



Staff Report

March 7, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting

Camas Ward Boundary Updates

Presenters: Jeff Swanson, Interim City Administrator and Shawn MacPherson, City Attorney

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

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BACKGROUND: The City’s three ward boundaries are required to be reviewed following each decennial census.

SUMMARY: Staff at Clark County GIS provided the City with information about population balance between the City’s three wards. Boundary changes are warranted when the imbalance exceeds a 5% +/- tolerance.

2020 Population of Current City of Camas Wards

February 23, 2022

Clark County GIS

Ward	Population (2020)	Percent of Total Population	Target Population *	Deviation from Target	Deviation Percent
1	8,971	34%	8,688.33	282.67	3.25%
2	8,388	32%	8,688.33	(300.33)	-3.46%
3	8,706	33%	8,688.33	17.67	0.20%
Total	26,065	100%	26,065		

* Target population for 2020 redistricting

Given the information provided by Clark County, ward boundary changes do not appear warranted and are not recommended at this time.

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:

What are the desired results and outcomes for this agenda item?

To inform City Council and the community about the status and population balance of the City’s ward boundaries and satisfy the periodic review requirement.

What's the data? What does the data tell us?

Data consists of 2020 US decennial census population figures for the City's three ward boundaries. The data demonstrate the population balance between wards is within the acceptable tolerance of +/- 5%.

How have communities been engaged? Are there opportunities to expand engagement?

The item is brought as information to the City Council for policy level input and direction, if any is warranted.

Who will benefit from, or be burdened by this agenda item?

The entirety of the community benefits from balanced geographic representation.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences? N/A

Does this agenda item have a differential impact on underserved populations, people living with disabilities, and/or communities of color? N/A

Will this agenda item improve ADA accessibilities for people with disabilities? N/A

What potential hurdles exist in implementing this proposal (include both operational and political)?

No action is recommended. No implementation is required.

How will you ensure accountabilities, communicate, and evaluate results? N/A

How does this item support a comprehensive plan goal, policy or other adopted resolution?
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT: There are no impacts to the City budget.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is for Council's information.