

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-092

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROHNERT PARK, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND ESTABLISHING A CITYWIDE GOVERNANCE POLICY FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2020, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 944, establishing that future City Council elections will be held by district, and

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2021, the City Council affirmed its commitment to citywide governance, regardless of the method by which City Council members are elected, and directed staff to bring forward a citywide governance policy; and

WHEREAS, governing citywide 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 Rohnert Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Rohnert Park, California, that:

1. The City Council will govern on a citywide basis and ensure decisions are made based on the needs and interests of the entire community; and
2. The City Council wishes to remain united in its customer service to the community and providing excellent quality of life for all; and
3. All members of the City Council will help all members of the community regardless of which district residents reside in or from which districts the City Council members are elected; and
4. Professional management in a strong City Manager/City Council form of government will continue; and
5. Commissions and board appointments will continue to be made at large, with each Councilmember able to nominate appointees from anywhere in the City irrespective of election districts; and
6. Information necessary for the City Council to govern on a citywide basis will be shared with all City Councilmembers; and
7. Resources will continue to be allocated based on long-term strategic planning efforts, with citywide considerations of service levels and financial capacity; and
8. Current practices of inviting all Councilmembers to events and activities will remain in effect; and

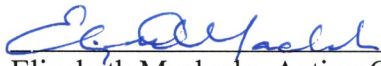
9. The City Council will follow the current practice of the Mayor speaking at events on behalf of the City Council and if not available, the Vice Mayor or other Councilmembers who are available will speak on behalf of the City Council; and
10. Financial, operational, project, and other information will be presented on a citywide basis and not segregated by election district; and
11. City Council fiscal management, best practices, and city systems will continue to reflect services provided to all residents citywide; and
12. City Council members upon election, re-election, or appointment, will certify, in writing, their receipt and understanding of this Citywide Governance Policy.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED this 10th day of August, 2021.

CITY OF ROHNERT PARK


Gerard Giudice, Mayor

ATTEST:


Elizabeth Machado, Acting City Clerk

ADAMS: Aye LINARES: Aye STAFFORD: Aye ELWARD: Aye GIUDICE: Aye
AYES: (5) NOES: (0) ABSENT: (0) ABSTAIN: (0)