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1.08.010: Official Map Adopted: An official map of the City, prepared by the City Engineer, and signed by the mayor and City Clerk, is adopted as officially designating the present City limits of the City. (Ord. 1532 Sec. 1, 1970)

1.08.020: Updating of Map: The map mentioned in Section 1.08.010 may be brought up to date after each subsequent annexation by additions plainly shown by the City Engineer and attested to by the mayor and City Clerk as being official with reference to each respective ordinance of annexation as the same is adopted. (Ord. 1532 Sec. 2, 1970)

1.08.030: City Engineer Duties - Availability of Copies - Cost: It shall be the duty of the City Engineer to keep the map of the City limits up to date as each ordinance of annexation is adopted and to see that the additions are properly certified to by the mayor and City Clerk. Copies of the map should be made available to City officials as the City Manager may direct, and to other persons at the cost thereof, which cost shall be determined by the City Manager. (Ord 1532 Sec. 3, 1970)

1.08.040: Election Wards Established: The City of Kennewick shall be divided into three wards, to be known as First Ward, Second Ward and Third Ward. The boundaries of each ward shall be established and changed as provided in Section 1.08.060. (Ord. 2904 Sec. 1 (part), 1985; Ord. 2362 Sec. 4, 1979; Ord. 1007 Sec. 1, 1959)

1.08.050: Candidates for City Council: Two candidates residing in each ward of the City shall be selected at the primary for each council position to be voted on by the voters of each ward. Candidates for one councilman at-large may reside any place in the City. At the primary election candidates shall be reduced to two. At the general election councilmen shall be elected by the combined vote of all three wards. If only two candidates file for each such office, no primary election need be held if such procedure is permitted by state law. (Ord. 2904 Sec. 1 (part), 1985; Ord. 2362 Sec. 4, 1979; Ord. 1410 Sec. 1, 1968; Ord. 1007 Sec. 1, 1959)

1.08.060: Ward Boundaries - Procedure:

(1) At any time not within three months previous to a municipal, general election ward boundaries may be changed. No change in the boundaries will affect the term of any councilman, but he shall serve out his term in the ward of his residence at the time of his election. If this results in one ward being represented by more councilmen than the number to

which it is entitled, those having the shortest unexpired terms shall be assigned by the Council to wards where there are vacancies. The representation of each ward in the City Council shall be in proportion to the population as nearly as practicable. No person is eligible to the office of Councilman unless he resides in the ward for which he is elected on the date of his election, and removal of his residence from the ward for which he was elected renders his office vacant.

(2) Upon the receipt of the decennial census or upon the request of any citizen alleging that the population of the wards are not as proportionate as reasonably practical, the Council shall direct the Planning Commission to review, and, if it finds that the ward boundaries are not in proportion to the population as nearly as is practical, redraw the boundaries along precinct lines. Thereupon the Planning Commission shall reform the ward boundaries. In addition to respecting precinct lines and proportionate populations, the Planning Commission will attempt to ensure that the wards are as conterminous and as homogeneous, socially, geographically and politically, as practical. The Commission may take in all relevant factors bearing upon these issues in order to ensure as representative a division of the City as practical.

(3) The Planning Commission shall deliver its division of the ward boundaries to the City Clerk who shall certify the same to the county auditor. (Ord. 2904 Sec. 2, 1985)