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From: Travis County Tax Office Voter Registration Division and the
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Regarding: Election Precinct Boundaries Proposed Plan for 2022

Following redistricting at both the State and County level, Travis County Voter Registration undertook the task of realigning precinct boundaries. During this process, staff reviewed precinct sizes and dramatically reduced precincts that were near or exceeded the maximum size of 5,000 voters.

During the process of realigning precincts, staff looked at the following as the boundary dividers:

1. Highways and Toll Roads
2. Expressways, Arterials, FM Roads
3. Neighborhood Collectors
4. Waterways—river, lake, creeks, watersheds
5. Railroads
6. Parcels—property lines
7. Parks, green belts

Our goal was to bring neighborhoods back together when possible. Legislative boundaries didn't allow us to be 100% successful, however, we were able to make modifications to legacy precinct boundaries that had split neighborhoods. We were able to reunite neighborhoods or communities of interest in many cases.

A notice was mailed to both County Chairs, all election judges, and precinct chairs for both parties. In the case of the political party County Chairs, we hand delivered the notice and a copy of the backup. Additionally, the week prior to Thanksgiving, both County Chairs and key staff received email correspondence with our map link for them to share with precinct chairs for input. We consequently did receive communication back and were able in most cases to accommodate requests and/or suggestions. In some cases, we were unable to make the modifications due to legislative boundaries that do not allow us to cross over precinct lines.

With new precincts created, the Division also looked at the precinct numbering system or the lack of one. With this opportunity, a system was developed in precinct numbering. This system creates communities of interest within the system. Stakeholders who will benefit with this new system are:

1. Elections Division—in planning and directing resources regionally
2. Precinct Chairs—organizing in their region
3. General Public—organized manner in which to identify where their precinct is located
4. Elected Officials and candidates—better planning in identifying precincts as they maneuver meetings in the county.

The numbering system follows this rule—the County Courthouse is ground zero. From that point the first precinct in each Commissioner precinct is the '00' precinct. The Courthouse precinct is 300. The numbers fan out across the County in groupings of tens and are geographical. In the majority of number sequences, numbers remain unassigned to allow for future growth and adding new precincts.

We recommend in 10 years, that the County consider moving to the 4 digit numbering system just as the other urban counties (Harris, Bexar, Dallas and Tarrant) did nearly 20 years ago. As growth continues, precinct numbers could become scarce in any one Commissioner precinct.

As of today, we have 247 precincts. As you see below, we have over a quarter of precincts at or above the maximum of 5,000 voters in a precinct.

247	total precincts as of November 2021	
15	precincts with fewer than 10 voters	6%
22	precincts with fewer than 1,000 voters	9%
30	precincts with 1,000-1,999 voters	12%
54	precincts with 2,000-2,999 voters	22%
47	precincts with 3,000-2,999 voters	19%
16	precincts with 4,000-4,499 voters	6%
63	precincts with more than 4,500 voters	26%

With the realignments, this is now the breakdown in the proposed plan:

287	total precincts proposed	
1	precincts with fewer than 10 voters	0.3%
11	precincts with fewer than 1,000 voters	4%
27	precincts with 1,000-1,999 voters	9%
95	precincts with 2,000-2,999 voters	33%
123	precincts with 3,000-3,999 voters	43%
21	precincts with 4,000-4,499 voters	7%
9	precincts with more than 4,500 voters	3%

This leaves room for growth in all precincts and therefore, few precincts will need to be split over the next 10 years.

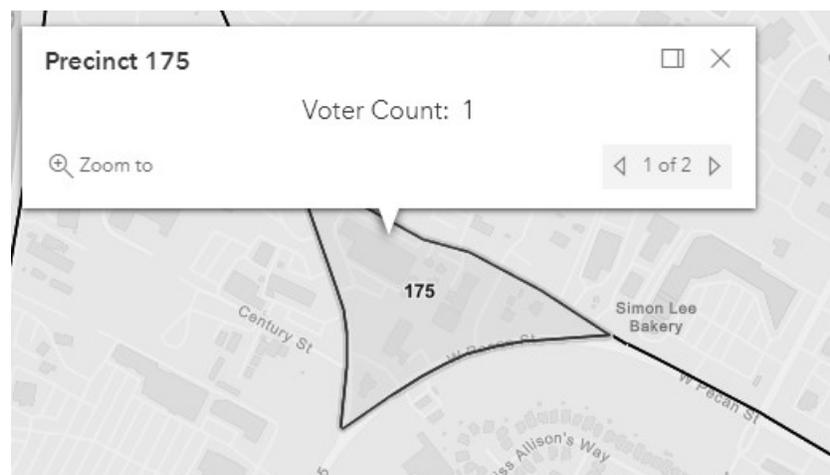
Of the precincts over 4,500 voters in the proposed plan, this is the breakdown by Commissioner Precinct:

- Commissioner Pct. 1—2 precincts
- Commissioner Pct. 2—3 precincts
- Commissioner Pct. 3—1 precinct
- Commissioner Pct. 4—3 precincts

Precinct	Reg. Voters	Description of Location	Solution Identified
337	4,539	San Leanna	Line will be adjusted with 336.
414	4,544	South Lamar @ Menchaca	Line will be adjusted with 415.
420	4,585	East Riverside--Parker Ln. and Willow Creek Drive	Will evaluate modification.
270	4,601	City Park Road, Long Canyon, Glenlake, Westminster Glen	Will evaluate modification--new assisted living opening at 2222 & City Park. Cannot combine with another precinct due to legislative and/or JP/Constable lines.
272	4,637	Steiner Ranch	Line will be adjusted with 273.
437	4,640	South of Stassney and down to William Cannon	Will evaluate modification. Could adjust line with 436.
138	4,780	East of Dessau Road along Walnut Creek	Line will be adjusted with 134.
290	4,787	Austin Country Club and Westlake Drive	Line will be adjusted with 291.
141	4,874	Harris Branch	Will evaluate modification. Could adjust line with 142.

Solutions have been outlined if the precincts exceed the 5,000 maximum within the next 10 years. A review will occur each January of the odd numbered years—2023, 2025, 2027, 2029, and 2031 in conjunction with redistricting. We also recommend for the Voter Registration Division to contact the Texas Legislative Council to ensure that situations like the one below don't occur.

This precinct was created when the House line was set with the top line boundary and the Congressional line was set with the 'V' line boundary. Had we had the time to talk with them, we might have prevented this situation.



Below are the precincts with 4,000-4,499 registered voters.

Precinct	Reg. Voters	Description of Location	Solution Identified
370	4,003	Buffalo Gap and 620 Corridor	Line will be adjusted with 371.
221	4,011	Crestview and Brentwood	Will evaluate modification.
200	4,027	Clarksville	Line will be adjusted with 201.
230	4,037	West Austin and Muny	Line will be adjusted with 231 and 232.
231	4,068	West Austin and Camp Mabry	Line will be adjusted with 232.
302	4,068	Downtown	Line will be adjusted with 301 and 300.
150	4,074	East of 130 and Weiss Lane	Line will be adjusted with 151.
350	4,129	MOPAC near Y	Line will be adjusted with 358 and/or 341.
424	4,152	Montopolis	Line will be adjusted with 423 and/or 427.
354	4,164	Town and Country	Line will be adjusted with 355.
390	4,179	Twin Creeks at Anderson Mill Road	Line will be adjusted with 391.
274	4,190	North of Damn along 620 Corridor	Line will be adjusted with 275.
236	4,192	NW Hills	Line will be adjusted with 238.
483	4,304	COTA area in Elroy and East of 130	Line will be adjusted with 481.
132	4,352	North of 183 and West of I35 @ Rundberg Ln.	We may have to consider splitting this one and creating a new precinct, so we don't cross over I35.
130	4,360	East I35/North 290/South 183	Line will be adjusted with 131.
304	4,372	Barton Hills	Line will be adjusted with 306 and 307.
254	4,401	Scofield Ridge	Line will be adjusted with 255.
450	4,452	Dittmar Rec Center	Line will be adjusted with 447.
462	4,467	Dove Springs	Line will be adjusted with 463.
491	4,482	Webberville and Gilleland Creek	Will evaluate modification. Cannot combine with another precinct.

Again, the breakdown by Commissioner Precinct is as follows for the grouping above:

- Commissioner Pct. 1—3 precincts
- Commissioner Pct. 2—7 precincts
- Commissioner Pct. 3—6 precinct
- Commissioner Pct. 4—5 precincts

In both groupings, an attempt at identifying solutions were made that do not require adding more precincts. At this time, only 7 precincts might require splitting and creating more precincts in the future if no modifications realigning with another smaller precinct can be accomplished.

We have created Overview cards for each Commissioner Precinct that shows the numbering sequence with a description of the location. It also lists the unassigned precinct numbers.

Commissioner Precinct 1					
Precinct	Status	Location Description	Precinct	Status	Location Description
100-107	assigned	East Austin/South E. 51st/West Springdale	150-156	assigned	East 130/ NE Pflugerville/Cele
108-109	<i>unassigned</i>		157-159	<i>unassigned</i>	
110-117	assigned	East Austin/South 290/West 183	160-165	assigned	North Pflugerville/45 Corridor
118-119	<i>unassigned</i>		166-169	<i>unassigned</i>	
120-127	assigned	East 183/South 290/Decker Lake/ South Manor	170-178	assigned	Central Pflugerville
128-129	<i>unassigned</i>		179	<i>unassigned</i>	
130-138	assigned	I35 corridor/North 290/West Harris Branch	180-186	assigned	South Pflugerville
139	<i>unassigned</i>		187-189	<i>unassigned</i>	
140-146	assigned	Harris Branch/North 290/North Manor/NE	190-194	assigned	Wells Branch
147-149	<i>unassigned</i>		195-199	<i>unassigned</i>	

Commissioner Precinct 2					
Precinct	Status	Location Description	Precinct	Status	Location Description
200-207	assigned	East MOPAC Near Downtown-UT/South 45th	250-256	assigned	East Lamar/East I35/North Parmer
208-209	<i>unassigned</i>		257-259	<i>unassigned</i>	
210-216	assigned	East MOPAC/Central/Koenig-Airport	260-265	assigned	East 183/W to N MOPAC/S. Parmer
217-219	<i>unassigned</i>		266-268	assigned	Great Hills
220-221 223-227	assigned	East MOPAC/South 183/W. Lamar/N. Koenig	269	<i>unassigned</i>	
222 228-229	<i>unassigned</i>	East MOPAC/South 183/W. Lamar/N. Koenig	270-275	assigned	City Park/River Place/Steiner/Oasis
230-238	assigned	West Austin/Camp Mabry/Northwest Hills	276-279	<i>unassigned</i>	
239	<i>unassigned</i>		280-283	assigned	Lago Vista
240-247	assigned	East MOPAC/North 183/West Lamar	283-289	<i>unassigned</i>	
248-249	<i>unassigned</i>		290-294	assigned	South of River
			295-299	<i>unassigned</i>	

Commissioner Precinct 3					
Precinct	Status	Location Description	Precinct	Status	Location Description
300-307	assigned	Downtown/Barton Hills	350-358	assigned	Town & Country/'Y'/Barton Creek
308-309	<i>unassigned</i>		359	<i>unassigned</i>	
310-315	assigned	UT/West and North Campus	360-367	assigned	Southwest along County Line
316-319	<i>unassigned</i>		368-369	<i>unassigned</i>	
320-327	assigned	Rollingwood/Westlake/360/2244/Lost Creek	370-376	assigned	Lakeway
328-329	<i>unassigned</i>		377-379	<i>unassigned</i>	
330-337	assigned	East along Pct. 4 Line/S 71 to County Line	380-387	assigned	Great Hills/W. 620/2222 Corridor
338-339	<i>unassigned</i>		388-389	<i>unassigned</i>	
340-349	assigned	South MOPAC/Circle C/Brodie Lane	390-396	assigned	NW/Cedar Park/Leander/Jonestown
			397-399	<i>unassigned</i>	

Commissioner Precinct 4					
Precinct	Status	Location Description	Precinct	Status	Location Description
400-405	assigned	Downtown/East Austin north of river	450-456	assigned	South William Cannon/ West I35
406-409	<i>unassigned</i>		457-459	<i>unassigned</i>	
410-418	assigned	Near South Central north of 290	460-467	assigned	South 71-290/E. I35/McKinney Falls/Onion Creek
419	<i>unassigned</i>		468-469	<i>unassigned</i>	
420-427	assigned	Riverside/Oltorf/North71/West 183	470-475	assigned	Del Valle/Old Lockhart Road/Mustand Ridge
428-429	<i>unassigned</i>		476-479	<i>unassigned</i>	
430-439	assigned	South 71-290/West I35/N. William Cannon	480-483	assigned	South River/Airport/Elroy/Garfield
440-444	<i>unassigned</i>		484-489	<i>unassigned</i>	
445-449	assigned	South William Cannon/ West I35	490-491	assigned	North River to Manor
			492-499	<i>unassigned</i>	

Precincts unassigned by Commissioner Precinct:

1. Commissioner Pct. 1—26
2. Commissioner Pct. 2—34
3. Commissioner Pct. 3—21
4. Commissioner Pct. 4—34

The decrease in available numbers is another reason for considering a new numbering system with 4 digits in the next cycle.

Please see the attached maps in this backup showing the new precincts. You may also visit this link— bit.ly/31hTz5g. It will more clearly show the countywide changes.

Precincts in and near downtown and North of the river:



Precincts in and near downtown and South of the river:

