



AB 849

(January 1, 2020)

and

AB 1276

(January 1, 2021)



Timing for General Law Cities

- Redistricting in 2031 or after = No later than 205 days before next regular election occurring after January 1st in year ending with number two
- Redistricting before 2031 (Election between January 1 – June 30, 2022) = No later than 174 days before election
- Redistricting before 2031 (Election after July 1, 2022) = No later than 205 days before election (April 17, 2022 if election is November 8, 2022)

General Criteria

Ordinance or Resolution, Adopt Boundaries That Are:

- Equal in Population
- Geographically Contiguous
- Preserve Local Neighborhood / Communities of Interest
- Easily Understandable / Identifiable by Residents (Natural Barriers, Streets, Arterials, etc.)
- Encourage Geographical Compactness

Public Hearings Generally

- At Least Four Public Hearings Before Final Map Adoption
- One Public Hearing Before Maps Drawn
- Two Public Hearings After Maps Drawn
- One Public Hearing/Workshop Held on Saturday/Sunday or After 6 p.m. on Weekday
- Public Hearing Buildings ADA Accessible
- If Conducted at Regular Meeting, Hearing to Begin at Noticed Time
- Public Workshops Permissible In Lieu of Public Hearings
- Advisory Redistricting Commission Permissible to Hold Hearings

Outreach / Engagement (Good Faith Effort)

- Underrepresented / Non-English Speaking Communities
- Media Organizations
- Good Government / Civil Rights / Civic Engagement / Community Groups
- Translations Upon Request (72 Hours Prior to Hearing)
- Public Testimony / Maps – Writing and Electronically
- Public Comments / Council Deliberation – Recording or Written Summary within Two Weeks

Internet / Website

- Draft Map(s) and Demographic Information – 7 Days Prior to Adoption (Generally)
- Agenda / PH Notice – 5 Days (Generally)
- Redistricting Website / Webpage
 - 10 years – Secretary of State Templates
 - Explanation of Redistricting Process
 - Procedures for Public Participation in Hearing
 - Calendar of Hearings with Times/Locations
 - Notice and Agenda for Hearings
 - Recordings or Written Summaries of Hearings
 - Draft Maps Considered and Adopted Final Map

Additional Considerations

- Additional Council Meetings (Redistricting Introduction / Refresher)
- Additional Public Workshops (Different Locations Throughout City)
- Additional Boards / Commissions (Diversity Commission / Other Appointed Bodies / Community Groups)

Lastly...

New Boundaries Notifications

- Registrar of Voters
- Inside City Hall
- Business / Residential Community
- Candidates
- GOTV Efforts