

Help Shape the Future of **THOUSAND OAKS!**



The City of Thousand Oaks is moving from at-large City Councilmember elections to district elections. Beginning in 2024, voters will vote for one City Councilmember who lives in their district. Residents are encouraged to get involved by participating in public meetings and sharing their input on where district lines should be drawn.

JOIN US FOR THE FIRST TWO PUBLIC MEETINGS ON THE DISTRICT FORMATION PROCESS!

Public Hearing

Tuesday, May 9 at 6 p.m.
*Thousand Oaks Council Chamber,
2100 Thousand Oaks Blvd.*



Community Workshop

Thursday, May 11 at 6 p.m.
Virtual via Zoom



Spanish interpretation will be provided (habrá interpretación en español). For additional languages, please email districtelections@toaks.org 72 hours prior to the meeting.

The public hearing will provide an overview of district formation and the legal requirements. Participants will have a chance to share their input on neighborhoods and preferred district boundaries.

The community workshop will give residents the opportunity to discuss which communities should be kept together in one district and learn how to draw their own map for City Council consideration.



For more information on the City's districting process, visit MapTOaks.org.

District Formation



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

FAQ #1—What are district elections?

Under a district-based election system, the City will have roughly equal populated districts. A candidate must reside within an election district and is elected only by voters living within that same election district. District elections will replace the current system of at-large citywide elections in which voters can vote for all City Councilmembers. The switch to district-based elections is a process that many cities in California are undergoing to meet the standards of the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) of 2001. Hundreds of cities, counties, school districts and special districts throughout the state have switched to district-based voting to comply with the CVRA.

FAQ #2—Why does districting matter to me?

Districting determines which neighborhoods and communities are grouped into a district for purposes of electing City Councilmembers. Fair, representative districts help ensure that elected officials will be responsive to the voters in their communities. You have an opportunity to share with the City Council how you think district boundaries should be drawn to best represent your community.

FAQ #3—How can I get involved?

The City of Thousand Oaks is holding a series of community workshops to share information about the district formation process and gather public input on where district lines should be drawn. A complete schedule of the districting process is available at MapTOaks.org. You can also submit public comments, including suggested draft maps, by emailing DistrictElections@TOaks.org.

FAQ #4—Where can I learn more about districting?

For more information about districting, please visit the new districting website's FAQ page at MapTOaks.org/FAQ.

