

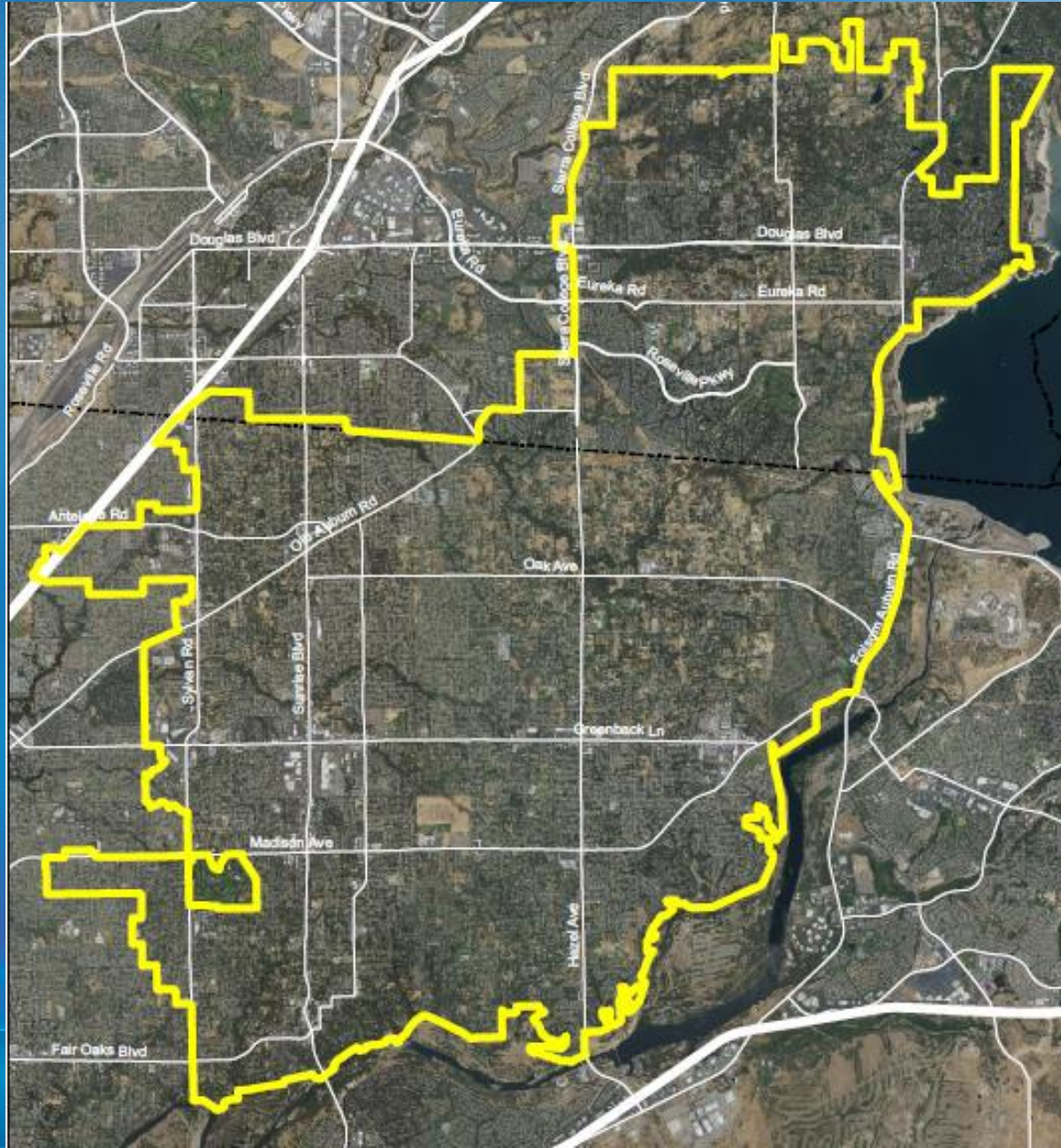


**San Juan Water District
Transition to Division-Based Elections
Public Hearing #1
June 10, 2020**

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SJWD Service Area



Process to Date

- March 30 CVRA legal challenge
- May 13 SJWD Board decision – use safe harbor process (180 days)
- Tonight's Hearing
 - Outline process
 - Take Input from Public on Factors

Electoral Processes

- Existing (1954-2020) – “At-large” – voters throughout SJWD elect 5 Board members, on staggered terms
- New (2022 and beyond) – “By-division”
 - The SJWD service area will be divided into 5 voting divisions
 - Each division will elect one director
 - Only the voters in that division will be able to vote for the director that will represent the division

Mapping the Divisions

- To transition to division-based elections, SJWD will need to define the 5 voting divisions
- A map will be drawn showing the location of each division
- This is a public process and the SJWD will be taking the input of the community as it develops and refines the maps, consistent with applicable the legal standards



Rules and Other Factors for Divisions

Legal Considerations in Drawing Electoral Divisions:

- Reasonably Equal Populations (average +/- 10%)
- Contiguous Divisions
- No Racial Gerrymandering
- Communities of Interest
- Compact Divisions
- Members Can Complete Terms



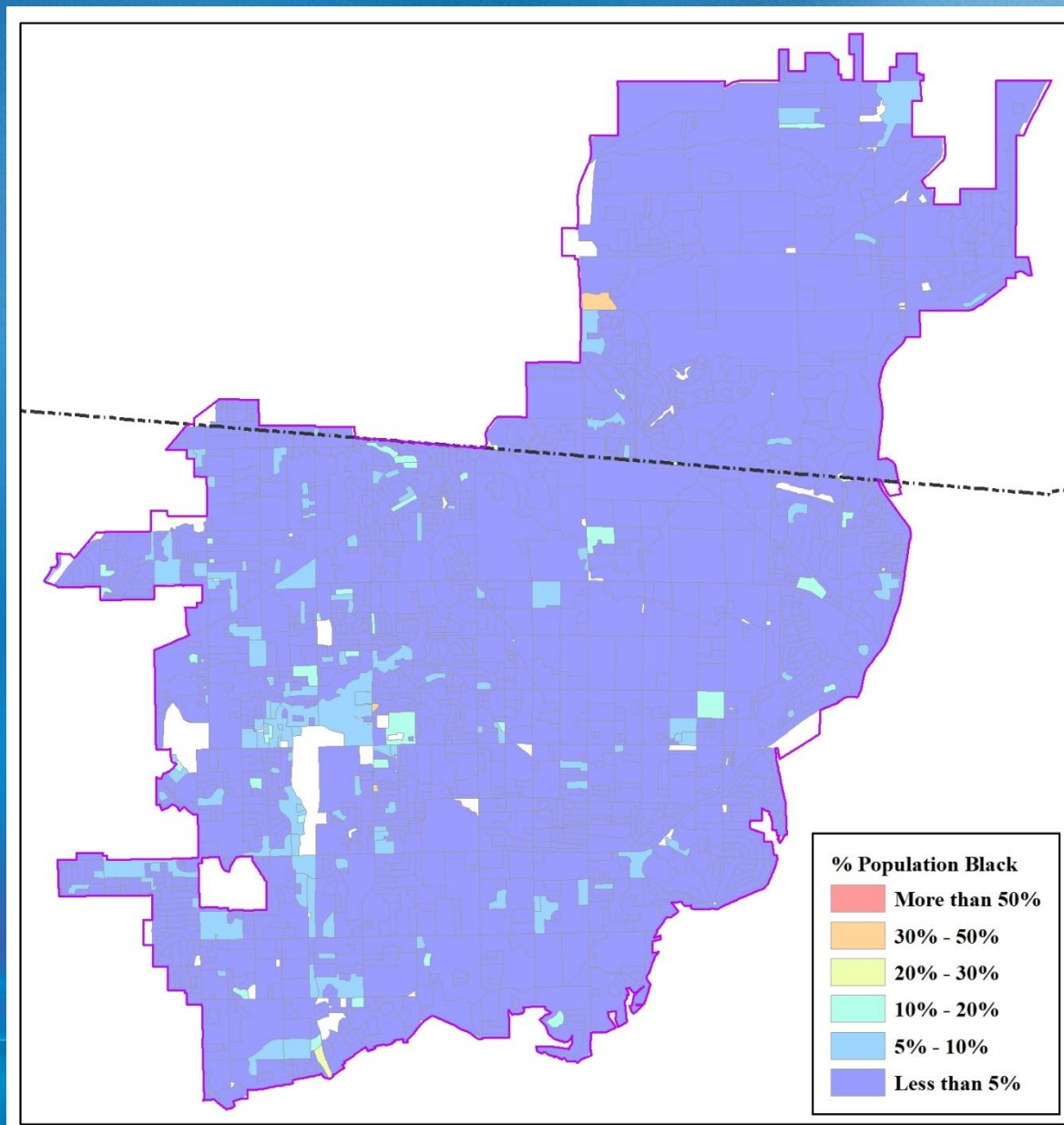
Demographic Summary

2010 Census Figures

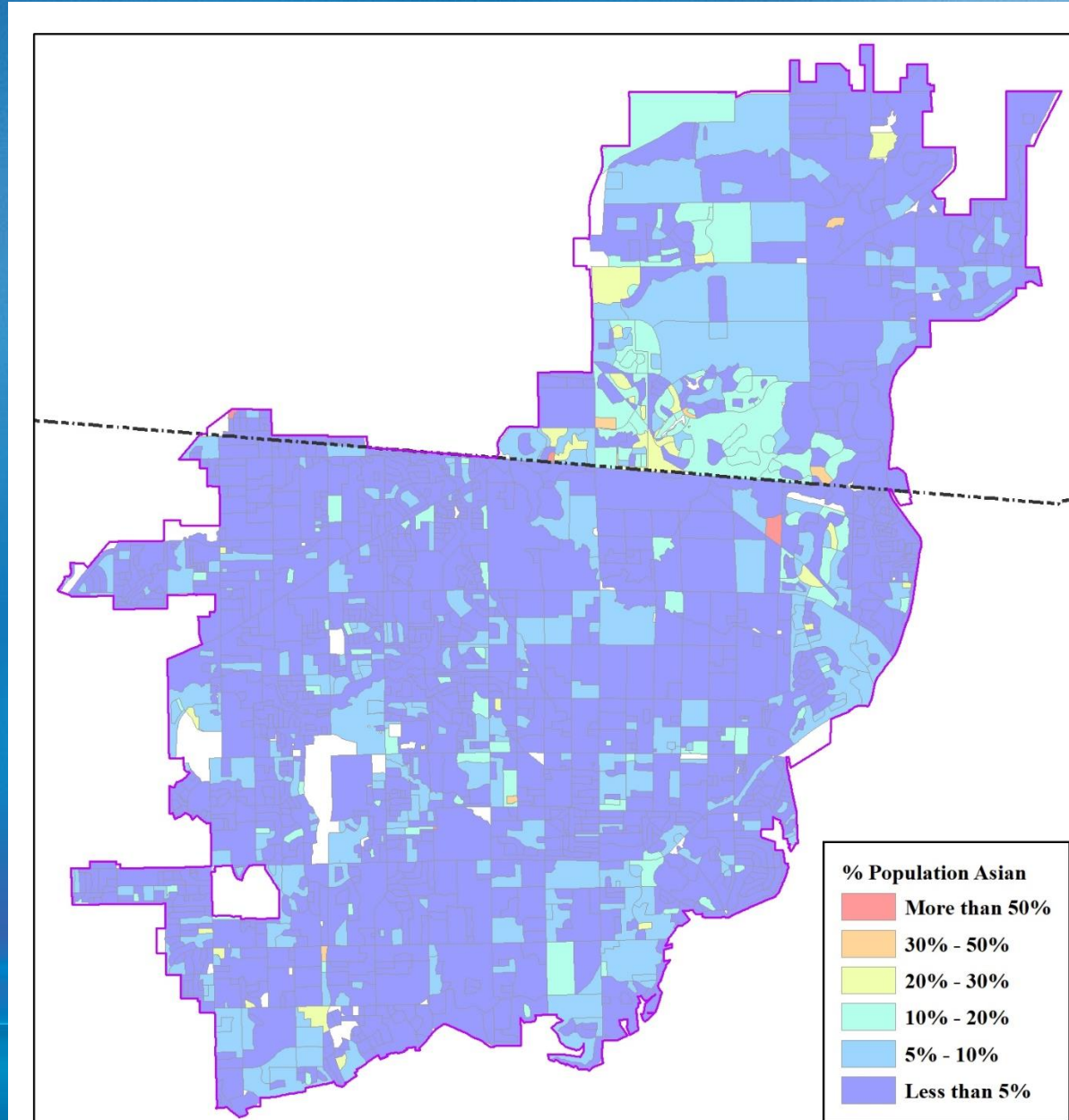
**Each Board
Member
District Would
Contain
Approximately
29,945
Residents,
+/- 10%**

Category	Total Population
African-American	3,024
Asian-American	5,771
Latino	17,698
White	116,686
Other	6,546
Total	149,725

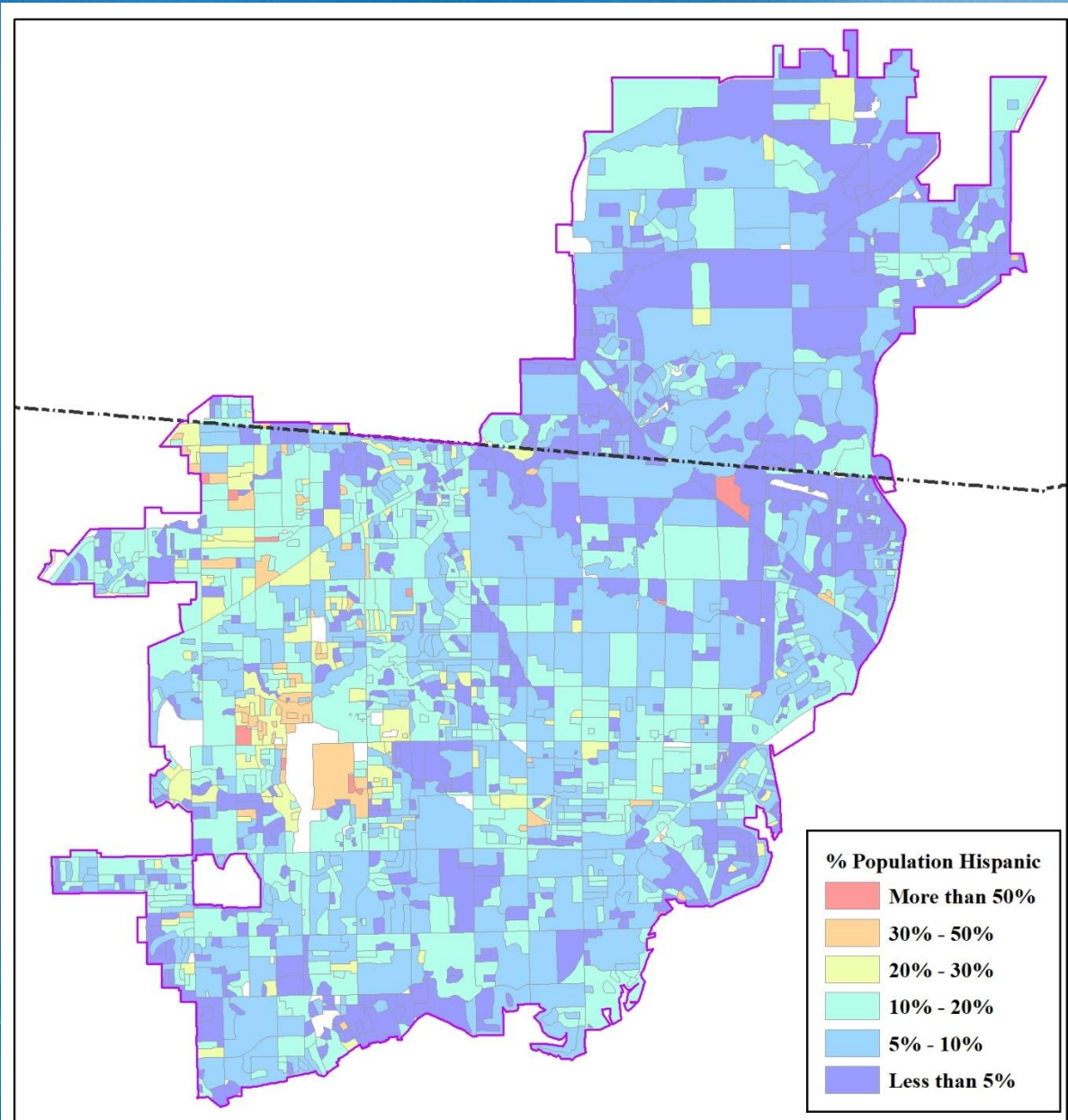
Concentrations of African-American Residents



Concentrations of Asian-American Residents



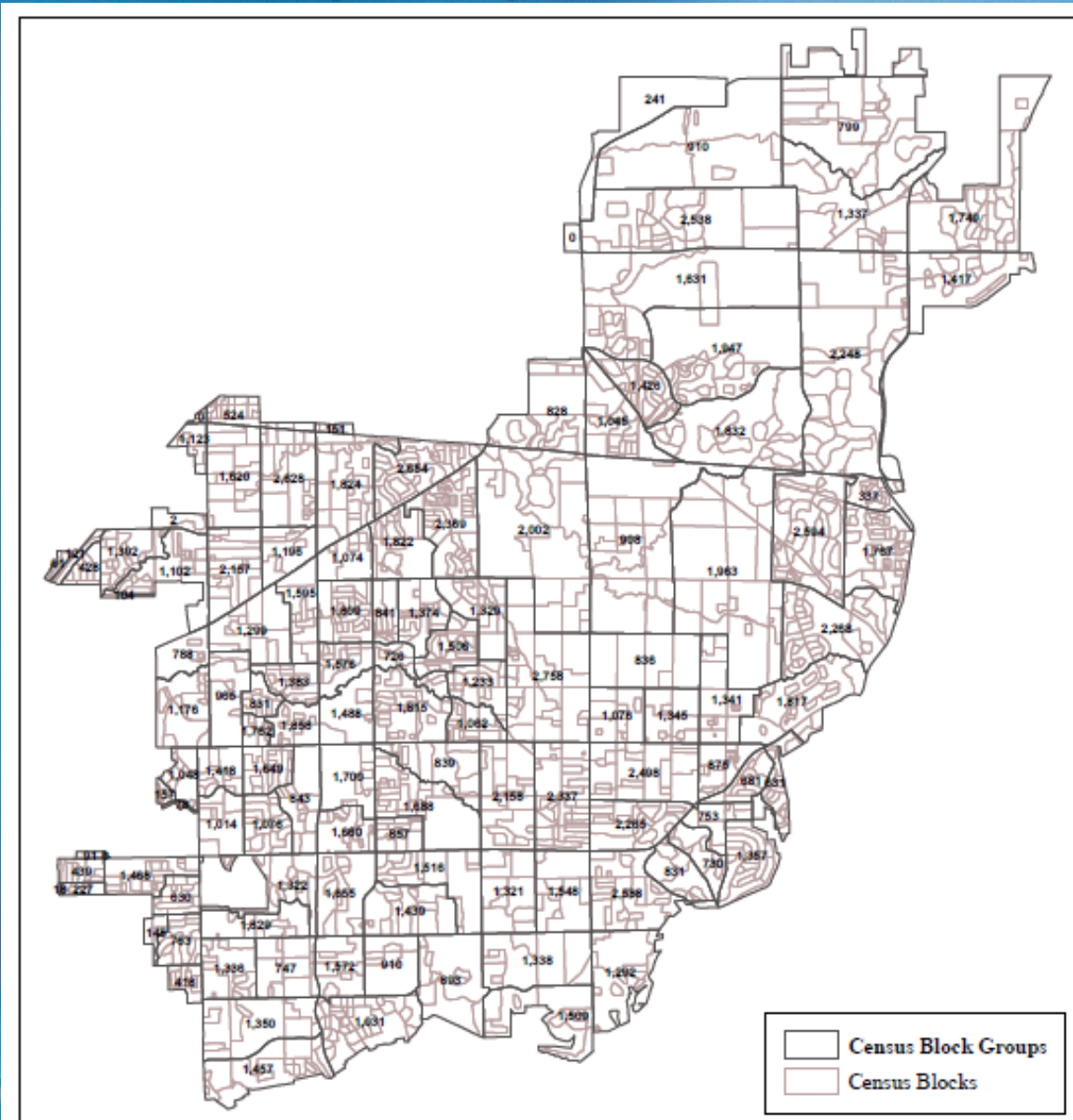
Concentrations of Latino Residents





Census Block Groups Population Numbers

Image is available
on sjwd.org





Next Steps

Step	Description
Two Initial Hearings June 10 & July 8	Held prior to release of draft maps. Opportunity for public to learn and provide input.
Release Draft Maps	Maps must be released by September 2.
Two Hearings on Draft Maps Sept. 9 & Oct. 14	Two meetings to discuss and revise draft maps.
Final Adoption of Map November 9	Second reading of ordinance and approval of map.
Update Map Based on 2020 Census Data	Make any revisions that might be necessary, based on new census data.
November, 2022	Election for first three new division seats.
November, 2024	Election of remaining two division seats.



More Information

Transitioning to Division-Based Elections Website:

<https://www.sjwd.org/transitioning-to-division-based-elections>

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