

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

DATE ACTION REQUESTED: February 7, 2022

Order ____ No.	Ordinance ____ No.	Resolution ____ No. 2022-3780	Motion ____	Information ____
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SUBJECT: Establishing the new district boundaries applicable to the positions of Council Members in the City of Newberg

**Staff: City Recorder Sue Ryan
Department: Administration
File Number:**

Business Session

Order on Agenda: Public Hearing

☒ **ADMINISTRATIVE PUBLIC HEARING**

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution 2022-3780

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Chapter VII Section 28 of the City Charter sets 6 districts for the Council (The Mayor is an at-large position). These districts must be rebalanced every 10 years following the U.S. Census. For the City of Newberg it determines where Councilors reside but does not affect elections as councilors are elected by a citywide vote.

The City Council heard presentations on redistricting at meetings on August 16, 2021; December 20, 2021; and January 18, 2021. The City contracted with the Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments to prepare 3 map alternatives to rebalance the city's legislative districts. The COG and the City gathered public comment on the proposed alternatives. Tonight staff are recommending to the Council the adoption of the preferred district known as Alternative 1.

The current council boundaries Districts 1, 3 and 5 are below target population, and Districts 4 and 6 are above the target population. The target number is 4,190 for each district (Newberg's census population is 25,138). The goal is to balance each district to be within 5 % of total population meaning plus or minus 210 people.

Alternative 1:

This alternative has minimal changes to the existing boundaries. Changes of note include:

- District 3 is expanded by moving the boundary north from 5th Street to 3rd Street.
- District 1 is expanded by moving the boundary east to Hulet Ave., and across Highway 99 W on the west edge of the City, and across Highway 99W south.
- District 5 is expanded by crossing Highway 99W south, and a few blocks west into District 2.



RESOLUTION No. 2022-3780

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE NEW DISTRICT BOUNDARIES
APPLICABLE TO THE POSITIONS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY
OF NEWBERG.**

RECITALS:

1. The Newberg City Charter was amended on May 21, 1996, by a vote of the people to establish six geographical districts within the City of Newberg and provide that the Council move to six members.
2. Charter Chapter VII Section 28 a) The districts shall be reapportioned thereafter whenever the U.S. Census is taken, and within a reasonable amount of time after the data is available, or when the city so orders. Whenever the districts are reapportioned, the councilor in office shall not lose their qualification for office by reason of the boundary change for the remainder of their term, unless otherwise disqualified. In addition to the other qualifications, the councilor must have and maintain their residence in the district from which they were nominated during the term of their office, except as provided for in reapportionment.
3. Based upon data derived from the 2020 U.S. Census, the City Council through the services of the Council of Governments, has analyzed that data and established to the best of their ability, six districts which are equally populated throughout the City.

THE CITY OF NEWBERG RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City Council of the City of Newberg hereby adopts the map and district boundaries referred to as Alternative # 1 in the report by the Mid-Willamette Council of Governments, which establishes new boundaries for the city's six districts as shown in Exhibit A.
2. This reapportionment is done based upon the data derived from the 2020 U.S. Census and in accordance with Oregon Secretary of State Directive 2021-01.
3. When territory is annexed into the City, that territory will be appended to the Council district which abuts the territory. If the territory annexed abuts more than one Council district, the Council shall determine to which district or districts the territory will be appended.
4. Resolutions 2011-2980 and 2002-2361 are hereby repealed.

➤ **EFFECTIVE DATE** of this resolution is the day after the adoption date, which is: February 8, 2022.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Newberg, Oregon, this 7th day of February, 2022.

Sue Ryan, City Recorder

ATTEST by the Mayor this 10th day of February, 2022.

Rick Rogers, Mayor

City of Newberg Alternative 1

Newberg Council Districts Alternative 1 And Deviation from Target Population (4,190)

District	Population	Deviation	% Deviation
1	4130	-60	-1.43
2	4171	-19	-0.45
3	4169	-21	-0.5
4	4327	137	3.27
5	4229	39	0.93
6	4112	-78	-1.86
Total City	25,138		

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 P.L. 94-171 Redistricting File

Summary of Total Population

- Senate Boundaries 2021
- House Boundaries 2021
- Current Council Districts

