

EXHIBIT A

TENTATIVE TIMELINE FOR ADOPTION OF “BY-DISTRICT” ELECTION METHOD

1. April 27, 2016 – Regular City Council Meeting

City Council receives presentations regarding legal considerations and appropriate policy criteria governing districting, and by demographic consultant regarding City demographics.

Council then initiates process of adopting a “by-district” method of election; approves the retention of a qualified demographic consultant and provides for districting criteria and public input; and requests that staff notice three public hearings for the dates set out below

2. By May 5 if not sooner - Initial draft of district plans to be made publicly available by posting on City’s website for public consideration and/or hard copies made available at appropriate public location such as City Hall), including translations

3. May 11, 2016 – First public hearing on re-districting at regular City Council meeting
Demographic consultant to present initial draft of district plans to Council and public

Council holds first public hearing on draft plans; Council may request modifications to any of the plans.

4. May 27, 2016 – Second public hearing on re-districting at regular City Council meeting
Consultant presents revised plans; Council holds second public hearing on district plans; Council may request modifications to any of the plans.

5. June 8, 2016 – Third public hearing at regular City Council meeting

Council holds third public hearing on district plans; City Council then adopts urgency ordinance establishing a “by-district” method of elections and setting election schedule in districts. (Gov. Code §§ 34886(a) and 34878.)

June 9, 2016 – Last date to submit materials to the Registrar of Voters

July 18–Aug. 12, 2016 Nomination filing period for City Council candidates

November 8, 2016 First election using new by-district election system.