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**City Council Moving from At-Large to District Elections;  
Community Invited to First Public Hearing, Wednesday, June 20  
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The City of Palm Springs is beginning the process of moving from at-large to district elections.

The community is invited to attend the first of a series of public meetings on **Wednesday, June 20 at 6 pm** during the City Council's regularly scheduled meeting at City Hall, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way.

In addition, the following Community Engagement Forums have been scheduled:

- **Business Stakeholders – Monday, July 9, 6 pm, Palm Springs Convention Center, 277 N. Avenida Caballeros**
- **North Palm Springs, Tuesday, July 10, 6:30 pm, James O. Jessie Desert Highland Unity Center**
- **South Palm Springs, Thursday, July 12, 6 pm, Demuth Community Center, 3601 E. Mesquite Ave.**

The City has engaged a demographer to document voting patterns by ethnicity and geography, and will share results at upcoming meetings. In addition, extensive community outreach is underway in order to ensure residents, particularly Latinos and others in underserved communities, are informed about the City Council's transition to a district-based electoral process.

Palm Springs has long prided itself on being one of the most welcoming and inclusive communities in the country. The City is committed to civil rights and ensuring equity and diversity among elected officials and Boards and Commissions, while maximizing the goals of the California Voting Rights Act. Other goals of the transition include prioritizing the creation of majority/minority districts, keeping organized neighborhoods intact (if possible), and ensuring the best interest of the City as a whole remains the first responsibility of all elected officials.

Additional meetings and public hearings will be held on the following dates at City Hall:

- **6 pm Wednesday, July 11**
- **6 pm Thursday, Sept. 20**
- **6 pm Thursday, Oct. 4**
- **6 pm Wednesday, Oct. 17**
- **6 pm Wednesday, Nov. 7**
- **6 pm Wednesday, Nov. 21**
- **6 pm Wednesday, Dec. 5**

All meetings will be broadcast live on Palm Springs Community Television Channel 17 and online at [www.palmspringsca.gov](http://www.palmspringsca.gov). The process is expected to be completed by **Dec. 31, 2018**. For the latest information, visit [www.psdistricts.com](http://www.psdistricts.com).

