

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-32**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO TRANSITION FROM AT-LARGE TO DISTRICT-BASED ELECTIONS PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA ELECTION CODE SECTION 10010(e)(3)(A)**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the City and in furtherance of the purposes of the California Voting Rights Act ("CVRA") to transition from at-large to district-based elections; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to declare its intention to adopt an ordinance pursuant to Government Code section 34886 transitioning from at-large to district-based elections for the 2018 general municipal election, establish specific steps it will undertake to facilitate this transition, and establish an estimated time frame for doing so.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Council finds that this project is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15062(c)(2) and 15060(c)(3).

**SECTION 2.** The City Council intends to adopt an ordinance, pursuant to Government Code section 34886 to transition the election of its city council members from an at-large electoral system to a district-based system, with five (5) council members elected by district as provided by Government Code Section 34871(a).

**SECTION 3.** Within fourteen (14) days of the effective date of this resolution, the City Manager shall, pursuant to the provisions of Stanton Municipal Code Section 2.56.110, retain the services of a demographer experienced and qualified to assist the City in drafting a district map consistent with the CVRA and the Federal Voting Rights Act.

**SECTION 4.** Within thirty (30) days of the selection and retention of a demographer, City staff and the demographer will develop and bring back to the City Council for approval a schedule for the following actions in accordance with Election Code Section 10010(a):

(i) Conduct public outreach, including to non-English-speaking communities, to explain the districting process and to encourage public participation.

(ii) Before drawing a draft map or maps of the proposed district boundaries, hold at least two public hearings at which the public is invited to provide input regarding the composition of the districts and to consider district boundaries as provided in Election Code Section 10010.

(iii) After drawing a draft map or maps, publish the draft map(s) and the potential sequence of the district elections, and hold at least two public hearings at which the public is invited to provide input regarding the content of the draft map or maps and the proposed sequence of elections.

(iv) Hold a public hearing at which the City Council will consider and adopt an ordinance establishing district elections, including the adoption of a district boundary map and the sequence of the district elections.

**SECTION 5.** The City Council shall approve a schedule to take all of the actions necessary to adopt an ordinance approving district-based elections no later than March 31, 2018.

**SECTION 6.** The City Clerk shall certify as to the adoption of this Resolution.

**ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

  
CAROL WARREN, MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
MATTHEW E. RICHARDSON, CITY ATTORNEY

ATTEST:

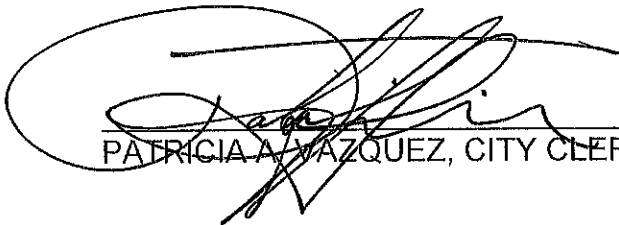
I, Patricia A. Vazquez, City Clerk of the City of Stanton, California DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution, being Resolution No. 2017-32 has been duly signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk, all at a regular meeting of the Stanton City Council, held on July 11, 2017, and that the same was adopted, signed and approved by the following vote to wit:

AYES: Ethans, Warren

NOES: Shawver

ABSENT: Donahue, Ramirez

ABSTAIN: None

  
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PATRICIA A. VAZQUEZ, CITY CLERK