

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-06-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF FORT MORGAN, COLORADO, UPDATING THE ELECTION WARDS IN THE CITY FOLLOWING THE MOST RECENT FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY CHARTER REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado (the "City") has been duly organized and is validly existing as a home rule city under Article XX, Section 6 of the Colorado Constitution and the City Charter;

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 2(a) of the City Charter provides that, for the purposes of elections, "[t]he City shall be divided into three (3) wards, the boundaries of which shall be revised only by a resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the council;"

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Sections 2(c) and 2(b) of the City Charter further provide, respectively, that "[f]ollowing each federal decennial census, the boundaries of the wards shall be revised as necessary to..." "...be made as compact and contiguous as practicable, and the population in any ward shall not vary by more than five (5) percent from the population in any other ward;"

WHEREAS, the most recent federal decennial census revealed that the percentage difference in population between wards exceeded the five (5) percent threshold;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2(b) of the City Charter, the wards of the City must be revised to ensure that the population in any ward does not vary by more than five (5) percent from the population in any other ward;

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 2(e) of the City Charter provides that "[n]o revision in ward boundaries shall create a vacancy during the term of any councilmember in office at the time of the change"; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it desirable and appropriate, and in the best interest of the general health, safety, and welfare of its residents to update the City's election wards in conformance with City Charter requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MORGAN, COLORADO:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated as conclusions, determinations, facts, and findings of the City Council.

Section 2. The election wards of the City are hereby updated as follows: the area north of East Riverview Avenue (County Road S), bounded by Main Street (State Highway 52) to the west and Barlow Road to the east, which previously belonged to Ward 3, is hereby incorporated into Ward 1. This change is reflected in the

maps of the current and the updated election wards, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibits A and B, respectively.

INTRODUCED, PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 7th day of June, 2022, the vote upon roll call being as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Lyn Deal, Councilmembers Anderson, Garcia, Kaper, Parks, Schossow and Urdiales

Nays: None


Absent /Abstain: None



THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
FORT MORGAN, COLORADO

BY: 
Lyn Deal, Mayor

ATTEST:


John Brennan, City Clerk
STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF MORGAN) ss.
CITY OF FORT MORGAN)

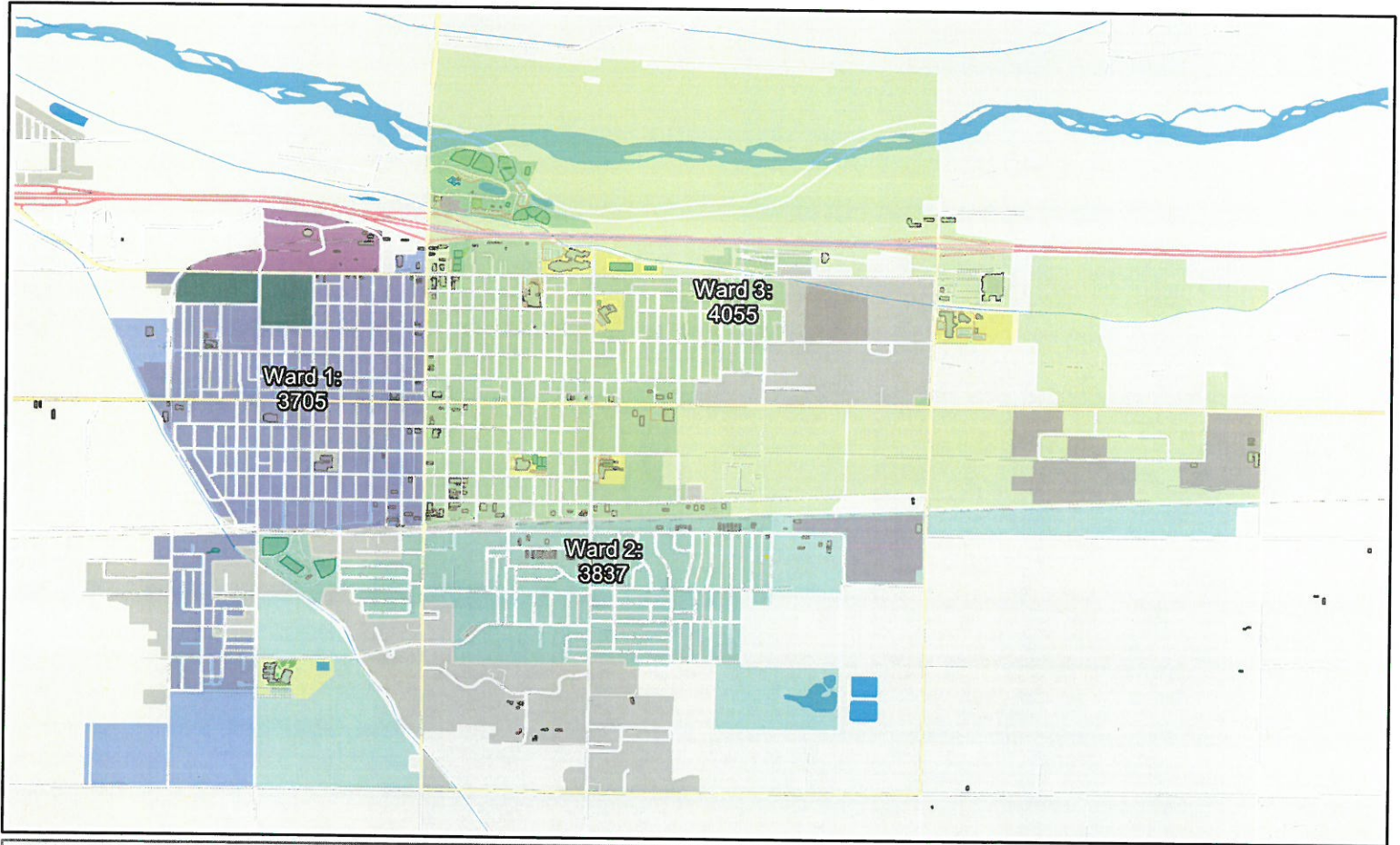
CERTIFICATE

I, John Brennan, City Clerk of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing **Resolution** is a true, perfect and complete copy of the **Resolution** adopted by the City Council and is identical to the original thereof appearing in the official records of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, and that the same has not been, since its adoption, in any respect, rescinded or amended.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Fort Morgan this 7th day of June, 2022.


John Brennan, City Clerk

Exhibit A
Election Ward Map - Current



This model calculates the percent difference between the wards with the largest and smallest populations, using the following formula:

$$\frac{|n_1 - n_2|}{\left[\frac{(n_1 + n_2)}{2}\right]} \times 100$$



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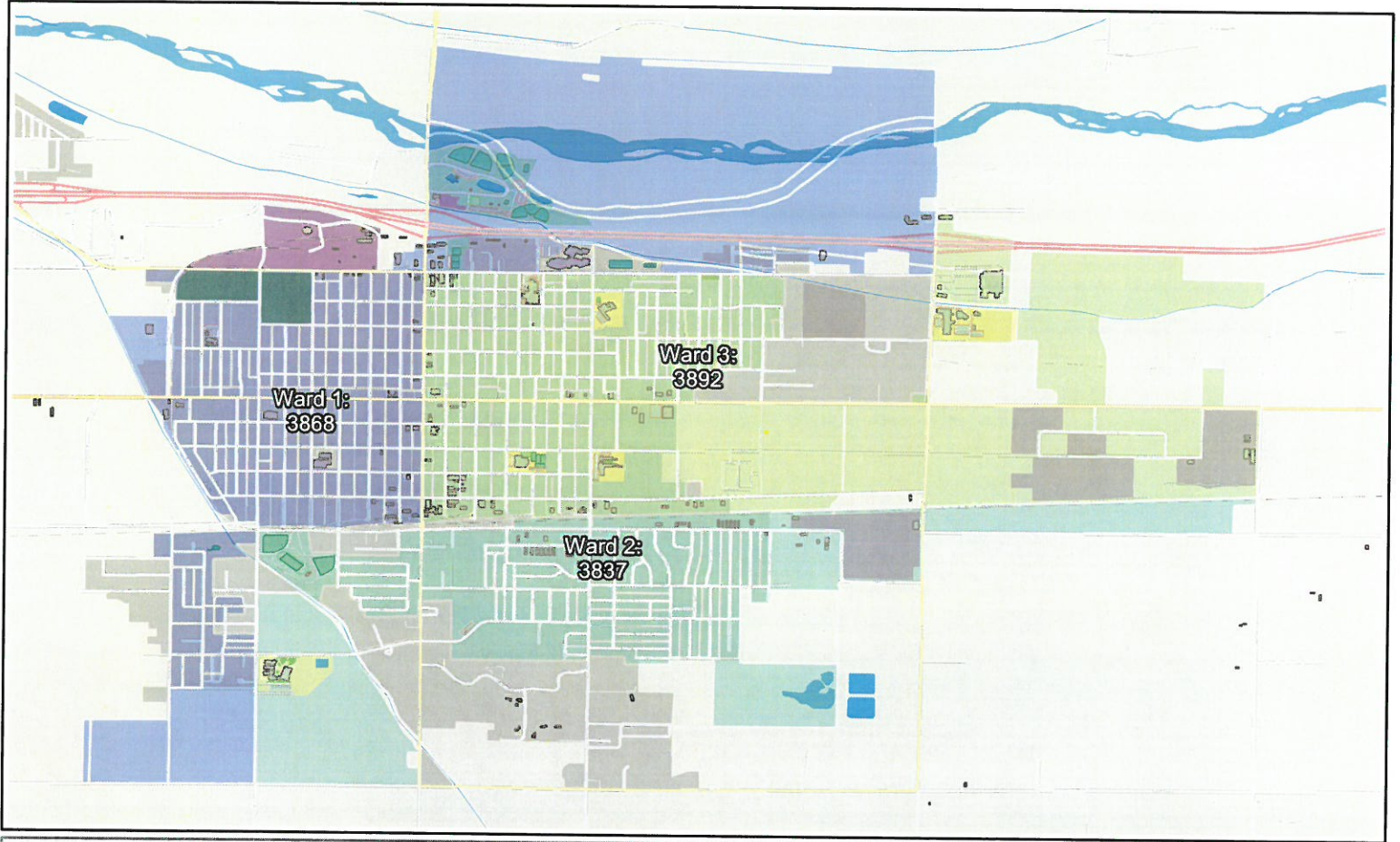
2022 Ward Redistricting - Current Wards

Ward	Number of Blocks	Population per Ward
1	167	3705
2	84	3837
3	204	4055

Percent Difference	Total Population
9.02	11597

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Exhibit B
Election Ward Map - Updated



This model calculates the percent difference between the wards with the largest and smallest populations, using the following formula:

$$\frac{|n_1 - n_2|}{\left[\frac{(n_1 + n_2)}{2}\right]} \times 100$$



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2022 Ward Redistricting - Proposed Solution

Ward	Number of Blocks	Population per Ward
1	177	3868
2	84	3837
3	194	3892

Percent Difference	Total Population
1.42	11597

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