

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA,
APPROVING AND ESTABLISHING A
CITYWIDE GOVERNANCE BY DISTRICT ELECTED POLICY**

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2017-06, effective June 15, 2017, establishing that future City Council elections will be held by district for City Council members and at-large for the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, November 2018 marks the first election of City Councilmembers by district, with two Councilmembers to be elected by district; and November 2020 marks the first election when the other two now at-large City Councilmembers are elected by district; and

WHEREAS, the City Council understands the value of at-large governance irregardless of the method from which City Councilmembers are elected; and

WHEREAS, governing at-large allows for the continuation of accessible customer service, the most effective use of taxpayer resources, and consistency in City services; and

WHEREAS, all members of the City Council will continue to serve all of the people of Santa Maria.

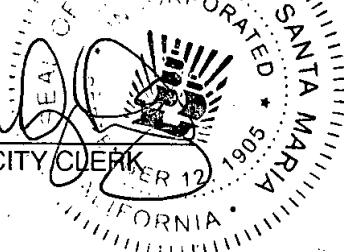
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Santa Maria, California, that:

- 1) The City Council will govern on an at-large basis, considering the needs and interests of the entire community. The City Council wishes to remain united in its service to the community; and
- 2) Any member of the City Council will help anyone in the community who calls or contacts them. Customer service is the priority; and
- 3) Professional management in a strong City Manager form of government will continue, with all of the best management practices that the City Council expects now. Resources will be allocated based on needs and expertise.
- 4) Current practices regarding invitations to members of the City Council to events and activities, and appointments to committees and various bodies will remain in effect.
- 5) The Chief Deputy City Clerk is hereby authorized to make minor changes herein to address clerical errors, so long as substantial conformance of the intent of this document is maintained. In doing so, the Chief Deputy City Clerk shall consult with the City Manager and City Attorney concerning any changes deemed necessary.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Santa Maria, California, held on this 20th day of March 2018.

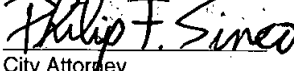
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CHIEF DEPUTY CITY CLERK



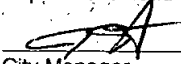

MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Department Head


City Manager

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA) ss.
CITY OF SANTA MARIA)


I, M. Beth Cleary, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2018-17 which was duly and regularly introduced and adopted by said City Council at a regular meeting held March 20, 2018, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Cordero, Moats, Waterfield, and Mayor Patino.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: None.


M. Beth Cleary
Deputy City Clerk
of the City of Santa Maria and
ex officio Clerk of the City Council