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AMENDED AGENDA EUGENE CITY COUNCIL

September 20, 2021

5:30 p.m. CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

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**Meeting of September 20, 2021;
Her Honor Mayor Lucy Vinis Presiding**

Councilors

Jennifer Yeh, President

Mike Clark

Randy Groves

Emily Semple

Claire Syrett, Vice President

Greg Evans

Matt Keating

Alan Zelenka

Note: This agenda was amended to reflect the addition of Item 2.

5:30 p.m. CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

- 1. WORK SESSION: Financial Update**
- 2. WORK SESSION: 2020 Census and Ward Population Update**

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EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Work Session: Financial Update

Meeting Date: September 20, 2021
Department: Central Services
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Agenda Item Number: 1
Staff Contact: Twylla Miller
Contact Telephone Number: 541-682-8417

ISSUE STATEMENT

The purpose of this work session is to provide an update on the City's financial condition.

BACKGROUND

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, staff have provided more frequent updates on the financial condition of the City outside of the traditional budget cycle to keep the City Council informed of the financial impacts, challenges, and opportunities related to the pandemic and/or other significant events.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

[City Council Work Session: April 27, 2020](#)

[City Council Work Session: July 15, 2020](#)

COUNCIL OPTIONS

Informational work session only.

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EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Work Session: 2020 Census and Ward Population Update

Meeting Date: September 20, 2021
Department: Central Services
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Agenda Item Number: 2
Staff Contact: Jason Dedrick
Contact Telephone Number: 541-682-5033

ISSUE STATEMENT

Every 10 years, the Eugene City Council examines the population of City Council wards, based on the results from the U.S. Census. Data from the 2020 Census recently became available and staff have begun to create scenarios for Council to consider, utilizing the criteria that Council approved previously. This work session provides Council the opportunity to review ward boundary scenarios and potentially direct staff to engage the community on one or more of these scenarios.

BACKGROUND

In mid-August, 2021, the U.S. Census released final data to jurisdictions for use in addressing potential boundary adjustments due to population changes. This data has affirmed the preliminary U.S. Census data staff presented in June, showing that population differences among Council wards are relatively minor (Attachment A). The current population of Eugene is 176,945, which indicates that each of the eight wards should have approximately 22,118 residents.

At the June 16, 2021 Work Session, Council approved the criteria that staff will utilize to create ward boundary scenarios that resolve the population differences among wards. These criteria include:

- A population range difference of 3 percent, plus or minus, among wards
- Work with 2020 U.S. Census data and do not assume potential growth
- Pursue an incremental change approach
- Boundary options should be developed that neither advantage nor disadvantage incumbent elected officials, however the boundary should not be drawn to remove an incumbent's residence from their ward
- Develop scenarios that consider geographic and neighborhood features and strive for relative compactness and contiguity without rigid adherence to these characteristics
- Provide demographic information with scenarios to support consideration of potential impacts

Using these criteria, staff have begun creating scenarios that resolve the current population differences among wards. These scenarios are included as Attachment B and will be described by staff at the work session. Staff will be seeking Council direction in order to begin community engagement on one or more of these scenarios.

Attachment C summarizes the revised timeline for the project. The earlier than expected release of Census data and the relatively small differences among ward populations suggests that the timeline can be accelerated slightly, such that the effort would be completed by the end of calendar year 2021.

A map of the current ward boundaries is included in Attachment D.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

This is the third work session regarding the 2020 U.S. Census data and ward boundaries.

February 17, 2021 Work Session

Council directed staff to return with additional information on several topics and with the results of the boundary criteria survey.

June 16, 2021 Work Session

Council discussed and approved boundary criteria for use by staff when creating initial ward boundary scenarios.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. Direct staff to initiate community engagement on one or more of the boundary scenarios presented.
2. Direct staff to amend boundary scenarios prior to community engagement.

CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION

The City Manager recommends option 1.

POSSIBLE MOTION

1. Move to initiate community engagement on ward boundary scenarios.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. 2020 Council Ward Populations and Demographics
- B. Ward Boundary Scenarios & Demographics
- C. Project Timeline
- D. Current Ward Boundary Map

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2020 Council Ward Populations and Demographics

City of Eugene Council Ward Populations (2020)

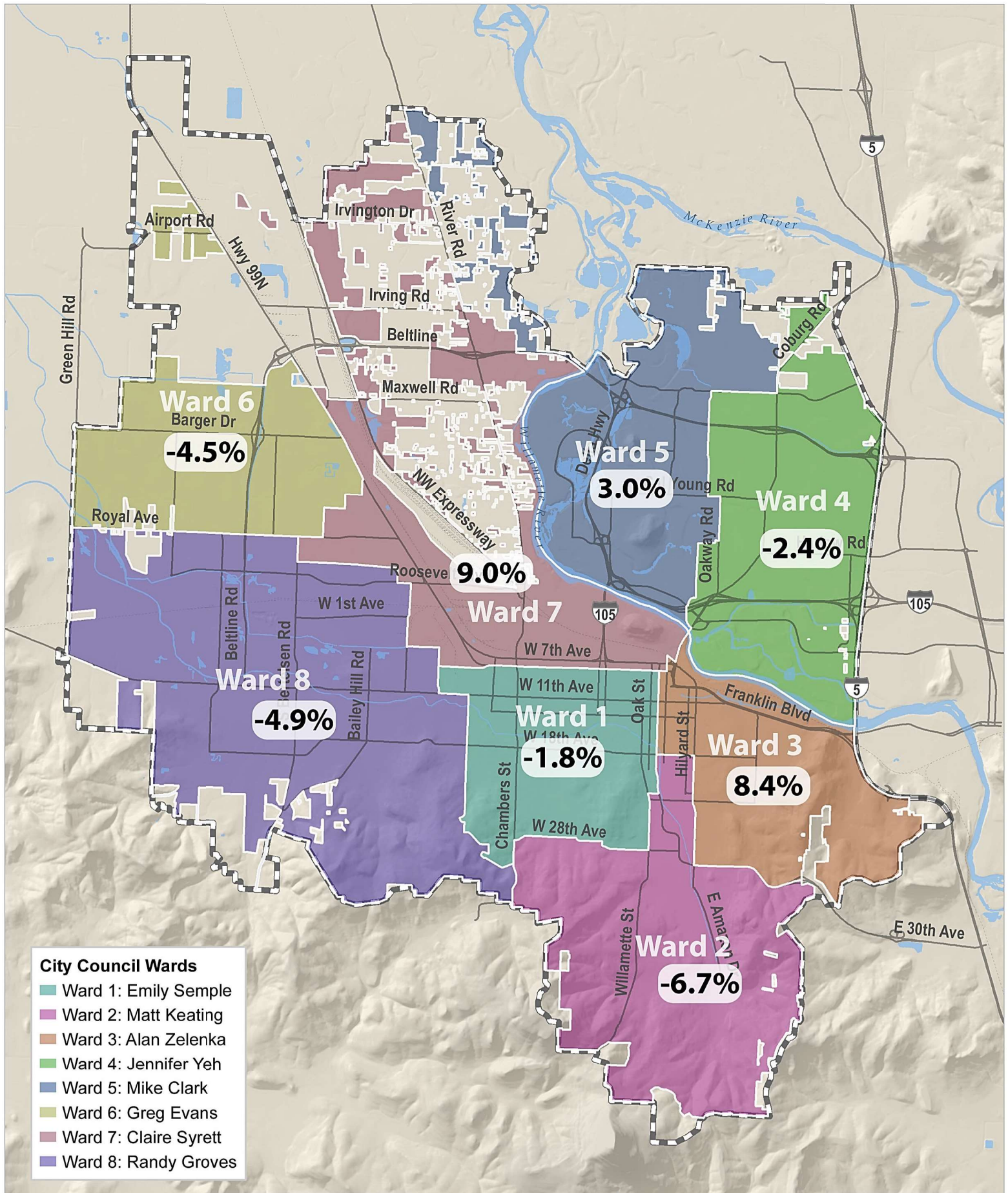
Eugene Council Ward	Total Population	Target Population	Percent change from equal population by ward
1	21,709	22,118	-1.8%
2	20,645	22,118	-6.7%
3	23,982	22,118	8.4%
4	21,580	22,118	-2.4%
5	22,771	22,118	3.0%
6	21,116	22,118	-4.5%
7	24,110	22,118	9.0%
8	21,032	22,118	-4.9%
Total	176,945	176,945	

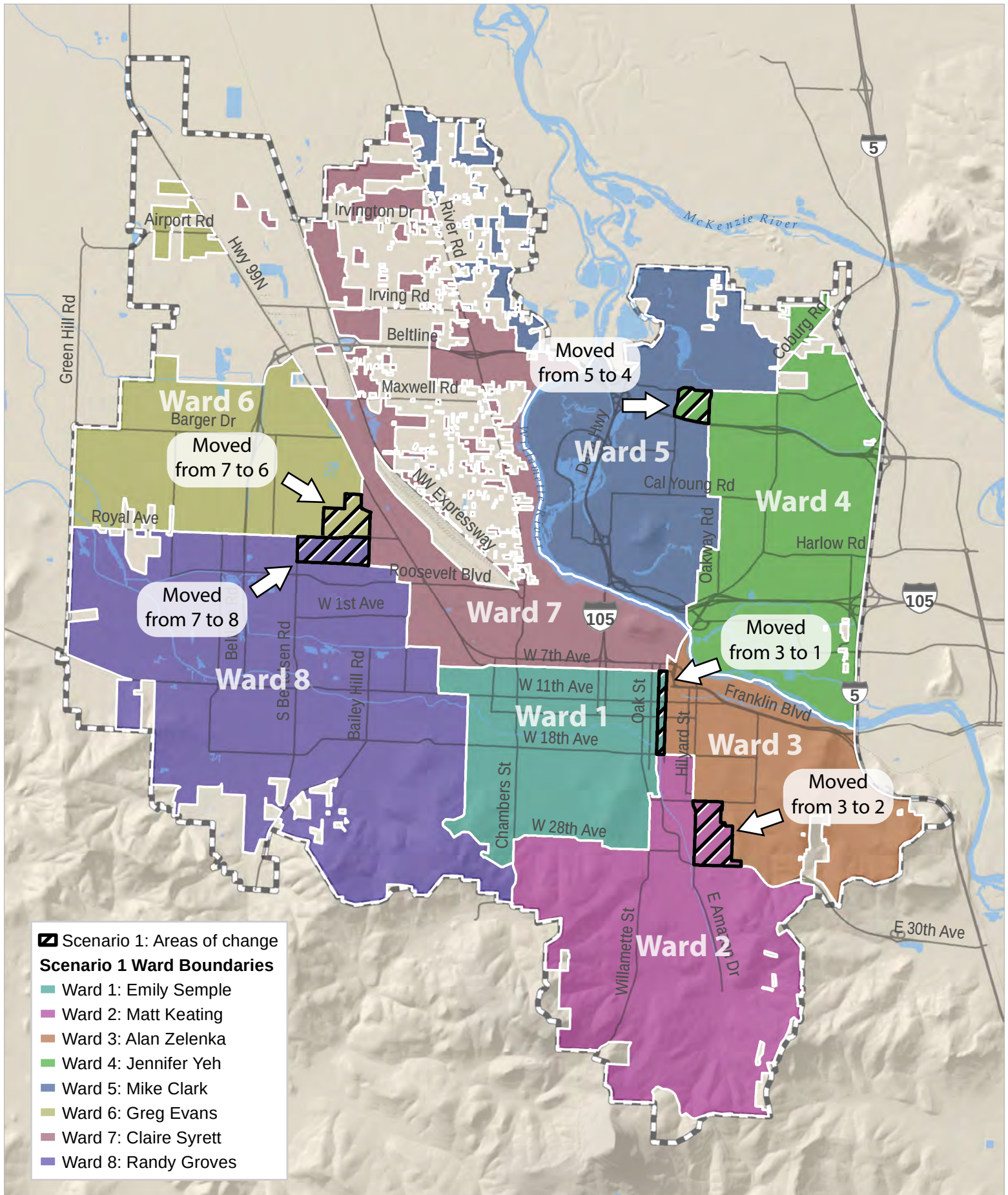
Data source: U.S. Census Bureau 2020 Redistricting PL 94-171, Regional GIS

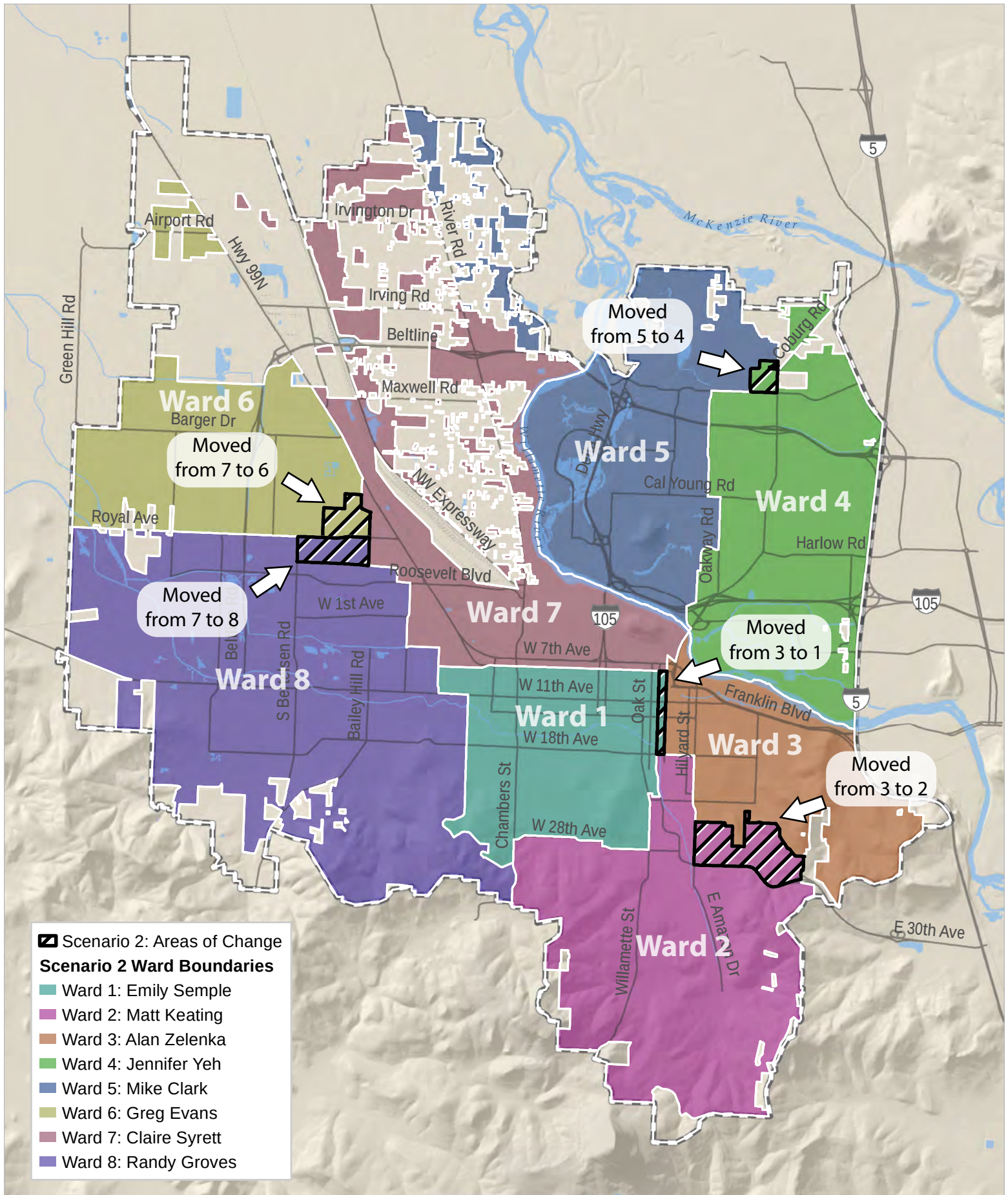
City of Eugene Council Ward Demographics (2020)

	Eugene Council Wards 2020								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Total Population	21,709	20,645	23,982	21,580	22,771	21,116	24,110	21,032	176,945
Hispanic or Latino	2,067	1,424	2,302	2,009	1,817	3,045	2,871	3,213	18,748
	9.5%	6.9%	9.6%	9.3%	8.0%	14.4%	11.9%	15.3%	10.6%
Not Hispanic or Latino	19,642	19,221	21,680	19,571	20,954	18,071	21,239	17,819	158,197
	90.5%	93.1%	90.4%	90.7%	92.0%	85.6%	88.1%	84.7%	89.4%
White Alone	16,503	16,254	17,267	16,137	17,968	15,426	18,130	14,706	132,391
	76.0%	78.7%	72.0%	74.8%	78.9%	73.1%	75.2%	69.9%	74.8%
Black or African American alone	429	256	436	373	348	313	418	362	2,935
	2.0%	1.2%	1.8%	1.7%	1.5%	1.5%	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	187	142	75	155	125	195	293	187	1,359
	0.9%	0.7%	0.3%	0.7%	0.5%	0.9%	1.2%	0.9%	0.8%
Asian alone	689	886	1,757	1,188	866	493	491	719	7,089
	3.2%	4.3%	7.3%	5.5%	3.8%	2.3%	2.0%	3.4%	4.0%
Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander alone	58	11	84	82	70	78	73	60	516
	0.3%	0.1%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Other race alone	197	166	154	107	127	108	163	135	1,157
	0.9%	0.8%	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%
Two or more races	1,579	1,506	1,907	1,529	1,450	1,458	1,671	1,650	12,750
	7.3%	7.3%	8.0%	7.1%	6.4%	6.9%	6.9%	7.8%	7.2%
Total Population Age 18 and over	18,631	17,052	21,995	17,846	18,637	16,387	20,276	16,716	147,540
	86%	83%	92%	83%	82%	78%	84%	79%	83%

Data source: U.S. Census Bureau 2020 Redistricting PL 94-171, Regional GIS







Current Ward Population 2020

Eugene Council Ward	Total Population	Target Population	Percent change from equal population by ward	Hispanic or Latino	Hispanic or Latino population as a % of total population	Not Hispanic or Latino	White Alone	Black or African American alone	American Indian and Alaska Native alone	Asian alone	Native Hawaiian and other pacific islander alone	Other race alone	Two or more races	Total Population Age 18 and over	Population Age 18 and over as a % of total population
1	21,709	22,118	-1.8%	2,067	10%	19,642	16,503	429	187	689	58	197	1,579	18,631	86%
2	20,645	22,118	-6.7%	1,424	7%	19,221	16,254	256	142	886	11	166	1,506	17,052	83%
3	23,982	22,118	8.4%	2,302	10%	21,680	17,267	436	75	1,757	84	154	1,907	21,995	92%
4	21,580	22,118	-2.4%	2,009	9%	19,571	16,137	373	155	1,188	82	107	1,529	17,846	83%
5	22,771	22,118	3.0%	1,817	8%	20,954	17,968	348	125	866	70	127	1,450	18,637	82%
6	21,116	22,118	-4.5%	3,045	14%	18,071	15,426	313	195	493	78	108	1,458	16,387	78%
7	24,110	22,118	9.0%	2,871	12%	21,239	18,130	418	293	491	73	163	1,671	20,276	84%
8	21,032	22,118	-4.9%	3,213	15%	17,819	14,706	362	187	719	60	135	1,650	16,716	79%
Total	176,945	176,945		18,748	11%	158,197	132,391	2,935	1,359	7,089	516	1,157	12,750	147,540	83%

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Scenario 1

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1	22,155	22,118	0.2%	2,096	9%	20,059	16,851	435	189	708	58	201	1,617	19,043	86%
2	22,126	22,118	0.0%	1,528	7%	20,598	17,442	268	148	948	15	177	1,600	18,312	83%
3	22,055	22,118	-0.3%	2,169	10%	19,886	15,731	418	67	1,676	80	139	1,775	20,323	92%
4	22,171	22,118	0.2%	2,065	9%	20,106	16,611	386	158	1,193	91	107	1,560	18,288	82%
5	22,180	22,118	0.3%	1,761	8%	20,419	17,494	335	122	861	61	127	1,419	18,195	82%
6	22,104	22,118	-0.1%	3,147	14%	18,957	16,209	327	207	508	78	109	1,519	17,243	78%
7	21,938	22,118	-0.8%	2,595	12%	19,343	16,524	393	262	462	71	156	1,475	18,528	84%
8	22,216	22,118	0.4%	3,387	15%	18,829	15,529	373	206	733	62	141	1,785	17,608	79%
Total	176,945	176,945		18,748	11%	158,197	132,391	2,935	1,359	7,089	516	1,157	12,750	147,540	83%

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Scenario 2

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1	22,155	22,118	0.2%	2,096	9%	20,059	16,851	435	189	708	58	201	1,617	19,043	86%
2	21,990	22,118	-0.6%	1,508	7%	20,482	17,345	264	144	944	15	171	1,599	18,151	83%
3	22,191	22,118	0.3%	2,189	10%	20,002	15,828	422	71	1,680	80	145	1,776	20,484	92%
4	22,278	22,118	0.7%	2,104	9%	20,174	16,639	400	155	1,218	89	107	1,566	18,330	82%
5	22,073	22,118	-0.2%	1,722	8%	20,351	17,466	321	125	836	63	127	1,413	18,153	82%
6	22,104	22,118	-0.1%	3,147	14%	18,957	16,209	327	207	508	78	109	1,519	17,243	78%
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Project Timeline

Time Frame	Possible Steps and Decision Points
February, 2021	City Council Work Session to share information, identify issues, and discuss general approach.
February-June, 2021	Provide information and obtain public input on boundary criteria.
June, 2021	City Council Work Session to review and approve boundary criteria.
August, 2021	U.S. Census releases final data.
August-September, 2021	Staff review, prepare data and begin creating boundary options.
September, 2021	City Council Work Session to provide direction on boundary options.
September-October, 2021	Community engagement on boundary options.
October, 2021	City Council Work Session to review community engagement. Direct staff to prepare any revisions to preferred option.
November, 2021	City Council Work Session to review preferred option. Direct staff to prepare the ordinance.
December, 2021	Prepare ordinance and map and adopt new ward boundaries.

