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Riverside schedules community meetings to discuss Ward redistricting

Riverside, California – The City will hold a series of meetings to obtain public input for redistricting alternatives. Meeting dates are as follows:

- **April 2** at 6:30 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chambers at City Hall, 3900 Main Street
- **April 11** at 7:00 p.m. at the Janet Goeske Center, 5257 Sierra Street
- **April 12** at 6:30 p.m. at the Orange Terrace Community Center, 20010 Orange Terrace Parkway

Every 10 years, after the federal government publishes updated census information, California must redraw the boundaries of its Senate, Assembly, and State Board of Equalization districts, so that the districts correctly reflect the state's population. In addition, the Riverside Charter requires review of Ward boundaries – the purpose of which is to equalize numbers of residents in each Ward. The review process is intended to maintain continuity of existing Wards, draw Wards that are compact and contiguous, and respect neighborhood boundaries to the greatest extent possible.

Information obtained at the community meetings will be included as part of an afternoon workshop before the City Council in the month of May – the date has yet to be determined. That workshop will also open to the public and community input is encouraged. The actual introduction and adoption of the ordinance amending Ward boundaries is expected in June.

For more information, please contact City Clerk, Colleen J. Nicol, or visit the City's website www.riversideca.gov/city_clerk.

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