

**LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE**  
**ARTICLE XXV. - COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS AND REDISTRICTING**

**Sec. 2501. - LONG BEACH INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION.**

- (a) The exclusive authority to redraw Council district boundaries is vested in the Long Beach Independent Redistricting Commission.
- (b) The Commission shall:
  - (1) Be independent of Mayor and City Council control;
  - (2) Conduct an open and transparent process enabling full public consideration of and comment on the drawing of Council district boundaries;
  - (3) Comply with the provisions in this article; and
  - (4) Conduct itself with integrity and fairness.
- (c) The Commission may:
  - (1) Adopt for itself rules of procedure not in conflict with this article; and
  - (2) Adopt rules and regulations for the interpretation and implementation of this article.

*(Added by Meas. DDD, 11-6-2018, eff. 12-11-2018)*

**Sec. 2502. - POWER AND DUTY OF COMMISSION TO ADOPT COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARY MAP.**

- (a) Within six (6) months after census-block-level population data from a regular United States decennial census is made available to the public, the Commission shall adopt a final map establishing new Council district boundaries and a final report explaining its decision. The final map shall include a precise map and written description of the boundaries of each Council district. In the final report, the Commission shall explain the rationale for the Council district boundaries, including, at a minimum, an explanation of how the final map complies with the redistricting requirements and criteria in Section 2506 of this Charter and a reasonable justification for any Council district boundary that does not comply with any redistricting criterion.
- (b) A Commission-adopted final map has the force and effect of law and is effective immediately upon adoption, unless on the date of adoption there are less than six (6) months until the next primary City election, in which case the final map shall go into effect after that election and any applicable run-off election.