

ORDINANCE NO. 1073

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING FOUR CITY COUNCIL DISTRICTS FOR A BY-DISTRICT ELECTORAL SYSTEM AND CERTAIN RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Stanton ("the City") has historically been elected under an "at-large" election system where City Council Members are elected by voters of the entire city; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to change to "by-district" elections where each City Council Member must reside within the designated district boundary and is elected only by the voters in that district and the office of Mayor shall be directly elected; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously adopted Resolution No. 2017-34 to guide the process of establishing the City Council districts; and

WHEREAS, the City Council solicited, received, and took under consideration input from the community and identified a Preferred District Map that fully complies with all legal requirements and the adopted criteria referenced in Resolution No. 2017-34; and

WHEREAS, the change in the method of electing members of the legislative body is being made in furtherance of the purposes of the California Voting Rights Act of 2001; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has taken all legal prerequisites to the enactment of this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The facts set forth in the Recitals, Part A, of this Ordinance are true and correct.

SECTION 2. Sections 2.04.080, 2.04.090, 2.04.100, and 2.04.110 are added to Chapter 2.04 of Title 2 of the Stanton Municipal Code to read as follows:

Section 2.04.080 Single-Member Voting Districts for City Council

2.04.080 Voting districts established.

At the expiration of the current terms of office of members of the City Council, City Council Members shall be elected by four City Council districts, the boundaries of which shall be adopted by resolution and the office of Mayor shall be directly elected.

2.04.090 Eligibility to hold office.

A. A person is not eligible to hold office as a City Council Member unless he or she resides within the designated district boundary.

B. Persons signing nomination petitions or voting for a City Council Member shall be registered to vote in the district from which the Council Member is to be elected.

2.04.100 Adjusting council district boundaries.

A. The City Council shall adjust district boundaries when required by law and at such other times as deemed appropriate by the City Council. Such proceedings shall be conducted and the district boundaries adjusted in compliance with all legal criteria and such other standards as might be adopted by the City Council.

B. Before adjusting the boundaries of a district, the Council shall hold at least one public hearing on the proposal to adjust the boundaries of the district.

2.04.110 Effect of establishment or change in district boundaries.

The term of office of any member of the City Council shall not be affected by the establishment of or change in boundaries of any district.

SECTION 3. Severability. The City Council declares that, should any provision, section; paragraph, sentence or word of this Ordinance be rendered or declared invalid by any final court action in a court of competent jurisdiction, or by reason of any preemptive legislation, the remaining provisions, sections, paragraphs, sentences and words of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

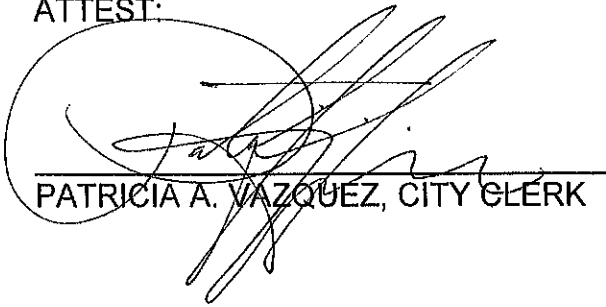
SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after its adoption, pursuant to Government Code Section 25123.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk of the City of Stanton shall certify to the passage of the Ordinance and shall cause the same to be posted in the manner required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 28th day of November, 2017.


CAROL WARREN, MAYOR

ATTEST:


PATRICIA A. VAZQUEZ, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM


MATTHEW E. RICHARDSON, CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) ss.
CITY OF STANTON)

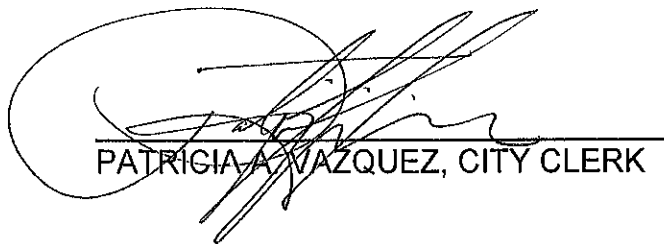
I, PATRICIA A. VAZQUEZ, City Clerk of the City of Stanton, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 1073 was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Stanton, California, held on the 14th day of November, 2017, and was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 28th day of November, 2017, by the following roll-call vote, to wit:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Donahue, Ethans, Ramirez, Shawver, Warren

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None


PATRICIA A. VAZQUEZ, CITY CLERK