RESOLUTION NO. 22-1039

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT APPROVING THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR ELECTORAL BY-DIVISION BOUNDARIES BASED ON THE 2020 FEDERAL CENSUS DATA

WHEREAS, the Joshua Basin Water District ("District") is a county water district organized and operating pursuant to California Water Code section 30000 *et seq.*;

WHEREAS, on or about May 1, 2019, the District Board of Directors ("Board") adopted Ordinance No. 19-10 establishing the by-division election of its directors and adopting an electoral division map ("2019 Map"), commencing with the November 2020 general election;

WHEREAS, the District is required by Water Code section 30733(d), Elections Code section 22000 *et seq.*, and Section 6 of Ordinance No. 19-10 to adjust the boundaries of its election divisions after each federal decennial census, using that census as a basis to adjust the boundaries of any divisions so that the divisions are, as far as practicable, equal in population and in compliance with Section 10301 of Title 52 of the United States Code, as amended, to the extent those provisions apply;

WHEREAS, the data from the 2020 Federal Census was released in or around October 2021;

WHEREAS, based on a review conducted by the District, by way of a demographer hired by the District, the Board has determined that its electoral divisions, as adopted on May 1, 2019, and set forth in the 2019 Map, must be adjusted so as to equalize the population in accordance with federal and State law;

WHEREAS, in adjusting the boundaries of the divisions, the Board may give consideration to the following factors: (1) topography, (2) geography, (3) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory, and (4) community of interests of the division, though the controlling factor is equal division of population within such divisions;

WHEREAS, the Board duly noticed a public hearing on its March 2, 2022 agenda, published in accordance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act, as set forth in Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 54950) of Part 1, Division 2, Title 1 of the California Government Code, to consider three proposed redistricting maps ("Initial Maps") prepared by the District's demographer;

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2022, the Board conducted a public hearing to review the Initial Maps and receive input and comment from the public and the Board;

WHEREAS, based on the comments and input received, the District's demographer returned with the original and updated maps ("Amended Maps") to be considered at a second duly noticed public hearing to be held by the Board on March 16, 2022, at which the Board again received comments and input from the Board and public; and

WHEREAS, following the second public hearing, the Board identified Scenarios 2 and 6 as the preferred options, and requested more detailed maps be prepared and provided before the Board makes a final decision; and

WHEREAS, based on the March 16, 2022 comments and input, the Board considered the Amended Maps, with Scenario 2 and 6 submitted with additional detail, at a third duly noticed public hearing to be held by the Board on March 29, 2022, at which the Board again received comments and input from the Board and public; and

WHEREAS, the Board may, following the third public hearing, consider the approval of a final adjusted map, which, if adopted, shall take effect in the manner contemplated by Elections Code section 20000.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Joshua Basin Water District hereby resolves as follows:

1. <u>Recitals</u>. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

2. <u>Approval of Census Adjusted Map</u>. The Board hereby approves and adopts the Final Adjusted Map No. 5 as so designated by the Board at its meeting on March 29, 2022, as so reflected in the minutes for such meeting, and thereafter attached hereto as Exhibit A, which is incorporated herein by this reference.

3. <u>Completion of Existing Terms</u>. Following the adoption of the Final Adjusted Map, the existing directors shall continue to be the respective directors of the divisions bearing the number of their division formerly comprised, as set forth in the 2019 Map, until such office becomes vacant by means of the expiration of their term or otherwise, regardless of whether the director is a resident within the boundaries of the division as adjusted.

4. <u>Residency Requirements</u>. The successor to a director position, once vacated due to expiration of the term or otherwise, shall be a resident and voter of the division represented by the position.

5. <u>Delegation of Authority.</u> The General Manager or their designee are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution including, but not limited to, sending the Final Adjusted Map and an executed copy of this Resolution to San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters or any other such governmental entity requiring such map for purposes of administering any future District election. The delivery of the Final Adjust Map No. 5 to the San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters shall occur no later than April 17, 2022.

6. <u>Effective Date of Resolution</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption, and the Final Adjust Map No. 5 will supersede for all purposes the 2019 Map, except as contemplated herein or as provided for in Elections Code section 22000.

7. <u>Continuation of Ordinance No. 19-10</u>. Except with respect to the use of the Final Adjust Map No. 5 for District elections, the provisions of Ordinance No. 19-10 shall continue to govern and control the implementation of the District's elections.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 29th day of March, 2022, pursuant to the following votes:

 AYES:
 Delph, Doolittle, Floen, Jarlsberg and Unger

 NOES:

 ABSENT:

 ABSTAIN:

By:

Thomas Floen, President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Sarah Johnson, Acting General Manager & Board Secretary

EXHIBIT A

FINAL ADJUST MAP NO. 5

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT CONCEPTUAL DIRECTOR AREAS - SCENARIO 5

