

HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF IRVINE!

Tuesday, April 11 at 6 PM, City of Irvine, Irvine Council Chamber, 1 Civic Center Plaza



Join the City of Irvine for its first district formation public hearing on **Tuesday**, **April 11**, **at 6 p.m.** during its regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

The City of Irvine is pursuing the shift from at-large City Councilmember elections to district elections. Currently, all City of Irvine registered voters vote for the Mayor and four City Councilmembers. Upon completion of the districting process, the City of Irvine would have six (6) separate voting districts. Beginning in 2024, each voter would vote for the Mayor and one Councilmember to represent the district they live in.

The first public hearing will provide an overview of district formation and the legal requirements. Residents will have an opportunity to share their input on neighborhoods and preferred district boundaries.

For more information on the City's districting process, visit *Drawlrvine.org*.

Language interpretation and requests for disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or devices, may be arranged by emailing a request to <u>districting@cityofirvine.org</u> at least 72 hours prior to each meeting.

DISTRICT FORMATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



FAQ #1—What are district elections?

Under a district-based election system, the City will have roughly equal populated districts. A candidate must reside within an election district and is elected only by voters living within that same election district. District elections will replace the current system of at-large citywide elections in which voters can vote for all City Councilmembers. The switch to district-based elections is a process that many cities in California are undergoing to meet the standards of the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) of 2001. Hundreds of cities, counties, school districts and special districts throughout the state have switched to district-based voting to comply with the CVRA.

FAQ #2—Why does districting matter to me?

Districting determines which neighborhoods and communities are grouped into a district for purposes of electing City Councilmembers. Fair, representative districts help ensure that elected officials will be responsive to the voters in their communities. You have an opportunity to share with the City Council how you think district boundaries should be drawn to best represent your community.

FAQ #3—How can I get involved?

The City of Irvine is holding a series of community workshops to share information about the district formation process and gather public input on where district lines should be drawn. A complete schedule of the districting process is available at Drawlrvine.org.

You can also submit public comments, including suggested draft maps, by emailing: <u>districting@cityofirvine.org</u>.

FAQ #4—Where can I learn more about districting?

For more information about districting, please visit the new districting website's FAQ page at *Drawlrvine.org/FAQ*.

