NOVATO SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

TITLE: Voting District Boundaries - adjustments subsequent to 2020 US Census.

MEETING DATE: November 8, 2021

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 6.a.-f.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: Conduct 2nd public hearing to receive public input on draft final electoral divisions Map C, and adopt final electoral divisions map.

SUMMARY AND DISCUSSION:

At its June 10, 2019 meeting the District adopted Ordinance No. 121 "An Ordinance of the Novato Sanitary District Providing for the Election of Members of the Board of Directors By-District, Establishing the Boundaries and Identification Numbers for Five Divisions, and Establishing the Election Order for Each Division", as mandated by the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA).

Consistent with the CVRA, and following the release of the 2020 US Census data, the District is required to adjust or "redistrict" its electoral districts (Divisions) to reflect demographic changes from the Census data. Accordingly, the Board is required to hold at least two (2) public hearings related to the redistricting of its five electoral divisions. The first public hearing was required to be held to select and consider a proposed adjustment of the electoral division boundaries and to provide an opportunity for public input on the criteria for the final adjustments (if any) to the electoral districts/divisions. A second public hearing is required for the Board to accept or reject the proposed adjusted division boundaries.

A schedule outlining the proposed timeline for the redistricting process was adopted by the Board at its September 13, 2021 regular meeting.

Subsequently, at its October 11, 2021 regular meeting, the District Board conducted the first of the two mandated public hearings. At this meeting, District Counsel, staff, and the District's redistricting consultant Q2 Data and Research (Q2) presented and discussed information related to meeting redistricting requirements including alternative draft Division maps (along with the associated demographics data by Division). Following the meeting, the Board selected Draft Map C as the preferred final draft map.

Information relating to the redistricting effort including a chronology of process and events, and all draft alternative maps, division demographics, etc. is being maintained on the District's website at:

https://www.novatosan.com/district-elections/record-of-2021-redistricting.

The goal of tonight's meeting is to conduct a 2nd public hearing to review the draft final Map C, receive public comments, consider other submitted maps (if any), and potentially adopt draft Map C as the final division map. District Counsel, staff, and Q2 representatives will be available to respond to any questions or comments.

The adopted final map will be posted to the District's website following the hearing. Notice of tonight's hearing, in English and Spanish, has been posted on the District's website and distributed at various sites within its service area. Spanish translation will also be available at the hearing.

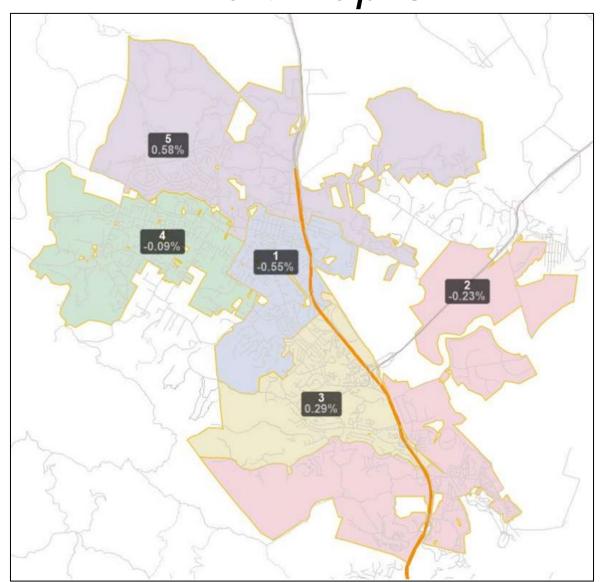
ATTACHMENTS:

1. Draft Final Divisions Map C, and Draft Division Demographics.

STRATEGIC PLAN INFORMATION: This item addresses Goal 3 (Board District and Community Alignment and Communications) of the latest Strategic Plan Update.

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Draft Map C



Draft Map C Demographics

Division	Population	Deviation	% Deviation	Total CVAP	% Asian CVAP	% Black CVAP	% Hispanic CVAP	% NH_White CVAP*
1	11,186	-62	-0.55%	7,438	7.2%	3.3%	16.3%	71.9%
2	11,222	-26	-0.23%	8,709	11.4%	7.5%	9.7%	70.8%
3	11,281	33	0.29%	8,366	10.4%	3.4%	11.0%	71.8%
4	11,238	-10	-0.09%	9,172	7.5%	2.0%	6.7%	82.7%
5	11,313	65	0.58%	9,266	6.9%	2.7%	10.1%	80.1%

Racial and ethnic characteristics of the Citizens Voting Age Population (CVAP) are tabulated according to Department of Justice standards.

^{*}NH_White CVAP = Non-Hispanic White Citizens Voting Age Population