



CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH, TEXAS

February 16, 2023

AGENDA TOPIC: Reaching a population of 10,000 Statutory Provisions
DATE: February 16, 2023
DEPARTMENT: Legal
PRESENTED BY: Dan Santee, City Attorney

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

At a recent Branding Committee meeting, the committee discussed the possibility of updating the city's population signs. By way of background, the existing populations signs are posted by TxDOT and typically based on the Decennial United States Census or other means and methods as determined by the City Council.

Historically, City Council has adopted a resolution to determine the official city population. The City's calculations have been based on the decennial census, taking into account the number of new home permits issued annually and the average number of residents per household as determined by the census. Attached for your convenience is Resolution 2012-01 setting the population at 6,084 inhabitants (see attached Exhibit A). The City's official population has not been updated since 2012.

The 2020 census list the City's population at 9,833. Accordingly, TxDOT is ready to mobilize and post new signs with 9,833 as the posted population. Recognizing the City Council may want to update the official determination, staff requested TxDOT pause the installation of new signs until further notice. An updated resolution is tentatively scheduled for Council consideration at the March 2, 2023 Council meeting.

Upon discussing the updated resolution with the City Attorney, staff was cautioned about statutory provisions that become applicable to all cities once they cross the 10,000-population threshold (see attached Exhibit B).

The purpose of this workshop is to provide an opportunity for the City Attorney to brief the City Council on said statutory provisions.

POLICY ANALYSIS/BENEFIT(S) TO CITIZENS:

TBD

LONG-TERM FINANCIAL & BUDGETARY IMPACT:

TBD

LEGAL ANALYSIS:

TBD

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED MOTION:

No formal action required.