

# DISTRICTING IN FORT BRAGG

City Council Meeting  
Public Hearing  
August 13, 2018



# SAFE HARBOR DISTRICTING TIMELINE

# of Days	Date	Action
	5-25-2018	Revised Patterson 45-day notice received
1	7-9-2018	Hearing: City Council adopts Intent Resolution No. 4109-2018 (starts 90-day clock)
14	7-23-2018	Hearing: Public input on composition of districts (1 of 2)
35	8-13-2018	Hearing: Public input on composition of districts (2 of 2)
53	8-31-2018	Publish draft district map(s) and sequencing
63	9-10-2018	Hearing: Public input on draft maps (1 of 2) and sequencing
77	9-24-2018	Hearing: Public input on draft maps (2 of 2) and First Reading of Districting Ordinance
84	10-1-2018	Special Meeting: Adoption of Districting Ordinance
90	10-7-2018	90 Days – Council Meeting not scheduled until 10-9-2018
	11-3-2020	First district election for 2 City Councilmembers

# CALIFORNIA VOTING RIGHTS ACT (CVRA) AND THE SAFE HARBOR PROVISION

## ■ Switched to Districts as a result of CVRA:

- 165+ School Districts
- 28 Community Colleges
- 90+ Cities
- 1 County Board of Supervisors
- 10+ Special Districts

## ■ Cases & Settlements

- No successful defense
- Palmdale only trial on merits (lost)
- Settlements
  - Palmdale - \$4.5 Million
  - Modesto - \$3 Million
  - Anaheim - \$1.1 Million
  - Whittier - \$1 Million
  - Santa Barbara - \$600k
  - Merced City - \$42k

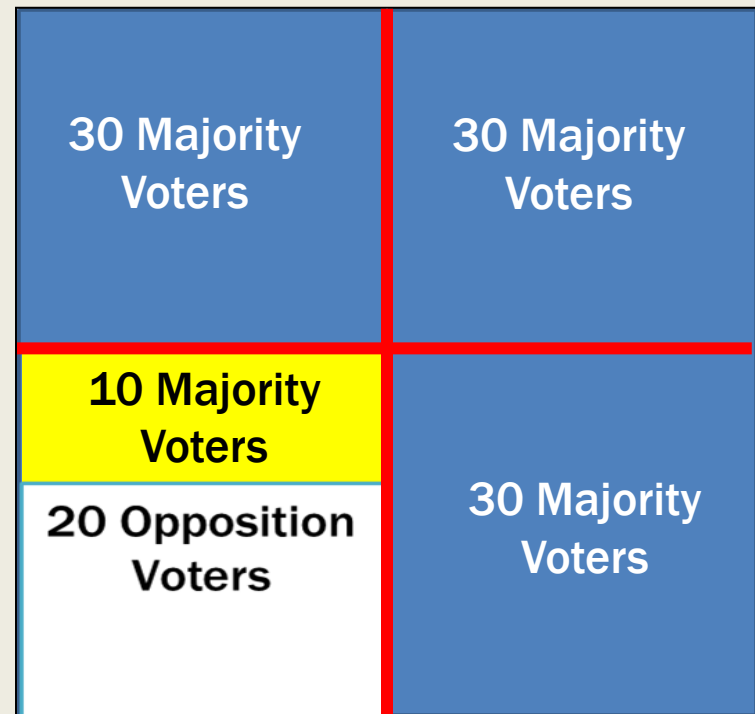
# HOW DISTRICTS CAN WORK

## ■ At-Large Election



When the majority voting bloc significantly outnumbers another the majority wins every seat

## ■ By-District Election

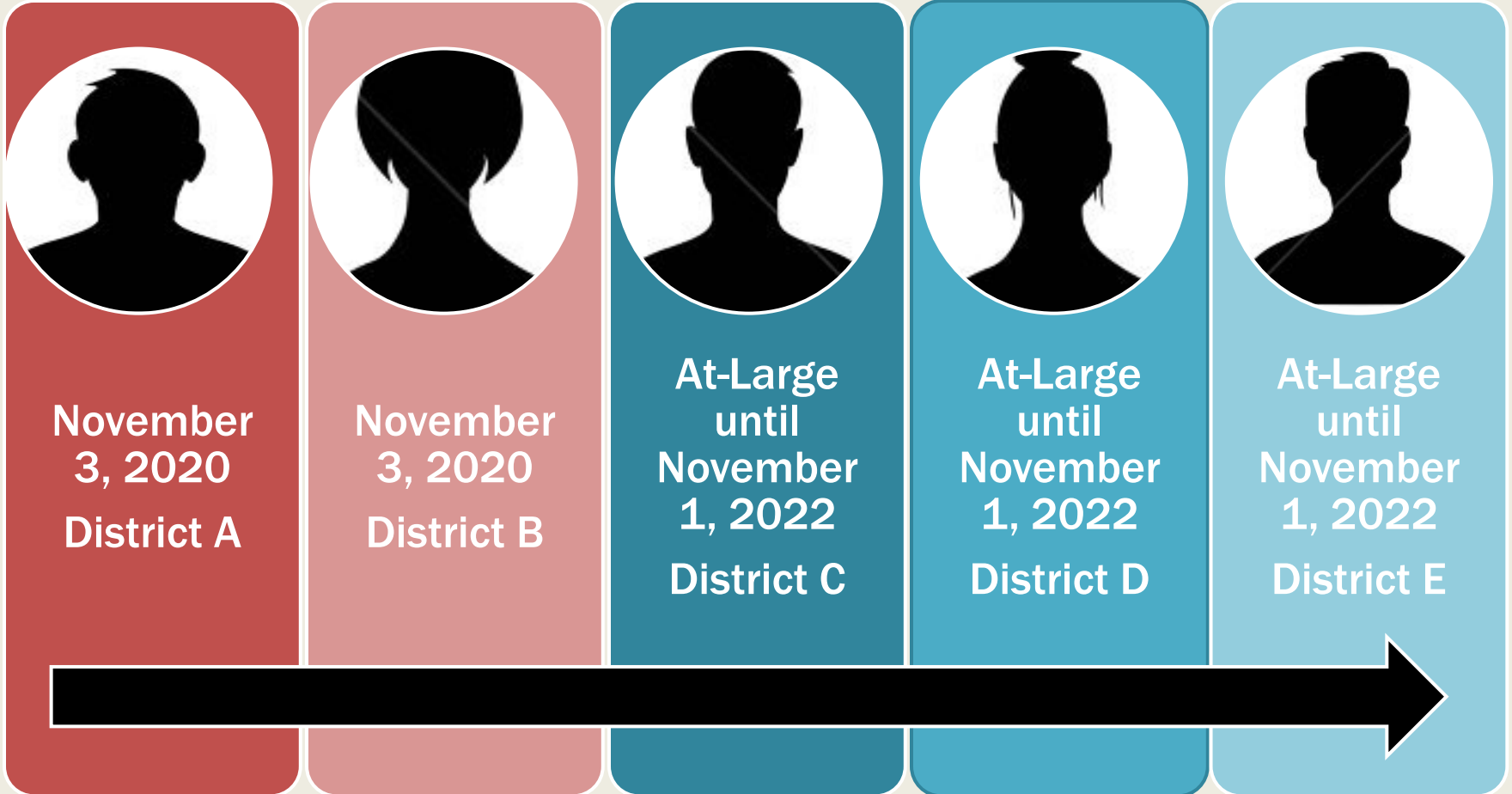


If smaller group is geographically concentrated, it can elect a candidate from a its district

# CRITERIA FOR DRAWING DISTRICTS

1. Equal population (based on 2010 Census Blocks) – 1,455 each with less than 10% deviation
2. No racial gerrymandering – to include or exclude based on race
3. Communities of interest, such as neighborhood boundaries, retail/commercial districts, voting precincts, or shared demographic characteristics (similar levels of income or education)
4. Topographical and geographical boundaries, such as major roads, highways, creeks, rivers, railroad lines, and hills or valleys
5. Cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory
6. Future Growth. Note that if the City transitions to district-based elections, the districts will require updating after the next census data is published in 2021.

# ELECTION SEQUENCING



# QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS