COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 5339

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A RESOLUTION REALIGNING CITY WARD BOUNDARIES AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 5044.

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REJECTED:

OPPOSED:

ABSENT:

CONSIDERED: December 13, 2021



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The City Council of the City of Eugene finds that:

- A. Section 6 of the Eugene Charter of 2002 ("the Charter") provides that City Councilors shall be elected by wards. Section 33 of the Charter requires the City Council to divide the City into wards and to redefine the ward boundaries when necessary to accord persons within the City the equal protection of the laws.
- **B.** Section 2.962 of the Eugene Code, 1971 ("EC") states that the City Council shall, by resolution, divide the City into eight wards. EC 2.966(3) requires that four of the five members of the Eugene Water & Electric Board ("EWEB") be elected by wards.
- C. In accordance with EC 2.962, on October 24, 2011, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 5044, establishing eight wards within the City of Eugene for purposes of City elections as reflected in the map attached as an exhibit to that Resolution.
- **D.** Since the establishment and realignment of the ward boundaries in 2011, shifts in population within the wards have occurred. Therefore, it is necessary to realign the ward boundaries of the City. On June 16, 2021, the City Council, by motion, adopted criteria for developing ward scenario options.
- **E.** Prompt realignment of the ward boundaries is necessary in order to ensure that wards are properly identified and candidates for City Council and EWEB offices are aware of the correct boundaries.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EUGENE, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Oregon, as follows:

Section 1. Based on the above findings, which are adopted, the City Council adopts division of the eight wards as detailed on the map attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution. Except where wards are divided by the Willamette River, the centerline of a street constitutes the ward boundary.

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- <u>Section 2.</u> In the event property is annexed to the City of Eugene in the area south of 30th Avenue and east of Chambers Street if extended, electors residing within the annexed area shall be assigned to Ward 2.
- Section 3. In the event property is annexed to the City of Eugene in the area north of 30th Avenue, east of Hilyard, and south of the Willamette River, electors residing within the annexed area shall be assigned to Ward 3.
- <u>Section 4.</u> In the event property is annexed to the City of Eugene in the area north and east of the Willamette River and east of County Farm Road, electors residing in the annexed area shall be assigned to Ward 4.
- <u>Section 5.</u> In the event property is annexed to the City of Eugene in the area north and east of the Willamette River and west of County Farm Road, or north of Beltline and east of River Road, electors residing within the annexed area shall be assigned to Ward 5.
- Section 6. In the event property is annexed to the City of Eugene in the area north of Royal Avenue and west of Highway 99, electors residing within the annexed area shall be assigned to Ward 6.
- Section 7. Except as provided in Sections 5 and 6, in the event property is annexed to the City of Eugene in area north of Roosevelt (including along an imaginary line extending east to the Willamette River), west of Willamette River, and east of Highway 99, electors residing within the annexed area shall be assigned to Ward 7.
- <u>Section 8.</u> In the event property is annexed to the City of Eugene in the area south of Royal Avenue and west of Chambers Street, electors residing within the annexed area shall be assigned to Ward 8.
- Section 9. At such time that property is annexed to the City of Eugene and the electors residing in the newly annexed property are assigned to City wards, the City Manager or designee shall review the new ward assignments to determine whether redistricting is necessary as a result of an increase in the number of electors in those wards.
 - <u>Section 10</u>. Resolution No. 5044 is repealed.
- <u>Section 11</u>. The City Recorder is requested to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Chief Elections Officer of the Lane County Records & Elections Department.

<u>Section 12</u>. This Resolution is effective immediately upon its passage by the City Council.

The foregoing Resolution adopted the 13th day of December, 2021.

Deputy City Recorder

