

RESOLUTION NO. 08:2526

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
OCEAN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY RECOMMENDING
THAT THE ORANGE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT
ORGANIZATION APPROVE AND ESTABLISH TRUSTEE AREAS
FROM WHICH THE OCEAN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT
TRUSTEES WILL BE ELECTED
IN A BY-TRUSTEE AREA ELECTION PROCESS**

WHEREAS, The Ocean View School District (“District”) currently uses an at-large system of electing members of its Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, At-large electoral systems such as the Districts are subject to challenge under the California Voting Rights Act of 2001, codified at Sections 14025 - 14032 of the California Elections Code (“CVRA”); and

WHEREAS, By-trustee area electoral systems are not vulnerable to challenge under the CVRA; and

WHEREAS, In a by-trustee area system of election, candidates for the District’s Board of Trustees (the “Board”) must reside within a specific geographic subarea of the District called a “trustee area” and candidates are elected only by the voters of that trustee area; and

WHEREAS, One method of transitioning from an at-large electoral system to a by-trustee area electoral system is for the Board to petition the local county committee on school district organization by resolution to initiate the transition under California Education Code Section 5019(c)(1); and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Committee on School District Organization (“Committee”) has indicated that it will initiate this process on behalf of the District at the District’s request, and will consider any recommendation on specific trustee areas made by the District; and

WHEREAS, as part of the process, District administration met with various stakeholders, including representatives of Ocean View Teachers Association, California School Employees Association and its Local Chapter No. 375, and other District committees, to discuss the waiver of the election that is ordered by the Committee pursuant to Education Code Section 5020(a)(1) upon the Committee’s approval of the District’s plan to transition to by-trustee area elections; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2025, the Board held a public hearing on the waiver of the election requirement; and

WHEREAS, SB 442, passed in July 2021, amended Education Code Section 5020 to add Section (a)(2) which authorizes the Committee to, “by resolution, approve a proposal to establish trustee areas and to elect governing board members using district-based elections, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 14026 of the Elections Code, without being required to submit the resolution to the electors of the district for approval.”; and

WHEREAS, the Committee's resolution required by Education Code Section 5020 must "include a declaration that the change in the method of electing members of the governing body is being made in furtherance of the purposes of the California Voting Rights Act of 2001."

WHEREAS, District staff and consultants have conducted public hearings on January 28, 2025, and February 25, 2025, for pre-map input as required by law, prepared proposed trustee area plans and recommendations (the "Plans") that were first presented to the public at the District's Regular Board Meeting on March 25, 2025, and thereafter posted the Plans and further updated Plans on the District's website for further input; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Elections Code Section 10010, the District held properly noticed public hearings regarding the proposed trustee area plans on March 25, 2025, April 8, 2025, and May 13, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Board also held an additional public hearing on October 14, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered all public input and comment on the Plans; and

WHEREAS, the Board has adopted Plan 2 and hereby recommends Plan 2 to the Committee for its consideration based upon the findings, analysis and recommendations contained in the report attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A."

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Ocean View School District as follows:

1. That the above recitals are true and correct.
2. That beginning in November 2026, the District shall use a by-trustee area method of election to elect the District's Trustees.
3. That the Board has adopted Plan 2 and recommends Plan 2 to the Committee for consideration and adoption.
4. That at the District's next election in 2026, seats in trustee areas 2, 4, and 5 will be up for election, and in November 2028, seats in trustee areas 1, 3, and X will be up for election.
5. That the District's transition to by-trustee area election was a decision made by the Board of Trustees in furtherance of the purposes of the California Voting Rights Act of 2001.
6. That the Board requests the Committee to "by resolution, approve a proposal to establish trustee areas and to elect governing board members using district-based elections, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 14026 of the Elections Code, without being required to submit the resolution to the electors of the district for approval."
7. That the Board requests the Committee's resolution "include a declaration that the change in the method of electing members of the governing body is being made in furtherance of the purposes of the California Voting Rights Act of 2001."

8. That the Superintendent and/or her designee take all actions necessary to notify the Committee of the Board's determination forthwith and provide whatever assistance may be required by the Committee to complete the process.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 14th day of October, 2025.



Patricia Singer, President
Board of Trustees
Ocean View School District of Orange County

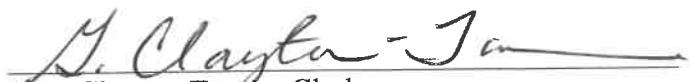
I, Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the Ocean View School District of Orange County, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of said District at a meeting of said Board held on the 14 day of October, 2025, and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

AYES: CLAYTON-TARVIN, GORSAGE, SINGER, SOYDERS

NOES: WESTMORELAND

ABSTAIN: 

ABSENT: 



Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Clerk
Board of Trustees
Ocean View School District of Orange County

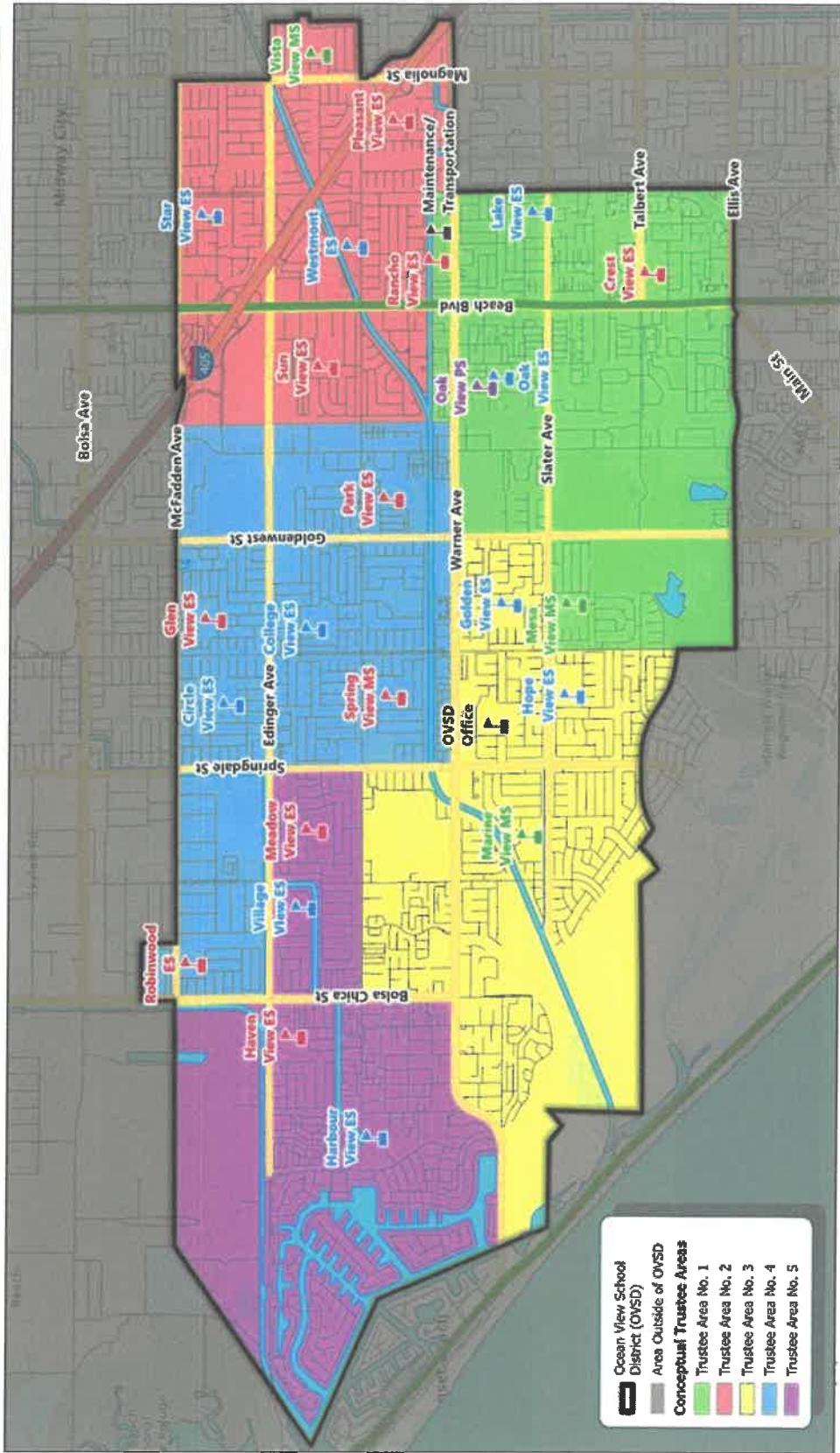
EXHIBIT "A"

APPROVED TRUSTEE AREA MAP

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Conceptual Trustee Areas

Scenario 2



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