

City of Brea Presentation

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Why We're Here

- Demand Letter from Shenkman & Hughes, P.C.
 - Malibu-Based Law Firm

- City's Options:
 - Transition to by-district election system
 - May have to defend against Rios lawsuit
 - Retain at-large election system
 - May result in lawsuit by Shenkman & Hughes
 - City will not have protection of \$30K liability cap

Districting Process

Step	Description
Resolution of Intent June 20, 2019	Council approves resolution of intent to switch to district elections
Informational Session July 20, 2021	Kick-off meeting following 2020 Census to introduce process and consultant, launch outreach
Data Release September 2021	Census Bureau releases official 2020 Census population data in August; California Statewide Database official 'prisoner-adjusted' 2020 redistricting data in September
Two Initial Hearings September 27 & October 27, 2021	Held prior to release of draft maps. Education and to solicit input on the composition of districts.
Public Workshops January 12, 2022 & February 12, 2022	Additional session on using the tools and learning about the districting process, with time for questions and discussion
Release draft maps By January 25, 2022	Maps must be posted at least 7 days prior to 3 rd hearing.
Two Hearings on Draft Maps February 1 & 23, 2022	Two meetings to discuss and revise the draft maps and to discuss the election sequence.
Fifth Hearing on Draft Maps March 23, 2022	City Council held an additional public hearing and selected a district map.
Ordinance Introduction April 5, 2022	City Council to determine the district election sequence and introduce Ordinance No. 1225.
Map Adoption By April 17, 2022	City Council to adopt Ordinance No. 1225 at an adjourned meeting. Final map must be posted at least 7 days prior to adoption.

Redistricting Rules and Goals

1. Federal Laws

Equal Population
Federal Voting Rights Act
No Racial Gerrymandering



2. California Criteria for Cities

1. **Geographically contiguous**
2. **Undivided neighborhoods and “communities of interest”**
(Socio-economic geographic areas that should be kept together)
3. **Easily identifiable boundaries**
4. **Compact**
(Do not bypass one group of people to get to a more distant group of people)

Prohibited:

Setting boundaries to favor or discriminate against a political party.

3. Other Traditional Redistricting Principles

Minimize voters shifted to different election years

Respect voters’ choices / continuity in office

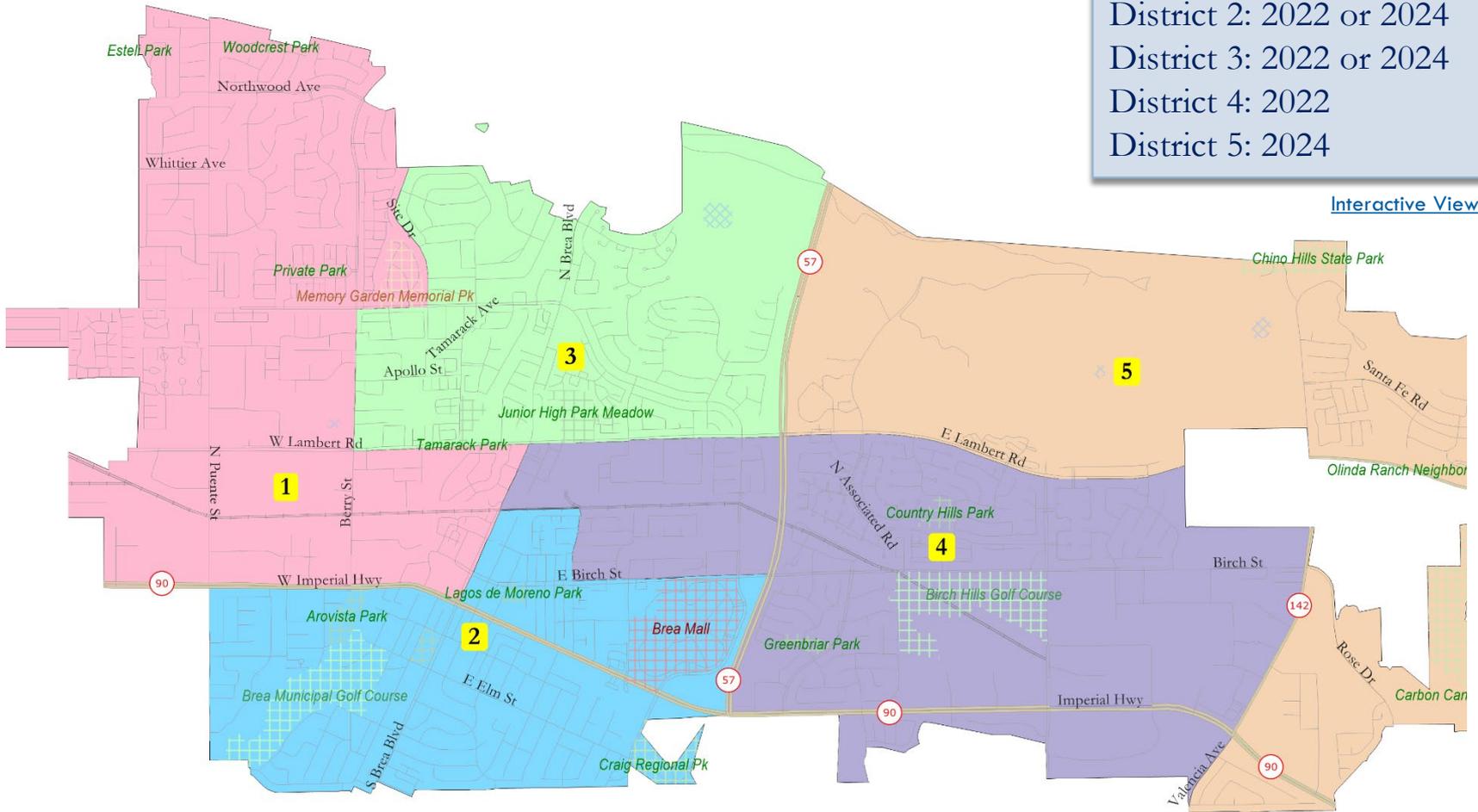
Future population growth

Preserving the core of existing districts

Selected Map 117

Suggested Sequencing:
District 1: 2022 or 2024
District 2: 2022 or 2024
District 3: 2022 or 2024
District 4: 2022
District 5: 2024

[Interactive Viewer](#)



Election Sequence

- In accordance with legal requirements, there must be three (3) districts up for election in 2022 and two (2) districts up for election in 2024.
- The final sequence of elections is at the discretion of the City Council.

Next Steps

- It is recommended that the City Council:
 - ▣ Approve a motion to select the sequence of district elections.
 - ▣ Approve a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1225, adding Chapter 2.32 (City Council Districts) to the Brea City Code and making a CEQA exemption determination, by title only and waive further reading.