ORDINANCE NO. 26-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLE PINES, COLORADO, AMENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE THREE DISTRICTS OF THE CITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2.3 OF ARTICLE II OF THE CITY HOME RULE CHARTER

WHEREAS, the City of Castle Pines (the "City") is a home rule municipality with all powers granted by Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and the City's Home Rule Charter (the "Charter"); and

WHEREAS, Section 2.3 of the Charter divides the City into three districts, requires the districts to conform to constitutional requirements, and authorizes the City Council to change district boundaries by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the current boundaries of each district are established pursuant to Ordinance No. 24-05; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.3 of the Charter, changes in the boundaries of districts must be made by ordinance adopted by the City Council at least one hundred eighty (180) days prior to any regular or special election to be effective for such election; and

WHEREAS, constitutional principles require that voting districts have roughly the same number of residents (within a 5-10 percentage differential) with equal representation under a one person-one vote standard; and

WHEREAS, the general rule is that redistricting should occur when population differences are greater than 10%; however, most Colorado municipalities trigger redistricting when the population difference between districts is between 2-5% (*See White v. Register*, 412 U.S. 755, 763 (1973)); and

WHEREAS, development within the Canyons and the Castle Pines Town Center has changed the distribution of residents among the three districts; and

WHEREAS, City Staff has reviewed the latest available data and has determined that redistricting is warranted because the percentage change in population between the district with the highest population (District 3) and the lowest population (District 1) is 11.8%; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the population information and proposed redistricting presented by City staff, together with the applicable constitutional requirements and the considerations of contiguous and reasonably compact districts and communities of interest; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adopt the district boundaries depicted in **Exhibit A**, attached to and incorporated into this Ordinance, in conformance with constitutional principles and the Charter.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLE PINES, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. **Recitals Incorporated.** The above and foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference and adopted as findings and determinations of the City Council for all purposes.

Section 2. **Adoption of District Boundaries**. In accordance with Section 2.3 of the Charter, the boundaries of Districts 1, 2, and 3 shall be redrawn and re-established as set forth in **Exhibit A**. The City Clerk shall maintain the adopted **Exhibit A** with this Ordinance and make the district map available for public inspection.

Section 3. **Election Applicability**. Pursuant to Section 2.3 of the Charter, the boundary changes adopted by this Ordinance shall be effective for purposes of a regular or special municipal election only if made at least one hundred eighty (180) days before that election. For an election for which that requirement is not satisfied, the previously effective district boundaries shall continue to govern. The City Clerk shall determine and document the applicable boundaries before administering each affected election.

Section 4. **Implementation.** The City Clerk and other appropriate City officials are authorized to take the administrative steps necessary to implement the district boundaries adopted by this Ordinance, including updating City election materials and coordinating with the Douglas County Clerk and Recorder as appropriate. Administrative implementation shall not alter the boundaries depicted in **Exhibit A**.

Section 5. **Severability.** If any part or provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 6. **Safety Clause.** The City Council finds and declares that this Ordinance is promulgated and adopted for the public health, safety and welfare and this Ordinance bears a rational relation to the legislative object sought to be obtained.

Section 7. **Publication and Effective Date.** The City Clerk is hereby directed to cause publication of this Ordinance in accordance with Section 6.5 of the Charter. This Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after final publication on the City's official website and posting at the City Clerk's office pursuant to Section 1-3-40 of the Municipal Code.

INTRODUCED, READ, AND PASSED ON FIRST READING, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLE PINES, COLORADO THE 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026.

READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED ON SECOND READING, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLE PINES, COLORADO THE 27th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026.

Tracy Engerman (Oct 30, 2026 06:22:03 MDT)

Tracy Engerman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tobi Duffey, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Linda Michow (Oct 28, 2026 13:39:27 MDT)

Linda C. Michow, City Attorney

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

I hereby attest and certify that the within and foregoing Ordinance was introduced and read on first reading at a regular meeting of the Castle Pines City Council on October 13, 2026; published by reference by title only in the *Douglas County News-Press*, together with the statement that "[t]he complete text of all ordinances is available through the City Offices and on the City's official website"; and finally passed and adopted by the City Council on October 27, 2026 following a duly noticed public meeting and ordered published by title only, with amendments if any, one time in the *Douglas County News-Press* on October 22, 2026.

ATTEST:

Tobi Duffey, MMC, City Clerk

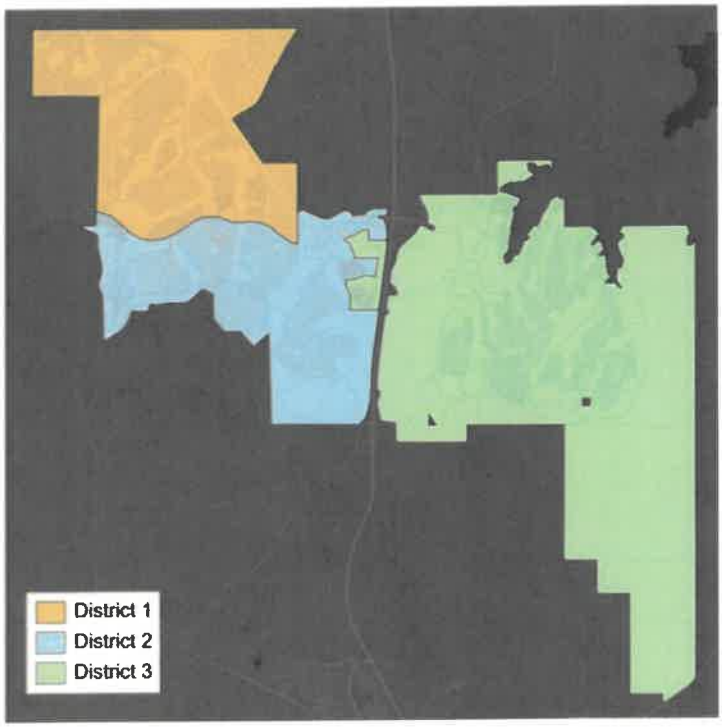
EXHIBIT A

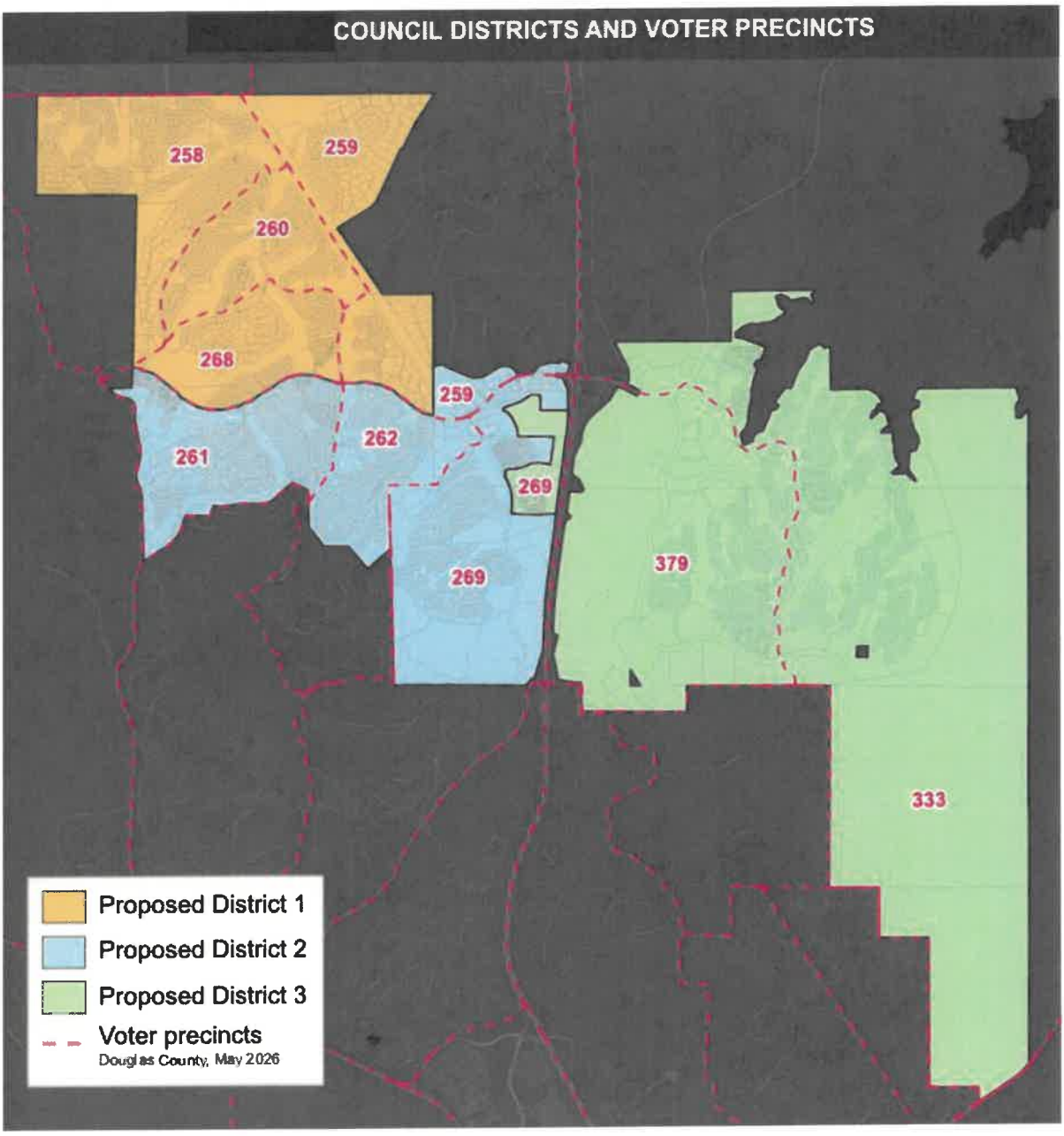
New District Boundaries

District 1:
Res. unit count = 2,221
Population est. = 6,002

District 2:
Res. unit count = 2,136
Population est. = 6,066

District 3:
Res. unit count = 2,101
Population est. = 5,967

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