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MEMORANDUM

TO: Jan Leshar, Acting County Administrator, Board of Supervisors
FROM: Gabriella Cázares-Kelly, Recorder *GCK*
RE: Voter Registration Card Reprinting
DATE: June 20, 2022

In May, the Pima County Recorder's Office mailed 615,000 Voter ID cards to voters. The new cards indicate voters' new legislative and congressional district information.

Because of the Covid pandemic, the Census information was delayed at the federal level, then at the state level and was finally released to counties in late January.

In Early 2022 we discussed our internal timelines regarding bulk mailings with the GIS department, Elections Department and County Administration, but it was clear that we would have to do multiple printings. The legal deadline for the Board of Supervisors to approve new districts was July 1, 2022. We made the decision to get voters their new Voter ID cards before Early Voting begins on July 6, 2022. We scheduled the mailing with our vendor for May 9, 2022. That date was also scheduled to account for another statutory bulk mailing for voters on the Active Early Voting List, which we anticipated impacting our office's workflow.

In February, our office began sending letters to voters in lieu of a voter registration card that indicated a delay in the process. We did this to confirm receipt of their new voter registration or changes to their existing voter registration. The letter indicated that they would receive a new Voter ID Card in May 2022.

At the time of the mailing, all information was accurate to the best of our knowledge. New districts were approved by the Board of Supervisors on May 3, 2022. However, at that point, the Voter ID Cards had already been printed, laminated, packaged and were expected to be mailed by May 9, 2022 through our vendor. Our vendor experienced some delays and therefore the Voter ID Cards were mailed out May 17, 2022 from Phoenix.

45,000 voters will receive new voter cards after the Pima County Board of Supervisors approval of new maps for 21 Pima County precincts, which resulted in boundary changes to the County Supervisor Districts.

We began to receive concerns from Oro Valley constituents who showed Tucson, rather than Oro Valley as their city. This was due to the addressing function through the County GIS department who used United States Postal Codes, which listed Oro Valley addresses as Tucson addresses. Although those cards were accurate and made no changes to voting access, we asked county GIS Department to restore the familiar Oro Valley addresses for voters' peace of mind. Approximately 35,000 voter ID cards will be resent to those Oro Valley voters.

Approximately 84,000 Pima County Voters, nearly 13 percent, will now need new Voter ID Cards. The new Voter ID Cards will be mailed in late June 2022. The initial bulk mailing to the approximately 615,000 voters was \$110,000. The reprint of the Oro Valley ID Cards and the updated Supervisor District ID Cards will cost nearly \$20,500. The Pima County Recorder's Office is obligated by state statute to alert voters when changes to their registration records have been made.