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CITY OF ESPANOLA, NEW MEXICO

ORDINANCE 2007-06

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL ELECTION DISTRICTS AND
REPEALING CHAPTER 2 ARTICLE 1 SECTION 2-1, ENTITLED WARDS
DESCRIBED, OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE AND ENACTING CHAPTER 35 ARTICLE
1 SECTION 2-1 TO BE TITLED: THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ELECTION DISTRICTS,
IN THE MUNICIPAL CODE.**

SECTION 1. PURPOSE AND INTENT

A. This ordinance may be referred to as the “Districting Ordinance”

B. In establishing the district boundaries, the governing body considered the following principles in the following order of priority:

1. Each district shall contain as nearly as possible substantially the same population based upon the most recent federal census;
2. Districting plans must avoid dilution of minority voting strength;
3. Communities of interest, including those based upon ethnic and economic factors, shall be preserved within a single district whenever reasonable;
4. Each district shall be formed of compact, contiguous territories. The total length of all district boundary lines shall be as short as possible;
5. Districting plans shall compensate for U.S. Census undercount of minorities.

C. District boundaries shall be reviewed and revised, if necessary, following each decennial federal census

SECTION 2. CREATION OF DISTRICTS.

A. There are created four (4) two (2)-member municipal election districts which include the following precincts and portions of precincts located within the municipal boundaries of the City of Española:

Precinct Listing by District

District 1: Composed of both Santa Fe and Rio Arriba Counties:

Rio Arriba Co. contains precinct(s): 7 (partial), 8, 10, 11, 12, and 40 (partial)

Santa Fe Co. contains precinct(s): 58 (partial)

District 2: Composed of only Rio Arriba County:

Rio Arriba Co. contains precinct(s): 3 (partial), 7 (partial), 9, 12 (partial), 36, and 40 (partial)

District 3: Composed of both Santa Fe and Rio Arriba Counties:

Rio Arriba Co. contains precinct(s): 40 (partial)

47 Santa Fe Co. contains precinct(s): 1, 58 (partial), 59, and 79

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49 **District 4:** Composed of only Rio Arriba County:

50 Rio Arriba Co. contains precinct(s): 3 (partial), 4, and 40 (partial)

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52 Note: Precinct numbers are only applicable to that portion of a precinct, which is inside the
53 City of Española municipal boundaries. A precinct number followed by “(partial)” indicates
54 that the precinct is split between two or more city council districts. A precinct number not
55 followed by “(partial)” indicates the entire precinct within the municipal boundaries is in a
56 single city council district.

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58 **District Listing by Precinct**

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<u>County</u>	<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Municipal District</u>
Rio Arriba	3	2, 4
Rio Arriba	4	4
Rio Arriba	7	1, 2
Rio Arriba	8	1
Rio Arriba	9	2
Rio Arriba	10	1
Rio Arriba	11	1
Rio Arriba	12	1,2
Rio Arriba	36	2
Rio Arriba	40	1, 2, 3, 4
Santa Fe	1	3
Santa Fe	58	1,3
Santa Fe	59	3
Santa Fe	79	3

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76 Note: Precinct numbers are only applicable to that portion of a precinct that is inside the City
77 of Española municipal boundaries

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79 **Precinct Split Descriptions**

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81 **Rio Arriba County - Precinct 3:** Split between Districts 2 and 4 along Riverside Drive and
82 El Llano Road. The area south of El Llano Road and east of Riverside is in District 4. The
83 remainder of the precinct is in District 2.

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85 **Rio Arriba County - Precinct 7:** Split between Districts 1 and 2 along West Bond Street
86 The area south of West Bond Street is in District 1 and the area north of West Bond Street is
87 in District 2.

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89 **Rio Arriba County - Precinct 12:** Split between Districts 1 and 2 along Los Vigiles Ditch
90 and Fairview Lane. The area south of Fairview Lane and east of Los Vigiles Ditch is in
91 District 1 The remainder of the precinct is in District 2.

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93 **Rio Arriba County - Precinct 40:** Split between Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4. The area south of the

94 county line and east of the Rio Grande is in District 1. The area north of the county line and
 95 west of Riverside Drive is in District 2. The area east of Riverside Drive and south of the
 96 Santa Clara Pueblo boundary is in District 3. The remaining area north of the Santa Clara
 97 Pueblo boundary and east of Riverside Drive is in District 4.
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99 **Santa Fe County - Precinct 58:** Split between Districts 1 and 3 along Riverside Drive, Santa
 100 Cruz Road, Santo Niño Lane, Corlett Road and Private Drive between Corlett Road and the
 101 Santa Cruz River. The area north of the split is in District 3. The remaining area south of the
 102 split is in District 1.
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104 **A.** The resident qualified electors in each of the four (4) municipal election districts shall elect
 105 one (1) city councilor from each district for a four (4) year term, every two years, so that each
 106 municipal election district is represented by two (2) city councilors serving staggered four (4) year
 107 terms.
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109 **B.** City Councilors shall reside in and be elected from their respective municipal election
 110 districts pursuant to NMSA 3-12-1.1 (1978) as amended.
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112 **SECTION 3. DISTRICT BOUNDARIES DESCRIBED**

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 114 The boundaries of each municipal election district are described below and are shown on the
 115 municipal election district map revised as of October 25, 2007, which is hereby adopted as the official
 116 districting map and is to be kept in the custody of the municipal clerk.
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118 **District Boundary Descriptions**

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 120 **District 1:** Starting at the intersection of West Bond Street and the western municipal
 121 boundary:
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<u>Along</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>To</u>
West Bond St	East	South Coronado St
South Coronado St	South	East Bond St
East Bond St	East	Paseo de Oñate
Paseo de Oñate	Northwest	Los Vigiles Ditch
Los Vigiles Ditch	North	Fairview Lane
Fairview Lane	East	Rio Grande
Rio Grande	South	Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co line
Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co line	Southeast	Riverside Dr
Riverside Dr	Northeast	Santa Cruz Rd
Santa Cruz Rd	Southeast	Santo Niño Ln
Santo Niño Ln	South	Corlett Rd
Corlett Rd	East	Private Drive
Private Drive	Southwest	Santa Cruz River
Santa Cruz River	West	Rio Arriba/ Santa Fe Co. line
Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co. line	Southwest, East, South	Municipal boundary
Municipal boundary	Southwest, ..., North	West Bond St

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District 2: Starting at the intersection of West Bond Street and the western municipal boundary:

<u>Along</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>To</u>
West Bond St	East	South Coronado St
South Coronado St	South	East Bond St
East Bond St	East	Paseo de Oñate
Paseo de Oñate	Northwest	Los Vigiles Ditch
Los Vigiles Ditch	North	Fairview Lane
Fairview Lane	East	Rio Grande
Rio Grande	South	Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co line
Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co. line	East	Riverside Dr
Riverside Dr	North	El Llano Rd
El Llano Rd	East	Municipal boundary
Municipal boundary	North, ..., South	West Bond St

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District 3: Starting at the intersection of the Rio Arriba/Santa Fe county line and the eastern municipal boundary:

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<u>Along</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>To</u>
Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co. line	West	McCurdy Rd
McCurdy Rd	North	Santa Clara Pueblo Boundary
Santa Clara Pueblo Boundary	West	Riverside Dr
Riverside Dr	South	Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co line
Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co line	West	Rio Grande
Rio Grande	South	Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co line
Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co line	Southeast	Riverside Dr
Riverside Dr	Northeast	Santa Cruz Rd
Santa Cruz Rd	Southeast	Santa Niño Ln
Santo Niño Ln	South	Corlett Rd
Corlett Rd	East	Private Drive
Private Drive	Southwest	Santa Cruz River
Santa Cruz River	West	Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co. line
Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co. line	Southwest, East, South	Municipal boundary
Municipal boundary	Southeast, ..., North	Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co. line

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District 4: Starting at the intersection of the Rio Arriba/Santa Fe county line and the eastern municipal boundary:

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<u>Along</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>To</u>
Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co. line	West	McCurdy Rd
McCurdy Rd	North	Santa Clara Pueblo Boundary
Santa Clara Pueblo Boundary	West	Riverside Dr
Riverside Dr	North	El Llano Rd
El Llano Rd	East	Municipal boundary
Municipal boundary	South, , South	Rio Arriba/Santa Fe Co line

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SECTION 4. WARDS DESCRIBED IN RELATION TO DISTRICTS

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195 **The Wards in relation to Districts:**

- 196 Ward 1 contains District 1.
- 197 Ward 2 contains Districts 1 and 2.
- 198 Ward 3 contains Districts 1 and 3.
- 199 Ward 4 contains Districts 2, 3, and 4.

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201 **Ward Split Descriptions:**

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203 **Ward 1:** Contains District 1 entirely.

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205 **Ward 2:** Is divided between Districts 1 and 2 along Paseo de Oñate, Los Vigiles Ditch and
206 Fairview Lane. The area south of Fairview Lane and east of Los Vigiles Ditch/ Paseo de Oñate is
207 in District 1 and the rest of the ward is in District 2.

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209 **Ward 3:** Is divided between Districts 1 and 3 along the Rio Arriba/Santa Fe county line,
210 Riverside Drive, Santa Cruz Road, Santo Niño Lane, Corlett Road, and Private Drive between
211 Corlett Road and the Santa Cruz River. The area north of the split is in District 3. The remaining
212 area south of the split is in District 1.

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214 **Ward 4:** Is divided between Districts 2, 3 and 4. The area east and north of Riverside Drive and
215 El Llano Road is in District 2. The area within Riverside Drive on the west, the Santa Clara
216 Pueblo boundary on the north, McCurdy Road on the east and the county line on the south is in
217 District 3. The remaining area of Ward 4 is in District 4.

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219 **SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE**

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221 This Ordinance shall become effective five days after publication of its adoption.

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223 **SECTION 6. REPEAL**

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225 This Ordinance repeals Ordinance 163, Ordinance 171, codified as Chapter 2 Article 1, Section
226 2-1 Wards described, of the City of Española Municipal Code, last revised 1998, which reads:

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228 **Repealed:** Sec. 2-1. Wards described.

229 The city is hereby divided into four wards to be numbered from 1 through 4.

230 (1) Ward 1. Ward No. 1 shall be comprised of all of the area within the city limits lying west
231 of the Rio Grande and south of the following boundary: Oñate Street west to Rio Grande
232 Street, north to Hunter Street, west on Hunter Street to Bond Street and west on Bond Street
233 to the city limits. Such ward is comprised of all of Rio Arriba County Voting Precinct No. 12
234 and a portion of Rio Arriba County Voting Precinct No. 11.

235 (2) Ward 2. Ward No. 2 shall be comprised of all of the area within the city limits lying west
236 of the Rio Grande and north of the boundary described in subsection (1) of this section as the
237 north boundary of Ward No. 1. Such area is comprised of a portion of Rio Arriba County
238 Voting Precinct No. 13 and a portion of Rio Arriba County Voting Precinct No. 16.

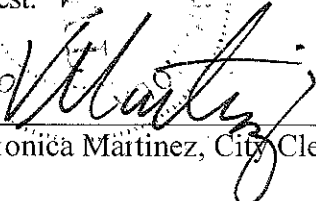
239 (3) Ward 3. Ward No. 3 shall be comprised of all of the area within the city limits east of the
240 Rio Grande situated within Santa Fe County. Such ward is all of the area within Santa Fe
241 County Voting Precinct No. 13. Ward No. 3 shall also be comprised of all of the area within

242 the city limits south of the Santa Cruz River and east of the Rio Grande situated within Rio
243 Arriba County. Such ward is comprised of a portion of Rio Arriba Voting Precinct No. 15.
244 ~~(4) Ward 4. Ward No. 4 shall be comprised of all of the area within the city limits lying east~~
245 ~~of the Rio Grande and north of the Rio Arriba Santa Fe County line. Such ward lies within~~
246 ~~Rio Arriba County Voting Precinct No. 4, but only includes that portion which lies within the~~
247 ~~city limits.~~
248 ~~(Code 1979, § 2-1)~~
249 ~~Cross reference(s) Elections, ch. 34.~~
250 ~~State law reference(s) Authority to create wards, NMSA 1978, § 3-12-2.~~


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253 **PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED**, this 25th day of October 2007.

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