

2024 REDISTRICTING OF CITY COUNCIL DISTRICTS

PROCESS AND TIMELINE

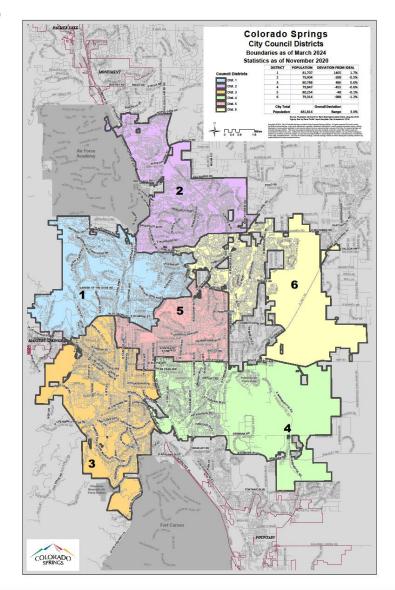
9/18/2024 Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

DIVIDE THE CITY INTO SIX COUNCIL DISTRICTS

COLORADO SPRINGS

- City Charter Requires the City Clerk to divide the city into 6 City Council district boundaries City Charter Article II. Elective Officers 2-10(b) Districts
 - 1. At least 120 days but no more than 150 days prior to City Council district election
 - 2. Every four (4) years
- The Mayor or City Council do not approve the City Council district boundaries.

CURRENT DISTRICTS





CURRENT DISTRICT POPULATION



2020 Population

2024 Population

DISTRICT	POPULATION	DEVIATION FRO	VIATION FROM IDEAL	
1	81,707	1405	1.7%	
2	79,904	-398	-0.5%	
3	80,788	486	0.6%	
4	79,847	-455	-0.6%	
5	80,254	-48	-0.1%	
6	79,314	-988	-1.2%	
City Total		Overall Deviation		
Population	481,814	Range	3.0%	

	DISTRICT	POPULATION	DEVIATION FROM IDEAL	
ľ	1	79,546	-3845	-4.6%
ſ	2	91,767	8376	10.0%
ľ	3	80,031	-3360	-4.0%
ſ	4	81,138	-2253	-2.7%
F	5	79,195	-4196	-5.0%
	6	88,668	5277	6.3%
-	City Total		Overall	
	Population	500,345	Deviation Range	-10.9%

DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS

- City Council Districts must be:
 - 1. Substantially equal in population
 - 2. Contiguous
 - 3. Do not divide election precinct boundary lines
 - 4. Follow obvious geographic boundaries to the extent possible
 - 5. Do not divide neighborhoods to the extent possible
 - 6. Do not divide identified communities of interests to the extent possible
 - 7. Comply with Voting Rights Act and other pertinent law



THE CITY CLERK PROCESS



- Release a preliminary district report by October 1st
- Conduct a public hearing on the preliminary district report in October
- Prepare a final district report on setting the district boundaries release no sooner than November 4th and no later than December 2nd

DISTRICTING PROCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE SELECTION PROCESS

- City Code requirement for the Advisory Committee
 and their scope of work
- City Council appoints the 7 Advisory Committee members
 - One member from each district and one member at-large
 - Members must be registered voters of the City
 - City Council must strive for gender, racial, ethnic, age and geographic diversity of the Advisory Committee members
 - A person interested in being a candidate for a district City Council member shall not serve on the Advisory Committee



RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DISTRICTING PROCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- Educate the public on the redistricting process
- Conduct public meetings in each district to solicit public input for the City Clerk's consideration in drawing the districts
- After the public meetings, prepare a preliminary Advisory Committee report
- After the City Clerk establishes the final district plan, prepare a final Advisory Committee report



RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DISTRICTING PROCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE



- Conduct one public meeting in each of the 6 election districts to solicit input for the City Clerk
- Prepare a preliminary Advisory Committee Report and submit to the City Clerk and City Council
- Prepare a final Advisory Committee report and submit to City Council after the City Clerk releases the final district report

CITY CHARTER AND CODE CITATIONS



- City Charter
 - 1. Article II. Elective Officers
 - 2. 2-10(b) Districts
- City Code
 - 1. 5.1.301: Legislative Declaration
 - 2. 5.1.302: Advisory Committee Created
 - 3. 5.1.303: Election District Considerations
 - 4. 5.1.304: Public Process
 - 5. 5.1.306: Protests
 - 6. 5.1.307: Final District Report
 - 7. 5.1.308: Advisory Committee Report to City Council