

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AMENDING CHAPTER 1-12 OF THE SANTA ROSA CITY CODE ADOPTING A FINAL MAP OF REVISED DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR DISTRICT-BASED ELECTIONS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF POPULATION DATA FROM THE FEDERAL 2020 DECENNIAL CENSUS AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE SECTIONS 21620-21630

WHEREAS, the City Council is the governing body of the City and is comprised of seven members; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, the Council adopted Ordinance No. ORD-2018-007 amending Santa Rosa City Code Chapter 1-12 to establish district-based election of Council Members, adopting a map describing the boundaries of each district and determining the sequence of district elections; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Elections Code, following each decennial federal census, and using that census as a basis, every city with district-based Council elections must update (“redistrict”) its district boundaries so as to ensure that the Council districts remain substantially equal in population as required by the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, in updating the district boundaries, the Council must give consideration to the following: (a) voting districts must be substantially equal in population, (b) district maps must comply with Federal and State Constitutions and voting rights laws, (c) to the extent practicable, districts shall be geographically contiguous, (d) to the extent practicable, the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods and communities of interest shall be respected, (e) district boundaries should be easily identifiable and understandable by residents, (f) to the extent practicable, district shall be drawn to encourage geographical compactness, and (g) district lines must not be drawn for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party; and

WHEREAS, California Elections Code section 21627.1 requires the Council to hold at least four public hearings before adopting revised district boundaries, including at least one public hearing before the Council draws any draft map, and at least two public hearings after draft maps have been drawn, one of which may be a public workshop rather than a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, California Elections Code section 21628 requires the Council to take steps to encourage residents, including those in underrepresented communities and non-English speaking communities, to participate in the redistricting public review process; and

WHEREAS, consistent with California Elections Code section 21627.1, the Council has held one study session, four public hearings and a community workshop concerning the update of Council voting districts, including (a) a study session on October 12, 2021, to provide an introduction and overview of the redistricting process, (b) a public hearing on December 7, 2021, prior to the drafting of any maps, (c) a public hearing on January 25, 2022, at which initial draft

maps were introduced, discussed and considered, (d) a community outreach workshop on February 17, 2022, at which members of the public were provided with additional mapping tools, training and an opportunity to provide additional input regarding redistricting, (e) a public hearing on March 1, 2022 to provide further public input and reaction to draft district maps, including additional maps submitted by members of the public, City staff and the City’s consultant, and (f) a final public hearing on March 29, 2022, to provide public comment and recommendations on the proposed maps; and

WHEREAS, throughout the redistricting process, the Council has, in compliance with California Elections Code section 21628, strongly encouraged and facilitated public participation and engagement; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that the final map adopted herein has been subject to extensive public review, is consistent with all legal requirements and would best serve the interests of the community.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. Amendment of Code. Section 1-12.010 of Chapter 1-12 of the Santa Rosa City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“1-12.010 District-based Council Member elections.

A. Members of the City Council shall be elected by-district as provided in this Chapter. Seven City Council Districts shall be established as follows, and shall continue in effect until such City Council Districts are amended or repealed in accordance with law:

1. City Council District 1 shall be comprised of all of that portion of City bound by the intersection of Highway 12 and Stony Point Rd, and proceeding easterly along Highway 12 to Dutton Ave, and proceeding northerly along Dutton Ave to Highway 12, and proceeding easterly along Highway 12 to Northwestern Pacific RR, and proceeding southerly along Northwestern Pacific RR to Highway 12, and proceeding easterly along Highway 12 to Olive St, and proceeding northerly along Olive St to Highway 12, and proceeding easterly along Highway 12 to Interstate 101, and proceeding southerly along Interstate 101 to Highway 12, and proceeding easterly along Highway 12 to Santa Rosa Ave, and proceeding northerly along Santa Rosa Ave to Highway 12, and proceeding easterly along Highway 12 to E St, and proceeding southerly along E St to Hendley St, and proceeding southerly along Hendley St to Aston Ave, and proceeding easterly along Aston Ave to the Santa Rosa City border, and proceeding westerly along the Santa Rosa City border to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding westerly along nonvisible boundary to Petaluma Hill Rd, and proceeding southerly along Petaluma Hill Rd to the Santa Rosa City border, and proceeding southerly along the Santa

Rosa City border to Burgess Dr, and proceeding northerly along Burgess Dr to Rain Dance Way, and proceeding northerly along Rain Dance Way to Lone Star Ct, and proceeding westerly along Lone Star Ct to Red River Way, and proceeding northerly along Red River Way to Tuxhorn Dr, and proceeding westerly along Tuxhorn Dr to Silver Spur Dr, and proceeding northerly along Silver Spur Dr to Hearn Ave, and proceeding westerly along Hearn Ave to Stony Point Rd, and proceeding northerly along Stony Point Rd to the point of beginning, as depicted in Figure 1-1 – City Council District 1.

2. City Council District 2 shall be comprised of all of that portion of City bound by the intersection of nonvisible boundary and Petaluma Hill Rd, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to the Santa Rosa City border, and proceeding southerly along the Santa Rosa City border to Aston Ave, and proceeding westerly along Aston Ave to Hendley St, and proceeding northerly along Hendley St to E St, and proceeding northerly along E St to Highway 12, and proceeding easterly along Highway 12 to Brookwood Ave, and proceeding northerly along Brookwood Ave to Santa Rosa Creek, and proceeding northerly along Santa Rosa Creek to Mission Blvd, and proceeding easterly along Mission Blvd to Montgomery Dr, and proceeding southerly along Montgomery Dr to Summerfield Rd, and proceeding southerly along Summerfield Rd to Parktrail Dr, and proceeding easterly along Parktrail Dr to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding easterly along nonvisible boundary to the Santa Rosa City border, and proceeding southerly along the Santa Rosa City border to Petaluma Hill Rd, and proceeding northerly along Petaluma Hill Rd to the point of beginning, as depicted in Figure 1-2 – City Council District 2.
3. City Council District 3 shall be comprised of all of that portion of City bound by the intersection of Brush Creek and Ducker Creek, and proceeding northerly along Brush Creek to the Santa Rosa City border, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Rosa City border to Brush Creek, and proceeding northerly along Brush Creek to Badger Rd, and proceeding easterly along Badger Rd to the Santa Rosa City border, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Rosa City border to nonvisible boundary, and proceeding northerly along nonvisible boundary to Parktrail Dr, and proceeding westerly along Parktrail Dr to Summerfield Rd, and proceeding northerly along Summerfield Rd to Montgomery Dr, and proceeding northerly along Montgomery Dr to Mission Blvd, and proceeding westerly along Mission Blvd to Ducker Creek, and proceeding southerly along Ducker Creek to the point of beginning, as depicted in Figure 1-3 – City Council District 3.
4. City Council District 4 shall be comprised of all of that portion of the City bound by the intersection of the Santa Rosa City border and Interstate 101, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Rosa City border to the Larkfield-Wikiup/Santa Rosa census designated place/City border, and proceeding easterly along the Larkfield-Wikiup/Santa Rosa census designated place/City

border to the Santa Rosa City border, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Rosa City border to Badger Rd, and proceeding westerly along Badger Rd to Brush Creek, and proceeding southerly along Brush Creek to the Santa Rosa City border, and proceeding westerly along the Santa Rosa City border to Brush Creek, and proceeding southerly along Brush Creek to Ducker Creek, and proceeding easterly along Ducker Creek to Mission Blvd, and proceeding southerly along Mission Blvd to Santa Rosa Creek, and proceeding southerly along Santa Rosa Creek to S E St, and proceeding northerly along S E St to E St, and proceeding northerly along E St to 4th St, and proceeding westerly along 4th St to Mendocino Ave, and proceeding northerly along Mendocino Ave to College Ave, and proceeding westerly along College Ave to Interstate 101, and proceeding northerly along Interstate 101 to Steele Ln, and proceeding easterly along Steele Ln to Interstate 101, and proceeding northerly along Interstate 101 to the point of beginning, as depicted in Figure 1-4 – City Council District 4.

5. City Council District 5 shall be comprised of all of that portion of the City bound by the intersection of Marlow Rd and Stony Point Rd, and proceeding northerly along Marlow Rd to W Steele Ln, and proceeding easterly along W Steele Ln to Steele Ln, and proceeding easterly along Steele Ln to Interstate 101, and proceeding southerly along Interstate 101 to College Ave, and proceeding easterly along College Ave to Mendocino Ave, and proceeding southerly along Mendocino Ave to 4th St, and proceeding easterly along 4th St to E St, and proceeding southerly along E St to S E St, and proceeding southerly along S E St to Santa Rosa Creek, and proceeding easterly along Santa Rosa Creek to Brookwood Ave, and proceeding southerly along Brookwood Ave to Highway 12, and proceeding westerly along Highway 12 to Santa Rosa Ave, and proceeding southerly along Santa Rosa Ave to Highway 12, and proceeding westerly along Highway 12 to Interstate 101, and proceeding northerly along Interstate 101 to Highway 12, and proceeding westerly along Highway 12 to Olive St, and proceeding southerly along Olive St to Highway 12, and proceeding westerly along Highway 12 to Northwestern Pacific RR, and proceeding northerly along Northwestern Pacific RR to Highway 12, and proceeding westerly along Highway 12 to Dutton Ave, and proceeding southerly along Dutton Ave to Highway 12, and proceeding westerly along Highway 12 to Stony Point Rd, and proceeding northerly along Stony Point Rd to the point of beginning, as depicted in Figure 1-5 – City Council District 5.
6. City Council District 6 shall be comprised of all of that portion of the City bound by the intersection of the Santa Rosa City border and Guerneville Rd, and proceeding northerly along the Santa Rosa City border to the Fulton/Santa Rosa census designated place/City border, and proceeding northerly along the Fulton/Santa Rosa census designated place/City border to the Santa Rosa City border, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Rosa City border to Interstate 101, and proceeding southerly along Interstate 101 to Steele Ln, and

proceeding westerly along Steele Ln to W Steele Ln, and proceeding westerly along W Steele Ln to Marlow Rd, and proceeding southerly along Marlow Rd to Guerneville Rd, and proceeding westerly along Guerneville Rd to the point of beginning, as depicted in Figure 1-6 – City Council District 6.

7. City Council District 7 shall be comprised of all of that portion of the City bound by the intersection of the Santa Rosa City border and Burgess Dr, and proceeding easterly along the Santa Rosa City border to Guerneville Rd, and proceeding easterly along Guerneville Rd to Marlow Rd, and proceeding southerly along Marlow Rd to Stony Point Rd, and proceeding southerly along Stony Point Rd to Hearn Ave, and proceeding easterly along Hearn Ave to Silver Spur Dr, and proceeding southerly along Silver Spur Dr to Tuxhorn Dr, and proceeding easterly along Tuxhorn Dr to Red River Way, and proceeding southerly along Red River Way to Lone Star Ct, and proceeding easterly along Lone Star Ct to Rain Dance Way, and proceeding southerly along Rain Dance Way to Burgess Dr, and proceeding southerly along Burgess Dr to the point of beginning, and including City islands to the west, as depicted in Figure 1-7 – City Council District 7.”

Section 3. Map. Maps showing the districts described in this Ordinance are attached hereto as Exhibit A and Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 4. Environmental Determination. The Council finds that the adoption and implementation of this ordinance are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act under CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) and 15378 in that there is no possibility that the implementation of this ordinance may have significant effects on the environment, and that no further environmental review is required.

Section 5. Technical Adjustments. If necessary to facilitate the implementation of this Ordinance, the City Clerk is authorized to make technical adjustments to the district boundaries adopted in this Ordinance, provided that such technical adjustments 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 6. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid and/or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

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Section 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect on the 31st day following its adoption.

This ordinance was introduced by the Council of the City of Santa Rosa on March 29, 2022.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
City Attorney

Exhibit A – Map of Districts
Exhibit B – Figures 1-1 through 1-7