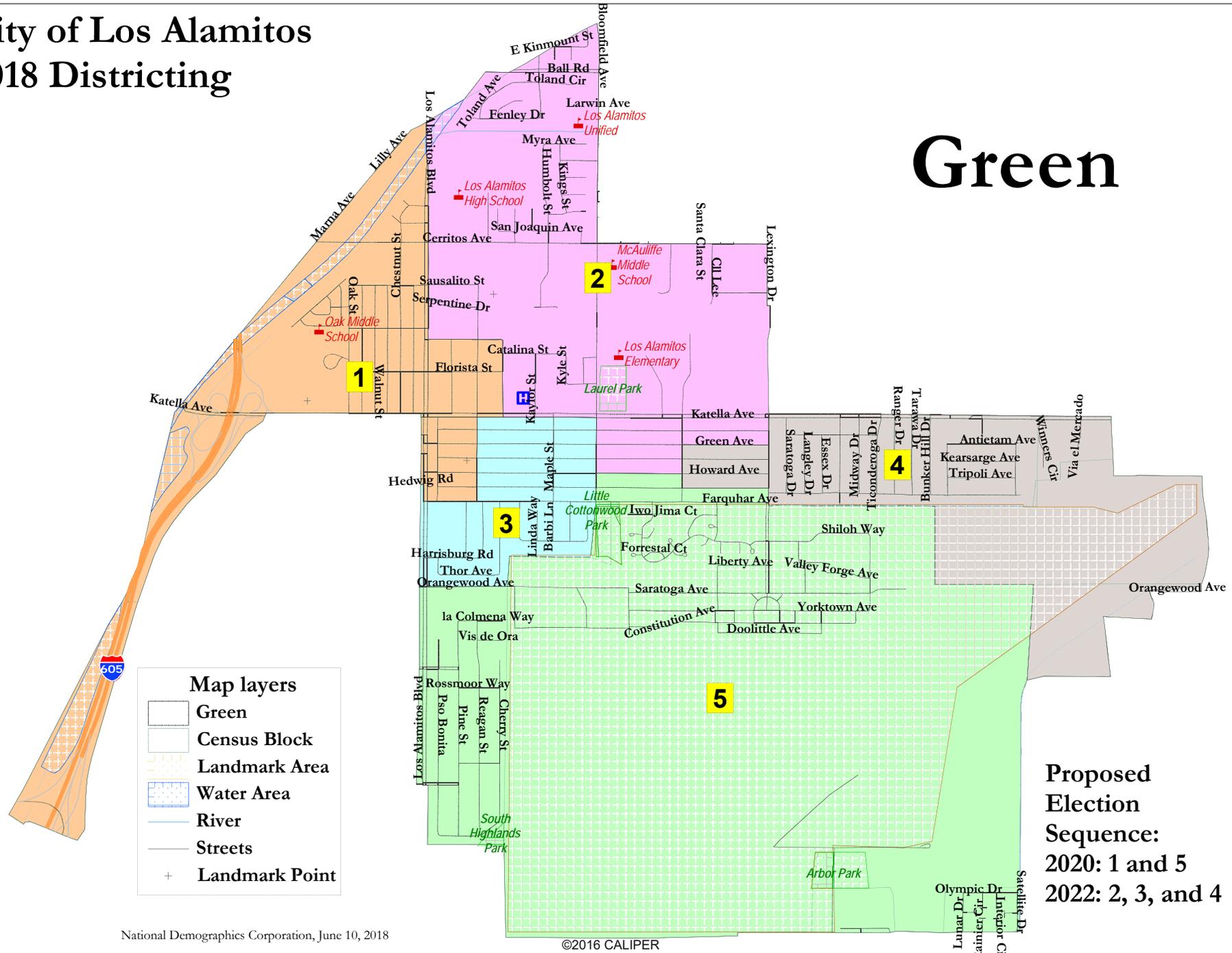
Windmera Quintanar, CMC, City Clerk

Exhibit A

City of Los Alamitos Council District Map

City of Los Alamitos 2018 Districting

Green



Los Alamitos - Green

District		1	2	3	4	5	Total
Ideal	Total Pop	2,298	2,295	2,379	2,205	2,232	11,409
2,282	Deviation from ideal	16	13	97	-77	-50	174
	% Deviation	0.70%	0.57%	4.25%	-3.37%	-2.19%	7.62%
Total Pop	% Hisp	31%	14%	24%	19%	17%	21%
	% NH White	47%	62%	55%	63%	66%	59%
	% NH Black	4%	3%	4%	2%	2%	3%
	% Asian-American	14%	19%	15%	13%	11%	14%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	1,620	2,044	1,500	1,565	1,635	8,364
	% Hisp	28%	9%	19%	27%	15%	19%
	% NH White	41%	62%	60%	58%	73%	59%
	% NH Black	12%	6%	6%	1%	4%	6%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	13%	19%	14%	9%	8%	13%
Voter Registration (Nov 2016)	Total	1,087	1,281	1,279	1,269	1,403	6,319
	% Latino est.	25%	14%	21%	16%	12%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	22%	13%	19%	14%	11%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	6%	9%	6%	5%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	53%	67%	65%	70%	78%	67%
% NH Black	12%	6%	6%	1%	4%	6%	
Voter Turnout (Nov 2016)	Total	824	1,046	1,015	1,037	1,192	5,114
	% Latino est.	25%	13%	22%	15%	11%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	23%	12%	19%	14%	10%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	9%	4%	6%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	53%	68%	65%	71%	79%	68%
% NH Black	12%	6%	6%	1%	4%	5%	
Voter Turnout (Nov 2014)	Total	374	544	523	553	660	2,655
	% Latino est.	21%	8%	12%	12%	9%	12%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	19%	7%	11%	11%	8%	10%
	% Asian-Surnamed	4%	10%	5%	5%	4%	5%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%
	% NH White est.	71%	81%	79%	76%	86%	79%
% NH Black est.	3%	1%	2%	0%	0%	1%	
ACS Pop. Est.	Total	2,429	2,412	2,444	2,200	2,222	11,706
Age	age0-19	24%	27%	31%	29%	29%	28%
	age20-60	53%	54%	52%	49%	48%	51%
	age60plus	23%	20%	17%	22%	22%	21%
Immigration	immigrants	16%	18%	15%	12%	11%	15%
	naturalized	74%	64%	56%	61%	61%	64%
Language spoken at home	english	77%	74%	76%	82%	83%	78%
	spanish	9%	11%	12%	8%	8%	10%
	asian-lang	11%	12%	9%	7%	7%	9%
	other lang	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%
Language Fluency	Speaks Eng. "Less than Very Well"	9%	10%	8%	6%	5%	8%
Education (among those age 25+)	hs-grad	45%	50%	53%	51%	51%	50%
	bachelor	27%	26%	24%	24%	24%	25%
	graduatedegree	16%	14%	14%	18%	19%	16%
Child in Household	child-under18	28%	33%	40%	35%	34%	34%
Pct of Pop. Age 16+	employed	57%	61%	63%	56%	56%	59%
Household Income	income 0-25k	13%	13%	14%	12%	12%	13%
	income 25-50k	18%	17%	16%	13%	12%	15%
	income 50-75k	15%	18%	22%	19%	19%	19%
	income 75-200k	43%	44%	42%	46%	47%	44%
	income 200k-plus	12%	7%	5%	10%	11%	9%
Housing Stats	single family	67%	53%	35%	65%	70%	58%
	multi-family	33%	47%	65%	35%	30%	42%
	rented	50%	60%	73%	47%	42%	55%
	owned	50%	40%	27%	53%	58%	45%

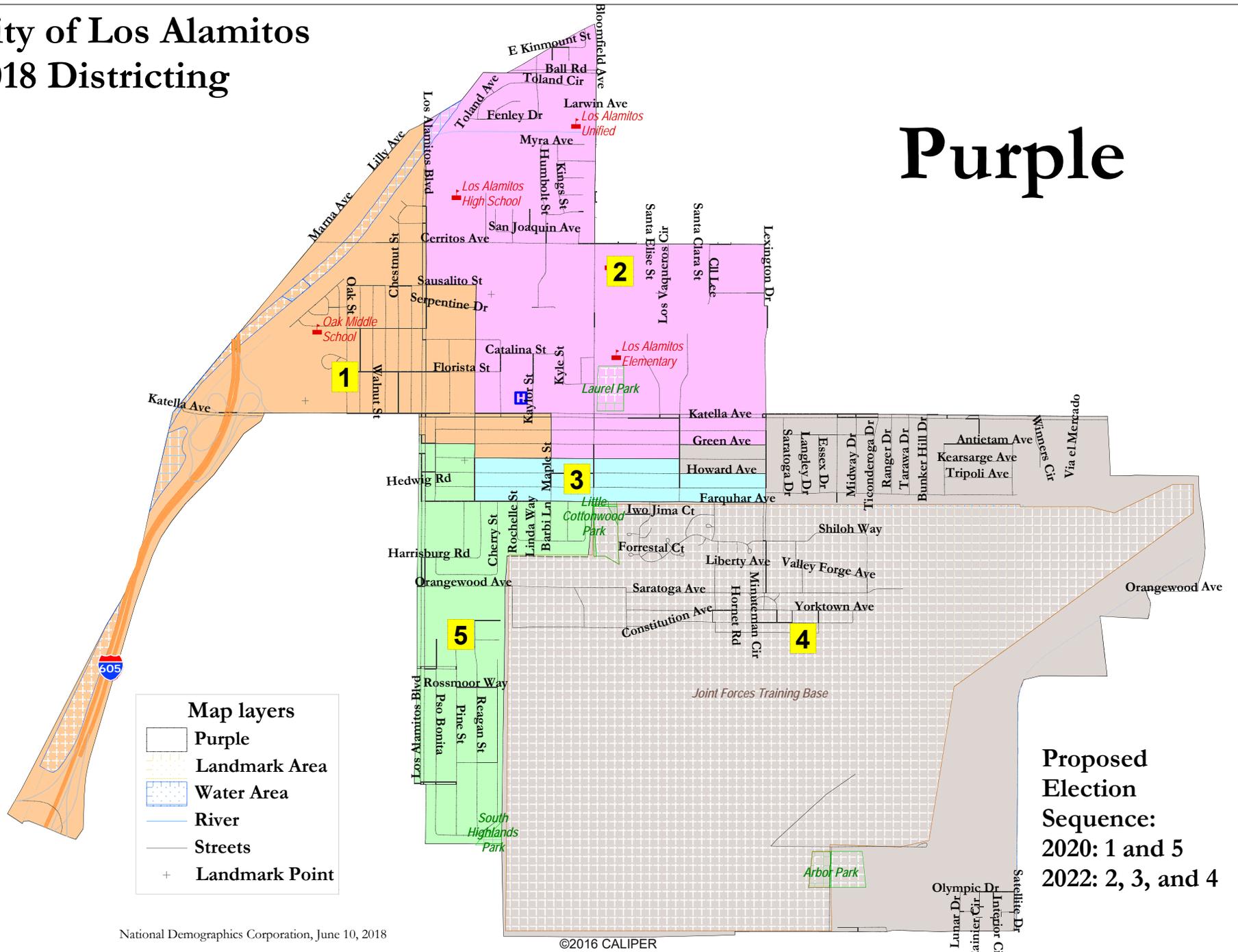
Total population data from the 2010 Decennial Census.

Surname-based Voter Registration and Turnout data from the California Statewide Database.

Latino voter registration and turnout data are Spanish-surname counts adjusted using Census Population Department undercount estimates. NH White and NH Black registration and turnout counts estimated by NDC. Citizen Voting Age Pop., Age, Immigration, and other demographics from the 2012-2016 American Community Survey and Special Tabulation 5-year data.

City of Los Alamitos 2018 Districting

Purple



Los Alamitos - Purple

District		1	2	3	4	5	Total
Ideal	Total Pop	2,258	2,410	2,239	2,211	2,291	11,409
2,282	Deviation from ideal	-24	128	-43	-71	9	199
	% Deviation	-1.05%	5.61%	-1.88%	-3.11%	0.39%	8.72%
Total Pop	% Hisp	30%	16%	26%	18%	17%	21%
	% NH White	49%	60%	51%	65%	69%	59%
	% NH Black	4%	2%	5%	2%	2%	3%
	% Asian-American	13%	20%	15%	14%	9%	14%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	1,542	2,061	1,527	1,575	1,657	8,364
	% Hisp	27%	9%	24%	24%	15%	19%
	% NH White	42%	61%	54%	63%	74%	59%
	% NH Black	13%	5%	9%	1%	4%	6%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	14%	21%	11%	10%	7%	13%
Voter Registration (Nov 2016)	Total	1,059	1,331	1,056	1,357	1,516	6,319
	% Latino est.	25%	14%	22%	15%	13%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	22%	13%	19%	13%	12%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	6%	9%	6%	5%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	53%	68%	61%	72%	77%	67%
% NH Black	12%	5%	9%	1%	4%	6%	
Voter Turnout (Nov 2016)	Total	804	1,088	823	1,125	1,275	5,114
	% Latino est.	25%	14%	22%	14%	13%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	22%	12%	20%	13%	12%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	9%	6%	5%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	53%	69%	61%	72%	77%	68%
% NH Black	12%	5%	9%	1%	3%	5%	
Voter Turnout (Nov 2014)	Total	393	564	287	608	804	2,655
	% Latino est.	20%	8%	18%	11%	8%	12%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	18%	7%	16%	10%	7%	10%
	% Asian-Surnamed	4%	9%	5%	5%	5%	5%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	0%	2%	2%	1%	1%
	% NH White est.	73%	81%	70%	78%	86%	79%
% NH Black est.	2%	1%	5%	0%	1%	1%	
ACS Pop. Est.	Total	2,386	2,533	2,344	2,188	2,255	11,706
Age	age0-19	24%	27%	32%	29%	28%	28%
	age20-60	53%	54%	54%	48%	47%	51%
	age60plus	23%	20%	14%	24%	24%	21%
Immigration	immigrants	16%	18%	17%	11%	10%	15%
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	spanish	10%	11%	15%	7%	6%	10%
	asian-lang	11%	12%	10%	7%	6%	9%
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	bachelor	27%	26%	24%	24%	24%	25%
	graduatedegree	16%	14%	11%	20%	21%	16%
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Pct of Pop. Age 16+	employed	58%	61%	68%	54%	53%	59%
Household Income	income 0-25k	13%	13%	15%	12%	11%	13%
	income 25-50k	18%	17%	19%	11%	10%	15%
	income 50-75k	15%	18%	24%	18%	18%	19%
	income 75-200k	43%	44%	40%	47%	48%	44%
	income 200k-plus	11%	8%	2%	12%	13%	9%
Housing Stats	single family	66%	54%	16%	76%	82%	58%
	multi-family	34%	46%	84%	24%	18%	42%
	rented	51%	59%	90%	37%	31%	55%
	owned	49%	41%	10%	63%	69%	45%

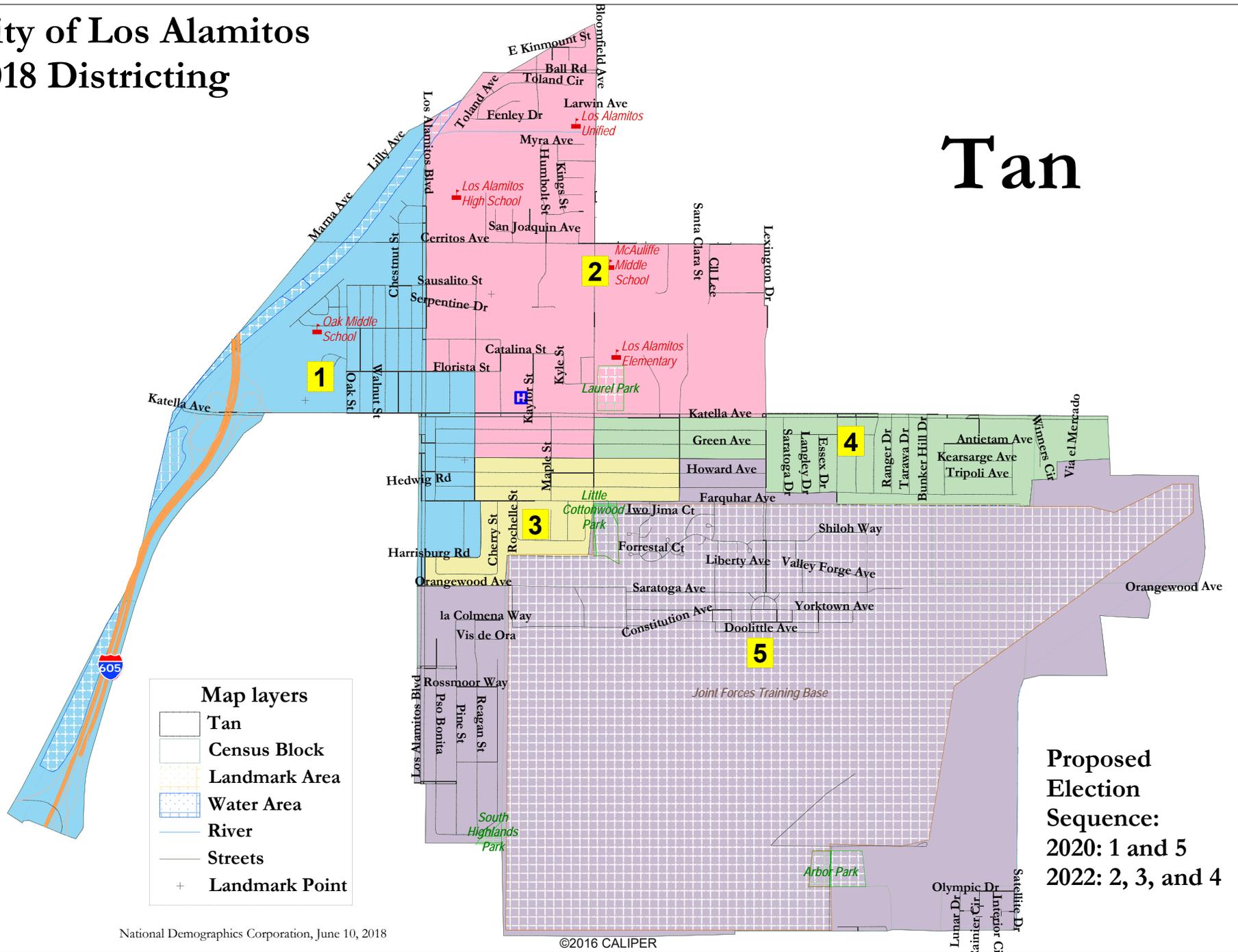
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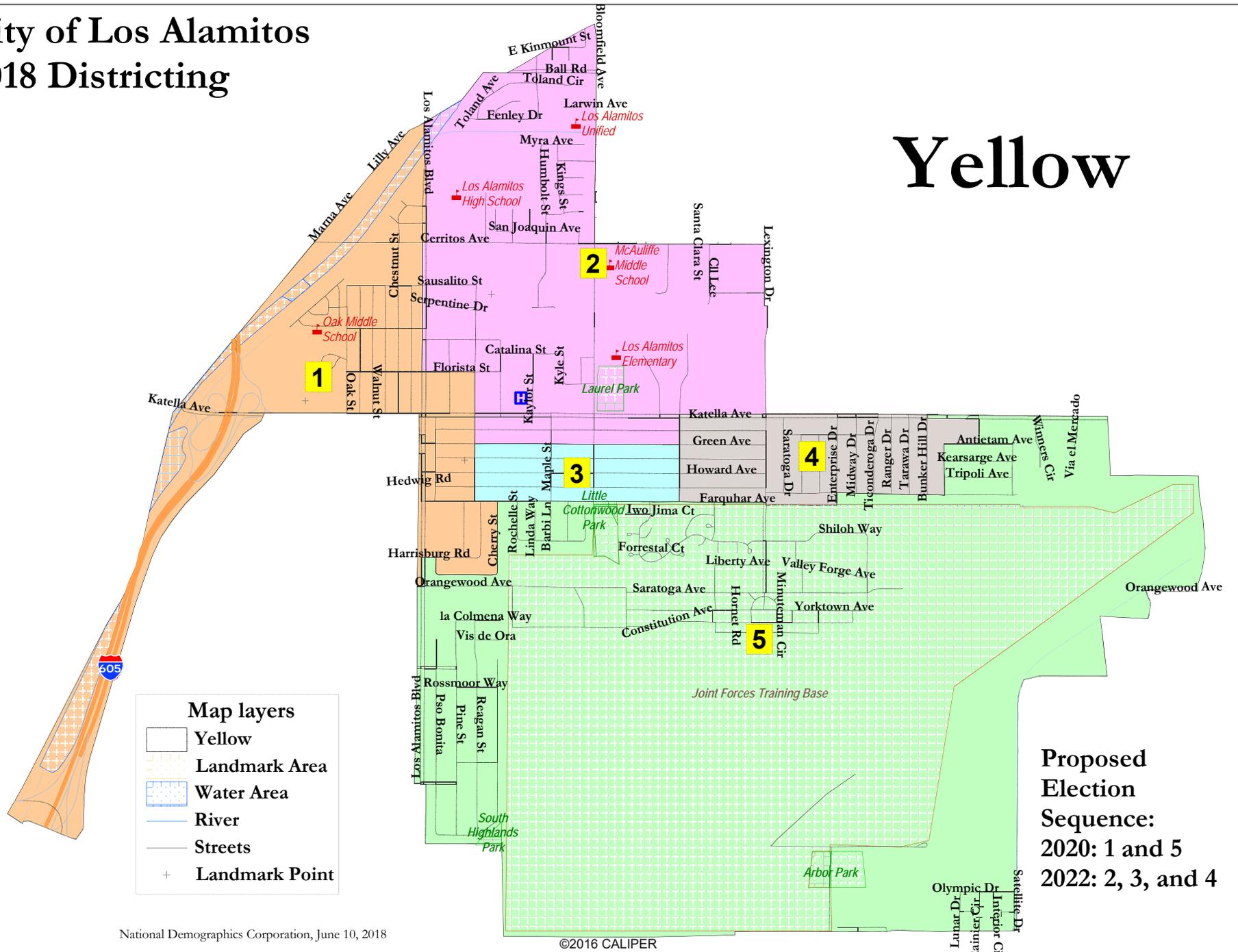
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Los Alamitos - Tan							
District		1	2	3	4	5	Total
Ideal	Total Pop	2,215	2,287	2,265	2,376	2,266	11,409
2,282	Deviation from ideal	-67	5	-17	94	-16	161
	% Deviation	-2.94%	0.22%	-0.75%	4.12%	-0.70%	7.06%
Total Pop	% Hisp	30%	17%	25%	19%	15%	21%
	% NH White	50%	59%	54%	63%	68%	59%
	% NH Black	4%	2%	5%	2%	3%	3%
	% Asian-American	13%	19%	13%	15%	12%	14%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	1,510	1,930	1,569	1,637	1,718	8,364
	% Hisp	28%	9%	21%	24%	16%	19%
	% NH White	44%	59%	60%	62%	69%	59%
	% NH Black	12%	5%	9%	2%	2%	6%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	11%	23%	10%	12%	8%	13%
Voter Registration (Nov 2016)	Total	1,077	1,281	1,217	1,304	1,440	6,319
	% Latino est.	24%	14%	21%	16%	12%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	22%	13%	19%	15%	11%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	6%	9%	6%	6%	6%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	54%	68%	63%	69%	78%	67%
% NH Black	11%	5%	8%	2%	3%	6%	
Voter Turnout (Nov 2016)	Total	821	1,059	966	1,060	1,208	5,114
	% Latino est.	25%	13%	21%	16%	12%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	22%	12%	19%	14%	10%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	8%	5%	6%	6%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	55%	70%	64%	70%	79%	68%
% NH Black	11%	5%	8%	2%	2%	5%	
Voter Turnout (Nov 2014)	Total	388	584	453	548	682	2,655
	% Latino est.	19%	8%	14%	12%	9%	12%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	17%	7%	12%	11%	8%	10%
	% Asian-Surnamed	4%	9%	5%	5%	4%	5%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
	% NH White est.	73%	82%	77%	75%	86%	79%
% NH Black est.	3%	1%	3%	0%	0%	1%	
ACS Pop. Est.	Total	2,331	2,406	2,333	2,382	2,255	11,706
Age	age0-19	24%	26%	31%	30%	29%	28%
	age20-60	53%	54%	52%	49%	48%	51%
	age60plus	23%	21%	16%	21%	23%	21%
Immigration	immigrants	16%	18%	15%	12%	11%	15%
	naturalized	73%	66%	56%	60%	61%	64%
Language spoken at home	english	77%	74%	75%	81%	83%	78%
	spanish	9%	10%	12%	9%	8%	10%
	asian-lang	11%	12%	9%	7%	7%	9%
	other lang	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%
Language Fluency	Speaks Eng. "Less than Very Well"	8%	10%	9%	6%	5%	8%
Education (among those age 25+)	hs-grad	46%	48%	54%	52%	51%	50%
	bachelor	27%	26%	24%	24%	24%	25%
	graduatedegree	16%	15%	14%	18%	19%	16%
Child in Household	child-under18	29%	31%	40%	35%	34%	34%
Pct of Pop. Age 16+	employed	57%	60%	64%	57%	56%	59%
Household Income	income 0-25k	13%	13%	14%	13%	12%	13%
	income 25-50k	18%	17%	17%	13%	12%	15%
	income 50-75k	15%	17%	22%	20%	19%	19%
	income 75-200k	43%	45%	42%	45%	46%	44%
	income 200k-plus	11%	9%	5%	9%	11%	9%
Housing Stats	single family	67%	60%	33%	61%	70%	58%
	multi-family	33%	40%	67%	39%	30%	42%
	rented	50%	55%	76%	50%	43%	55%
	owned	50%	45%	24%	50%	57%	45%
Total population data from the 2010 Decennial Census.							
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Yellow

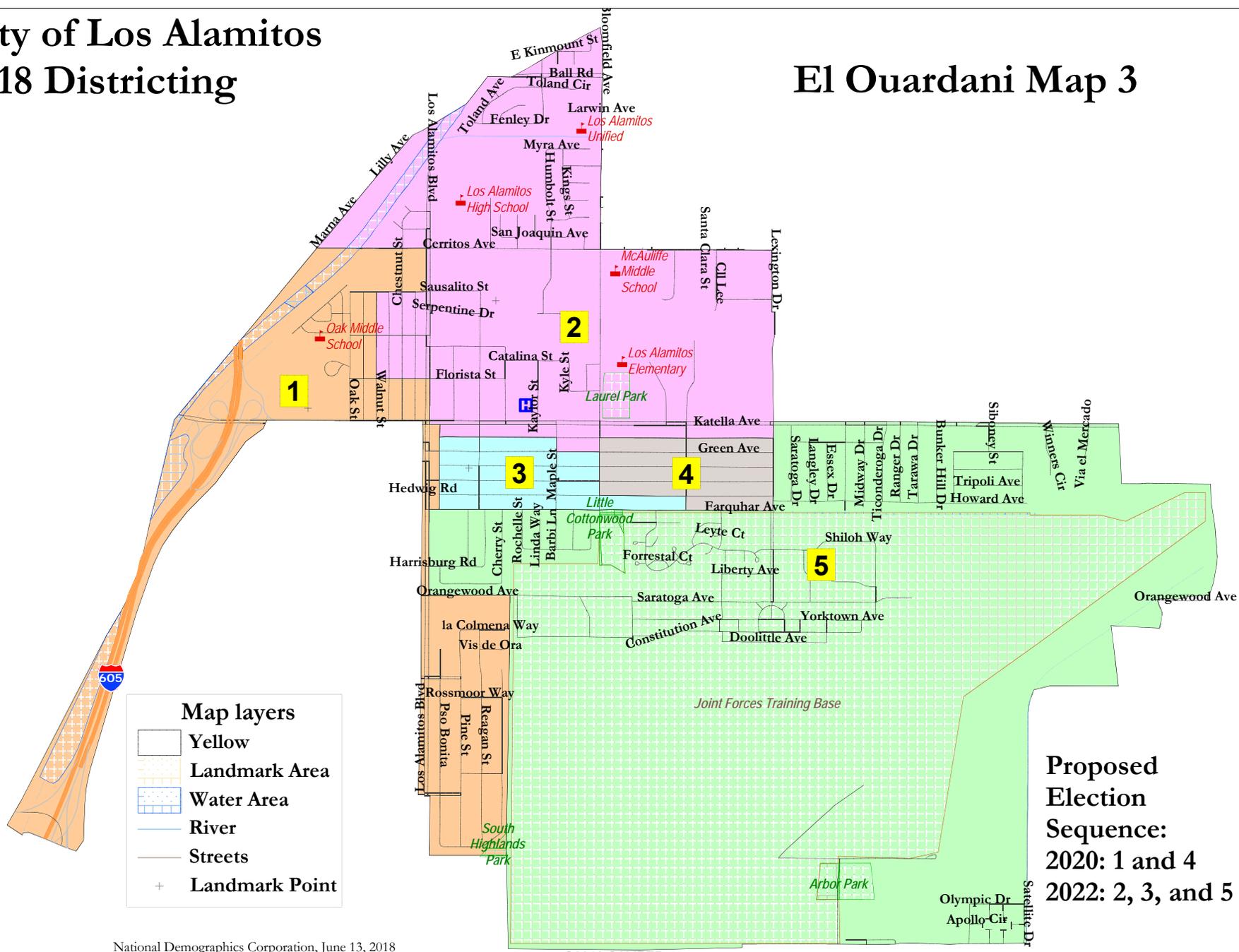


Los Alamitos - Yellow

District		1	2	3	4	5	Total
<u>Ideal</u>	Total Pop	2,282	2,288	2,306	2,226	2,307	11,409
2,282	Deviation from ideal	0	6	24	-56	25	81
	% Deviation	0.00%	0.26%	1.05%	-2.45%	1.10%	3.55%
Total Pop	% Hisp	24%	20%	28%	20%	13%	21%
	% NH White	55%	59%	49%	57%	73%	59%
	% NH Black	4%	2%	5%	4%	1%	3%
	% Asian-American	13%	15%	15%	17%	11%	14%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	1,601	1,951	1,517	1,636	1,660	8,364
	% Hisp	20%	15%	22%	26%	13%	19%
	% NH White	55%	56%	55%	54%	76%	59%
	% NH Black	9%	7%	9%	4%	1%	6%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	12%	18%	13%	12%	10%	13%
Voter Registration (Nov 2016)	Total	1,163	1,359	1,087	1,161	1,549	6,319
	% Latino est.	23%	16%	22%	19%	10%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	20%	14%	19%	17%	9%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	8%	6%	7%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	59%	66%	61%	62%	82%	67%
	% NH Black	9%	7%	9%	4%	1%	6%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2016)	Total	911	1,109	852	907	1,336	5,114
	% Latino est.	23%	15%	22%	19%	10%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	20%	13%	20%	17%	9%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	8%	5%	7%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	60%	68%	62%	62%	83%	68%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2014)	Total	476	640	302	365	872	2,655
	% Latino est.	13%	11%	17%	15%	8%	12%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	12%	10%	15%	13%	7%	10%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	6%	5%	9%	4%	5%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	1%	0%	3%	1%	1%	1%
	% NH White est.	78%	82%	71%	74%	83%	79%
	% NH Black est.	2%	1%	5%	1%	0%	1%
ACS Pop. Est.	Total	2,349	2,424	2,415	2,279	2,239	11,706
Age	age0-19	28%	21%	32%	31%	27%	28%
	age20-60	52%	53%	54%	52%	45%	51%
	age60plus	20%	26%	14%	18%	27%	21%
Immigration	immigrants	15%	17%	17%	15%	8%	15%
	naturalized	64%	77%	54%	57%	69%	64%
Language spoken at home	english	78%	77%	71%	76%	89%	78%
	spanish	10%	8%	15%	12%	4%	10%
	asian-lang	9%	12%	10%	9%	5%	9%
	other lang	3%	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%
Language Fluency	Speaks Eng. "Less than Very Well"	8%	9%	10%	8%	3%	8%
Education (among those age 25+)	hs-grad	50%	44%	55%	54%	49%	50%
	bachelor	25%	28%	24%	24%	23%	25%
	graduatedegree	16%	18%	11%	14%	23%	16%
Child in Household	child-under18	34%	25%	43%	38%	29%	34%
Pct of Pop. Age 16+	employed	59%	55%	68%	62%	50%	59%
Household Income	income 0-25k	13%	12%	15%	14%	10%	13%
	income 25-50k	16%	17%	19%	15%	8%	15%
	income 50-75k	18%	13%	24%	21%	16%	19%
	income 75-200k	44%	44%	40%	44%	50%	44%
	income 200k-plus	9%	14%	2%	5%	16%	9%
Housing Stats	single family	58%	82%	16%	41%	99%	58%
	multi-family	42%	18%	84%	59%	1%	42%
	rented	55%	39%	90%	68%	16%	55%
	owned	45%	61%	10%	32%	84%	45%
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El Ouardani Map 3



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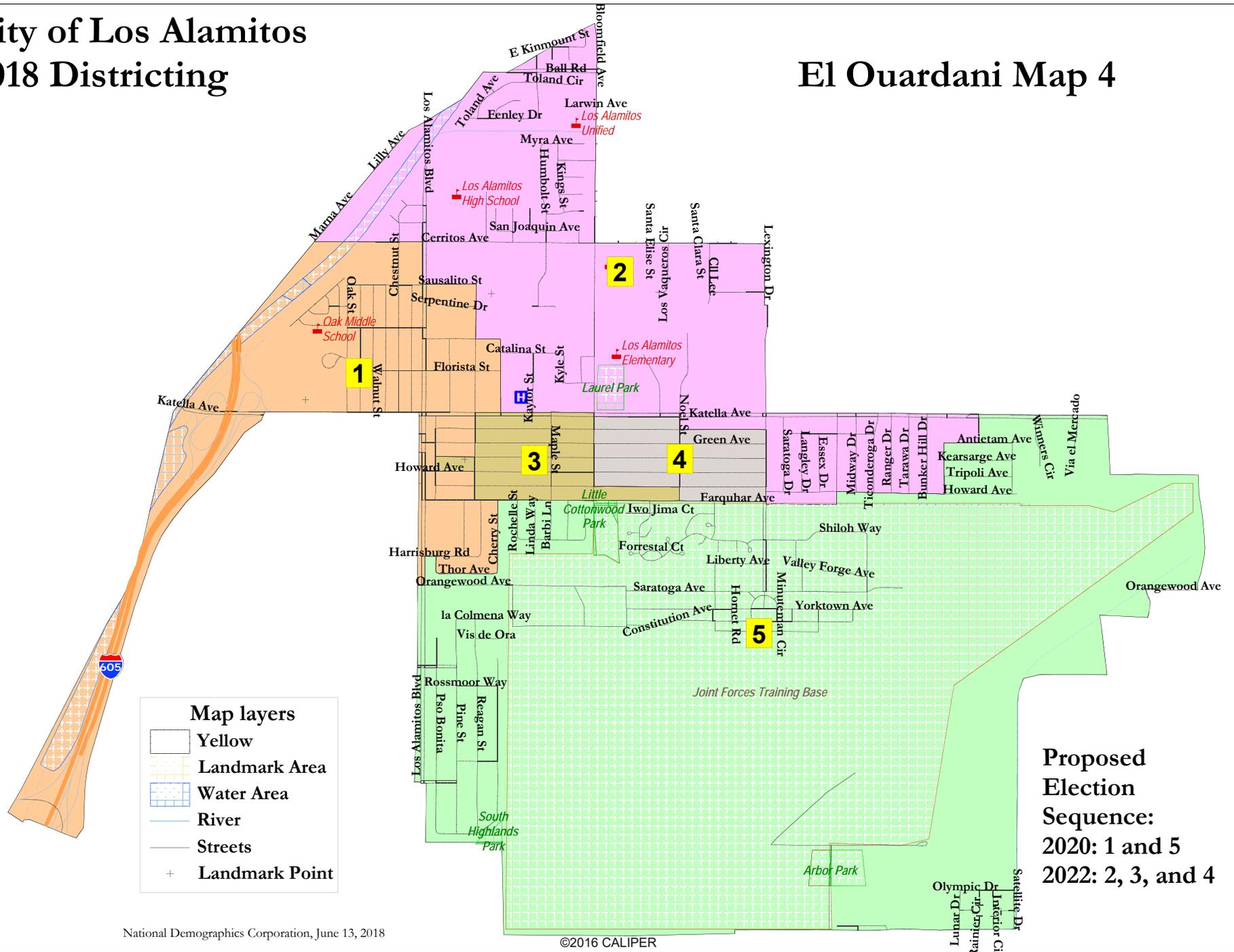
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Los Alamitos - El Oaurdani Map 3

District		1	2	3	4	5	Total
<u>Ideal</u>	Total Pop	2,222	2,333	2,366	2,199	2,289	11,409
2,282	Deviation from ideal	-60	51	84	-83	7	167
	% Deviation	-2.63%	2.23%	3.68%	-3.64%	0.31%	7.32%
Total Pop	% Hisp	19%	18%	27%	25%	16%	21%
	% NH White	64%	59%	49%	51%	71%	59%
	% NH Black	3%	2%	5%	5%	2%	3%
	% Asian-American	11%	18%	15%	17%	10%	14%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	1,565	2,064	1,442	1,660	1,632	8,364
	% Hisp	18%	11%	23%	26%	20%	19%
	% NH White	63%	55%	56%	52%	71%	59%
	% NH Black	6%	8%	7%	7%	1%	6%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	9%	22%	13%	11%	9%	13%
Voter Registration (Nov 2016)	Total	1,351	1,310	1,128	962	1,568	6,319
	% Latino est.	14%	15%	21%	22%	16%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	13%	13%	19%	20%	14%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	9%	6%	8%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	71%	66%	62%	61%	72%	67%
	% NH Black	6%	7%	8%	8%	1%	6%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2016)	Total	1,118	1,074	889	722	1,311	5,114
	% Latino est.	14%	14%	22%	23%	15%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	12%	13%	20%	21%	13%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	8%	5%	8%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	73%	67%	63%	60%	73%	68%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2014)	Total	660	626	331	232	806	2,655
	% Latino est.	11%	9%	15%	22%	10%	12%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	10%	8%	13%	20%	9%	10%
	% Asian-Surnamed	4%	8%	5%	7%	5%	5%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	1%	0%	3%	1%	1%	1%
	% NH White est.	84%	81%	72%	69%	80%	79%
ACS Pop. Est.	Total	2,243	2,461	2,477	2,303	2,222	11,706
	Age	age0-19	25%	23%	32%	32%	27%
age20-60		49%	53%	54%	54%	45%	51%
age60plus		26%	24%	14%	14%	27%	21%
Immigration	immigrants	12%	17%	17%	17%	8%	15%
	naturalized	76%	72%	54%	54%	69%	64%
Language spoken at home	english	84%	76%	71%	71%	89%	78%
	spanish	6%	9%	15%	15%	4%	10%
	asian-lang	8%	12%	10%	10%	5%	9%
	other lang	2%	3%	4%	4%	2%	3%
Language Fluency	Speaks Eng. "Less than Very Well"	5%	9%	10%	10%	3%	8%
Education (among those age 25+)	hs-grad	46%	46%	55%	55%	49%	50%
	bachelor	26%	27%	24%	24%	23%	25%
	graduatedegree	20%	16%	11%	11%	23%	16%
Child in Household	child-under18	27%	26%	43%	43%	29%	34%
Pct of Pop. Age 16+	employed	52%	57%	68%	68%	50%	59%
Household Income	income 0-25k	11%	12%	15%	15%	10%	13%
	income 25-50k	13%	16%	19%	19%	8%	15%
	income 50-75k	14%	14%	24%	24%	16%	19%
	income 75-200k	47%	46%	40%	40%	50%	44%
	income 200k-plus	15%	12%	2%	2%	16%	9%
Housing Stats	single family	91%	79%	16%	16%	99%	58%
	multi-family	9%	21%	84%	84%	1%	42%
	rented	28%	41%	90%	90%	16%	55%
	owned	72%	59%	10%	10%	84%	45%
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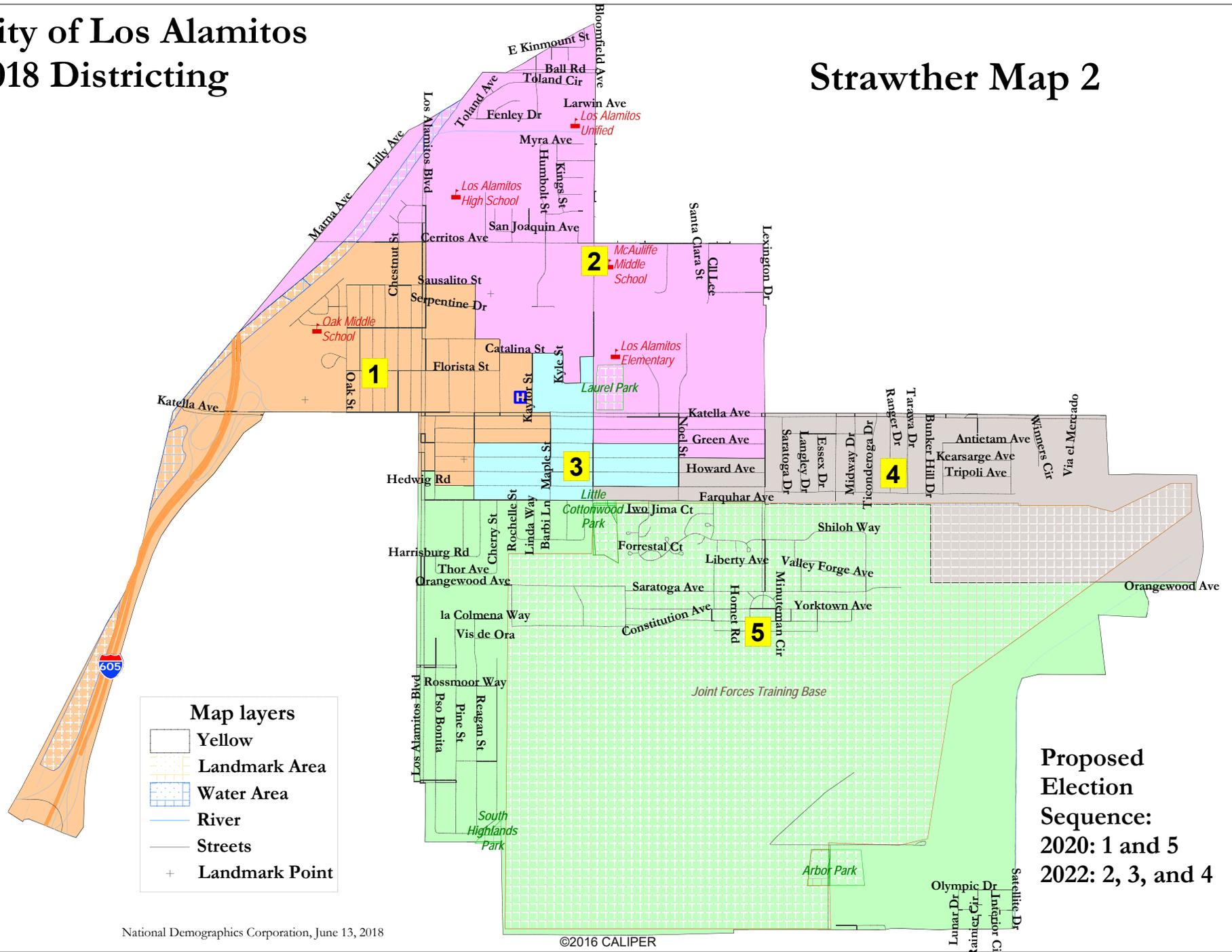
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Los Alamitos - El Oaurdani Map 4

District		1	2	3	4	5	Total
<u>Ideal</u>	Total Pop	2,329	2,254	2,293	2,199	2,334	11,409
2,282	Deviation from ideal	47	-28	11	-83	52	135
	% Deviation	2.06%	-1.23%	0.48%	-3.64%	2.28%	5.92%
Total Pop	% Hisp	30%	13%	24%	25%	14%	21%
	% NH White	49%	68%	53%	51%	73%	59%
	% NH Black	4%	1%	5%	5%	1%	3%
	% Asian-American	13%	16%	16%	17%	10%	14%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	1,654	1,914	1,392	1,660	1,744	8,364
	% Hisp	27%	12%	19%	26%	13%	19%
	% NH White	45%	63%	58%	52%	76%	59%
	% NH Black	10%	4%	7%	7%	2%	6%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	13%	18%	16%	11%	8%	13%
Voter Registration (Nov 2016)	Total	1,171	1,510	993	962	1,683	6,319
	% Latino est.	25%	11%	21%	22%	12%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	22%	10%	19%	20%	11%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	8%	6%	8%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	56%	69%	62%	61%	80%	67%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2016)	Total	891	1,280	783	722	1,438	5,114
	% Latino est.	25%	11%	22%	23%	11%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	23%	10%	20%	21%	10%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	7%	5%	8%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	56%	71%	63%	60%	81%	68%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2014)	Total	416	743	307	232	957	2,655
	% Latino est.	20%	7%	15%	22%	8%	12%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	18%	6%	13%	20%	7%	10%
	% Asian-Surnamed	4%	8%	4%	7%	4%	5%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	1%
	% NH White est.	72%	84%	73%	69%	84%	79%
ACS Pop. Est.	Total	2,440	2,297	2,401	2,303	2,266	11,706
	Age	age0-19	24%	24%	32%	32%	27%
age20-60		52%	50%	54%	54%	45%	51%
age60plus		24%	26%	14%	14%	27%	21%
Immigration	immigrants	16%	14%	17%	17%	8%	15%
	naturalized	74%	73%	54%	54%	69%	64%
Language spoken at home	english	78%	81%	71%	71%	89%	78%
	spanish	9%	6%	15%	15%	4%	10%
	asian-lang	11%	10%	10%	10%	5%	9%
	other lang	3%	2%	4%	4%	2%	3%
Language Fluency	Speaks Eng. "Less than Very Well"	8%	7%	10%	10%	3%	8%
Education (among those age 25+)	hs-grad	46%	47%	55%	55%	49%	50%
	bachelor	27%	26%	24%	24%	23%	25%
	graduatedegree	17%	19%	11%	11%	23%	16%
Child in Household	child-under18	28%	26%	43%	43%	29%	34%
Pct of Pop. Age 16+	employed	56%	53%	68%	68%	50%	59%
Household Income	income 0-25k	13%	11%	15%	15%	10%	13%
	income 25-50k	17%	12%	19%	19%	8%	15%
	income 50-75k	14%	14%	24%	24%	16%	19%
	income 75-200k	44%	49%	40%	40%	50%	44%
	income 200k-plus	12%	13%	2%	2%	16%	9%
Housing Stats	single family	72%	90%	16%	16%	99%	58%
	multi-family	28%	10%	84%	84%	1%	42%
	rented	46%	28%	90%	90%	16%	55%
	owned	54%	72%	10%	10%	84%	45%
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Strawther Map 2



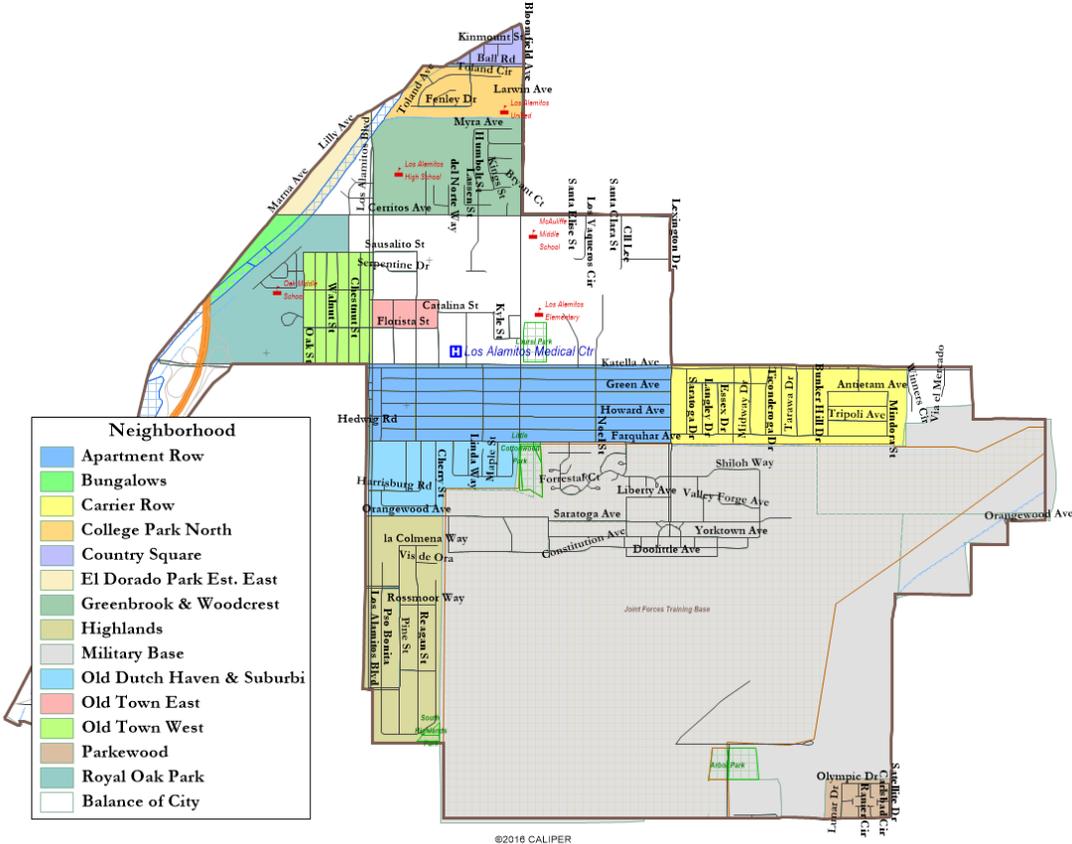
Los Alamitos - Strawther Map 2

District		1	2	3	4	5	Total
<u>Ideal</u>	Total Pop	2,249	2,186	2,404	2,364	2,206	11,409
2,282	Deviation from ideal	-33	-96	122	82	-76	218
	% Deviation	-1.45%	-4.21%	5.35%	3.59%	-3.33%	9.55%
Total Pop	% Hisp	31%	15%	26%	19%	15%	21%
	% NH White	46%	61%	52%	64%	72%	59%
	% NH Black	4%	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%
	% Asian-American	15%	21%	15%	12%	9%	14%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	1,557	1,930	1,545	1,679	1,653	8,364
	% Hisp	27%	12%	20%	25%	12%	19%
	% NH White	41%	59%	56%	60%	77%	59%
	% NH Black	11%	6%	8%	2%	3%	6%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	15%	19%	15%	9%	7%	13%
Voter Registration (Nov 2016)	Total	1,133	1,233	1,016	1,384	1,553	6,319
	% Latino est.	25%	13%	21%	16%	13%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	23%	12%	19%	15%	11%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	10%	6%	5%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	54%	68%	61%	69%	78%	67%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2016)	Total	857	1,014	793	1,130	1,319	5,114
	% Latino est.	26%	13%	22%	16%	12%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	23%	11%	20%	14%	11%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	9%	5%	6%	5%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	54%	69%	61%	70%	79%	68%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2014)	Total	377	563	289	580	847	2,655
	% Latino est.	22%	7%	16%	13%	8%	12%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	19%	7%	15%	11%	7%	10%
	% Asian-Surnamed	4%	9%	5%	5%	4%	5%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	2%	0%	3%	2%	1%	1%
	% NH White est.	70%	82%	71%	75%	87%	79%
ACS Pop. Est.	Total	2,375	2,300	2,517	2,366	2,148	11,706
	Age						
Age	age0-19	24%	26%	32%	29%	28%	28%
	age20-60	53%	54%	54%	49%	46%	51%
	age60plus	22%	21%	14%	21%	26%	21%
Immigration	immigrants	16%	18%	17%	12%	9%	15%
	naturalized	72%	67%	54%	60%	68%	64%
Language spoken at home	english	76%	75%	71%	82%	88%	78%
	spanish	10%	10%	15%	9%	5%	10%
	asian-lang	11%	12%	10%	7%	5%	9%
	other lang	3%	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%
Language Fluency	Speaks Eng. "Less than Very Well"	9%	10%	10%	6%	3%	8%
Education (among those age 25+)	hs-grad	46%	48%	55%	52%	50%	50%
	bachelor	27%	27%	24%	24%	24%	25%
	graduatedegree	16%	15%	11%	18%	22%	16%
Child in Household	child-under18	30%	31%	43%	35%	30%	34%
Pct of Pop. Age 16+	employed	58%	59%	68%	57%	51%	59%
Household Income	income 0-25k	13%	13%	15%	13%	10%	13%
	income 25-50k	18%	17%	19%	13%	9%	15%
	income 50-75k	16%	17%	24%	20%	16%	19%
	income 75-200k	42%	44%	40%	45%	50%	44%
	income 200k-plus	11%	8%	2%	9%	15%	9%
Housing Stats	single family	63%	59%	16%	61%	96%	58%
	multi-family	37%	41%	84%	39%	4%	42%
	rented	54%	56%	90%	50%	19%	55%
	owned	46%	44%	10%	50%	81%	45%
Total population data from the 2010 Decennial Census.							
Surname-based Voter Registration and Turnout data from the California Statewide Database.							
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Los Alamitos Population by Neighborhood

Neighborhood(s)	Number(s) on Map	Population	Housing Units
Apartment Row	11	4,905	1,912
Bungalows	16	93	50
Carrier Row & New Dutch Haven	12 & 13	1,427	469
College Park North	2	326	113
Country Square	1	121	38
El Dorado Park Estates East	15	114	33
Greenbrook & Woodcrest	3 & 4	639	217
Highlands	9	1,259	415
Old Dutch Haven & Suburbia	7 & 8	620	215
Old Town East	6	197	80
Old Town West	5	1,158	445
Parkwood	10	198	100
Royal Oak Park	14	157	110
Military Base		44	13
Balance of City		151	84
Total		11,409	4,293

Map of blocks included in each neighborhood



TIMELINE: CONSIDERATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF DISTRICT-BASED ELECTIONS SYSTEM

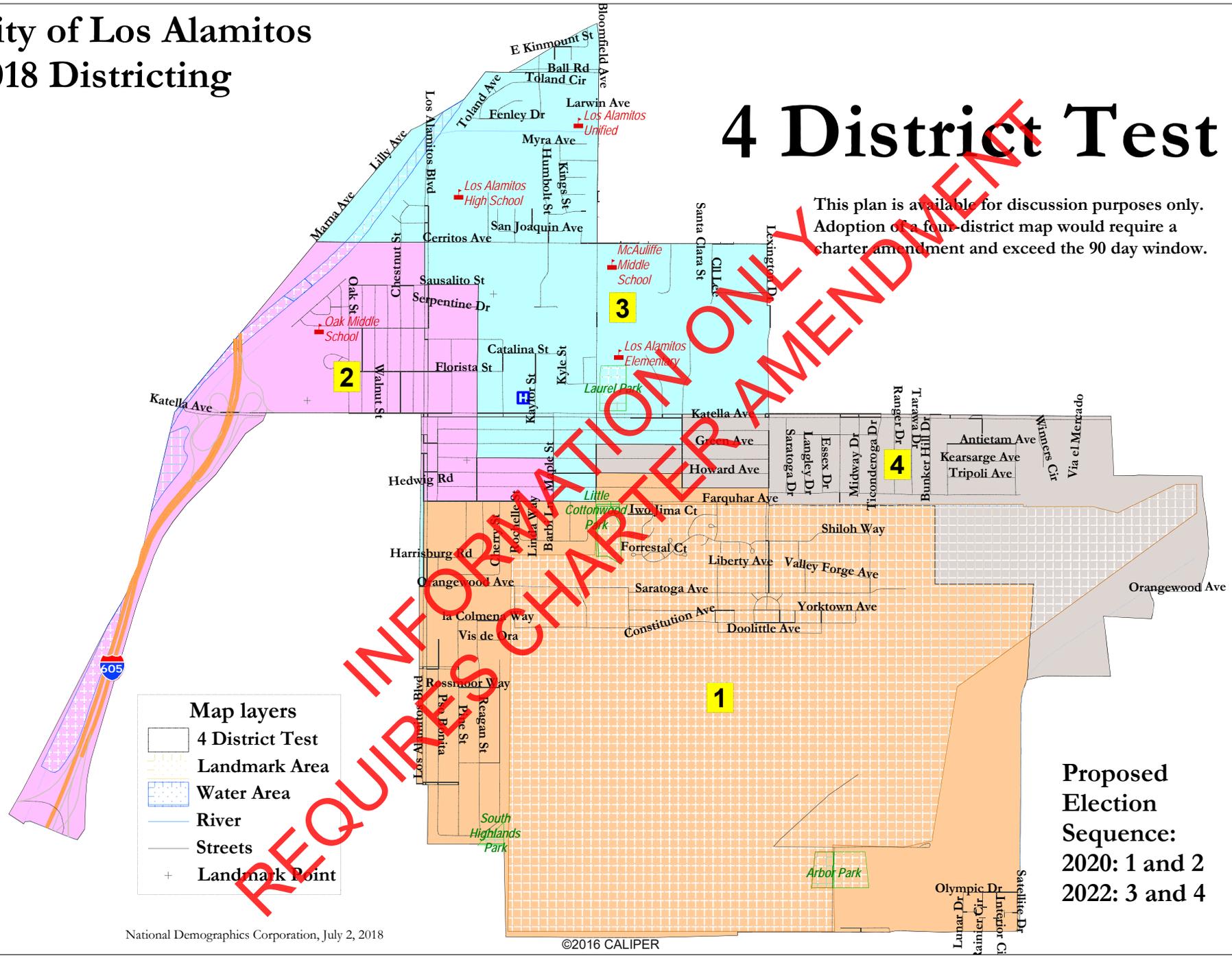
DATE	EVENT	COMMENT
March 29, 2018	City received Notice of Violation of CVRA	City has 45 days (May 12, 2018) to adopt a Resolution of Intention to transition to district elections
May 11, 2018	Informational Report	Staff presented a report to the City Council on the Notice of Violation
May 11, 2018	Resolution of Intention	90-Day Safe Harbor begins (Ends August 9, 2018)
May 29, 2018 6:00 p.m.	First Public Hearing	Council hearing regarding composition of districts. No maps to be drawn yet.
June 4, 2018 6:00 p.m.	Second Public Hearing	Council hearing regarding composition of districts. No maps to be drawn yet. <i>First and second public hearings must occur within a period of 30 days.</i>
June 7, 2018	Post Draft Maps and Potential Sequence of Elections	Draft maps and proposed sequence must be posted publicly at least 7 days before next hearing.
June 18, 2018 5:00 p.m.	Third Public Hearing	Council hearing regarding published drafts maps. <i>Third and fourth public hearings must occur within a period of 45 days.</i>
June 19, 2018	Post Draft Maps and Potential Sequence of Elections	Draft maps and proposed sequence must be posted publicly at least 7 days before next hearing.
July 9, 2018 6:00 p.m.	Fourth Public Hearing	Council hearing regarding published drafts maps. <i>If selected map is amended, ordinance cannot be introduced until 7 days after the amended map is published.</i>
July 9, 2018	Post Amended Draft Maps	Draft maps and proposed sequence must be posted publicly at least 7 days before being adopted.
July 16, 2018 6:00 p.m.	Fifth Public Hearing	Council introduces ordinance establishing district elections, selects map, includes district boundaries and elections sequence
August 20, 2018	Ordinance Adoption	Second reading and adoption of Ordinance.
September 2018	County Elections Division	Staff and the demographer will work with the Orange County Elections Division to implement districts into the County's elections database.
November 2020	General Municipal Election	First election utilizing adopted district boundaries.

City of Los Alamitos 2018 Districting

4 District Test

This plan is available for discussion purposes only. Adoption of a four-district map would require a charter amendment and exceed the 90 day window.

REQUIRES CHARTER AMENDMENT



- Map layers**
- 4 District Test
 - Landmark Area
 - Water Area
 - River
 - Streets
 - + Landmark Point

Proposed Election Sequence:
2020: 1 and 2
2022: 3 and 4

Los Alamitos - Four-District Test

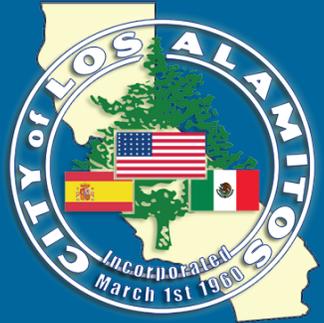
District		1	2	3	4	Total
Ideal	Total Pop	2,852	2,782	2,914	2,861	11,409
2,852	Deviation from ideal	0	-70	62	9	132
	% Deviation	0.00%	-2.45%	2.17%	0.32%	4.63%
Total Pop	% Hisp	18%	30%	17%	20%	21%
	% NH White	67%	47%	59%	61%	59%
	% NH Black	2%	4%	3%	3%	3%
	% Asian-American	10%	15%	19%	14%	14%
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Total	2,117	1,913	2,273	2,060	8,364
	% Hisp	15%	28%	9%	26%	19%
	% NH White	73%	45%	59%	58%	59%
	% NH Black	4%	11%	6%	3%	6%
	% Asian/Pac.Isl.	8%	12%	22%	10%	13%
Voter Registration (Nov 2016)	Total	1,858	1,336	1,559	1,566	6,319
	% Latino est.	14%	24%	15%	17%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	13%	22%	13%	15%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	6%	8%	6%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%
	% NH White est.	76%	55%	67%	68%	67%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2016)	Total	1,559	1,018	1,279	1,258	5,114
	% Latino est.	14%	25%	14%	17%	17%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	12%	22%	13%	15%	15%
	% Asian-Surnamed	5%	5%	8%	6%	6%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%
	% NH White est.	77%	55%	68%	68%	68%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2014)	Total	917	433	682	623	2,655
	% Latino est.	9%	20%	8%	13%	12%
	% Spanish-Surnamed	8%	18%	8%	12%	10%
	% Asian-Surnamed	4%	4%	8%	5%	5%
	% Filipino-Surnamed	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%
	% NH White est.	86%	69%	82%	75%	70%
ACS Pop. Est.	Total	2,824	2,933	3,062	2,881	11,706
	Age					
Age	age0-19	20%	26%	27%	30%	28%
	age20-60	48%	54%	54%	50%	51%
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Immigration	immigrants	11%	17%	17%	13%	15%
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Language spoken at home	english	84%	75%	74%	80%	78%
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Education (among those age 25+)	hs grad	51%	48%	50%	52%	50%
	bachelor	24%	27%	26%	24%	25%
	graduate degree	20%	15%	14%	17%	16%
Child in Household	child under 18	33%	32%	34%	37%	34%
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Housing Stats	single family	77%	54%	49%	53%	58%
	multi-family	23%	46%	51%	47%	42%
	rented	36%	60%	64%	58%	55%
	owned	64%	40%	36%	42%	45%

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REQUESTED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ONLY AMENDMENT



CITY OF Los Alamitos

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE City Council Voting Districts

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Tuesday, May 29, 2018 - 6:00 p.m.

Monday, June 4, 2018 - 6:00 p.m.

Monday, June 18, 2018 - 5:00 p.m.

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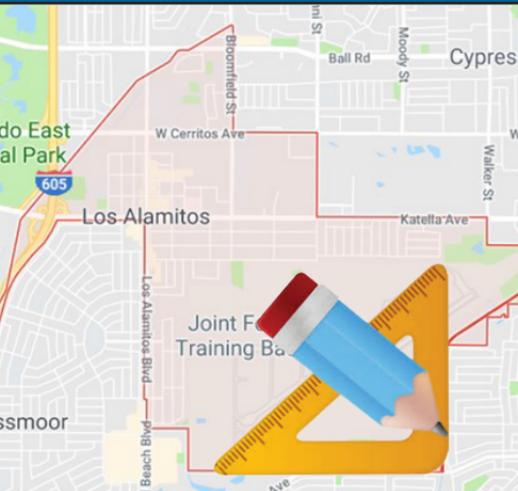
Monday, July 16, 2018 - 6:00 p.m.

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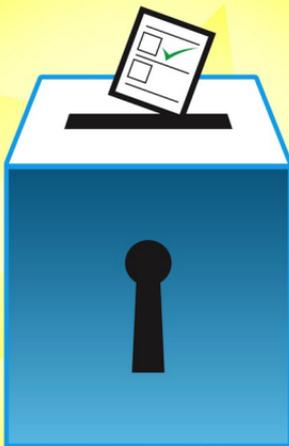
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Re: Violation of California Voting Rights Act

I write on behalf of our client, Southwest Voter Registration Education Project and its members. The City of Los Alamitos (“City”) relies upon an at-large election system for electing candidates to its City Council. Moreover, voting within the City is racially polarized, resulting in minority vote dilution, and, therefore, the City’s at-large elections violate the California Voting Rights Act of 2001 (“CVRA”).

The CVRA disfavors the use of so-called “at-large” voting – an election method that permits voters of an entire jurisdiction to elect candidates to each open seat. *See generally Sanchez v. City of Modesto* (2006) 145 Cal.App.4th 660, 667 (“*Sanchez*”). For example, if the U.S. Congress were elected through a nationwide at-large election, rather than through typical single-member districts, each voter could cast up to 435 votes and vote for any candidate in the country, not just the candidates in the voter's district, and the 435 candidates receiving the most nationwide votes would be elected. At-large elections thus allow a bare majority of voters to control *every* seat, not just the seats in a particular district or a proportional majority of seats.

Voting rights advocates have targeted “at-large” election schemes for decades, because they often result in “vote dilution,” or the impairment of minority groups’ ability to elect their preferred candidates or influence the outcome of elections, which occurs when the electorate votes in a racially polarized manner. *See Thornburg v. Gingles*, 478 U.S. 30, 46 (1986) (“*Gingles*”). The U.S. Supreme Court “has long recognized that multi-member districts and at-large voting schemes may operate to minimize or cancel out the voting strength” of minorities. *Id.* at 47; *see also id.* at 48, fn. 14 (at-large elections may also cause elected officials to “ignore [minority] interests without fear of political consequences”), citing *Rogers v. Lodge*, 458 U.S. 613, 623 (1982); *White v. Register*, 412 U.S. 755, 769 (1973). “[T]he majority, by virtue of its numerical superiority, will regularly defeat the choices of minority voters.” *Gingles*, at 47. When racially polarized

voting occurs, dividing the political unit into single-member districts, or some other appropriate remedy, may facilitate a minority group's ability to elect its preferred representatives. *Rogers*, at 616.

Section 2 of the federal Voting Rights Act (“FVRA”), 42 U.S.C. § 1973, which Congress enacted in 1965 and amended in 1982, targets, among other things, at-large election schemes. *Gingles* at 37; *see also* Boyd & Markman, *The 1982 Amendments to the Voting Rights Act: A Legislative History* (1983) 40 Wash. & Lee L. Rev. 1347, 1402. Although enforcement of the FVRA was successful in many states, California was an exception. By enacting the CVRA, “[t]he Legislature intended to expand protections against vote dilution over those provided by the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.” *Jauregui v. City of Palmdale* (2014) 226 Cal. App. 4th 781, 808. Thus, while the CVRA is similar to the FVRA in several respects, it is also different in several key respects, as the Legislature sought to remedy what it considered “restrictive interpretations given to the federal act.” Assem. Com. on Judiciary, Analysis of Sen. Bill No. 976 (2001-2002 Reg. Sess.) as amended Apr. 9, 2002, p. 2.

The California Legislature dispensed with the requirement in *Gingles* that a minority group demonstrate that it is sufficiently large and geographically compact to constitute a “majority-minority district.” *Sanchez*, at 669. Rather, the CVRA requires only that a plaintiff show the existence of racially polarized voting to establish that an at-large method of election violates the CVRA, not the desirability of any particular remedy. *See* Cal. Elec. Code § 14028 (“A violation of Section 14027 *is established* if it is shown that racially polarized voting occurs ...”) (emphasis added); *also see* Assem. Com. on Judiciary, Analysis of Sen. Bill No. 976 (2001–2002 Reg. Sess.) as amended Apr. 9, 2002, p. 3 (“Thus, this bill puts the voting rights horse (the discrimination issue) back where it sensibly belongs in front of the cart (what type of remedy is appropriate once racially polarized voting has been shown).”)

To establish a violation of the CVRA, a plaintiff must generally show that “racially polarized voting occurs in elections for members of the governing body of the political subdivision or in elections incorporating other electoral choices by the voters of the political subdivision.” Elec. Code § 14028(a). The CVRA specifies the elections that are most probative: “elections in which at least one candidate is a member of a protected class or elections involving ballot measures, or other electoral choices that affect the rights and privileges of members of a protected class.” Elec. Code § 14028(a). The CVRA also makes clear that “[e]lections conducted prior to the filing of an action ... are more probative to establish the existence of racially polarized voting than elections conducted after the filing of the action.” *Id.*

Factors other than “racially polarized voting” that are required to make out a claim under the FVRA – under the “totality of the circumstances” test – “are probative, but not

necessary factors to establish a violation of” the CVRA. Elec. Code § 14028(e). These “other factors” include “the history of discrimination, the use of electoral devices or other voting practices or procedures that may enhance the dilutive effects of at-large elections, denial of access to those processes determining which groups of candidates will receive financial or other support in a given election, the extent to which members of a protected class bear the effects of past discrimination in areas such as education, employment, and health, which hinder their ability to participate effectively in the political process, and the use of overt or subtle racial appeals in political campaigns.” *Id.*

The City’s at-large system dilutes the ability of Latinos (a “protected class”) – to elect candidates of their choice or otherwise influence the outcome of the City’s Council elections.

The City’s election history is illustrative: during the past 15 years, there has not been a single Latino candidate for the Los Alamitos City Council. Opponents of fair, district-based elections may attribute the lack of Latinos vying for elected positions to a lack of interest in local government from the Latino community. On the contrary, the alarming absence of Latino candidates seeking election to the Los Alamitos City Council reveals vote dilution. *See Westwego Citizens for Better Government v. City of Westwego*, 872 F. 2d 1201, 1208-1209, n. 9 (5th Cir. 1989).

The elections on ballot measures addressing the rights of ethnic minorities are similarly illustrative of the racially polarized voting in City of Los Alamitos. For example, in the 1994 election for State Proposition 187, which involved the denial of governmental benefits to persons who could not demonstrate legal residence, Latino voters voted against State Proposition 187, while the rest of the electorate in City of Los Alamitos, particularly the Non-Hispanic White voters, supported the passage of State Proposition 187. Similarly, the 1996 election for State Proposition 209, which involved eliminating “affirmative action,” was racially polarized in City of Los Alamitos. Latino voters voted against State Proposition 209, while the Non-Hispanic White portion of the electorate in City of Los Alamitos supported the passage of State Proposition 209. Similarly, the 1998 election for State Proposition 227, which involved eliminating bilingual education was racially polarized in City of Los Alamitos. Latino voters voted against State Proposition 227, while the rest of the electorate in City of Los Alamitos, particularly the Non-Hispanic White voters in Mission Viejo, supported the passage of State Proposition 227.

As of the 2010 Census, the City of Los Alamitos has a population of 11,449. According to this data, Latinos comprise over 21% of the City’s population. However, for at least the past 15 years, there has not been one Latino to serve on the Los Alamitos City Council. Therefore, not only is the contrast between the significant Latino proportion of the electorate and the total absence of Latinos to run for or be elected to the City’s

Council outwardly disturbing, it is also fundamentally hostile towards Latino participation.

This hostility – the same sort of hostility demonstrated by Los Alamitos’ support of the unconstitutional Proposition 187 – was evidenced most recently when, on March 19, 2018, the Los Alamitos City Council adopted Chapter 9.30, deceptively entitled “Constitution of the United States Compliance” to its Municipal Code to expressly exempt the City of Los Alamitos from the “California Values Act.” This politically charged move by the City Council, to incite a fight over California’s status as a “sanctuary state,” reflects a disturbing insensitivity to the Latino community it purports to represent. Under the guise of compliance with the US Constitution, the action of the Los Alamitos City Council only serves to perpetuate a climate of fear amongst Latinos who feel unwanted, unsafe and unrepresented in Los Alamitos. These exact sentiments were voiced by Luz Beltran-Acevedo, a Los Alamitos resident, who during public comment at the March 19th City Council meeting said, “I don’t want to be scared walking on Katella...be scared that my neighbors are going to be looking at me because I’m Mexican-American. My husband is Mexican-American too and he served in the Afghanistan war. I’m here speaking out because I don’t want my two daughters to be afraid of walking on our streets in Los Alamitos.” Disregarding her plea and the comments of dozens of other speakers who urged a “no” vote, the City Council adopted this Ordinance leaving many Los Alamitos families living in fear, rejected by their neighbors because of their national origin.

Sadly, racially charged rhetoric is not unfamiliar to the Los Alamitos City Council. In 2009, shortly after the inauguration of our first African American President, Mayor Dean Grose circulated an email of a picture entitled “No Easter egg hunt this year” depicting the White House lawn as a watermelon patch. While Mr. Grose proclaimed that he had no idea that the picture was objectively racist, any American with even a modicum of sensitivity to racial stereotypes and discourse would have recognized that the suggestion that President Obama had turned the White House lawn into a watermelon farm is overtly racist. Then, in 2012 the majority non-Hispanic white voting bloc in Los Alamitos expressed its tolerance for such racist behavior when it elected Mr. Grose to the Los Alamitos City Council again. This overtly racial incident, and the lack of any consequence to Mr. Grose from the Los Alamitos electorate is yet another direct reflection of the lack of diversity on the Los Alamitos City Council.

As you may be aware, in 2012, we sued the City of Palmdale for violating the CVRA. After an eight-day trial, we prevailed. After spending millions of dollars, a district-based remedy was ultimately imposed upon the Palmdale city council, with districts that combine all incumbents into one of the four districts.

Given the historical lack of Latino representation on the Los Alamitos City Council in the context of racially polarized elections, we urge the City to voluntarily change its at-large system of electing City Council members. Otherwise, on behalf of residents within the jurisdiction, we will be forced to seek judicial relief. Please advise us no later than May 15, 2018 as to whether you would like to discuss a voluntary change to your current at-large system.

We look forward to your response.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'KS', written over a horizontal line.

Kevin I. Shenkman