

RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 050

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING THE "REDISTRICTING ADVISORY BOARD"; PROVIDING FOR THE BOARD'S SCOPE, DUTIES, AND LIMITATIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.04(b) of the Town's Charter, following the decennial census, the Town shall be redistricted to ensure that all four residential districts are as nearly equal in population as practicable; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.04(b) of the Town's Charter also provides that the redistricting shall occur at least six months before the qualifying period for the municipal election of 2012; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2011, pursuant to Resolution No. 2011- 037, the Town Council approved an Agreement with Scott Burton, d/b/a Geoweb Consulting Services to provide professional consulting services for the redistricting of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to form a Redistricting Advisory Board to review the consultant's potential options, and to provide the Town Council with a recommendation for redistricting the Town.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1. The above-referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. The Town Council hereby creates the "Redistricting Advisory Board."

Section 3. Creation; term. The "Redistricting Advisory Board" shall be composed of five (5) volunteers. The mayor, vice-mayor and each councilmember shall each appoint one (1) board member. Each member shall serve during his/her term at the pleasure of the councilmember who appointed him/her to the board. The membership of the Board shall be selected from interested residents.

Section 4. Purpose. The goal of the Redistricting Advisory Board shall be to work with the Consultant to provide the Town Council with one or more recommendation(s) of how to redistrict the Town.

Section 5. Board Recommendations. The recommendations of the Redistricting Advisory Board are advisory in nature, and as such the Town Council shall be free in its own judgment and discretion to accept a plan recommended by the Redistricting Advisory Board or to reject any and all of the Redistricting Advisory Board's recommendations and to select a redistricting plan which it, in its sole discretion, determines to be in the best interest of the Town.

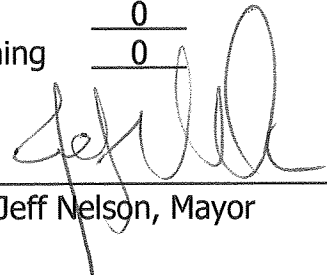
Section 6. Rules of Conduct. The Redistricting Advisory Board shall be governed by Resolution 2007-023, as may be amended from time to time.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.


PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 14TH day of April 2011, on a motion by Council Member McKay and seconded by Council Member Breitkreuz.

Nelson	<u>AYE</u>
Fisikelli	<u>AYE</u>
Breitkreuz	<u>AYE</u>
Jablonski	<u>AYE</u>
McKay	<u>AYE</u>

Ayes	<u>5</u>
Nays	<u>0</u>
Absent	<u>0</u>
Abstaining	<u>0</u>

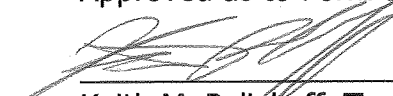


Jeff Nelson, Mayor

Attest: 

Debra Doré-Thomas, CMC, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:



Keith M. Poliakoff, Town Attorney
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