# Agenda Sacramento Suburban Water District Special Board Meeting – Public Hearing

3701 Marconi Avenue, Suite 100 Sacramento, California 95821

Monday, March 21, 2022 5:30 p.m.

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### Call to Order

### Roll Call

#### **Announcements**

### **Public Comment**

This is the opportunity for the public to comment on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction. Comments are limited to 3 minutes.

### Public Hearing for the Reapportioning of Divisions for Election of Directors after the 2020 Federal Census

1. Public Hearing for the Reapportioning of Divisions for the Election of Directors After the 2020 Federal Census

Recommendation: Conduct a Public Hearing on the draft revised voting division map. Following the Public Hearing, direct staff on how to proceed in preparing a proposed revised voting division map for approval at a special meeting in early April.

### Adjournment

### **Upcoming Meetings**

Monday, March 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting Monday, April 4, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., Special Board Meeting Monday, April 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting

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I certify that the foregoing agenda for the March 21, 2022, meeting of the Sacramento Suburban Water District Board of Directors was posted by March 11, 2022, in a publicly-accessible location at the Sacramento Suburban Water District office, 3701 Marconi Avenue, Suite 100, Sacramento, California, and was freely available to the public.

Dan York General Manager/Secretary Sacramento Suburban Water District



### Agenda Item: 1

**Date:** March 21, 2022

**Subject:** Public Hearing for the Reapportioning of Divisions for the Election of

Directors After the 2020 Federal Census

**Staff Contact:** Matt Underwood, Assistant General Manager

### **Recommended Board Action:**

Conduct a Public Hearing on the draft revised voting division map. Following the Public Hearing, direct staff on how to proceed in preparing a proposed revised voting division map for approval at a Special Board meeting scheduled for April 4, 2022.

### **Background:**

Every 10 years, local government agencies which have voting divisions for their governing body elections must review population data prepared after the federal decennial census to determine if they must redraw their voting division boundaries to reflect how local populations have changed. The key consideration is whether the populations between divisions varies by more than 10 percent. This requirement is provided in Elections Code section 22000 through 22002 and is imposed on the District by Water Code section 30. Elections Code sections 22000 and 22001 require that the District engage customers in the redistricting process by conducting public outreach and to hold at least one Public Hearing on any proposal to adjust voting divisions. Normally, the District is required by Elections Code section 22000 to review and possibly redistrict its Director voting divisions after each federal decennial census. Census data is usually available quickly enough after a census to enable agencies required to redistrict within a year of a census. However, because the COVID pandemic and other factors delayed the compilation and release of 2020 Census data until late summer 2021, the Legislature passed SB 594 last year to permit local agencies to redistrict their voting divisions that are elected at the November statewide general election until April 17, 2022. This is the reason why this issue is being brought to the Board now.

### **Discussion:**

2020 Census Results and Required District Action

The United States 2020 Decennial Census (2020 census) data show that the population within the District's service area grew by 23,215 to 194,444 persons in the period since the prior United States Decennial Census in 2010. The 2020 census data show that the voting divisions now range in population from 37,037 to 40,908, and that the population deviation (the greatest difference between any two Divisions relative to the average ("target") size) is 10 percent. Therefore, in

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compliance with Elections Code section 22000, adjustments to Directors' voting divisions ("reapportioning") are required.

The deadline to complete reapportioning is April 17, 2022. To meet this deadline, in compliance with Elections Code section 22001, the following Board actions are recommended to be conducted at two separate Board Meetings and Public Hearings, to be held as follows:

### A. Special Board Meeting, and Initial Public Hearing – March 21, 2022 Action:

- 1. Hold a Public Hearing on the draft voting division map to receive public input on the proposed division boundary adjustments.
- 2. Board considers the proposed voting division map attached to this report and provides any input to staff, taking into consideration public input.
- B. Special Board Meeting, and Final Public Hearing April 4, 2022 Action:
  - 1. Hold second Public Hearing to receive comments on the proposed adoption of revised voting division map.
  - 2. The Board considers adopting a resolution establishing the proposed changes to voting divisions as shown on the proposed or a revised proposed division map.

### Proposed Changes to Voting Divisions

Staff has prepared a proposed voting division map depicting the recommended adjustments to four of the five voting divisions for consideration by the Board of Directors and for comment by the public (Attachment 1). The population deviation (greatest relative difference in size between any two voting divisions) in the proposed voting divisions is 1.7%, which is well within the 10 percent deviation permitted under federal and state voting rights law. The proposed adjustments are relatively minor due to the so-called secondary factors the District must consider when adjusting voting division boundaries. These factors include: (1) topography, (2) geography, (3) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of divisions, and (4) community of interests of each division. Although this is not a factor in drawing the maps, for the Board's information the proposed adjustments would not result in any Director's residence being located outside of their current voting division.

As advised by legal counsel, staff has consulted with the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters' office to review the draft proposed voting division map. Sacramento County Registrar of Voters' staff found that the draft proposed voting division map is acceptable as in compliance with federal and state voting rights and election laws.

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### Outreach

SSWD staff conducted thorough outreach to residents and customers, which consisted of:

- 1. <u>Mailer</u> An informational mailing to all residents and property owners within the District boundaries, which amounted to 81,187 mailings. An invitation to learn about the redistricting maps was provided in English, Korean, Tagalog, Chinese (simplified), Spanish, Vietnamese, and Russian.
- 2. <u>Flyer</u> An information flyer was posted at 29 public locations within the District, which included community centers, post offices, and libraries. A full list of the locations is provided as Attachment 2. An invitation to learn about the draft proposed voting division map was provided in English, Arabic, Korean, Tagalog, Chinese (simplified), Spanish, Vietnamese, and Russian.
- 3. Web page A webpage (linked from the sswd.org home page) was created providing details on the draft proposed voting division map, process, and public comment opportunities. The webpage is available in English, Arabic, Korean, Tagalog, Chinese (simplified), Spanish, Vietnamese, and Russian.
- 4. <u>Advertisement</u> An advertisement was published in the Arden-Carmichael News on Friday, March 11, 2022. An invitation to learn about the proposed voting division map was provided in English, Arabic, Korean, Tagalog, Chinese (simplified), Spanish, Vietnamese, and Russian.
- 5. <u>Media</u> A media release was distributed on March 9, 2022, outlining the upcoming public input opportunities.

### Public Comment Opportunities

Members of the public may provide their comment in three different ways, as summarized below.

### **In-Person Comment**

• Members of the public may address the Board in-person.

### Verbal Comment (remote meeting attendance)

• Members of the public may make a verbal public comment during a meeting by joining the meeting by telephone or video-call.

### Written Comment

There are two options to submit written comment in advance of the Public Hearing:

- Email comments may be sent to: feedback@sswd.org
- Mailed comments may be sent to 3701 Marconi Avenue, Ste. 100, Sacramento, CA 95821

### **Fiscal Impact:**

None.

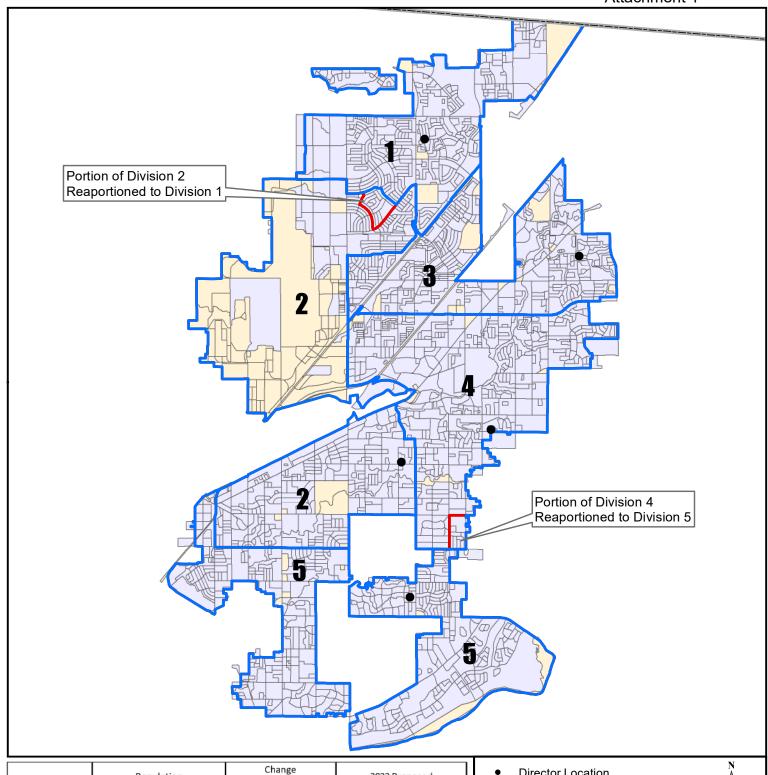
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### **Strategic Plan Alignment:**

Goal B: Optimize Operational and Organizational Efficiencies

### **Attachments:**

- 1. Map Proposed Voting Divisions with 2020 Census Blocks
- 2. Flyer Public Posting Location Distribution List



	Population		Change (2020 to 2022)		2022 Proposed	
Voting Division	2020 Census	2022 Proposed	Number	(%)	Population Minus Target	(%)
1	37,308	39,060	+1752	+4.7	171	0.4
2	40,908	39,156	-1752	-4.3	267	0.7
3	39,124	39,124	0	0.0	235	0.6
4	40,067	38,603	-1464	-3.7	-286	-0.7
5	37,037	38,501	+1464	+4.0	-388	-1.0
Total	194,444	194,444	1	1	-	-
Average (Target)	38,889	38,889				

 ${\hbox{\it Difference between lowest and highest percentages from 2022 Proposed.}}$ 

Division 2 0.7 % Division 5 -1.0 % 1.7 %

Director Location	Λ
Census Block with Population	$W \longrightarrow E$
Census Block without Population	V S
Existing Voting Division Bdry	NTS
Proposed Voting Division Bdry	
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## Proposed Voting Divisions with 2020 Census Blocks

Drawn By: JWS - SSWD Date: February 24, 2022

### Flyer Public Posting Location Distribution list

Libraries	Address
Arden-Dimick Library	891 Watt Ave, Sacramento, CA 95864
Arcade library	2443 Marconi Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821
North Highlands-Antelope Library	4235 Antelope Rd, Antelope, CA 95843
FamilySearch Library	2745 Eastern Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821
Carmichael Library	5605 Marconi Ave, Carmichael, CA 95608
Community Centers	
Arcade Community Center	2427 Marconi Ave #103, Sacramento, CA 95821
Swanston Community Center	2350 Northrop Ave, Sacramento, CA 95825
The Richard T. Conzelmann Community Center	2201 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825
The Cove Community Center	5033 Whitney Ave, Carmichael, CA 95608
Mission Oaks Community Center	4701 Gibbons Dr, Carmichael, CA 95608
La Sierra Community Center	7900, 5325 Engle Rd # 100, Carmichael, CA 95608
Hagginwood Community Center	3271 Marysville Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95815
Foothill Community Center	5510 Diablo Dr, Sacramento, CA 95842
Slavic Community Center	4811 Chippendale Dr STE 708, Sacramento, CA 95841
Romanian Community Center of Sacramento	5306 Walnut Ave STE A, Sacramento, CA 95841
Bird House Community Center	4901 Palm Ave, Sacramento, CA 95841
North Highlands Recreation and Parks District	6040 Watt Ave, North Highlands, CA 95660
Crosswoods Community Center	6742 Auburn Blvd, Citrus Heights, CA 95621
Orangevale Community Center	6826 Hazel Ave, Orangevale, CA 95662
Citrus Heights Community Center	6300 Fountain Square Dr, Citrus Heights, CA 95621
Antelope Aquatic Complex	7990 Palmerson Dr, Antelope, CA 95843
All Veterans Community Center	6921 Sylvan Rd, Citrus Heights, CA 95610
Post Offices	
Post Office	2929 Fulton Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821
Post Office	2101 El Camino Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821
Post Office Post Office	3545 El Camino Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821
Post Office	, , ,
	2801 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95825
Post Office	6929 Fair Oaks Blvd, Carmichael, CA 95608
Post Office	5420 Kohler Road., Sacramento, CA 95841
Post Office	6330 Fountain Square Dr, Citrus Heights, CA 95621