

# **Board of Alderman Request for Action**

MEETING DATE: 10/19/2021 DEPARTMENT: Development

**AGENDA ITEM:** Bill No. 2922-21, Amending Section 115.020 Realigning the

City Election Wards – 2nd reading

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

A Motion to Read Bill No. 2922-21 For Second Reading by Title Only to realign the City's Wards

#### **SUMMARY:**

As a result of the 2020 Census the ward boundaries for the City of Smithville must be redrawn.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Board reviewed the redistricting process in August, ahead of the release of census data. As a result of that meeting, the Board directed staff on the priorities to follow in redrawing ward maps. Later in August the data was released and staff used that information to draw several map versions. At a September 21, 2021 work session, the Board directed staff to move forward with redrawing the ward boundaries based on one of those maps. The attached rdinance reflects the approved map.

### PREVIOUS ACTION:

The last redistricting occurred following the 2010 Census.

### **POLICY ISSUE:**

Equalize the voting blocks into three roughly equal wards.

## FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

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☑ Other: Map

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 115.020 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REALIGN THE CITY ELECTION WARDS.

**WHEREAS**, the intent of resetting the City's ward lines is to provide equal representation for all citizens of the City, and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Decennial Census was completed, and the existing wards are unequal in number, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen identified its goals and requested staff create new maps in accordance with those goals, and

**WHEREAS**, they Board reviewed the proposed map and does hereby adopt the new ward boundaries contained in the new map.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SMITHVILLE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Section 115.020 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed, and a new Section 115.020 is enacted, to be read as follows:

A. The City of Smithville is hereby divided into three (3) wards pursuant to the provisions of Section 79.060 R.S.Mo. Such wards shall be bounded and described as follows:

Ward I. Beginning at the point of the intersection of Highway 92 and the eastern City Limits, thence west along Highway 92 to the intersection with Liberty Street thence northwesterly along Liberty Street to the intersection with East Woods Street thence west along East Woods Street to the intersection with Woodland Avenue, thence south along Woodland Avenue to the intersection with East Summit Street thence west along Summit to the intersection with Bridge Street, thence north along Bridge Street to the intersection with Meadow Street, thence west along Meadow Street to the intersection with 169 Highway thence north along 169 Highway to the intersection with Main Street and Second Creek Bridge Road thence west along Second Creek Bridge Road to the western City Limits, thence north along the western City Limits to a point at 176<sup>th</sup> Street thence east along the north lines of the Bluff's of Whiskey Ridge and Smith's Mill Valley Subdivisions to its' intersection with 169 Highway, thence north along 169 Highway to the intersection with northwest 180<sup>th</sup> Street, thence east along 180<sup>th</sup> Street to the intersection with North Main Street, thence north along North Main Street to the intersection with 188th Street, thence east along 188th Street to the intersection with Eagle Parkway, thence south along Eagle Parkway to the

intersection with NE 180<sup>th</sup> Street, thence west along 180<sup>th</sup> Street to the intersection with Old Jefferson Highway, thence south along the eastern city limits to the point of beginning.

Ward II. Beginning at a point on Old Jefferson Highway that intersects with the Harborview Subdivision, thence east along the south line of said Harborview subdivision to the eastern City Limits, thence north along said eastern city limits to the intersection with the north city limits, thence westerly along said north city limits to the intersection with the west city limits, thence south along the western city limits to a point at 176th Street thence east along the north lines of the Bluffs of Whiskey Ridge and Smith's Mill Valley Subdivisions to its' intersection with 169 Highway, thence north along 169 Highway to the intersection with Northwest 180th Street, thence east along 180th Street to the intersection with 188th Street, thence east along 188th Street to the intersection with Eagle Parkway, thence south along Eagle Parkway to the intersection with Northeast 180th Street, thence west along 180th Street to the intersection with Old Jefferson Highway, thence south along Old Jefferson Highway to the point of beginning.

Ward III. Beginning at the intersection of Second Creek Bridge Road and the western City Limits thence south along the westerly City Limits to the intersection with the south City Limits thence east along the southerly City Limits to the intersection with the eastern City Limits thence north along the easterly City Limits to the intersection of Highway 92 thence west along Highway 92 to the intersection with Liberty Street thence northwesterly along Liberty Street to the intersection with East Woods Street thence west along East Woods Street to the intersection with Woodland Avenue, thence south along Woodland Avenue to the intersection with Bridge Street, thence north along Bridge Street to the intersection with Meadow Street thence west along Meadow Street to the intersection with 169 Highway thence north along 169 Highway to the intersection with Main Street and Second Creek Bridge Road thence west along Second Creek Bridge Road to the point of beginning.

B. A ward map defining and outlining the ward lines as above described shall be on file in the office of the City Clerk. The City Clerk shall provide a copy of this ordinance and such maps to the Clay County Board of Election Commissioners.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage by the Board of Aldermen and approval by the Mayor.

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|                                   |                   | APPROVED:           |  |
| ATTEST:                           |                   | Damien Boley, Mayor |  |
| Linda Drummond, C                 | City Clerk        |                     |  |
| First Reading:<br>Second Reading: | 10/05/2021<br>/ / |                     |  |

