

CITY OF CARMEL, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA

**2022 COMMON COUNCIL
LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING**

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Sponsor: Councilor Worrell

RESOLUTION NO.: CC-10-17-22-03

**RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA
ADOPTING GUIDELINES FOR COMMON COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING**

WHEREAS, Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3 requires the Common Council (the “Council”) of the City of Carmel, Indiana (the “City”) to redistrict the City’s legislative body districts in the second year after a year in which a federal decennial census is conducted; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to establish new City legislative body districts for the elections occurring in 2023 and thereafter utilizing the 2020 decennial census data as updated for the City by any special census, special tabulation or corrected census count as required by Ind. Code § 1-1-3.5-3; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires the public to be fully informed regarding the procedures to be used to redistrict the City’s legislative body districts; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to memorialize the legal and procedural requirements to be used by the Council in approaching the redistricting process and in evaluating proposed redistricting plans.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Incorporated. The foregoing Recitals are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Redistricting Guidelines Adopted. The Council hereby adopts and approves the “**Redistricting Guidelines by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana**” (the “Guidelines”) attached to this Resolution as Exhibit “A”, and specifically incorporated herein by reference, as the definitive statement of the intent of the Council regarding the redistricting process and as an accurate statement of the process to be used by the Council in reapportioning legislative body districts.

Section 3. Appointment of Redistricting Coordinator. The Council hereby designates Jeff Worrell, Council Vice-President, to serve as the Council’s Redistricting Coordinator to coordinate the legislative body redistricting process and to implement the Guidelines.

Section 4. Charge to Coordinator. The Redistricting Coordinator appointed herein is authorized, empowered and directed to become fully informed regarding the legal requirements of the redistricting process, to work with the Council’s special legal counsel to develop a proposed redistricting plan (the “Redistricting Plan”) that complies with all requirements of state and federal law and with the Guidelines for consideration by the Council, and to report back to the Council from time to time regarding all aspects of the redistricting process.

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Section 5. Effectiveness. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage by the Council.

SO RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, this 17th day of October, 2022 by a vote of 8 ayes and 0 nays.

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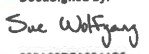
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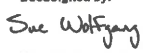
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EXHIBIT “A

REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA

These guidelines (the “Guidelines”) are adopted to establish the criteria to be used to redistrict legislative body districts for the Common Council (“Council”) of the City of Carmel, Indiana (the “City”) in compliance with Ind. Code §36-4-6-3 (the “City Districting Statute” or “Statute”) and other applicable provisions of the Indiana Code. It is the intent of these Guidelines and of the Council to promote free and open participation by the public in the redistricting process, to create district boundaries that enhance and facilitate effective representation of all citizens in the City, and to comply with all relevant statutory and constitutional requirements. The primary goal of the Council in this redistricting process is to ensure fair and effective representation of all citizens.

I. REQUIREMENTS OF IND. CODE §36-4-6-3 and IND. CODE 3-5-10

The redistricting of Council districts last occurred in 2018, as codified by Ordinance D-2442-18, finally adopted on November 5, 2018. The description of the City’s current Council districts appears in §3.3 of the Carmel City Code. The City Districting Statute establishes certain minimal criteria for the redistricting process. It is the intent of these Guidelines to fully comply with the criteria set forth in the City Districting Statute and other applicable state and federal laws. Compliance with statutory criteria is discussed more specifically in subsequent sections of these Guidelines.

Applicable portions of the City Districting Statute provide as follows:

- (a) This section applies only to second class cities.
- (b) The legislative body shall adopt an ordinance to divide the city into six (6) districts that:
 - (1) are composed of contiguous territory, except for territory that is not contiguous to any other part of the city;
 - (2) are reasonably compact;
 - (3) do not cross precinct boundary lines except as provided in subsection (c) or (d); and
 - (4) contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.
- (c) The boundary of a city legislative body district may cross a precinct boundary line if:
 - (1) more than one (1) member of the legislative body elected from the districts established under subsection (b) resides in one (1) precinct established under IC 3-11-1.5 after the most recent municipal election; and
 - (2) following the establishment of a legislative body district whose boundary crosses a precinct boundary line, not more than one (1) member of the legislative body elected from the districts resides within the same city legislative body district.
- (d) The boundary of a city legislative body district may cross a precinct line if the districts would not otherwise contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.

(e) A city legislative body district with a boundary described by subsection (c) or (d) may not cross a census block boundary line:

- (1) except when following a precinct boundary line; or
- (2) unless the city legislative body certifies in the ordinance that the census block has no population, and is not likely to ever have population.

(f) The legislative body may not adopt an ordinance dividing the city into districts with boundaries described by subsection (c) or (d) unless the clerk of the city mails a written notice to the circuit court clerk. The notice must:

- (1) state that the legislative body is considering the adoption of an ordinance described by this subsection; and
- (2) be mailed not later than ten (10) days before the legislative body adopts the ordinance.

(g) Except as provided in subsection (j),¹ the division under subsection (b) shall be made only at times permitted under IC 3-5-10.²

(h) The legislative body is composed of six (6) members elected from the districts established under subsection (b) and three (3) at-large members.

(i) Each voter of the city may vote for three (3) candidates for at-large membership and one (1) candidate from the district in which the voter resides. The three (3) at-large candidates receiving the most votes from the whole city and the district candidates receiving the most votes from their respective districts are elected to the legislative body.

[...]

(k) A copy of the ordinance establishing districts or a recertification adopted under this section must be filed with the circuit court clerk of the county that contains the greatest population of the city not later than thirty (30) days after the ordinance or recertification is adopted. The filing must include a map of the district boundaries:

- (1) adopted under subsection (b); or
- (2) recertified under subsection (j).

[...]

(m) IC 3-5-10 applies to a plan established under this section.

Applicable portions of Ind. Code 3-5-10 provide as follows:

§3-5-10-9. If a conflict exists between:

- (1) a map showing the boundaries of a district; and

¹ Subsection (j) applies only if a legislative body determines that a division is not required and recertifies the existing districts as complying with applicable law.

² Ind. Code §3-5-10-7 limits the time frame for redistricting to the second year after a federal census; the first year after a census event, other than a federal decennial census, becomes effective; whenever required to assign annexed territory to a district; whenever the boundary of the political subdivision is changed; or, as provided in the order of a court that has found the current redistricting plan unconstitutional or otherwise unlawful.

(2) a description of the boundaries of that district set forth in the plan;

the district boundaries are the description of the boundaries set forth in the plan, not the boundaries shown on the map, but only to the extent there is a conflict between the description and the map.

§3-5-10-10. If any territory in the political subdivision is not included in one (1) of the districts, the territory is included in the district that:

- (1) is contiguous to that territory; and
- (2) contains the least population of all districts contiguous to that territory.

§3-5-10-11. If any territory in the political subdivision is included in more than one (1) of the districts, the territory is included in the district that:

- (1) is one (1) of the districts in which the territory is described in the ordinance or resolution that establishes the plan;
- (2) is contiguous to that territory; and
- (3) contains the least population of all districts contiguous to that territory.

II. CRITERIA TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN DRAWING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

A. Contiguous Territory

The City Districting Statute specifies that legislative body districts shall be “composed of contiguous territory, except for territory that is not contiguous to any other part of the city.”³ The Council interprets this requirement to mean that, among other things, a legislative body district cannot be made up of one or more areas that meet at the points of adjoining corners. The Council is committed to creating legislative body districts that consist only of contiguous territory unless established precinct boundaries dictate otherwise.

B. Reasonably Compact

The City Districting Statute requires that districts must be “reasonably compact.”⁴ The Council recognizes that this requirement does not require districts to be as compact as possible. Moreover, the Council believes that the goal of compactness should generally defer to criteria more fundamental to obtaining effective and functional electoral districts including population equality, respect for precinct boundaries, respect for natural geography, building patterns and communities of interest. The compactness requirement would, however, override these other criteria in some instances as when the degree of compactness of the proposed district would be considered “unreasonable.” The Council is committed to creating legislative body districts that are reasonably compact.

C. Equal Population

The City Districting Statute requires that City legislative body districts “contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.”⁵ This requirement includes both the selection of accurate data upon which to base the Council’s determination, and a determination regarding the minimum standards for population equality.

³ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(b)(1).

⁴ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(b)(2).

⁵ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(b)(4).

1. Use of Census Data

The Council recognizes that use of data from the 2020 Federal Decennial Census is mandated by the Indiana General Assembly as updated by any Federal special census, special tabulation or corrected population count.⁶ The foregoing 2020 Census data is readily available and accessible to the public.⁷ Consequently, the Council will use the 2020 Federal Decennial Census population data to establish Council districts.

2. Population Deviation

The City Districting Statute requires districts that “contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.” The City interprets this phrase to mean that Council districts must comply with the equal protection clause of the United States Constitution as that clause has been interpreted with respect to local government election districts. The modifying language clearly indicates, however, that, unlike federal Congressional districts, precise equality of population among districts is not specifically required by the Statute.

In order to comply with the City Districting Statute and the equal protection clause of the United States Constitution the Council will evaluate the population of each district of any redistricting plan considered by the Council for “deviation from the ideal district size” and will also evaluate any such redistricting plan for the “total deviation” of the plan. As used in these Guidelines the term “ideal district size” refers to the total population of the City (as determined by the 2020 Census) divided by six (6).⁸ The term “deviation from the ideal district size” refers to the amount by which the population of any district is greater than or less than the ideal district size and is expressed as a percentage by dividing the difference between the actual and ideal district sizes by the ideal district size. The term “total deviation” refers to the sum that is derived by adding the deviation from the ideal district size of the smallest and largest population districts (expressed as a percentage).

The City recognizes that total population deviations of less than ten percent (10%) are considered *prima facie* constitutional for state legislative districts pursuant to Supreme Court precedent and that total population deviations in excess of ten percent (10%) may be justified if supported by reasonable state interests. Courts have generally applied similar standards to local government apportionment efforts.

Nevertheless, the Council has determined that a primary goal of the redistricting process should be the creation of Council districts with nearly equal population and that any significant deviation from this principle must be adequately justified and as narrow as possible to meet the stated reasons for the deviation. Any total deviation in excess of five percent (5%) shall be justified in writing with reference to one or more rational objective criteria including:

- a. contiguity;
- b. compactness;
- c. adherence to precinct boundary lines (except as allowed by the Statute);
- d. respect for and adherence to natural geography and building patterns including, but not limited to, rivers, streets, shopping areas, neighborhoods, etc.;

⁶ Ind. Code §1-1-3.5-3(b).

⁷ Census data is available on the website of the United States Census Bureau found at www.census.gov.

⁸ The 2020 US Census Bureau establishes the population of the City of Carmel as 99,757 as of April 1, 2020. Based on that number, the ideal district size is established by the Council as 16,626.

- e. communities of interests; and
- f. other objective criteria.

Written comments accompanying any redistricting plan submitted by a member of the public for consideration must reference any objective criteria relied upon to justify a total population deviation in excess of five percent (5%).

D. Precinct Boundary Lines

The City Districting Statute provides that districts may not cross precinct lines unless: (1) more than one member of the Council resides in a single precinct as described; or (2) the districts would not otherwise contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.⁹ However, the Council recognizes that respect for precinct boundaries is essential to minimize voter confusion on election day, to reduce the cost of election administration, to help preserve communities of interest and to encourage voter understanding of the electoral process. The Council is committed to creating legislative body districts that respect precinct boundary lines provided that the goal of creating districts with nearly equal population is not unduly burdened thereby. Consequently, only in an extraordinary event will precinct boundary lines be disregarded, and in such event such division will be minimized to the extent reasonably practicable. Prior to the adoption of a final plan which includes districts crossing precinct lines, the Clerk shall provide the notice required by subsection (f) of the City Redistricting Statute. The precinct boundary lines used to create Council districts shall be those precinct boundary lines in use in Hamilton County as of July 1, 2022.

E. Dilution of Minority or Political Voting Strength

The Council recognizes the fundamental right of political participation by all citizens in the City. Consequently, no district shall be drawn to intentionally dilute or that has the effect of diluting the voting strength of any language or racial minority group. Any proposed redistricting plan demonstrated to have the intent or effect of dispersing or concentrating minority population in a manner that prevents minority communities from electing their candidates of choice shall not be acceptable.

In addition, no district shall be drawn for the purpose of discriminating against an identifiable political group in such a way that the group's electoral influence is consistently degraded.

F. Communities of Interest

The Council believes that an important function of electoral districts is to promote and enhance community cohesiveness and dialogue and to promote the recognition of unique interests that are held in common by recognizable groups of voters. Such interests may include social, cultural, or economic interests common to the population of the area. In the redistricting process the City will preserve communities of interest where possible so long as recognition of such interests does not conflict with the other statutory or constitutional redistricting criteria.

III. PUBLIC NOTICE AND PARTICIPATION IN THE DISTRICTING PROCESS

Believing that public participation is essential to a fair and effective redistricting process, the Council adopts the following plan for public participation in the redistricting process.

A. All Redistricting Meetings to be Public

⁹ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(c) and (d).

All redistricting meetings conducted by a quorum of the Council shall be held in compliance with the Indiana Open Door Law, Ind. Code §5-14-1.5-1 *et seq.*

B. Public Notice Regarding Meetings At Which Redistricting Plans Are To Be Considered

The Council shall comply with the public notice requirements which are applicable to all Council Meetings. Public notice regarding the consideration of Council district plans shall additionally be published as provided in these Guidelines.

C. Public Access to Redistricting Information and Submission of Proposed Plans.

The Council desires and welcomes full public participation in the redistricting process. In order to ensure public participation in the redistricting process the Council authorizes the following steps to be taken by the Redistricting Coordinator:

1. Publication of the notice set forth in Exhibit “1” in the *Carmel Current*, *The Indianapolis Star*, and the *Court & Commercial Record* no later than October 18, 2022. The Redistricting Coordinator is further authorized to publish notice in such other publications as deemed appropriate by the Redistricting Coordinator and to place the Notice on the City website.
2. Provision of individual notice of any public redistricting meetings not described in these Guidelines and not listed on the notice published in compliance with the preceding paragraph to all members of the public who request such notice by filing a written request for notification with the office of the City Clerk.
3. Provision of the notice set forth in Exhibit “1” via a news release distributed to all media that have requested notice pursuant to Ind. Code § 5-14-1.5-5.
4. Provision of City maps indicating precinct boundaries and summary population data at the precinct level to members of the public at no cost for the purpose of facilitating the creation and submission of alternative redistricting plans by members of the public.
5. Production of minutes of all public redistricting meetings by the City Clerk to be made available for review after approval at the next Council meeting.

D. Individual Notice Regarding Districting Process

Individual notice regarding any aspect of the districting process shall be given without charge to any individual or organization that requests it. Such requests shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk, Carmel City Hall, Third Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032. The City Clerk’s Office is open from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. Additional notice shall be provided as described elsewhere in these Guidelines.

IV. SUBMISSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DISTRICTING PLANS

To meet the statutory requirements of the City Districting Statute and Ind. Code §3-5-10-7, the Council must adopt on final passage an ordinance approving a districting plan no later than December 31, 2022.

A. Preparation of Draft Plan by Redistricting Coordinator

The Council has designated, by Resolution adopted contemporaneously with the adoption of these Guidelines, the Vice President of the Council as the City's Redistricting Coordinator for the purpose of developing a draft plan (the "Draft Plan") that complies with the legal requirements for the creation of legislative body districts. The Redistricting Coordinator is further directed to ensure that the Draft Plan complies in all respects with the applicable portions of these Guidelines.

It is the responsibility of the City Redistricting Coordinator to prepare a Draft Plan that is made available to members of the public and members of the Council not later than Noon on November 3, 2022, the date designated for the submission of plans by the public. The Draft Plan shall thereafter be available for review in the office of the City Clerk during normal business hours at the request of any member of the public prior to consideration of its final adoption.

B. Public Preparation and Submission of Redistricting Plans

The Council shall also receive redistricting plans submitted by any member of the public so long as any such plan is submitted in writing to the City Clerk's office during regular business hours between the date of adoption of these Guidelines and prior to Noon on November 3, 2022.

Any plan offered by a member of the public must meet the following criteria to be considered:

1. It must have been submitted in writing to the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours between the date of adoption of these Guidelines and Noon on November 3, 2022;
2. The precincts (or portions of partial precincts) contained in each proposed legislative body district shall be clearly written on the form provided (Note: the Guidelines direct that precinct boundaries be respected except in extraordinary circumstances);
3. The plan as submitted must stand as a complete City-wide plan for redistricting (i.e., all pieces of geography within the City must be accounted for in some district); and
4. The plan must comply completely in all respects with these Guidelines and with the instructions attached as Exhibit "2". Any total deviation in excess of 5% from population equality must be justified in writing with reference to the objective criteria set forth in these Guidelines.

A plan must meet the above requirements to be considered by the Council. As described in these Guidelines, each plan will be evaluated for:

1. contiguity;
2. compactness;
3. population deviation;

4. respect for precinct boundary lines;
5. compliance with the requirements prohibiting discrimination;
6. respect for and adherence to natural geography and building patterns;
7. respect for communities of interest; and
8. any other relevant criteria.

To assist in the evaluation of proposed plans each individual submitting a proposed districting plan is required to complete a statistical sheet and description in the form attached hereto as Exhibit “3” and list:

- a. the total population for each proposed district; and
- b. the population deviation from the ideal for each district.

A complete set of instructions and the statistical report for publicly submitted plans is set forth as Exhibit “2” and Exhibit “3” to these Guidelines and is specifically incorporated herein by reference.

C. Written Comments Regarding Redistricting Guidelines and Draft Plans

The Council will also receive public input in the form of written comments and objections by the public to any aspect of the districting process, including the adoption of the process or criteria set forth in these Guidelines and to any Draft Plan. Any member of the public desiring to submit written comments to the Council regarding the redistricting process set forth in these Guidelines should submit those comments in writing in the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours between the date of adoption of these Guidelines and Noon on October 28, 2022. Written comments regarding the Draft Plan or any plan proposed by the public may be submitted until Noon on the date of the November 21, 2022, public hearing designated below.

D. Committee Hearing and Public Hearing Regarding Plan(s)

Upon introduction of the Draft Plan at a special meeting of the Council to be held on November 9, 2022, it is anticipated that the Draft Plan and any public plans will be assigned to the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee (the “Committee”). The Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Draft Plan and any public plans at 6:00 p.m. on November 15, 2022 in the Council Caucus Room located on the Third Floor of Carmel City Hall. The hearing will be open to the public.

After recommendation to the full Council by the Committee, the full Council shall hold a public hearing at the November 21, 2022, regular meeting of the Council (the “Public Hearing”), for the purpose of reviewing the Draft Plan and any public plans submitted to the Council and to take public testimony and comments regarding the Draft Plan and any plans proposed by the public. The Council shall make any necessary revisions or modifications to the plans under consideration prior to final adoption.

As the City Districting Statute requires the adoption of an ordinance to approve a districting plan (the “Ordinance”), unless waived in accordance with Indiana law, the Council shall adopt the Ordinance at two separate meetings of the Council at which a quorum is present. It is presently anticipated that the first reading of the Ordinance will be at the November 9, 2022, special meeting of the Council prior to assignment to the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee. At the November 21, 2022 Council meeting, a Public Hearing will be conducted prior to the Ordinance being

considered on final passage.¹⁰ Additional meetings and revisions to any plan under consideration may occur at subsequent special or regular meetings at the Council's discretion. The final adoption of the Ordinance approving a districting plan shall occur no later than December 31, 2022, in accordance with the City Districting Statute and Ind. Code §3-5-10-7.

E. Additional Public Meetings

Should additional public meetings become necessary at any point in the redistricting process, such meetings will be held and any statutorily required notice shall be given. Notice of all redistricting meetings shall be posted in advance in the office of the City Clerk or as otherwise customarily posted for Council meetings. Parties interested in the redistricting process who desire to be notified regarding any additional public meetings should leave their name, complete address, work and home phone numbers, and electronic mail address with the office of the City Clerk and every effort will be made to give such individuals notice of any additional public meetings that may be required.¹¹ Notice to such individuals will be attempted by either regular mail, electronic mail, phone or face to face communication.

V. AMENDMENT OF REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES

Should it become necessary at any time to amend these Guidelines the Council may do so upon a vote of the majority of the members of the Council at any duly called meeting of the Council.

¹⁰ The date of the committee meeting will be determined by the Council and announced pursuant to requirements of Ind. Code §5-14-1.5-5.

¹¹ The term "additional public meetings" refers to meetings not set forth in these Guidelines or in the Notice attached as Exhibit "1".

EXHIBIT “1”**Notice Regarding Division of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana
into Legislative Body Districts**

Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3, the Common Council of the City of Carmel (the “City”) is dividing the City’s legislative body districts into six (6) single member districts on or before December 31, 2022, for the election of Council Members in 2023 and thereafter. To accomplish this division, the Council has adopted Redistricting Guidelines which are available upon request in the office of the City Clerk, Carmel City Hall, Third Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. The division of the Common Council into legislative body districts will be accomplished pursuant to the following schedule:

October 28, 2022 by Noon	Last Day for Members of the Public to Submit Objections or Written Comments Regarding the Redistricting Guidelines to the Office of the City Clerk.
November 3, 2022 by Noon	Deadline for Plans Submitted by the Public. Redistricting Coordinator Makes Draft of City Districting Plan Available for Examination by the Public at the Office of the City Clerk.
November 9, 2022 6:00 pm	Special Meeting of Council to Introduce Ordinance Adopting City Districting Plan and Plans Submitted by the Public, First Reading on Ordinance Preliminarily Approving a Plan, and Assignment to the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee.
November 15, 2022 6:00 pm	Public Meeting of the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee for Purpose of Reviewing and Evaluating Draft of City Districting Plan and Plans Submitted by the Public, and making a recommendation to the Council. Hearing to be held in Council Caucus Room, Third Floor City Hall.
November 21, 2022 6:00 pm	Public Hearing for Purpose of Reviewing and Evaluating Draft of City Districting Plan and Plans Submitted by the Public, Making Revisions to Plan to be Adopted by Council, and to Adopt an Ordinance Approving the Plan on Final Passage. Written comments on any plan must be received by the City Clerk by Noon this day.
Within 30 days of Adoption	Filing of a Certified Copy of the Ordinance Establishing Districts with the Clerk of the Hamilton County Circuit Court no later than Thirty (30) Days After the Ordinance is Adopted Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3(m).

Each of the meetings set forth above will be held in the Council Chambers of the Carmel City Hall, Second Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032, and shall begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. The public's participation in the redistricting process is welcomed. All Council meetings are open to the public. The public is invited to submit proposed districting plans that comply with the Redistricting Guidelines adopted by the Council. A Public Plan Submission Kit (including census data) is

available during normal business hours in the office of the City Clerk set forth above. To be considered by the Council, redistricting plans submitted by the public must comply with the Redistricting Guidelines and must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk no later than Noon on November 3, 2022.

EXHIBIT “2”

Instructions for Submitting District Plans for Carmel

The procedures for submitting district plans for the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana is set forth in this Public Plan Submission Kit. For your plan to be accepted for consideration these procedures must be strictly followed.

This kit contains the following items supplied on written or digital media:

1. A map of the City showing current precinct boundaries in .pdf format.
2. A map of the existing City district plan boundaries in .pdf format.
3. Excerpts of §3.3 of the Carmel City Code describing current districts.
4. A table of existing precincts and corresponding population statistics.
5. A copy of the Guidelines.
6. Instructions and a summary form for submission of district plans.

Plans must be submitted in writing (note instructions below concerning provided forms) to the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours no later than noon on November 3, 2022. Plans submitted after this time will not be considered by the Council.

Criteria for Submitted Plans

Plans must include all territory within the City and meet the following criteria to be considered by the Council. For more detailed discussion concerning these requirements refer to the “Redistricting Guidelines by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana” document.

1. Districts must be composed of contiguous territory.
2. Districts must be reasonably compact.
3. Districts must be composed (as nearly as possible) of equal population based on 2020 Federal decennial census data.
4. Districts should conform to existing precinct boundary lines (except as allowed by the Guidelines).
5. Districts should not intentionally dilute the voting strength of any language or racial minority group.

Census Data

Census data is available on the website of the United States Census Bureau at www.census.gov. The Council will only consider plans using official 2020 census data.

Submission of Plans

Plans submitted for review must be complete plans for the entire City which provide six (6) districts meeting the above criteria. All geographic territory in the City must be included. Plans must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk, Third Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032 no later than noon on November 3, 2022. Plans submitted should include the following items:

1. Detailed Description. The plan should be described by listing the precincts or portions of precincts (described by census block, roadways or other natural boundaries) assigned to each district. The plan may use the provided form to enter the district assignments, or precinct assignments may be entered on a spreadsheet by the submitter.
2. Summary Sheet. The summary sheet enclosed in the Public Plan Submission Kit must be completed, dated and signed by the submitter.

EXHIBIT “3”**Summary of City of Carmel Council Redistricting Plan**

The attached plan is submitted for review and consideration by the Carmel Common Council.

Submitter Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Electronic Mail Address: _____

Do you wish to present testimony to the Council regarding this plan? Testimony will be time limited.

_____ YES _____ NO

Note: Submitted Plans are the property of the City of Carmel and are part of the public record. They are not returnable.

Plan Summary

District	Ideal Population	Plan Population	Deviation
1	16,626		
2	16,626		
3	16,626		
4	16,626		
5	16,626		
6	16,626		

Note: Ideal Population for Districts is based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing Bureau of Census, U.S. Department of Commerce. The population counts are contained in the table included in the Public Plan Submission Kit.

“Plan Population” is the total number of persons in each of the districts as proposed in the submitted plan. “Deviation” is the positive or negative number obtained by subtracting the Plan Population value from the Ideal Population Value.

Date Plan Submitted: _____, 2022.

Signature of Submitter: _____

If plan is being submitted on behalf of an organization or entity other than the above Submitter, please identity the organization or entity below:

Name of Organization: _____

Address of Organization: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Name/Phone Contact: _____

Electronic Mail Address: _____

Note: Plans must be submitted no later than Noon on November 3, 2022, and meet the requirements contained in the Redistricting Guidelines, adopted by the Council, to be considered by the Council.

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Indianapolis, IN 46225
Marion County, Indiana

KROGER GARDIS REGAS

Federal Id: 06-1032273

Account #:INI-2168

Order #:0005447016

of Affidavits: 2

Total Amount of Claim:\$78.26

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ATTN Andrea Keck
111 MONUMENT CIR STE 900
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF WISCONSIN, } SS:
County Of Brown

Personally appeared before me, a notary public in and for said county and state, the undersigned

I, being duly sworn, say that I am a clerk for THE INDIANAPOLIS NEWSPAPERS a DAILY STAR newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the English language in the city of INDIANAPOLIS in the state of INDIANA and county of MARION, and that the printed matter attached hereto is a true copy, which was duly published in said paper for 1 times., the publications being in editions dated as follows:

Insertion being edition dated 10/18/2022

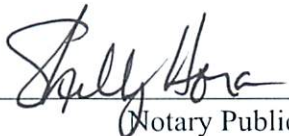
Newspaper has a website and this public notice was posted in the same day as it was published in the newspaper.

Pursuant to the provisions and penalties of Ch. 155, Acts 1953,

I hereby certify that the foregoing account is just and correct, that the amount claimed is legally due, after allowing all just credits, and that no part of the same has been paid.

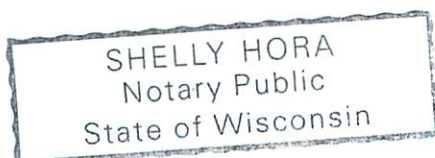
Date: Oct 18, 2022 Title: Clerk

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18 day of October, 2022



Notary Public

Notary Expires: 8-25-23



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I certify that the within claim is true and correct; that the services there-in itemized and for which charge is made were ordered by me and were necessary to the public business.

I have examined the within claim and hereby certify as follows:

That it is in proper form.

This it is duly authenticated as required by law.

That it is based upon statutory authority.

That it is apparently (correct)
(incorrect)

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Plan to be Adopted by Council, and to Adopt an Ordinance Approving the Plan on Final Passage. Writ-
ten comments on any plan must be received by the City Clerk by Noon this day.

Within 30 days of Filing of a Certified Copy of the Ordinance Establishing
Adoption Districts with the Clerk of the Hamilton County Circuit Court no later than Thirty (30)
Days After the Ordinance is Adopted Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3(m).

Each of the meetings set forth above will be held in the Council Chambers of the Carmel City Hall, Second Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032, and shall begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. The public's participation in the redistricting process is welcomed. All Council meetings are open to the public. The public is invited to submit proposed districting plans that comply with the Redistricting Guidelines adopted by the Council. A Public Plan Submission Kit (including census data) is available during normal business hours in the office of the City Clerk set forth above. To be considered by the Council, redistricting plans submitted by the public must comply with the Redistricting Guidelines and must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk no later than Noon on November 3, 2022.

(INI -10/18/2022 - 0005447016)

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STATE OF INDIANA }

COUNTY OF HAMILTON }

SS. Notice Regarding Division of the Common Council of the
City of Carmel, Indiana into Legislative Body Districts

Petitioner: Kroger Gardis &
Regas, LLP

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Personally appeared before me, a notary public in and for said county and state, the undersigned,

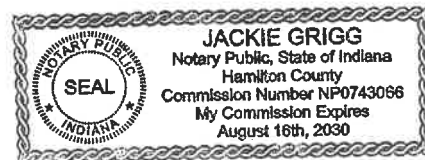
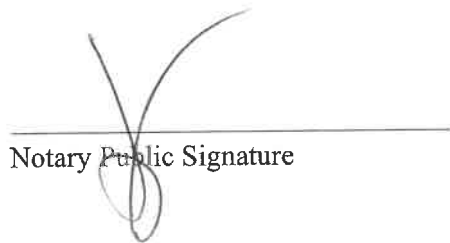
Brian Kelly who, being duly sworn, says that he Publisher of Current in Carmel newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the English language in the city of Carmel in state and county afore-said, and that the printed matter attached hereto is a true copy, which was duly published in said paper for one (1) time(s), the date(s) of publication being as follows:

October 18th, 2022



Subscribed and sworn to before me on October 18th, 2022

Notary Public Signature



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Oxford comma debate presents a grammar horror story

Commentary by Curtis Honeycutt

On days like this, kids in costumes aren't

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE CARMEL PLAN COMMISSION

Docket Number: **PZ-2022-00202 DP/ADLS**
Notice is hereby given that the Carmel Plan Commission meeting on **Wednesday November 9th, 2022, at 11:00 am** in the City Hall Council Chambers, 1 Civic Square, 2nd Flr., Carmel, Indiana 46032 will hold a Public Hearing upon a/an DP/ADLS Application in order to

Construct a six-story apartment building totaling 244 units along with an integrated two-story parking garage and apartment amenity spaces.

The application is identified as Docket No.: **PZ-2022-00202 DP/ADLS**

The real estate affected by said application is described as follows:

Parcel #: 16-09-25-04-05-001.000

All interested persons desiring to present their views on the above application, either in writing up to 8:30 AM the day of the meeting, via email to Joe Shestak, Plan Commission & BZA Administrator – jshestak@carmel.in.gov or verbally in person, will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place.

Petitioner: **Buckingham Properties, LLC**

the only spooky things in the neighborhood. Did you know commas can save innocent lives? I wanted to avoid controversial subjects like killing in this column, but here we are discussing the only two certainties in life: death and punctuation.

In today's article, I'm going to settle the Oxford comma debate once and for all. How's that for a bold statement?

Suppose I wanted to list a few (three, to be precise) of my favorite things. I could say: I like eating, children and small animals. That was intended to read as a list of three things – not a list of one thing followed by examples (although I've heard squirrel bacon is excellent)! Most people think the Oxford comma (a.k.a. the serial, series or Harvard comma) is at odds with the AP Stylebook. I'm not sure if this will come as a trick or a treat to you, but the AP Stylebook actually makes clear that it's perfectly appropriate to use an Oxford comma when doing so helps to avoid confusion or

misinterpretation.

My general rule is: use commas sparingly. Pretend they're shotgun shells and you're trying to survive in a zombie apocalypse. According to AP, "If a comma doesn't help make clear what is being said, don't use it."

I'm not naive enough to assume I will be able to change anyone's mind on a polarizing topic such as this; I merely wanted to

illustrate how two opposing factions can (theoretically) peacefully coexist.



Curtis Honeycutt is a national award-winning, syndicated humor writer. Connect with him on Twitter (@curtishoneycutt) or at curtishoneycutt.com.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS TRICO REGIONAL SEWER UTILITY ZIONSVILLE, INDIANA

PROJECT NO. 2202 – LIFT STATION 8 RECONSTRUCTION & FORCEMAIN EXTENSION

General Notice

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Project No. 2202 - Lift Station 8 Reconstruction & Forcemain Extension

CEI Project #S22053

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the TriCo Regional Sewer Utility located at **7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville, IN 46077**, until **Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at 2:00 p.m.** local time. At that time the Bids received will be **publicly** opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work:

The project includes but is not limited to removal and replacement of existing Lift Station 8 and installation of approximately 2,000 LF of new 14" forcemain via horizontal directional drilling together with all other work required for the completion of the project.

Bids are requested for the following Contract: **Lift Station 8 Reconstruction & Forcemain Extension. Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be as shown in the Bid Form.**

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: Commonwealth Engineers, Inc., 6325 Digital Way, Suite 101, Indianapolis, IN 46278. Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Mondays through Fridays between the hours of **8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**, and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below. Prospective Bidders may also examine the drawings via the Web-based service of Commonwealth Engineers, Inc. at www.commonwealthengineers.com.

Bidding Documents also may be examined at the TriCo Regional Sewer Utility located at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville, IN 46077, on Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Contract Documents, Specifications and Drawings will be provided via the web-based service of Commonwealth Engineers, Inc. at www.commonwealthengineers.com. The plan holder will receive an email link to the PDF downloadable documents upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **One Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$150.00) plus 7% sales tax, per project division desired.**

One set of printed Contract Documents, Specifications and Drawings may be obtained upon payment of an additional non-refundable fee of **Two Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$250.00) plus 7% sales tax, per project division desired**, via the web-based service of Commonwealth Engineers, Inc. at www.commonwealthengineers.com. Requests for Contract Documents and Specifications and Drawings must also include a return street address; post office box numbers are not acceptable.

Contract Documents will not be sold separate from the web-based service (i.e. All plan holders will be required to purchase through the web-based service). Partial sets of Contract Documents, Specifications and Drawings are not available. Questions pertaining to this project shall be submitted directly to Darren Wells, P.E., BCEE, at Commonwealth Engineers, Inc. via <https://login.procore.com>. Additional questions concerning access to the website may be directed to Commonwealth Engineers, Inc. at (317) 888-1177.

All addenda, which may be issued for this Project, will be issued to each plan holder via email. For those whom also purchase printed Contract Documents, printed addenda will be provided as well. All plan holders shall note, the printed documents are provided as a courtesy and do not preclude the plan holder from relying upon the web/email based materials (i.e. delays in mail delivery will not be considered relevant due to all contract document holders access to materials via web/email).

No refunds will be issued for this project.

The OWNER reserves the right to reject any bid, or all bids, or to accept any bid or bids, or to make such combination of bids as may seem desirable, and to waive any and all informalities in bidding. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. NO bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least **sixty (60) days**.

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Pre-bid Conference

A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on **Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.** local time at **7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville, IN 46077**. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.

Instructions to Bidders

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: **TriCo Regional Sewer Utility**

By: **Wes Merkle P.E.**

Title: **Engineering Manager**

Date: **October 11, 2022**

PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT


State of Indiana)
) ss:
Hamilton County)

Personally appeared before me, a notary public in and for said county and state, the undersigned Tim Timmons who, being duly sworn, says that he is Publisher of **The Times** newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the English language in the city of **Noblesville** in state and county afore-said, and that the printed matter attached hereto is a true copy, which was duly published in said paper for **1** time(s), the date(s) of publication being as follows:

10/19/2022



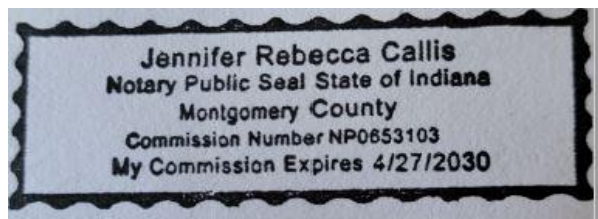
Subscribed and sworn to before me this **19** day of **October, 2022**.



Notary Public

My commission expires: **04/27/2030**
 Jennifer Rebecca Callis
 Resident of Montgomery County

Publisher's Fee: **\$146.08**



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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF HAMILTON COUNTY

Pursuant to IC 5-3-1-2(b) Notice is hereby given that the Hamilton County Council of Hamilton County, Indiana will meet Wednesday, November 2, 2022 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom at their regular meeting place of One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. Purpose of the meeting is for consideration of transfer of funds, 2022 144 amendments, 2023 14 Amendments, Reduction of funds and to consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year. The Council will hold a public hearing concerning the additional appropriations. Any person having concerns or questions concerning said appropriations shall be heard at the public hearing.

Fund 1000 General Fund	2000 Supplies	83,107
Fund 1023 HCAA Operating	3000 Other Services & Charges	215
Fund 1053 HCSWMD	3000 Other Services & Charges	4,235
Fund 1127 Convention & Visitor	5000 Agency Fund	700,000
Fund 1159	3000 Other Services & Charges	468,600
	4000 Capital Outlays	245,000
Fund 1176 MVH	Other Services & Charges	1,054,345
Fund 4905 Digital Orthophotography	3000 Professional Services	50,000

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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION TO ISSUE BONDS OF THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

Taxpayers of the City of Noblesville, Indiana ("City") are notified that the Common Council did, on October 11, 2022, adopt: (i) Ordinance No. 59-09-22 authorizing the issuance of Capital Projects Short-Term General Obligation Bonds of 2022, Series A ("Series A Bonds") of the City in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$5,500,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the costs of funding capital improvements to City owned property and the acquisition of capital equipment to serve City needs, together with all necessary appurtenances, related improvements and equipment and to pay the costs of issuance of the Series A Bonds. The Series A Bonds are to bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed 4.5% per annum (the exact rate or rates to be determined by negotiation with the purchaser of the Series A Bonds), are to mature semiannually on June 30 and December 31 of each year with a final maturity no later than December 31, 2023, and are to be payable from property taxes levied and collected on all taxable property in the City; and (ii) Ordinance No. 61-09-22 authorizing the issuance of Capital Projects Short-Term General Obligation Bonds of 2022, Series B ("Series B Bonds") of the City in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$5,500,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the costs of funding capital improvements to Pleasant Street, a significant east-west thoroughfare in the City and to pay the costs of issuance of the Series B Bonds. The Series B Bonds are to bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed 4.5% per annum (the exact rate or rates to be determined by negotiation with the purchaser of the Series B Bonds), are to mature semiannually on June 30 and December 31 of each year with a final maturity no later than December 31, 2023 and are to be payable from property taxes levied and collected on all taxable property in the City.

Dated October 19 and October 26, 2022.

CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

/s/ Jeff Spalding, Controller
City of Noblesville, Indiana
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STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF JERRY C. KINCAID, DECEASED

IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NO. 29D01-2203-EU-000126
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Novella F. Charon was, on March 15, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Jerry C. Kincaid, Deceased, who died on February 26, 2022.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine months (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this March 15, 2022.

Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court
Rebecca W. Geyer
Disc. No. 21325-49
REBECCA W. GEYER ASSOCIATES, PC
1550 N. Meridian Street, Ste. 200
Carmel, IN 46032
317-973-4555
317-489-5195 fax
rgeyer@rgeyerlaw.com

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Notice of Adoption of Ordinances Annexing Certain Real Estate to the Town of Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana

Ordinance 2022-10, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Real Estate to the Town of Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana, was adopted by the Sheridan Common Council on September 20, 2022. The annexation area consists of approximately 140.05 acres +/- a portion of which is to be known as part of the Eastwood Village subdivision and generally located at the northeast corner of 226th Street and Mule Barn Road. The ordinance shall be effective in accordance with Indiana law, upon its passage by the Council, its publication in accordance with law, and upon the passage of any applicable waiting period, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana. Ordinance 2022-10 in its entirety is available for inspection during regular business hours at the Sheridan Clerk-Treasurer's Office located at 506 South Main Street, Sheridan, Indiana.

Ordinance 2022-11, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Real Estate to the Town of Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana, was adopted by the Sheridan Common Council on September 20, 2022. The annexation area consists of approximately 72.3 acres +/- to be known as a part of the Eastwood Village subdivision and generally located on the north side of 226th Street and east of Mule Barn Road. The ordinance shall be effective in accordance with Indiana law, upon its passage by the Council, its publication in accordance with law, and upon the passage of any applicable waiting period, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana. Ordinance 2022-11 in its entirety is available for inspection during regular business hours at the Sheridan Clerk-Treasurer's Office located at 506 South Main Street, Sheridan, Indiana.

Dated this 12th day of October 2022.
Elizabeth A. Walden, Clerk-Treasurer
TL19664 10/19 1t hspaxlp

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION CAUSE NO. 37389 GCA 132
APPLICATION OF WESTFIELD GAS, LLC, D/B/A CITIZENS GAS OF WESTFIELD FOR A CHANGE IN ITS GAS COST ADJUSTMENT CHARGE FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 2022, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission will conduct a public Evidentiary Hearing in the above-captioned Cause in Room 224 of the PNC Center, 101 W. Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, commencing at 10:00 a.m. on November 14, 2022. This hearing is open to the public.

If an accommodation is required to allow an individual with a disability to participate, please contact the Office of the Executive Secretary of the IURC at 317.232.2701 or TDD 317. 232.8556 at least 48 hours in advance.

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
317.232.2701
BY: IURC – Anne Pagonis, ALJ
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PUBLIC NOTICE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public notice is given that the Sheridan Town Council will, on the 30th day of October, 2022, at 1:45 p.m., in the Sheridan Community Center, located at 300 E. 6th Street, Sheridan, IN 46069, hold a public hearing on 2022 Salary Ordinance, Amendment No. 5 and the 2023 Salary Ordinance, Amendment No. 1. Public notice is hereby given that at said public hearing, the Sheridan Town Council, as designating body, will receive and hear all remonstrances and objections from interested persons. After hearing all evidence presented, the Sheridan Town Council shall, at its regular meeting on said date and at said place, take final action on 2022 Salary Ordinance, Amendment No. 5 and the 2023 Salary Ordinance, Amendment No. 1.

Such action of the Sheridan Town Council shall be final, subject to statutory rights of appeal.

Council of the Town of Sheridan,
Indiana
Silas DeVaney, III
Presiding Officer
TL19662 10/19 1t hspaxlp

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF DETERMINATION AND OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of the Town of Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana (the "Town") that the Town Council of the Town (the "Council") has determined to issue general obligation bonds or bond anticipation notes to finance capital expenditures of the Town including the equipping of the Town's fire, police, park and street departments, including, but not limited to, (i) the purchase of police cars and ancillary safety equipment for the Town's police department, (ii) fire trucks and vehicles for the Town's fire department, (iii) various trucks, plows, mowers and related equipment for the Town's street and park departments, (iv) capitalized interest, if required, and (v) the necessary and incidental costs of issuance (the "Project") including the incidental expenses necessary to be incurred in connection with the Project and the issuance of bonds. The Council will meet at the usual meeting place of the Council in the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th Street, Sheridan, Indiana 46069, at the hour of 1:45 P.M. (Local Time) on October 30, 2022, to discuss the Project and to consider the following additional appropriation of the bonds or notes which the Council has determined to issue. The Council considers such additional appropriation necessary to meet the extraordinary emergency existing at this time.

An appropriation in the amount of \$700,000 on account of the cost the Project including the incidental expenses necessary to be incurred in connection with the Project and the issuance of bonds or notes on account thereof. The funds to meet such additional appropriation are to be provided by the issuance and sale of bonds or notes by the Town.

The foregoing appropriation is in addition to all appropriations provided for in the existing budget and tax levy, and a need for such appropriation exists by reason of the inadequacy of the condition of the present capital assets to meet the needs of the Town.

Taxpayers of said Town appearing at said meeting shall have the right to be heard in respect to said additional appropriation.

TOWN OF SHERIDAN, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
Elizabeth A. Walden, Clerk-Treasurer
TL19661 10/19 1t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF)
ELLEN I. WOOLEN, DECEASED.)

IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
SS.:
CAUSE NO. 29D01-2210-EU-000500
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of October, 2022, Norma K. Strang, was appointed personal representative of the Estate of Ellen I. Woolen, deceased, who died on the 29th day of January, 2022.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated this 11th day of October, 2022.

Kathy Kreg Williams
Clerk of the Superior Court Hamilton County
TL19660 10/19 10/26 2t hspaxlp

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that on October 13, 2022, Indiana-American Water Company, Inc., ("Petitioner") filed a Petition with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission in Cause No. 45785 for approval of updated system development charges applicable to Petitioner's water operations and approval of system development charges applicable to Petitioner's wastewater operations.

Matthew Prine
President
Indiana-American Water Company, Inc.
October 13, 2022

TL19667 10/19 1t hspaxlp

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION TO ISSUE BONDS OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA

Taxpayers of Hamilton County, Indiana ("County") are notified that the County Council did, on October 5, 2022, adopt an ordinance authorizing the issuance of bonds of the County in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$5,815,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the costs of the financing of the acquisition and/or construction of a domestic violence center, together with all necessary appurtenances, related improvements and equipment and costs of issuance in connection therewith, and to pay the costs of issuance of such bonds, including a premium for municipal bond insurance, if necessary. The bonds are to bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed 7.0% per annum (the exact rate or rates to be determined by bidding or negotiation with the purchaser of the bonds), are to mature semiannually on June 30 and December 31 of each year with a final maturity no later than twenty years after their date of issuance and are payable from property taxes levied and collected on all taxable property in the County.

Dated October 19 and 26, 2022.

HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
/s/ Robin Mills, County Auditor
Hamilton County, Indiana
TL19659 10/19 10/26 2t hspaxlp

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Hamilton County, Indiana ("County") that the County Council of the County will meet in the Commissioners Courtroom, Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana, at the hour of 8:00 p.m. (Local Time) on November 2, 2022, to conduct a public hearing and consider the following additional appropriation of the bonds which the County Council has determined to issue. The County Council considers necessary an appropriation in the amount not to exceed \$5,815,000 on account of the cost of the acquisition and/or construction of a domestic violence center, together with all necessary appurtenances, related improvements and equipment in connection therewith, and the incidental expenses in connection therewith and on account of the issuance of bonds therefor, including a premium for municipal bond insurance, if necessary. The funds to meet such additional appropriation are to be provided by the issuance and sale of bonds by the County.

The foregoing appropriation is in addition to all appropriations provided for in the existing budget and tax levy.

Taxpayers of the County appearing at said meeting shall have the right to be heard in respect to said additional appropriation.

Dated October 19, 2022.

/s/ Robin M. Mills
Auditor, Hamilton County, Indiana
TL19658 10/19 1t hspaxlp

Notice Regarding Division of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana into Legislative Body Districts

Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3, the Common Council of the City of Carmel (the "City") is dividing the City's legislative body districts into six (6) single member districts on or before December 31, 2022, for the election of Council Members in 2023 and thereafter. To accomplish this division, the Council has adopted Redistricting Guidelines which are available upon request in the office of the City Clerk, Carmel City Hall, Third Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. The division of the Common Council into legislative body districts will be accomplished pursuant to the following schedule:

October 28, 2022 by Noon Last Day for Members of the Public to Submit Objections or Written Comments Regarding the Redistricting Guidelines to the Office of the City Clerk.

November 3, 2022 by Noon Deadline for Plans Submitted by the Public. Redistricting Coordinator Makes Draft of City Districting Plan Available for Examination by the Public at the Office of the City Clerk.

November 9, 2022 6:00 pm Special Meeting of Council to Introduce Ordinance Adopting City Districting Plan and Plans Submitted by the Public, First Reading on Ordinance Preliminarily Approving a Plan, and Assignment to the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee.

November 15, 2022 6:00 pm Public Meeting of the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee for Purpose of Reviewing and Evaluating Draft of City Districting Plan and Plans Submitted by the Public, and making a recommendation to the Council. Hearing to be held in Council Caucus Room, Third Floor City Hall.

November 21, 2022 6:00 pm Public Hearing for Purpose of Reviewing and Evaluating Draft of City Districting Plan and Plans Submitted by the Public, Making Revisions to Plan to be Adopted by Council, and to Adopt an Ordinance Approving the Plan on Final Passage. Written comments on any plan must be received by the City Clerk by Noon this day.

Within 30 days of Adoption Filing of a Certified Copy of the Ordinance Establishing Districts with the Clerk of the Hamilton County Circuit Court no later than Thirty (30) Days After the Ordinance is Adopted Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3(m).

Each of the meetings set forth above will be held in the Council Chambers of the Carmel City Hall, Second Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032, and shall begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. The public's participation in the redistricting process is welcomed. All Council meetings are open to the public. The public is invited to submit proposed districting plans that comply with the Redistricting Guidelines adopted by the Council. A Public Plan Submission Kit (including census data) is available during normal business hours in the office of the City Clerk set forth above. To be considered by the Council, redistricting plans submitted by the public must comply with the Redistricting Guidelines and must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk no later than Noon on November 3, 2022.

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Hamilton County claims to be allowed in Commissioners Court on October 24, 2022

Vendor Name	Invoice Amount
ACCU INTERPRETATION, TRANSLATION SERVICES	\$4,777.50
ALMOUSILY, KHALDOUN	\$560.00
AMBLER, STACY	\$11,774.81
BARDACH, GAIL	\$25.00
BARTON, HEATHER	\$1,842.76
BBBM&H, ALICIA ADCOCK	\$2,500.00
BBBM&H, CARL MARKOVICH	\$5,532.13
BBBM&H, TIM HIXSON	\$5,385.36
BLANKENSHIP LAW LLC	\$3,200.73
BROYLES KIGHT & RICAFORT	\$620.00
C & L BUSINESS SERVICES LLC	\$5,250.00
CATHY M BROWNSON LLC	\$1,375.00
CDW GOVERNMENT INC	\$504.64
CLAR, WENDY	\$3,347.50
COOTS HENKE AND WHEELER, JENNA BAILEY	\$3,225.73
DOLLARD, ANDREW	\$7,725.61
EIMERMAN, REBECCA M	\$6,334.18
ENGLISH-COLLINS LLC	\$1,842.76
EVANS, CHRISTOPHER J	\$3,347.50
HACKENBERG LAW & MEDIATION PC	\$64.87
HADLEY, KARL E	\$5,753.37
HAYMAKER, SHELLEY HILES	\$8,284.33
HEINZMANN LAW OFFICE	\$8,415.72
HENKE, DANIEL E	\$2,184.63
HUANG, PATRICIA S	\$350.00
IU PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATES INC	\$3,150.00
KAWIECKI, KATIE J	\$620.00
KEATING DOUGLAS LLP	\$3,109.96
LAW OFFICE OF LISA MANNING LLC	\$3,110.09
MASSILLAMANY JETER & CARSON	\$1,842.76
MATTHEW BENDER & CO INC	\$967.84
MICHAEL PRICE LAW OFFICE PC	\$3,347.50
MOUNTAIN GLACIER LLC	\$217.03
NATIONAL CINEMEDIA LLC	\$416.67
NELSON, CASANDRA	\$4,376.66
OVERPECK, ERIC	\$5,914.01
PACIOR, PAUL	\$4,801.09
QUENCH USA	\$129.00
RICH, CONNOR	\$620.00
RUNYON-STORY, ROBIN	\$1,500.00
SINGH, GURDEV KAUR	\$140.00
SMITH LEGAL LLC	\$6,414.84
STEWART RICHARDSON & ASSOC.	\$339.00
STOESZ, STEVEN	\$5,882.85
SUMMERFIELD, ROBERT W	\$921.38
SWETTERS BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$741.50
TERRY LEGAL GROUP LLC	\$8,482.32
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	\$5,009.09
UNIQUE LAW	\$4,499.99
WANG, SZU-CHING	\$320.00
WEBSTER & GARINO LLC	\$4,320.95
WHALIN, TRAMPAS ALAN	\$11,557.86
WYATT, SCOTT	\$2,184.63
ZILIAK, S NEAL	\$11,489.75
Grand Total:	\$190,650.90

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF DETERMINATION AND OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of the Town of Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana (the "Town") that the Town Council of the Town (the "Council") has determined to issue general obligation bonds or bond anticipation notes to finance capital expenditures of the Town including the equipping of the Town's fire, police, park and street departments, including, but not limited to, (i) the purchase of police cars and ancillary safety equipment for the Town's police department, (ii) fire trucks and vehicles for the Town's fire department, (iii) various trucks, plows, mowers and related equipment for the Town's street and park departments, (iv) capitalized interest, if required, and (v) the necessary and incidental costs of issuance (the "Project") including the incidental expenses necessary to be incurred in connection with the Project and the issuance of bonds. The Council will meet at the usual meeting place of the Council in the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th Street, Sheridan, Indiana 46069, at the hour of 6:00 P.M. (Local Time) on November 1, 2022, to discuss the Project and to consider the following additional appropriation of the bonds or notes which the Council has determined to issue. The Council considers such additional appropriation necessary to meet the extraordinary emergency existing at this time.

An appropriation in the amount of \$700,000 on account of the cost the Project including the incidental expenses necessary to be incurred in connection with the Project and the issuance of bonds or notes on account thereof. The funds to meet such additional appropriation are to be provided by the issuance and sale of bonds or notes by the Town.

The foregoing appropriation is in addition to all appropriations provided for in the existing budget and tax levy, and a need for such appropriation exists by reason of the inadequacy of the condition of the present capital assets to meet the needs of the Town.

Taxpayers of said Town appearing at said meeting shall have the right to be heard in respect to said additional appropriation.

TOWN OF SHERIDAN, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
Elizabeth A. Walden, Clerk-Treasurer
TL19654 10/19 1t hspaxlp

STATE OF INDIANA)
HAMILTON COUNTY)
IN THE MATTER OF THE)
ESTATE OF LISA SNYDER)

IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT
SS: CAUSE NO. 29D01-2208-ES-000460
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of September, 2022 Michael J. Snyder is appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Lisa Snyder, deceased, who died on August 4, 2022.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on this 20 day of September, 2022.

Kathy Kreg Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Courts

Robert C. Becker
Boje, Benner, Becker, Markovich & Hixson
1312 Maple Avenue
Noblesville, IN 46060

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CARMEL UTILITIES

30 West Main St., Suite 200 Carmel, Indiana 46032
PH (317) 571-2443 WATER UTILITY
FAX (317)571-2265 WASTEWATER UTILITY
ADVERTISEMENT / NOTICE TO BIDDERS
CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA
WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

Sealed Bids for the City of Carmel, Indiana, Water System Improvements, will be received by the City of Carmel, Indiana, ("Owner") at the office of the City Clerk in City Hall, One Civic Square, Carmel, Indiana 46032, until 10:00 a.m., local time, on Wednesday, November 16, 2022. Any Bid received after the designated time will be returned to the Bidder unopened. The Bids will be publicly opened and read by the Board of Public Works and Safety at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 in Council Chambers at City Hall. The Bid should be clearly marked "BID ENCLOSED Water System Improvements" on the outside of the envelope, and as otherwise set forth in the Bid Documents.

In general, the work consists of:

BASE BID: HOOVER ROAD WATER MAIN EXTENSION
The installation of approximately 25 feet of 12-inch ductile iron water main by open cut installation, 2,165 feet of 16-inch HDPE water main by horizontal directional drill installation, along with related fittings, hydrants valves, pavement repair, appurtenances, and other incidental work necessary for a complete installation.

ADD ALTERNATE A: 106TH STREET WATER MAIN EXTENSION
The installation of approximately 45 feet of 16-inch ductile iron water main by open cut installation, 1,270 feet of 16-inch HDPE water main by horizontal directional drill installation, along with related fittings, valves, appurtenances, and other incidental work necessary for a complete installation.

ADD ALTERNATE B: 96TH STREET WATER MAIN EXTENSION
The installation of approximately 260 feet of 12-inch ductile iron water main by open cut installation, 3,290 feet of 12-inch HDPE water main by horizontal directional drill installation, along with related fittings, service lines, hydrants, valves, pavement repair, curb and gutter repair, appurtenances, and other incidental work necessary for a complete installation.

ADD ALTERNATE C: TOWNE ROAD WATER MAIN EXTENSION
The installation of approximately 130 feet of 8-inch ductile iron water main by open cut installation, 80 feet of 12-inch ductile iron water main by open cut installation, 50 feet of 16-inch ductile iron water main by open cut installation, 135 feet of 8-inch HDPE water main by horizontal directional drill installation, and 2,545 feet of 16-inch HDPE water main by horizontal directional drill installation, along with related fittings, hydrants, valves, pavement repair, curb and gutter repair, appurtenances, and other incidental work necessary for a complete installation.

All as required by these Bidding Documents, the Agreement Between Owner and Contractor, General Conditions, Supplementary Conditions, and Specifications and Drawings. Copies of the Bidding Documents may be examined upon notification at the office of the Utility Director, or at the office of Wessler Engineering, 1130 AAA Way, Carmel, Indiana 46032, Telephone (317) 788-4551. All copies are distributed to Contractors and other interested parties by Wessler Engineering, Inc. (www.wesslerengineering.com/planroom/) for a non-refundable fee. A complete digital set of bidding documents is available for \$150.00. A complete hard copy set of bidding documents is available for \$250.00.

An up-to-date Planholders List may be viewed at <http://wesslerengineering.com/planroom/>

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the City of Carmel Water Operations Office, 3450 West 131st Street, Carmel, Indiana 46074 at 11:00am on November 2, 2022. All prime contractors, subcontractors, small, minority or women owned enterprises and other interested parties are invited to attend.

Bids must be submitted on the forms found in the Bid package, must contain the names of every person or company interested therein, and shall be accompanied by:

(1) Revised Form No. 96 as prescribed by the Indiana Board of Accounts and as required in the Instruction to Bidders, including a financial statement, a statement of experience, a proposed plan or plans for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work;

(2) Bid Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety or by a certified check on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the Bid. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be evidence of good faith that the successful Bidder will execute within fifteen (15) calendar days from the acceptance of the Bid, the Agreement as included in the Bidding Documents. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be made payable to the Owner.

Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of Bids, but no bidder shall withdraw his Bid within ninety (90) days after the actual opening of the Bids.

All Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned by the Owner upon selection of the successful Bidder and execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance Bond and Payment Bond.

Award will be made to the low, responsive, responsible bidder. The successful Contractor will be required to enroll in and verify the work eligibility status of all employees hired after the date of this Contract through the E-Verify program. The Contractor will also be required to sign an affidavit concerning employment of unauthorized aliens. A copy of the affidavit is included in the Bid Documents.

A Performance Bond with a good and sufficient surety, acceptable to the Owner and Engineer, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement.

The Contractor shall execute a Payment Bond to the Owner, approved by Owner and Engineer and for the benefit of the Owner, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price. The Payment Bond is binding on the Contractor, their subcontractor, and their successors and assigns for the payment of all indebtedness to a person for labor and services performed, material furnished, or services rendered. The Payment Bond must state that it is for the benefit of the subcontractors, laborers, material suppliers, and those performing services. The surety of the Payment Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.

All out-of-state corporations must have a certificate of authority to do business in the State of Indiana. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

Bidders on this work shall be required to comply with the provisions of the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended. The Bidders shall also comply with the requirements of 41 CFR Part 60 – 4 entitled Construction Contractors - Affirmative Action Requirements. A copy of 41 CFR Part 60 – 4 may be found in the Supplemental General Conditions of the Contract Documents and Specifications.

The Bidders attention is also called to the "Minority/Women Business Participation" requirements contained in the Project Specifications. Contract procurement is subject to the federal regulations contained in the OMB Circular A-102, Sections B and O and the State of Indiana requirements contained in IC-36-1-9 and IC-36-1-12.

Bidders are notified that there is a 7% MBE and 5% WBE participation goal on this project.

The Owner reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all Bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the governmental body as determined by the purchasing agency in accordance with IC 5-22-18-2. The Owner also reserves the right to waive irregularities in any Bid, and to accept any Bid which is deemed most favorable to the Owner.

Sue Wolfgang
Clerk-Treasurer
City of Carmel, Indiana
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**CITY OF FISHERS
ADVISORY PLAN COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CASE RZ-22-7**

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY SUBMIT COMMENTS BY GOING TO: https://townoffishers.formstack.com/forms/public_meeting_comment_form
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY STREAM THE LIVE MEETING BY GOING TO: <http://tinyurl.com/CityOfFishers>
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Fishers Advisory Plan Commission at **6:00 PM on Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at Launch Fishers Huston Theater, 12175 Visionary Way, Fishers, IN 46038.**
REQUEST: At that hearing, the public will be invited to offer comments on the following request ("Proposal"): Case # RZ-22-7 - Consideration of a Rezoning from Employment Node to Planned Unit Development-Mixed Use for an expansion to Fishers District.
LOCATION: generally located at USA Parkway, south of Fishers District. Parcels: 15-15-06-00-00-016.000, 15-15-06-00-00-002.000.
The case file about this project is available for public review in the office of the Department of Planning and Zoning, located at Fishers City Services Building, 3 Municipal Drive, Fishers, IN 46038. The meeting agenda with room location details and case related information will be posted on the City's website forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting specified above. If you have specific questions or want to provide written contacts to the case planner directly, please contact:
City of Fishers Planning & Zoning Department
planning@fishers.in.us
(317) 595-3155
www.fishers.in.us/notice
Petitioner: Sunbeam
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STATE OF INDIANA)
SUPERIOR)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED)
ESTATE OF MARIA C. SOIDAN)
DECEASED.)

IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
SS: COURT PROBATE DIVISION
CAUSE NO. 29D01-2210-ES-000496
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
TO: ALL CREDITORS

In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana.

Notice is hereby given that Joseph Fraiz was on October 11, 2022 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Maria C. Soidan, deceased.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana,

Kathy Kreg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court
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REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA

These guidelines (the “Guidelines”) are adopted to establish the criteria to be used to redistrict legislative body districts for the Common Council (“Council”) of the City of Carmel, Indiana (the “City”) in compliance with Ind. Code §36-4-6-3 (the “City Districting Statute” or “Statute”) and other applicable provisions of the Indiana Code. It is the intent of these Guidelines and of the Council to promote free and open participation by the public in the redistricting process, to create district boundaries that enhance and facilitate effective representation of all citizens in the City, and to comply with all relevant statutory and constitutional requirements. The primary goal of the Council in this redistricting process is to ensure fair and effective representation of all citizens.

I. REQUIREMENTS OF IND. CODE §36-4-6-3 and IND. CODE 3-5-10

The redistricting of Council districts last occurred in 2018, as codified by Ordinance D-2442-18, finally adopted on November 5, 2018. The description of the City’s current Council districts appears in §3.3 of the Carmel City Code. The City Districting Statute establishes certain minimal criteria for the redistricting process. It is the intent of these Guidelines to fully comply with the criteria set forth in the City Districting Statute and other applicable state and federal laws. Compliance with statutory criteria is discussed more specifically in subsequent sections of these Guidelines.

Applicable portions of the City Districting Statute provide as follows:

- (a) This section applies only to second class cities.
- (b) The legislative body shall adopt an ordinance to divide the city into six (6) districts that:
 - (1) are composed of contiguous territory, except for territory that is not contiguous to any other part of the city;
 - (2) are reasonably compact;
 - (3) do not cross precinct boundary lines except as provided in subsection (c) or (d); and
 - (4) contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.
- (c) The boundary of a city legislative body district may cross a precinct boundary line if:
 - (1) more than one (1) member of the legislative body elected from the districts established under subsection (b) resides in one (1) precinct established under IC 3-11-1.5 after the most recent municipal election; and
 - (2) following the establishment of a legislative body district whose boundary crosses a precinct boundary line, not more than one (1) member of the legislative body elected from the districts resides within the same city legislative body district.
- (d) The boundary of a city legislative body district may cross a precinct line if the districts would not otherwise contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.

(e) A city legislative body district with a boundary described by subsection (c) or (d) may not cross a census block boundary line:

- (1) except when following a precinct boundary line; or
- (2) unless the city legislative body certifies in the ordinance that the census block has no population, and is not likely to ever have population.

(f) The legislative body may not adopt an ordinance dividing the city into districts with boundaries described by subsection (c) or (d) unless the clerk of the city mails a written notice to the circuit court clerk. The notice must:

- (1) state that the legislative body is considering the adoption of an ordinance described by this subsection; and
- (2) be mailed not later than ten (10) days before the legislative body adopts the ordinance.

(g) Except as provided in subsection (j),¹ the division under subsection (b) shall be made only at times permitted under IC 3-5-10.²

(h) The legislative body is composed of six (6) members elected from the districts established under subsection (b) and three (3) at-large members.

(i) Each voter of the city may vote for three (3) candidates for at-large membership and one (1) candidate from the district in which the voter resides. The three (3) at-large candidates receiving the most votes from the whole city and the district candidates receiving the most votes from their respective districts are elected to the legislative body.

[...]

(k) A copy of the ordinance establishing districts or a recertification adopted under this section must be filed with the circuit court clerk of the county that contains the greatest population of the city not later than thirty (30) days after the ordinance or recertification is adopted. The filing must include a map of the district boundaries:

- (1) adopted under subsection (b); or
- (2) recertified under subsection (j).

[...]

(m) IC 3-5-10 applies to a plan established under this section.

Applicable portions of Ind. Code 3-5-10 provide as follows:

§3-5-10-9. If a conflict exists between:

- (1) a map showing the boundaries of a district; and

¹ Subsection (j) applies only if a legislative body determines that a division is not required and recertifies the existing districts as complying with applicable law.

² Ind. Code §3-5-10-7 limits the time frame for redistricting to the second year after a federal census; the first year after a census event, other than a federal decennial census, becomes effective; whenever required to assign annexed territory to a district; whenever the boundary of the political subdivision is changed; or, as provided in the order of a court that has found the current redistricting plan unconstitutional or otherwise unlawful.

(2) a description of the boundaries of that district set forth in the plan;

the district boundaries are the description of the boundaries set forth in the plan, not the boundaries shown on the map, but only to the extent there is a conflict between the description and the map.

§3-5-10-10. If any territory in the political subdivision is not included in one (1) of the districts, the territory is included in the district that:

(1) is contiguous to that territory; and

(2) contains the least population of all districts contiguous to that territory.

§3-5-10-11. If any territory in the political subdivision is included in more than one (1) of the districts, the territory is included in the district that:

(1) is one (1) of the districts in which the territory is described in the ordinance or resolution that establishes the plan;

(2) is contiguous to that territory; and

(3) contains the least population of all districts contiguous to that territory.

II. CRITERIA TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN DRAWING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

A. Contiguous Territory

The City Districting Statute specifies that legislative body districts shall be “composed of contiguous territory, except for territory that is not contiguous to any other part of the city.”³ The Council interprets this requirement to mean that, among other things, a legislative body district cannot be made up of one or more areas that meet at the points of adjoining corners. The Council is committed to creating legislative body districts that consist only of contiguous territory unless established precinct boundaries dictate otherwise.

B. Reasonably Compact

The City Districting Statute requires that districts must be “reasonably compact.”⁴ The Council recognizes that this requirement does not require districts to be as compact as possible. Moreover, the Council believes that the goal of compactness should generally defer to criteria more fundamental to obtaining effective and functional electoral districts including population equality, respect for precinct boundaries, respect for natural geography, building patterns and communities of interest. The compactness requirement would, however, override these other criteria in some instances as when the degree of compactness of the proposed district would be considered “unreasonable.” The Council is committed to creating legislative body districts that are reasonably compact.

C. Equal Population

The City Districting Statute requires that City legislative body districts “contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.”⁵ This requirement includes both the selection of accurate data upon which to base the Council’s determination, and a determination regarding the minimum standards for population equality.

³ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(b)(1).

⁴ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(b)(2).

⁵ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(b)(4).

1. Use of Census Data

The Council recognizes that use of data from the 2020 Federal Decennial Census is mandated by the Indiana General Assembly as updated by any Federal special census, special tabulation or corrected population count.⁶ The foregoing 2020 Census data is readily available and accessible to the public.⁷ Consequently, the Council will use the 2020 Federal Decennial Census population data to establish Council districts.

2. Population Deviation

The City Districting Statute requires districts that “contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.” The City interprets this phrase to mean that Council districts must comply with the equal protection clause of the United States Constitution as that clause has been interpreted with respect to local government election districts. The modifying language clearly indicates, however, that, unlike federal Congressional districts, precise equality of population among districts is not specifically required by the Statute.

In order to comply with the City Districting Statute and the equal protection clause of the United States Constitution the Council will evaluate the population of each district of any redistricting plan considered by the Council for “deviation from the ideal district size” and will also evaluate any such redistricting plan for the “total deviation” of the plan. As used in these Guidelines the term “ideal district size” refers to the total population of the City (as determined by the 2020 Census) divided by six (6).⁸ The term “deviation from the ideal district size” refers to the amount by which the population of any district is greater than or less than the ideal district size and is expressed as a percentage by dividing the difference between the actual and ideal district sizes by the ideal district size. The term “total deviation” refers to the sum that is derived by adding the deviation from the ideal district size of the smallest and largest population districts (expressed as a percentage).

The City recognizes that total population deviations of less than ten percent (10%) are considered *prima facie* constitutional for state legislative districts pursuant to Supreme Court precedent and that total population deviations in excess of ten percent (10%) may be justified if supported by reasonable state interests. Courts have generally applied similar standards to local government apportionment efforts.

Nevertheless, the Council has determined that a primary goal of the redistricting process should be the creation of Council districts with nearly equal population and that any significant deviation from this principle must be adequately justified and as narrow as possible to meet the stated reasons for the deviation. Any total deviation in excess of five percent (5%) shall be justified in writing with reference to one or more rational objective criteria including:

- a. contiguity;
- b. compactness;
- c. adherence to precinct boundary lines (except as allowed by the Statute);
- d. respect for and adherence to natural geography and building patterns including, but not limited to, rivers, streets, shopping areas, neighborhoods, etc.;

⁶ Ind. Code §1-1-3.5-3(b).

⁷ Census data is available on the website of the United States Census Bureau found at www.census.gov.

⁸ The 2020 US Census Bureau establishes the population of the City of Carmel as 99,757 as of April 1, 2020. Based on that number, the ideal district size is established by the Council as 19,951.

- e. communities of interests; and
- f. other objective criteria.

Written comments accompanying any redistricting plan submitted by a member of the public for consideration must reference any objective criteria relied upon to justify a total population deviation in excess of five percent (5%).

D. Precinct Boundary Lines

The City Districting Statute provides that districts may not cross precinct lines unless: (1) more than one member of the Council resides in a single precinct as described; or (2) the districts would not otherwise contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.⁹ However, the Council recognizes that respect for precinct boundaries is essential to minimize voter confusion on election day, to reduce the cost of election administration, to help preserve communities of interest and to encourage voter understanding of the electoral process. The Council is committed to creating legislative body districts that respect precinct boundary lines provided that the goal of creating districts with nearly equal population is not unduly burdened thereby. Consequently, only in an extraordinary event will precinct boundary lines be disregarded, and in such event such division will be minimized to the extent reasonably practicable. Prior to the adoption of a final plan which includes districts crossing precinct lines, the Clerk shall provide the notice required by subsection (f) of the City Redistricting Statute. The precinct boundary lines used to create Council districts shall be those precinct boundary lines in use in Hamilton County as of July 1, 2022.

E. Dilution of Minority or Political Voting Strength

The Council recognizes the fundamental right of political participation by all citizens in the City. Consequently, no district shall be drawn to intentionally dilute or that has the effect of diluting the voting strength of any language or racial minority group. Any proposed redistricting plan demonstrated to have the intent or effect of dispersing or concentrating minority population in a manner that prevents minority communities from electing their candidates of choice shall not be acceptable.

In addition, no district shall be drawn for the purpose of discriminating against an identifiable political group in such a way that the group's electoral influence is consistently degraded.

F. Communities of Interest

The Council believes that an important function of electoral districts is to promote and enhance community cohesiveness and dialogue and to promote the recognition of unique interests that are held in common by recognizable groups of voters. Such interests may include social, cultural, or economic interests common to the population of the area. In the redistricting process the City will preserve communities of interest where possible so long as recognition of such interests does not conflict with the other statutory or constitutional redistricting criteria.

III. PUBLIC NOTICE AND PARTICIPATION IN THE DISTRICTING PROCESS

Believing that public participation is essential to a fair and effective redistricting process, the Council adopts the following plan for public participation in the redistricting process.

A. All Redistricting Meetings to be Public

⁹ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(c) and (d).

All redistricting meetings conducted by a quorum of the Council shall be held in compliance with the Indiana Open Door Law, Ind. Code §5-14-1.5-1 *et seq.*

B. Public Notice Regarding Meetings At Which Redistricting Plans Are To Be Considered

The Council shall comply with the public notice requirements which are applicable to all Council Meetings. Public notice regarding the consideration of Council district plans shall additionally be published as provided in these Guidelines.

C. Public Access to Redistricting Information and Submission of Proposed Plans.

The Council desires and welcomes full public participation in the redistricting process. In order to ensure public participation in the redistricting process the Council authorizes the following steps to be taken by the Redistricting Coordinator:

1. Publication of the notice set forth in Exhibit “1” in the *Carmel Current*, *The Indianapolis Star*, and the *Court & Commercial Record* no later than October 18, 2022. The Redistricting Coordinator is further authorized to publish notice in such other publications as deemed appropriate by the Redistricting Coordinator and to place the Notice on the City website.
2. Provision of individual notice of any public redistricting meetings not described in these Guidelines and not listed on the notice published in compliance with the preceding paragraph to all members of the public who request such notice by filing a written request for notification with the office of the City Clerk.
3. Provision of the notice set forth in Exhibit “1” via a news release distributed to all media that have requested notice pursuant to Ind. Code § 5-14-1.5-5.
4. Provision of City maps indicating precinct boundaries and summary population data at the precinct level to members of the public at no cost for the purpose of facilitating the creation and submission of alternative redistricting plans by members of the public.
5. Production of minutes of all public redistricting meetings by the City Clerk to be made available for review after approval at the next Council meeting.

D. Individual Notice Regarding Districting Process

Individual notice regarding any aspect of the districting process shall be given without charge to any individual or organization that requests it. Such requests shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk, Carmel City Hall, Third Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032. The City Clerk’s Office is open from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. Additional notice shall be provided as described elsewhere in these Guidelines.

IV. SUBMISSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DISTRICTING PLANS

To meet the statutory requirements of the City Districting Statute and Ind. Code §3-5-10-7, the Council must adopt on final passage an ordinance approving a districting plan no later than December 31, 2022.

A. Preparation of Draft Plan by Redistricting Coordinator

The Council has designated, by Resolution adopted contemporaneously with the adoption of these Guidelines, the Vice President of the Council as the City's Redistricting Coordinator for the purpose of developing a draft plan (the "Draft Plan") that complies with the legal requirements for the creation of legislative body districts. The Redistricting Coordinator is further directed to ensure that the Draft Plan complies in all respects with the applicable portions of these Guidelines.

It is the responsibility of the City Redistricting Coordinator to prepare a Draft Plan that is made available to members of the public and members of the Council not later than Noon on November 3, 2022, the date designated for the submission of plans by the public. The Draft Plan shall thereafter be available for review in the office of the City Clerk during normal business hours at the request of any member of the public prior to consideration of its final adoption.

B. Public Preparation and Submission of Redistricting Plans

The Council shall also receive redistricting plans submitted by any member of the public so long as any such plan is submitted in writing to the City Clerk's office during regular business hours between the date of adoption of these Guidelines and prior to Noon on November 3, 2022.

Any plan offered by a member of the public must meet the following criteria to be considered:

1. It must have been submitted in writing to the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours between the date of adoption of these Guidelines and Noon on November 3, 2022;
2. The precincts (or portions of partial precincts) contained in each proposed legislative body district shall be clearly written on the form provided (Note: the Guidelines direct that precinct boundaries be respected except in extraordinary circumstances);
3. The plan as submitted must stand as a complete City-wide plan for redistricting (i.e., all pieces of geography within the City must be accounted for in some district); and
4. The plan must comply completely in all respects with these Guidelines and with the instructions attached as Exhibit "2". Any total deviation in excess of 5% from population equality must be justified in writing with reference to the objective criteria set forth in these Guidelines.

A plan must meet the above requirements to be considered by the Council. As described in these Guidelines, each plan will be evaluated for:

1. contiguity;
2. compactness;
3. population deviation;

4. respect for precinct boundary lines;
5. compliance with the requirements prohibiting discrimination;
6. respect for and adherence to natural geography and building patterns;
7. respect for communities of interest; and
8. any other relevant criteria.

To assist in the evaluation of proposed plans each individual submitting a proposed districting plan is required to complete a statistical sheet and description in the form attached hereto as Exhibit “3” and list:

- a. the total population for each proposed district; and
- b. the population deviation from the ideal for each district.

A complete set of instructions and the statistical report for publicly submitted plans is set forth as Exhibit “2” and Exhibit “3” to these Guidelines and is specifically incorporated herein by reference.

C. Written Comments Regarding Redistricting Guidelines and Draft Plans

The Council will also receive public input in the form of written comments and objections by the public to any aspect of the districting process, including the adoption of the process or criteria set forth in these Guidelines and to any Draft Plan. Any member of the public desiring to submit written comments to the Council regarding the redistricting process set forth in these Guidelines should submit those comments in writing in the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours between the date of adoption of these Guidelines and Noon on October 28, 2022. Written comments regarding the Draft Plan or any plan proposed by the public may be submitted until Noon on the date of the November 21, 2022, public hearing designated below.

D. Committee Hearing and Public Hearing Regarding Plan(s)

Upon introduction of the Draft Plan at a special meeting of the Council to be held on November 9, 2022, it is anticipated that the Draft Plan and any public plans will be assigned to the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee (the “Committee”). The Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Draft Plan and any public plans at 6:00 p.m. on November 15, 2022 in the Council Caucus Room located on the Third Floor of Carmel City Hall. The hearing will be open to the public.

After recommendation to the full Council by the Committee, the full Council shall hold a public hearing at the November 21, 2022, regular meeting of the Council (the “Public Hearing”), for the purpose of reviewing the Draft Plan and any public plans submitted to the Council and to take public testimony and comments regarding the Draft Plan and any plans proposed by the public. The Council shall make any necessary revisions or modifications to the plans under consideration prior to final adoption.

As the City Districting Statute requires the adoption of an ordinance to approve a districting plan (the “Ordinance”), unless waived in accordance with Indiana law, the Council shall adopt the Ordinance at two separate meetings of the Council at which a quorum is present. It is presently anticipated that the first reading of the Ordinance will be at the November 9, 2022, special meeting of the Council prior to assignment to the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee. At the November 21, 2022 Council meeting, a Public Hearing will be conducted prior to the Ordinance being

considered on final passage.¹⁰ Additional meetings and revisions to any plan under consideration may occur at subsequent special or regular meetings at the Council's discretion. The final adoption of the Ordinance approving a districting plan shall occur no later than December 31, 2022, in accordance with the City Districting Statute and Ind. Code §3-5-10-7.

E. Additional Public Meetings

Should additional public meetings become necessary at any point in the redistricting process, such meetings will be held and any statutorily required notice shall be given. Notice of all redistricting meetings shall be posted in advance in the office of the City Clerk or as otherwise customarily posted for Council meetings. Parties interested in the redistricting process who desire to be notified regarding any additional public meetings should leave their name, complete address, work and home phone numbers, and electronic mail address with the office of the City Clerk and every effort will be made to give such individuals notice of any additional public meetings that may be required.¹¹ Notice to such individuals will be attempted by either regular mail, electronic mail, phone or face to face communication.

V. AMENDMENT OF REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES

Should it become necessary at any time to amend these Guidelines the Council may do so upon a vote of the majority of the members of the Council at any duly called meeting of the Council.

¹⁰ The date of the committee meeting will be determined by the Council and announced pursuant to requirements of Ind. Code §5-14-1.5-5.

¹¹ The term "additional public meetings" refers to meetings not set forth in these Guidelines or in the Notice attached as Exhibit "1".

Instructions for Submitting District Plans for Carmel

The procedures for submitting district plans for the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana is set forth in this Public Plan Submission Kit. For your plan to be accepted for consideration these procedures must be strictly followed.

This kit contains the following items supplied on written or digital media:

1. A map of the City showing current precinct boundaries in .pdf format.
2. A map of the existing City district plan boundaries in .pdf format.
3. Excerpts of §3.3 of the Carmel City Code describing current districts.
4. A table of existing precincts and corresponding population statistics.
5. A copy of the Guidelines.
6. Instructions and a summary form for submission of district plans.

Plans must be submitted in writing (note instructions below concerning provided forms) to the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours no later than noon on November 3, 2022. Plans submitted after this time will not be considered by the Council.

Criteria for Submitted Plans

Plans must include all territory within the City and meet the following criteria to be considered by the Council. For more detailed discussion concerning these requirements refer to the “Redistricting Guidelines by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana” document.

1. Districts must be composed of contiguous territory.
2. Districts must be reasonably compact.
3. Districts must be composed (as nearly as possible) of equal population based on 2020 Federal decennial census data.
4. Districts should conform to existing precinct boundary lines (except as allowed by the Guidelines).
5. Districts should not intentionally dilute the voting strength of any language or racial minority group.

Census Data

Census data is available on the website of the United States Census Bureau at www.census.gov. The Council will only consider plans using official 2020 census data.

Submission of Plans

Plans submitted for review must be complete plans for the entire City which provide six (6) districts meeting the above criteria. All geographic territory in the City must be included. Plans must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk, Third Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032 no later than noon on November 3, 2022. Plans submitted should include the following items:

1. Detailed Description. The plan should be described by listing the precincts or portions of precincts (described by census block, roadways or other natural boundaries) assigned to each district. The plan may use the provided form to enter the district assignments, or precinct assignments may be entered on a spreadsheet by the submitter.
2. Summary Sheet. The summary sheet enclosed in the Public Plan Submission Kit must be completed, dated and signed by the submitter.

EXCERPTS OF CARMEL CITY CODE

§ 3-3 Six Councilmanic District Boundaries.

(a) Pursuant to *I.C.*, 36-4-6-3, the Council consists of nine members, three of which are elected at large and six of which are elected from single-member districts.

(b) Three members of the Council shall be elected from an electoral district that consists of all of the City and each voter of the City may vote for three at-large candidates.

(c) The City is divided into six single member districts, from each of which one member shall be elected by the voters in that district. The six Councilmanic districts, numbered pursuant to this Ordinance, shall contain precincts, the names and corresponding numbers of which are set forth in the Order adopted by the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners. The boundaries of each district are set forth below in the following named districts: Central, Northeast, Southeast, North, Southwest, and West.

(1) The Central Councilmanic District (District No. 1) consists of the following precincts (precinct # in parentheses): (#237) Arbors, (#203) Carmel Meadows, (#211) Guilford 1, (#208) Daniel Warren, (#220) Rangeline, (#221) Richland, (#232) Stonehedge 1, (#250) Stonehedge 2, (#231) Guilford 2, (#213) Hunters Trace, (#216) Mohawk Hills, (#239) Brentwood.

The Central Councilmanic District has a total population of 15,081 persons based on the 2010 US Census as supplemented by the partial Federal census conducted in portions of the City on August 25, 2016 (the "Special Census").

(2) The Northeast Councilmanic District (District No. 2) consists of the following precincts (precinct # in parentheses): (#207) Cool Creek North, (#253) Copperwood, (#229) Johnson Acres, (#249) Woodgate, (#265) Prairie View, (#248) Woodfield, (#235) Avian, (#259) Cherry Tree, (#236) Clay Northeast, (#255) Hazel Dell, (#224) Brookfield Crossing.

The Northeast Councilmanic District has a total population of 15,579 persons based on the 2010 US Census as supplemented by the Special Census.

(3) The Southeast Councilmanic District (District No. 3) consists of the following precincts (precinct # in parentheses): (#223) White Chapel, (#234) Brookshire North, (#258) Bay Hill, (#260) Stonewick, (#247) Waterford, (#238) Blue Creek, (#201) Briar Creek, (#226) Cool Creek South, (#202) Brookshire, (#209) Eden Brook, (#210) Greensprings, (#251) Kingswood 2, (#214) Keystone, (#242) Kingswood 1.

The Southeast Councilmanic District has a total population of 15,410 persons based on the 2010 US Census as supplemented by the Special Census.

(4) The North Councilmanic District (District No. 4) consists of the following precincts (precinct # in parentheses): (#262) Cheswick, (#246) Thistlewood, (#217) Mount Carmel 1, (#244) Mount Carmel 2, (#241) Hunters Creek, (#272) Clay Northwest

2, (#270) Kingsborough, (#263) Saddle Creek, (#722) The Village, (#264) Spring Farms, (#252) Springmill Ponds.

The North Councilmanic District has a total population of 15,038 persons based on the 2010 US Census as supplemented by the Special Census.

(5) The Southwest Councilmanic District (District No. 5) consists of the following precincts (precinct # in parentheses): (#225) Woodland, (#254) Meridian (NV), (#212) Holaday 1, (#240) Holaday 2, (#257) Clay Center 2, (#215) Lady Hamilton, (#243) Lexington, (#218) Orchard Park, (#206) College, (#267) Pleasant Grove 2, (#219) Pleasant Grove 1, (#222) Northridge, (#228) Spring Mill 1, (#245) Spring Mill 2, (#261) Crooked Stick.

The Southwest Councilmanic District has a total population of 15,181 persons based on the 2010 US Census as supplemented by the Special Census.

(6) The West Councilmanic District (District No. 6) consists of the following precincts (precinct # in parentheses): (#233) Clay Northwest 1, (#204) Clay Center 1, (#266) Clay Center 3, (#205) Clay Southwest 1, (#256) Clay Southwest 2, (#268) Clay Southwest 3, (#269) Coxhall.

The West Councilmanic District has a total population of 15,323 persons based on the 2010 US Census as supplemented by the Special Census.

(d) Councilmanic Districts are divided according to the 2010 US Census population figures, as supplemented by the partial Federal census conducted in portions of the City on August 25, 2016, all as set forth in Exhibit A to be retained with the permanent records of Ordinance D- 2442-18.

(e) The map filed in connection with the submission of this redistricting plan adopted pursuant to subsection (c) shall be referred to as the City of Carmel Councilmanic Districts of 2019.

(f) (1) Any discrepancies or conflicts between the geographic boundaries of the precincts and the boundaries of the Census voting districts and any omission or duplicate assignment of any territory shall be resolved by reference to Clay Township Precinct Map, Precinct approved dated December 18, 2017, as prepared for the Hamilton County Clerk by the Hamilton County Surveyor and available in the Hamilton County Elections Office, or to the rules of construction stated in this section.

(2) The districts in subsection (c) shall be construed so as to include all of the territory of the City within one, but only one, of the districts established by this section.

(3) Subsection (c) shall be construed so as to exclude from all districts any territory not located in the City.

(4) Any territory in the City which is not included in a district shall be deemed to be included in the district that:

- a) Is one of the districts in which the territory is described;
- b) Is contiguous to that territory; and

c) Contains the least population of all districts contiguous to that territory.

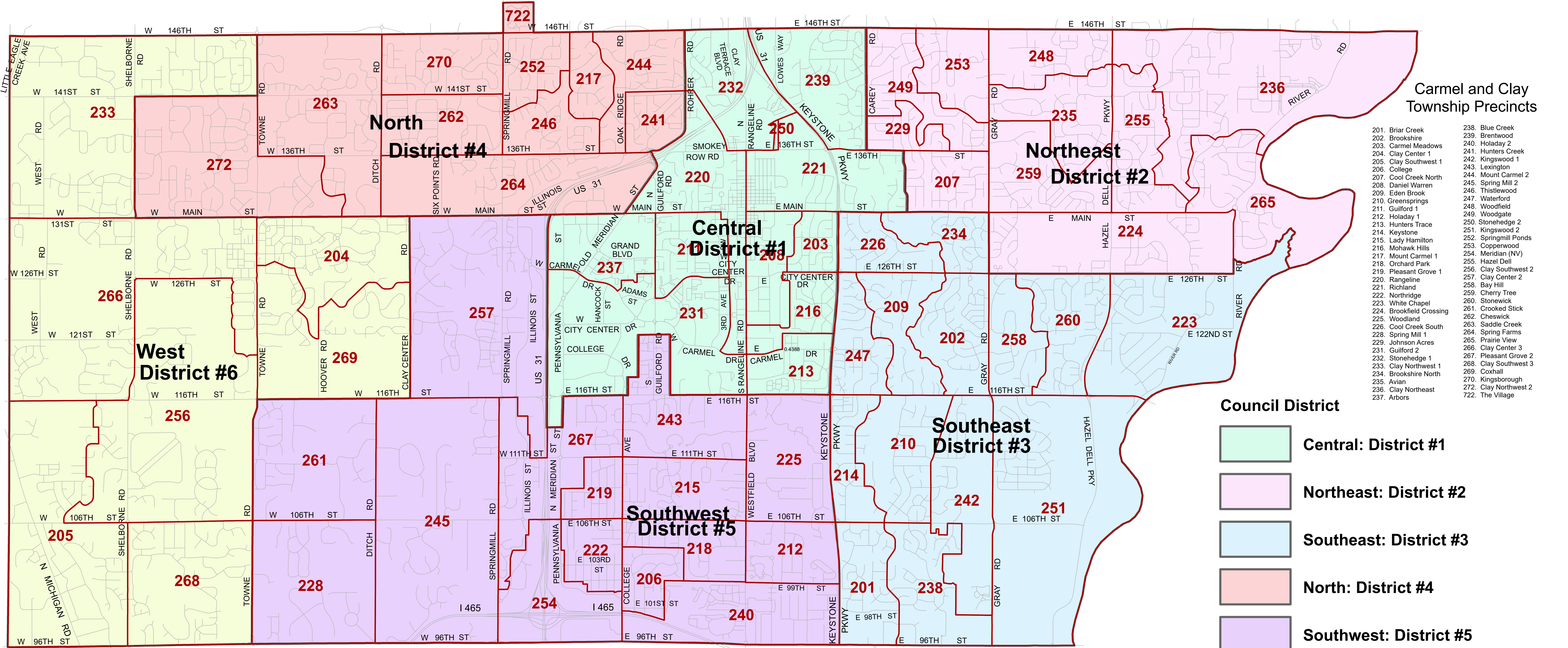
(g) The Council reserves the right to amend or revise the descriptions of the districts set forth in subsection (c) to correct any errors, duplications or omissions in the descriptions, to conform to any corrections or revisions of the Census data hereafter made by the U.S. Bureau of Census, to comply with any valid court order respecting this section, or for any other lawful purpose.

(`91 Code, § 3-3) (Ord. D-874, 12-21-92; Ord. D-1602-02, 11-4-02; Ord. D-1811-06, 6-19-06; Ord. D-1993-10, 7-6-10; Ord. D-2114-12, 11-19-12; Ord. D-2442-18, § 2, 11-5-18)

§ 3-4 Redistricting Procedures.

Redistricting of Councilmanic Districts shall be done in the second year after a year in which a federal decennial census is conducted in accordance with *I.C.*, 36-4-6-3. The Council may by ordinance require redistricting on a more frequent basis through adoption of appropriate ordinances subject to *I.C.*, 3-11-1.5-32.

(`91 Code, § 3-4) (Ord. D-362, § III B, 3-22-83; Ord. D-2442-18, § 2, 11-5-18)



Carmel and Clay Township Precincts

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 201. Briar Creek | 238. Blue Creek |
| 202. Brookshire | 239. Brentwood |
| 203. Carmel Meadows | 240. Holaday 2 |
| 204. Clay Center 1 | 241. Hunters Creek |
| 205. Clay Southwest 1 | 242. Kingswood 1 |
| 206. College | 243. Lexington |
| 207. Cool Creek North | 244. Mount Carmel 2 |
| 208. Daniel Warren | 245. Spring Mill 2 |
| 209. Eden Brook | 246. Thistlewood |
| 210. Greensprings | 247. Waterford |
| 211. Guilford 1 | 248. Woodfield |
| 212. Holaday 1 | 249. Woodgate |
| 213. Hunters Trace | 250. Stonehedge 2 |
| 214. Keystone | 251. Kingswood 2 |
| 215. Lady Hamilton | 252. Springmill Ponds |
| 216. Mohawk Hills | 253. Copperwood |
| 217. Mount Carmel 1 | 254. Meridian (NV) |
| 218. Orchard Park | 255. Hazel Dell |
| 219. Pleasant Grove 1 | 256. Clay Southwest 2 |
| 220. Rangeline | 257. Clay Center 2 |
| 221. Richland | 258. Bay Hill |
| 222. Northridge | 259. Cherry Tree |
| 223. White Chapel | 260. Stonewick |
| 224. Brookfield Crossing | 261. Crooked Stick |
| 225. Woodland | 262. Cheswick |
| 226. Cool Creek South | 263. Saddle Creek |
| 228. Spring Mill 1 | 264. Spring Farms |
| 229. Johnson Acres | 265. Prairie View |
| 231. Guilford 2 | 266. Clay Center 3 |
| 232. Stonehedge 1 | 267. Pleasant Grove 2 |
| 233. Clay Northwest 1 | 268. Clay Southwest 3 |
| 234. Brookshire North | 269. Coxhall |
| 235. Avian | 270. Kingsborough |
| 236. Clay Northeast | 272. Clay Northwest 2 |
| 237. Arbors | 722. The Village |

Council District

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| | Central: District #1 |
| | Northeast: District #2 |
| | Southeast: District #3 |
| | North: District #4 |
| | Southwest: District #5 |
| | West: District #6 |

**CITY OF CARMEL POPULATION BY PRECINCT
(2020 CENSUS)**

PRECINCTS	POPULATION
CLAY 01	961
CLAY 02	2055
CLAY 03	2145
CLAY 04	2511
CLAY 05	1902
CLAY 06	1731
CLAY 07	1137
CLAY 08	1114
CLAY 09	1607
CLAY 10	1381
CLAY 11	1712
CLAY 12	1638
CLAY 13	2131
CLAY 14	931
CLAY 15	1408
CLAY 17	1749
CLAY 19	1433
CLAY 20	2004
CLAY 22	1797
CLAY 23	1400
CLAY 24	1565
CLAY 27	2049
CLAY 28	970
CLAY 29	621
CLAY 30	1062
CLAY 31	2190
CLAY 32	1512
CLAY 33	2096
CLAY 35	1373
CLAY 36	2240
CLAY 37	3085
CLAY 38	1144
CLAY 39	1703
CLAY 40	2161
CLAY 41	854
CLAY 42	1130
CLAY 43	780
CLAY 46	1046

CLAY 47	1064
CLAY 48	1774
CLAY 49	1507
CLAY 51	1319
CLAY 52	1262
CLAY 53	821
CLAY 54	1613
CLAY 55	1894
CLAY 56	2175
CLAY 57	2209
CLAY 58	795
CLAY 59	1311
CLAY 60	1787
CLAY 61	974
CLAY 62	1183
CLAY 63	2967
CLAY 64	1887
CLAY 65	2362
CLAY 66	1646
CLAY 67	1710
CLAY 68	1721
CLAY 69	1742
CLAY 70	1276
CLAY 71	1766
NOBLESVILLE 03	0*
WESTFIELD 22	<u>664</u>
GRAND TOTAL	99,757

* No population in City limits, but must be included in plan

Summary of City of Carmel Council Redistricting Plan

The attached plan is submitted for review and consideration by the Carmel Common Council.

Submitter Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Electronic Mail Address: _____

Do you wish to present testimony to the Council regarding this plan? Testimony will be time limited.

_____ YES _____ NO

Note: Submitted Plans are the property of the City of Carmel and are part of the public record. They are not returnable.

Plan Summary

District	Ideal Population	Plan Population	Deviation
1	19,951		
2	19,951		
3	19,951		
4	19,951		
5	19,951		
6	19,951		

Note: Ideal Population for Districts is based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing Bureau of Census, U.S. Department of Commerce. The population counts are contained in the table included in the Public Plan Submission Kit.

“Plan Population” is the total number of persons in each of the districts as proposed in the submitted plan. “Deviation” is the positive or negative number obtained by subtracting the Plan Population value from the Ideal Population Value.

Date Plan Submitted: _____, 2022.

Signature of Submitter: _____

If plan is being submitted on behalf of an organization or entity other than the above Submitter, please identity the organization or entity below:

Name of Organization: _____

Address of Organization: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Name/Phone Contact: _____

Electronic Mail Address: _____

Note: Plans must be submitted no later than Noon on November 3, 2022, and meet the requirements contained in the Redistricting Guidelines, adopted by the Council, to be considered by the Council.

CERTIFICATE OF CITY CLERK

City of Carmel, Indiana

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

I, Sue Wolfgang, am the duly elected Clerk of the City of Carmel, Indiana, and hereby certify as follows:

1. Attached hereto as Attachment "A" is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. CC-10-17-22-03 entitled "A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana Adopting Guidelines for City Council Legislative Redistricting" (the "Guidelines") which was duly adopted by the Council at an open meeting held on October 17, 2022.
2. Pursuant to the Guidelines, Public Access Packets were available in the office of the Clerk beginning October 18, 2022.
3. No objections or written comments to the Guidelines were received in the Clerk's office as of the published deadline therefore at Noon on October 28, 2022.
4. The following Plans for redistricting of the Common Council were the only Plans received by my office by the published deadline of Noon on November 3, 2022: Redistricting Coordinator's Plan submitted by the Council's Redistricting Coordinator, Jeff Worrell, attached hereto as Attachment "B".
5. The foregoing meetings of the Common Council complied in all material respects with the laws of the State of Indiana governing public body meetings including particularly Ind. Code 5-14-1.5 (the Indiana Open Door Law).

Dated this 3rd day of November, 2022.


Sue Wolfgang
City Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

Sponsor: Councilor Worrell

RESOLUTION NO.: CC-10-17-22-03

**RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA
ADOPTING GUIDELINES FOR COMMON COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING**

WHEREAS, Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3 requires the Common Council (the “Council”) of the City of Carmel, Indiana (the “City”) to redistrict the City’s legislative body districts in the second year after a year in which a federal decennial census is conducted; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to establish new City legislative body districts for the elections occurring in 2023 and thereafter utilizing the 2020 decennial census data as updated for the City by any special census, special tabulation or corrected census count as required by Ind. Code §1-1-3.5-3; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires the public to be fully informed regarding the procedures to be used to redistrict the City’s legislative body districts; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to memorialize the legal and procedural requirements to be used by the Council in approaching the redistricting process and in evaluating proposed redistricting plans.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Incorporated. The foregoing Recitals are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Redistricting Guidelines Adopted. The Council hereby adopts and approves the “**Redistricting Guidelines by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana**” (the “Guidelines”) attached to this Resolution as Exhibit “A”, and specifically incorporated herein by reference, as the definitive statement of the intent of the Council regarding the redistricting process and as an accurate statement of the process to be used by the Council in reapportioning legislative body districts.

Section 3. Appointment of Redistricting Coordinator. The Council hereby designates Jeff Worrell, Council Vice-President, to serve as the Council’s Redistricting Coordinator to coordinate the legislative body redistricting process and to implement the Guidelines.

Section 4. Charge to Coordinator. The Redistricting Coordinator appointed herein is authorized, empowered and directed to become fully informed regarding the legal requirements of the redistricting process, to work with the Council’s special legal counsel to develop a proposed redistricting plan (the “Redistricting Plan”) that complies with all requirements of state and federal law and with the Guidelines for consideration by the Council, and to report back to the Council from time to time regarding all aspects of the redistricting process.

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Sponsor: Councilor Worrell

Section 5. Effectiveness. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage by the Council.

SO RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, this 17th day of October, 2022 by a vote of 8 ayes and 0 nays.

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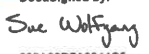
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Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Carmel, Indiana this 18th day of October, 2022, at 1:30 P.M.

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Approved by me, Mayor of the City of Carmel, Indiana this 18th day of October, 2022, at 2:00 P.M.

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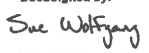
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EXHIBIT “A

REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA

These guidelines (the “Guidelines”) are adopted to establish the criteria to be used to redistrict legislative body districts for the Common Council (“Council”) of the City of Carmel, Indiana (the “City”) in compliance with Ind. Code §36-4-6-3 (the “City Districting Statute” or “Statute”) and other applicable provisions of the Indiana Code. It is the intent of these Guidelines and of the Council to promote free and open participation by the public in the redistricting process, to create district boundaries that enhance and facilitate effective representation of all citizens in the City, and to comply with all relevant statutory and constitutional requirements. The primary goal of the Council in this redistricting process is to ensure fair and effective representation of all citizens.

I. REQUIREMENTS OF IND. CODE §36-4-6-3 and IND. CODE 3-5-10

The redistricting of Council districts last occurred in 2018, as codified by Ordinance D-2442-18, finally adopted on November 5, 2018. The description of the City’s current Council districts appears in §3.3 of the Carmel City Code. The City Districting Statute establishes certain minimal criteria for the redistricting process. It is the intent of these Guidelines to fully comply with the criteria set forth in the City Districting Statute and other applicable state and federal laws. Compliance with statutory criteria is discussed more specifically in subsequent sections of these Guidelines.

Applicable portions of the City Districting Statute provide as follows:

- (a) This section applies only to second class cities.
- (b) The legislative body shall adopt an ordinance to divide the city into six (6) districts that:
 - (1) are composed of contiguous territory, except for territory that is not contiguous to any other part of the city;
 - (2) are reasonably compact;
 - (3) do not cross precinct boundary lines except as provided in subsection (c) or (d); and
 - (4) contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.
- (c) The boundary of a city legislative body district may cross a precinct boundary line if:
 - (1) more than one (1) member of the legislative body elected from the districts established under subsection (b) resides in one (1) precinct established under IC 3-11-1.5 after the most recent municipal election; and
 - (2) following the establishment of a legislative body district whose boundary crosses a precinct boundary line, not more than one (1) member of the legislative body elected from the districts resides within the same city legislative body district.
- (d) The boundary of a city legislative body district may cross a precinct line if the districts would not otherwise contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.

(e) A city legislative body district with a boundary described by subsection (c) or (d) may not cross a census block boundary line:

- (1) except when following a precinct boundary line; or
- (2) unless the city legislative body certifies in the ordinance that the census block has no population, and is not likely to ever have population.

(f) The legislative body may not adopt an ordinance dividing the city into districts with boundaries described by subsection (c) or (d) unless the clerk of the city mails a written notice to the circuit court clerk. The notice must:

- (1) state that the legislative body is considering the adoption of an ordinance described by this subsection; and
- (2) be mailed not later than ten (10) days before the legislative body adopts the ordinance.

(g) Except as provided in subsection (j),¹ the division under subsection (b) shall be made only at times permitted under IC 3-5-10.²

(h) The legislative body is composed of six (6) members elected from the districts established under subsection (b) and three (3) at-large members.

(i) Each voter of the city may vote for three (3) candidates for at-large membership and one (1) candidate from the district in which the voter resides. The three (3) at-large candidates receiving the most votes from the whole city and the district candidates receiving the most votes from their respective districts are elected to the legislative body.

[...]

(k) A copy of the ordinance establishing districts or a recertification adopted under this section must be filed with the circuit court clerk of the county that contains the greatest population of the city not later than thirty (30) days after the ordinance or recertification is adopted. The filing must include a map of the district boundaries:

- (1) adopted under subsection (b); or
- (2) recertified under subsection (j).

[...]

(m) IC 3-5-10 applies to a plan established under this section.

Applicable portions of Ind. Code 3-5-10 provide as follows:

§3-5-10-9. If a conflict exists between:

- (1) a map showing the boundaries of a district; and

¹ Subsection (j) applies only if a legislative body determines that a division is not required and recertifies the existing districts as complying with applicable law.

² Ind. Code §3-5-10-7 limits the time frame for redistricting to the second year after a federal census; the first year after a census event, other than a federal decennial census, becomes effective; whenever required to assign annexed territory to a district; whenever the boundary of the political subdivision is changed; or, as provided in the order of a court that has found the current redistricting plan unconstitutional or otherwise unlawful.

(2) a description of the boundaries of that district set forth in the plan;

the district boundaries are the description of the boundaries set forth in the plan, not the boundaries shown on the map, but only to the extent there is a conflict between the description and the map.

§3-5-10-10. If any territory in the political subdivision is not included in one (1) of the districts, the territory is included in the district that:

- (1) is contiguous to that territory; and
- (2) contains the least population of all districts contiguous to that territory.

§3-5-10-11. If any territory in the political subdivision is included in more than one (1) of the districts, the territory is included in the district that:

- (1) is one (1) of the districts in which the territory is described in the ordinance or resolution that establishes the plan;
- (2) is contiguous to that territory; and
- (3) contains the least population of all districts contiguous to that territory.

II. CRITERIA TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN DRAWING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

A. Contiguous Territory

The City Districting Statute specifies that legislative body districts shall be “composed of contiguous territory, except for territory that is not contiguous to any other part of the city.”³ The Council interprets this requirement to mean that, among other things, a legislative body district cannot be made up of one or more areas that meet at the points of adjoining corners. The Council is committed to creating legislative body districts that consist only of contiguous territory unless established precinct boundaries dictate otherwise.

B. Reasonably Compact

The City Districting Statute requires that districts must be “reasonably compact.”⁴ The Council recognizes that this requirement does not require districts to be as compact as possible. Moreover, the Council believes that the goal of compactness should generally defer to criteria more fundamental to obtaining effective and functional electoral districts including population equality, respect for precinct boundaries, respect for natural geography, building patterns and communities of interest. The compactness requirement would, however, override these other criteria in some instances as when the degree of compactness of the proposed district would be considered “unreasonable.” The Council is committed to creating legislative body districts that are reasonably compact.

C. Equal Population

The City Districting Statute requires that City legislative body districts “contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.”⁵ This requirement includes both the selection of accurate data upon which to base the Council’s determination, and a determination regarding the minimum standards for population equality.

³ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(b)(1).

⁴ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(b)(2).

⁵ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(b)(4).

1. Use of Census Data

The Council recognizes that use of data from the 2020 Federal Decennial Census is mandated by the Indiana General Assembly as updated by any Federal special census, special tabulation or corrected population count.⁶ The foregoing 2020 Census data is readily available and accessible to the public.⁷ Consequently, the Council will use the 2020 Federal Decennial Census population data to establish Council districts.

2. Population Deviation

The City Districting Statute requires districts that “contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.” The City interprets this phrase to mean that Council districts must comply with the equal protection clause of the United States Constitution as that clause has been interpreted with respect to local government election districts. The modifying language clearly indicates, however, that, unlike federal Congressional districts, precise equality of population among districts is not specifically required by the Statute.

In order to comply with the City Districting Statute and the equal protection clause of the United States Constitution the Council will evaluate the population of each district of any redistricting plan considered by the Council for “deviation from the ideal district size” and will also evaluate any such redistricting plan for the “total deviation” of the plan. As used in these Guidelines the term “ideal district size” refers to the total population of the City (as determined by the 2020 Census) divided by six (6).⁸ The term “deviation from the ideal district size” refers to the amount by which the population of any district is greater than or less than the ideal district size and is expressed as a percentage by dividing the difference between the actual and ideal district sizes by the ideal district size. The term “total deviation” refers to the sum that is derived by adding the deviation from the ideal district size of the smallest and largest population districts (expressed as a percentage).

The City recognizes that total population deviations of less than ten percent (10%) are considered *prima facie* constitutional for state legislative districts pursuant to Supreme Court precedent and that total population deviations in excess of ten percent (10%) may be justified if supported by reasonable state interests. Courts have generally applied similar standards to local government apportionment efforts.

Nevertheless, the Council has determined that a primary goal of the redistricting process should be the creation of Council districts with nearly equal population and that any significant deviation from this principle must be adequately justified and as narrow as possible to meet the stated reasons for the deviation. Any total deviation in excess of five percent (5%) shall be justified in writing with reference to one or more rational objective criteria including:

- a. contiguity;
- b. compactness;
- c. adherence to precinct boundary lines (except as allowed by the Statute);
- d. respect for and adherence to natural geography and building patterns including, but not limited to, rivers, streets, shopping areas, neighborhoods, etc.;

⁶ Ind. Code §1-1-3.5-3(b).

⁷ Census data is available on the website of the United States Census Bureau found at www.census.gov.

⁸ The 2020 US Census Bureau establishes the population of the City of Carmel as 99,757 as of April 1, 2020. Based on that number, the ideal district size is established by the Council as 16,626.

- e. communities of interests; and
- f. other objective criteria.

Written comments accompanying any redistricting plan submitted by a member of the public for consideration must reference any objective criteria relied upon to justify a total population deviation in excess of five percent (5%).

D. Precinct Boundary Lines

The City Districting Statute provides that districts may not cross precinct lines unless: (1) more than one member of the Council resides in a single precinct as described; or (2) the districts would not otherwise contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population.⁹ However, the Council recognizes that respect for precinct boundaries is essential to minimize voter confusion on election day, to reduce the cost of election administration, to help preserve communities of interest and to encourage voter understanding of the electoral process. The Council is committed to creating legislative body districts that respect precinct boundary lines provided that the goal of creating districts with nearly equal population is not unduly burdened thereby. Consequently, only in an extraordinary event will precinct boundary lines be disregarded, and in such event such division will be minimized to the extent reasonably practicable. Prior to the adoption of a final plan which includes districts crossing precinct lines, the Clerk shall provide the notice required by subsection (f) of the City Redistricting Statute. The precinct boundary lines used to create Council districts shall be those precinct boundary lines in use in Hamilton County as of July 1, 2022.

E. Dilution of Minority or Political Voting Strength

The Council recognizes the fundamental right of political participation by all citizens in the City. Consequently, no district shall be drawn to intentionally dilute or that has the effect of diluting the voting strength of any language or racial minority group. Any proposed redistricting plan demonstrated to have the intent or effect of dispersing or concentrating minority population in a manner that prevents minority communities from electing their candidates of choice shall not be acceptable.

In addition, no district shall be drawn for the purpose of discriminating against an identifiable political group in such a way that the group's electoral influence is consistently degraded.

F. Communities of Interest

The Council believes that an important function of electoral districts is to promote and enhance community cohesiveness and dialogue and to promote the recognition of unique interests that are held in common by recognizable groups of voters. Such interests may include social, cultural, or economic interests common to the population of the area. In the redistricting process the City will preserve communities of interest where possible so long as recognition of such interests does not conflict with the other statutory or constitutional redistricting criteria.

III. PUBLIC NOTICE AND PARTICIPATION IN THE DISTRICTING PROCESS

Believing that public participation is essential to a fair and effective redistricting process, the Council adopts the following plan for public participation in the redistricting process.

A. All Redistricting Meetings to be Public

⁹ Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(c) and (d).

All redistricting meetings conducted by a quorum of the Council shall be held in compliance with the Indiana Open Door Law, Ind. Code §5-14-1.5-1 *et seq.*

B. Public Notice Regarding Meetings At Which Redistricting Plans Are To Be Considered

The Council shall comply with the public notice requirements which are applicable to all Council Meetings. Public notice regarding the consideration of Council district plans shall additionally be published as provided in these Guidelines.

C. Public Access to Redistricting Information and Submission of Proposed Plans.

The Council desires and welcomes full public participation in the redistricting process. In order to ensure public participation in the redistricting process the Council authorizes the following steps to be taken by the Redistricting Coordinator:

1. Publication of the notice set forth in Exhibit “1” in the *Carmel Current*, *The Indianapolis Star*, and the *Court & Commercial Record* no later than October 18, 2022. The Redistricting Coordinator is further authorized to publish notice in such other publications as deemed appropriate by the Redistricting Coordinator and to place the Notice on the City website.
2. Provision of individual notice of any public redistricting meetings not described in these Guidelines and not listed on the notice published in compliance with the preceding paragraph to all members of the public who request such notice by filing a written request for notification with the office of the City Clerk.
3. Provision of the notice set forth in Exhibit “1” via a news release distributed to all media that have requested notice pursuant to Ind. Code § 5-14-1.5-5.
4. Provision of City maps indicating precinct boundaries and summary population data at the precinct level to members of the public at no cost for the purpose of facilitating the creation and submission of alternative redistricting plans by members of the public.
5. Production of minutes of all public redistricting meetings by the City Clerk to be made available for review after approval at the next Council meeting.

D. Individual Notice Regarding Districting Process

Individual notice regarding any aspect of the districting process shall be given without charge to any individual or organization that requests it. Such requests shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk, Carmel City Hall, Third Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032. The City Clerk’s Office is open from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. Additional notice shall be provided as described elsewhere in these Guidelines.

IV. SUBMISSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DISTRICTING PLANS

To meet the statutory requirements of the City Districting Statute and Ind. Code §3-5-10-7, the Council must adopt on final passage an ordinance approving a districting plan no later than December 31, 2022.

A. Preparation of Draft Plan by Redistricting Coordinator

The Council has designated, by Resolution adopted contemporaneously with the adoption of these Guidelines, the Vice President of the Council as the City's Redistricting Coordinator for the purpose of developing a draft plan (the "Draft Plan") that complies with the legal requirements for the creation of legislative body districts. The Redistricting Coordinator is further directed to ensure that the Draft Plan complies in all respects with the applicable portions of these Guidelines.

It is the responsibility of the City Redistricting Coordinator to prepare a Draft Plan that is made available to members of the public and members of the Council not later than Noon on November 3, 2022, the date designated for the submission of plans by the public. The Draft Plan shall thereafter be available for review in the office of the City Clerk during normal business hours at the request of any member of the public prior to consideration of its final adoption.

B. Public Preparation and Submission of Redistricting Plans

The Council shall also receive redistricting plans submitted by any member of the public so long as any such plan is submitted in writing to the City Clerk's office during regular business hours between the date of adoption of these Guidelines and prior to Noon on November 3, 2022.

Any plan offered by a member of the public must meet the following criteria to be considered:

1. It must have been submitted in writing to the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours between the date of adoption of these Guidelines and Noon on November 3, 2022;
2. The precincts (or portions of partial precincts) contained in each proposed legislative body district shall be clearly written on the form provided (Note: the Guidelines direct that precinct boundaries be respected except in extraordinary circumstances);
3. The plan as submitted must stand as a complete City-wide plan for redistricting (i.e., all pieces of geography within the City must be accounted for in some district); and
4. The plan must comply completely in all respects with these Guidelines and with the instructions attached as Exhibit "2". Any total deviation in excess of 5% from population equality must be justified in writing with reference to the objective criteria set forth in these Guidelines.

A plan must meet the above requirements to be considered by the Council. As described in these Guidelines, each plan will be evaluated for:

1. contiguity;
2. compactness;
3. population deviation;

4. respect for precinct boundary lines;
5. compliance with the requirements prohibiting discrimination;
6. respect for and adherence to natural geography and building patterns;
7. respect for communities of interest; and
8. any other relevant criteria.

To assist in the evaluation of proposed plans each individual submitting a proposed districting plan is required to complete a statistical sheet and description in the form attached hereto as Exhibit “3” and list:

- a. the total population for each proposed district; and
- b. the population deviation from the ideal for each district.

A complete set of instructions and the statistical report for publicly submitted plans is set forth as Exhibit “2” and Exhibit “3” to these Guidelines and is specifically incorporated herein by reference.

C. Written Comments Regarding Redistricting Guidelines and Draft Plans

The Council will also receive public input in the form of written comments and objections by the public to any aspect of the districting process, including the adoption of the process or criteria set forth in these Guidelines and to any Draft Plan. Any member of the public desiring to submit written comments to the Council regarding the redistricting process set forth in these Guidelines should submit those comments in writing in the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours between the date of adoption of these Guidelines and Noon on October 28, 2022. Written comments regarding the Draft Plan or any plan proposed by the public may be submitted until Noon on the date of the November 21, 2022, public hearing designated below.

D. Committee Hearing and Public Hearing Regarding Plan(s)

Upon introduction of the Draft Plan at a special meeting of the Council to be held on November 9, 2022, it is anticipated that the Draft Plan and any public plans will be assigned to the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee (the “Committee”). The Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Draft Plan and any public plans at 6:00 p.m. on November 15, 2022 in the Council Caucus Room located on the Third Floor of Carmel City Hall. The hearing will be open to the public.

After recommendation to the full Council by the Committee, the full Council shall hold a public hearing at the November 21, 2022, regular meeting of the Council (the “Public Hearing”), for the purpose of reviewing the Draft Plan and any public plans submitted to the Council and to take public testimony and comments regarding the Draft Plan and any plans proposed by the public. The Council shall make any necessary revisions or modifications to the plans under consideration prior to final adoption.

As the City Districting Statute requires the adoption of an ordinance to approve a districting plan (the “Ordinance”), unless waived in accordance with Indiana law, the Council shall adopt the Ordinance at two separate meetings of the Council at which a quorum is present. It is presently anticipated that the first reading of the Ordinance will be at the November 9, 2022, special meeting of the Council prior to assignment to the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee. At the November 21, 2022 Council meeting, a Public Hearing will be conducted prior to the Ordinance being

considered on final passage.¹⁰ Additional meetings and revisions to any plan under consideration may occur at subsequent special or regular meetings at the Council's discretion. The final adoption of the Ordinance approving a districting plan shall occur no later than December 31, 2022, in accordance with the City Districting Statute and Ind. Code §3-5-10-7.

E. Additional Public Meetings

Should additional public meetings become necessary at any point in the redistricting process, such meetings will be held and any statutorily required notice shall be given. Notice of all redistricting meetings shall be posted in advance in the office of the City Clerk or as otherwise customarily posted for Council meetings. Parties interested in the redistricting process who desire to be notified regarding any additional public meetings should leave their name, complete address, work and home phone numbers, and electronic mail address with the office of the City Clerk and every effort will be made to give such individuals notice of any additional public meetings that may be required.¹¹ Notice to such individuals will be attempted by either regular mail, electronic mail, phone or face to face communication.

V. AMENDMENT OF REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES

Should it become necessary at any time to amend these Guidelines the Council may do so upon a vote of the majority of the members of the Council at any duly called meeting of the Council.

¹⁰ The date of the committee meeting will be determined by the Council and announced pursuant to requirements of Ind. Code §5-14-1.5-5.

¹¹ The term "additional public meetings" refers to meetings not set forth in these Guidelines or in the Notice attached as Exhibit "1".

EXHIBIT “1”**Notice Regarding Division of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana
into Legislative Body Districts**

Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3, the Common Council of the City of Carmel (the “City”) is dividing the City’s legislative body districts into six (6) single member districts on or before December 31, 2022, for the election of Council Members in 2023 and thereafter. To accomplish this division, the Council has adopted Redistricting Guidelines which are available upon request in the office of the City Clerk, Carmel City Hall, Third Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. The division of the Common Council into legislative body districts will be accomplished pursuant to the following schedule:

October 28, 2022 by Noon	Last Day for Members of the Public to Submit Objections or Written Comments Regarding the Redistricting Guidelines to the Office of the City Clerk.
November 3, 2022 by Noon	Deadline for Plans Submitted by the Public. Redistricting Coordinator Makes Draft of City Districting Plan Available for Examination by the Public at the Office of the City Clerk.
November 9, 2022 6:00 pm	Special Meeting of Council to Introduce Ordinance Adopting City Districting Plan and Plans Submitted by the Public, First Reading on Ordinance Preliminarily Approving a Plan, and Assignment to the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee.
November 15, 2022 6:00 pm	Public Meeting of the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee for Purpose of Reviewing and Evaluating Draft of City Districting Plan and Plans Submitted by the Public, and making a recommendation to the Council. Hearing to be held in Council Caucus Room, Third Floor City Hall.
November 21, 2022 6:00 pm	Public Hearing for Purpose of Reviewing and Evaluating Draft of City Districting Plan and Plans Submitted by the Public, Making Revisions to Plan to be Adopted by Council, and to Adopt an Ordinance Approving the Plan on Final Passage. Written comments on any plan must be received by the City Clerk by Noon this day.
Within 30 days of Adoption	Filing of a Certified Copy of the Ordinance Establishing Districts with the Clerk of the Hamilton County Circuit Court no later than Thirty (30) Days After the Ordinance is Adopted Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3(m).

Each of the meetings set forth above will be held in the Council Chambers of the Carmel City Hall, Second Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032, and shall begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. The public's participation in the redistricting process is welcomed. All Council meetings are open to the public. The public is invited to submit proposed districting plans that comply with the Redistricting Guidelines adopted by the Council. A Public Plan Submission Kit (including census data) is

available during normal business hours in the office of the City Clerk set forth above. To be considered by the Council, redistricting plans submitted by the public must comply with the Redistricting Guidelines and must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk no later than Noon on November 3, 2022.

EXHIBIT “2”

Instructions for Submitting District Plans for Carmel

The procedures for submitting district plans for the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana is set forth in this Public Plan Submission Kit. For your plan to be accepted for consideration these procedures must be strictly followed.

This kit contains the following items supplied on written or digital media:

1. A map of the City showing current precinct boundaries in .pdf format.
2. A map of the existing City district plan boundaries in .pdf format.
3. Excerpts of §3.3 of the Carmel City Code describing current districts.
4. A table of existing precincts and corresponding population statistics.
5. A copy of the Guidelines.
6. Instructions and a summary form for submission of district plans.

Plans must be submitted in writing (note instructions below concerning provided forms) to the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours no later than noon on November 3, 2022. Plans submitted after this time will not be considered by the Council.

Criteria for Submitted Plans

Plans must include all territory within the City and meet the following criteria to be considered by the Council. For more detailed discussion concerning these requirements refer to the “Redistricting Guidelines by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana” document.

1. Districts must be composed of contiguous territory.
2. Districts must be reasonably compact.
3. Districts must be composed (as nearly as possible) of equal population based on 2020 Federal decennial census data.
4. Districts should conform to existing precinct boundary lines (except as allowed by the Guidelines).
5. Districts should not intentionally dilute the voting strength of any language or racial minority group.

Census Data

Census data is available on the website of the United States Census Bureau at www.census.gov. The Council will only consider plans using official 2020 census data.

Submission of Plans

Plans submitted for review must be complete plans for the entire City which provide six (6) districts meeting the above criteria. All geographic territory in the City must be included. Plans must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk, Third Floor, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032 no later than noon on November 3, 2022. Plans submitted should include the following items:

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2. Summary Sheet. The summary sheet enclosed in the Public Plan Submission Kit must be completed, dated and signed by the submitter.

ATTACHMENT B**EXHIBIT “3”****Summary of City of Carmel Council Redistricting Plan**

The attached plan is submitted for review and consideration by the Carmel Common Council.

Submitter Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Electronic Mail Address: _____

Do you wish to present testimony to the Council regarding this plan? Testimony will be time limited.

_____ YES _____ NO

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Plan Summary

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2	16,626		
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Date Plan Submitted: _____, 2022.

Signature of Submitter: _____

If plan is being submitted on behalf of an organization or entity other than the above Submitter, please identity the organization or entity below:

Name of Organization: _____

Address of Organization: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Name/Phone Contact: _____

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Name: Jeff Worrell

Address: Carmel City Hall, One Civic Square

City: Carmel State: Indiana Zip: 46032

Daytime Phone: 317-471-9836 Evening Phone: _____

Electronic Mail Address: jworrell@carmel.in.gov

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SPONSOR: Councilor Worrell

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INDIANA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING
COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS

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WHEREAS, the Council has made provision for members of the public to object to the provisions of the Redistricting Guidelines and to submit proposed maps in compliance with the Guidelines and gave public notice of the same in the Notice and no such maps or objections have been filed; and

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- (e) In accordance with *I.C.*, §36-4-6-5(p) this Ordinance must be construed, if possible, to comply with the provisions of *I.C.* §36-4-5-6. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if any provision is found to be invalid, the invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision.
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[Signature Page Follows]

PASSED by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2022, by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

COMMON COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA

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ATTEST:

Sue Wolfgang, Clerk

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Carmel, Indiana this ____ day of _____ 2022,
at _____.M.

Sue Wolfgang, Clerk

Approved by me, Mayor of the City of Carmel, Indiana, this ____ day of _____ 2022,
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James Brainard, Mayor

ATTEST:

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NOV - 3 2022

TIME: 10:55a.m. JWQ

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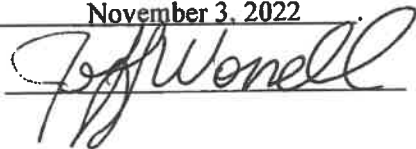
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[Signature Page Follows]

PASSED by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2022, by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

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ATTEST:

Sue Wolfgang, Clerk

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Carmel, Indiana this ____ day of _____ 2022,
at _____.M.

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Approved by me, Mayor of the City of Carmel, Indiana, this ____ day of _____ 2022,
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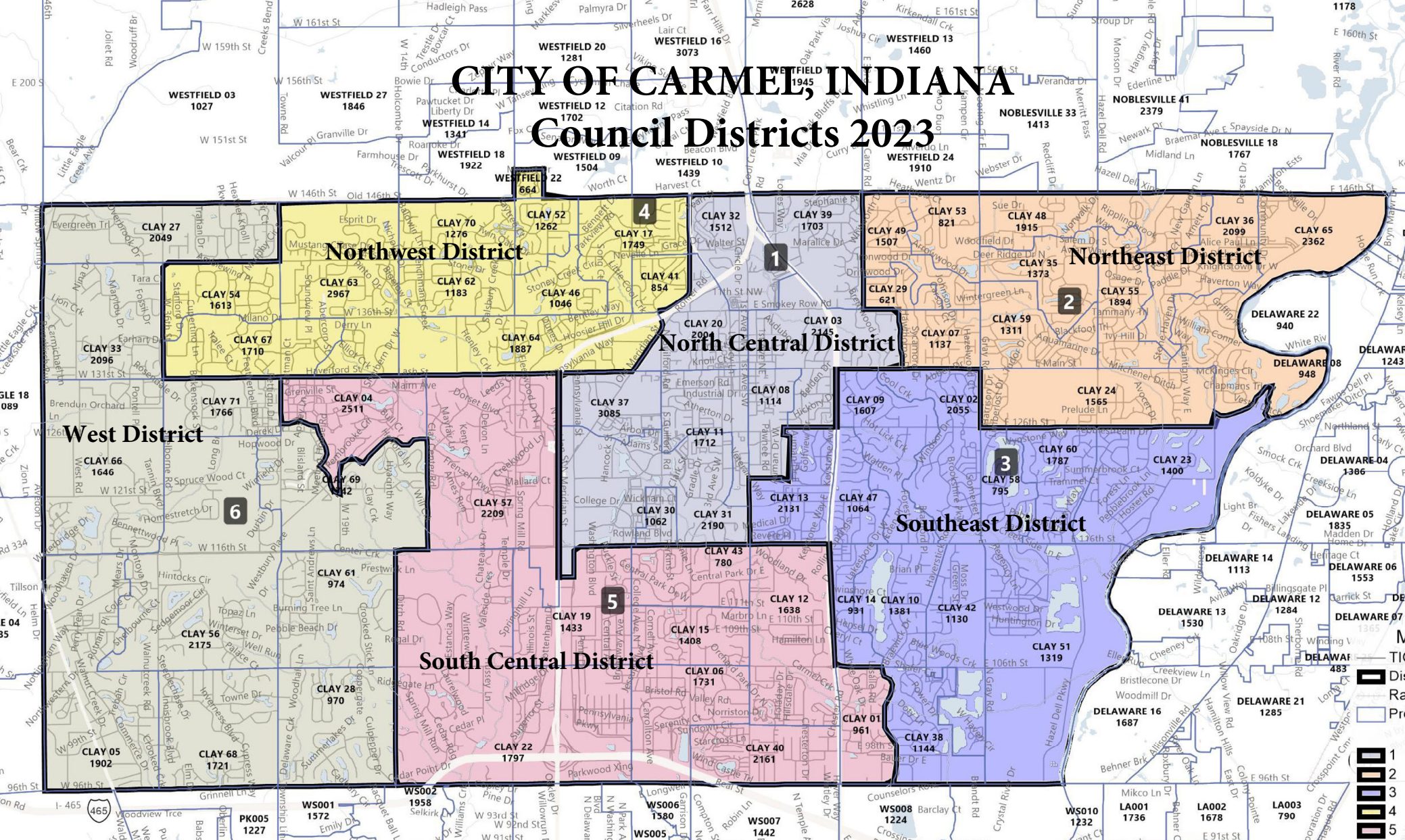
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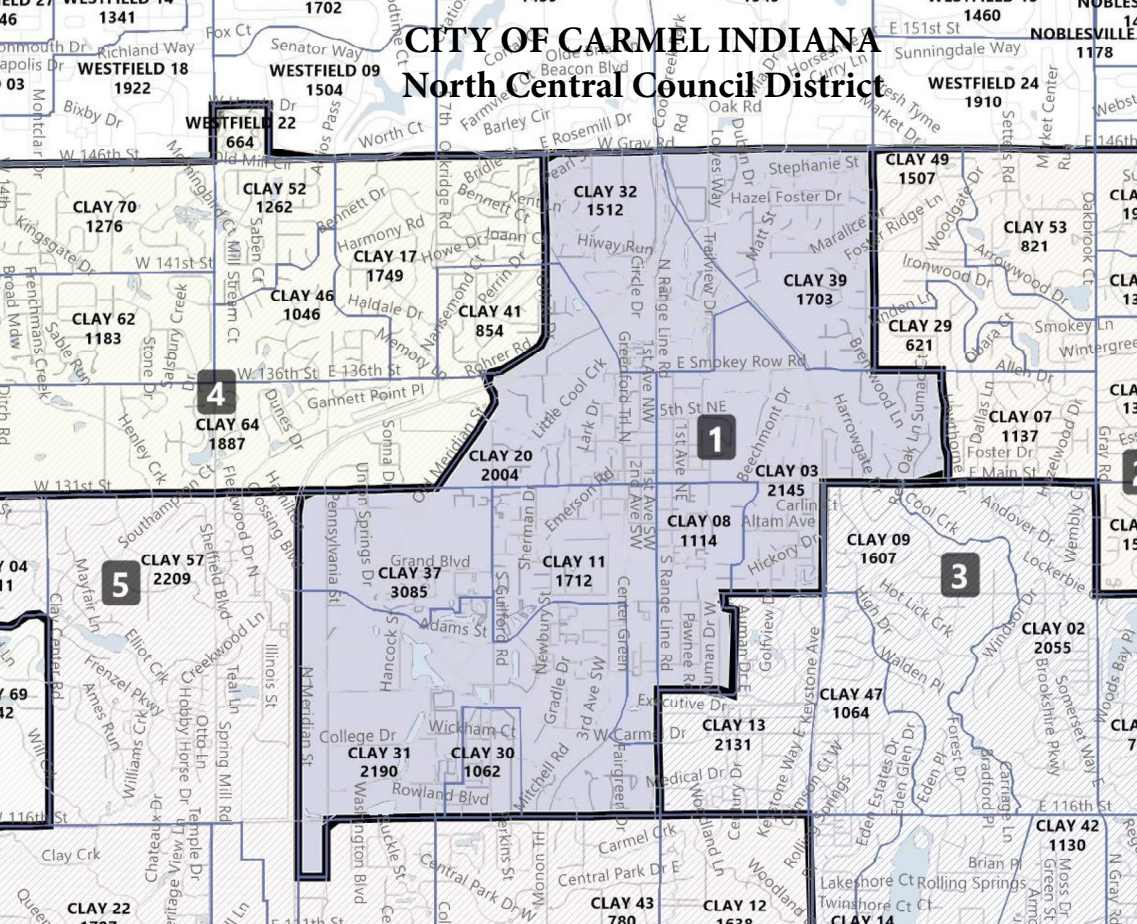
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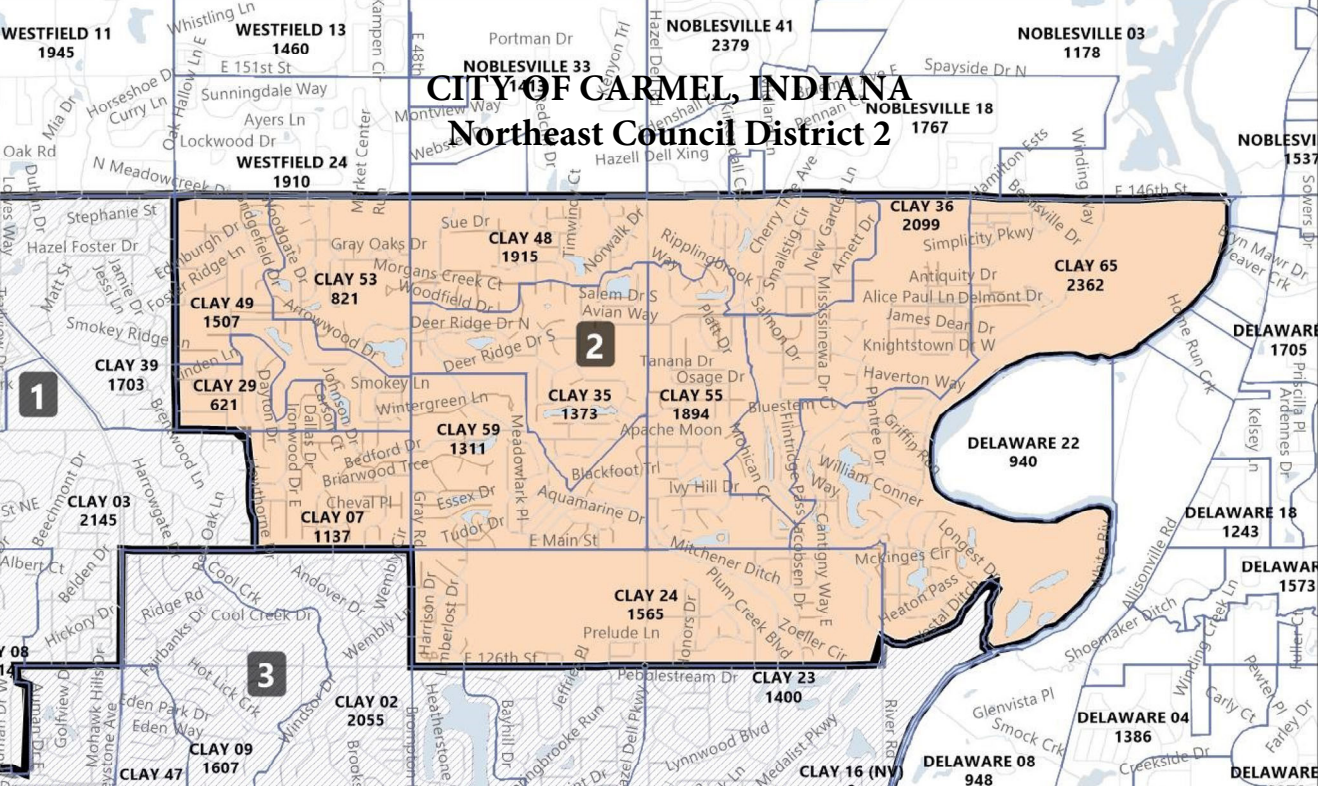
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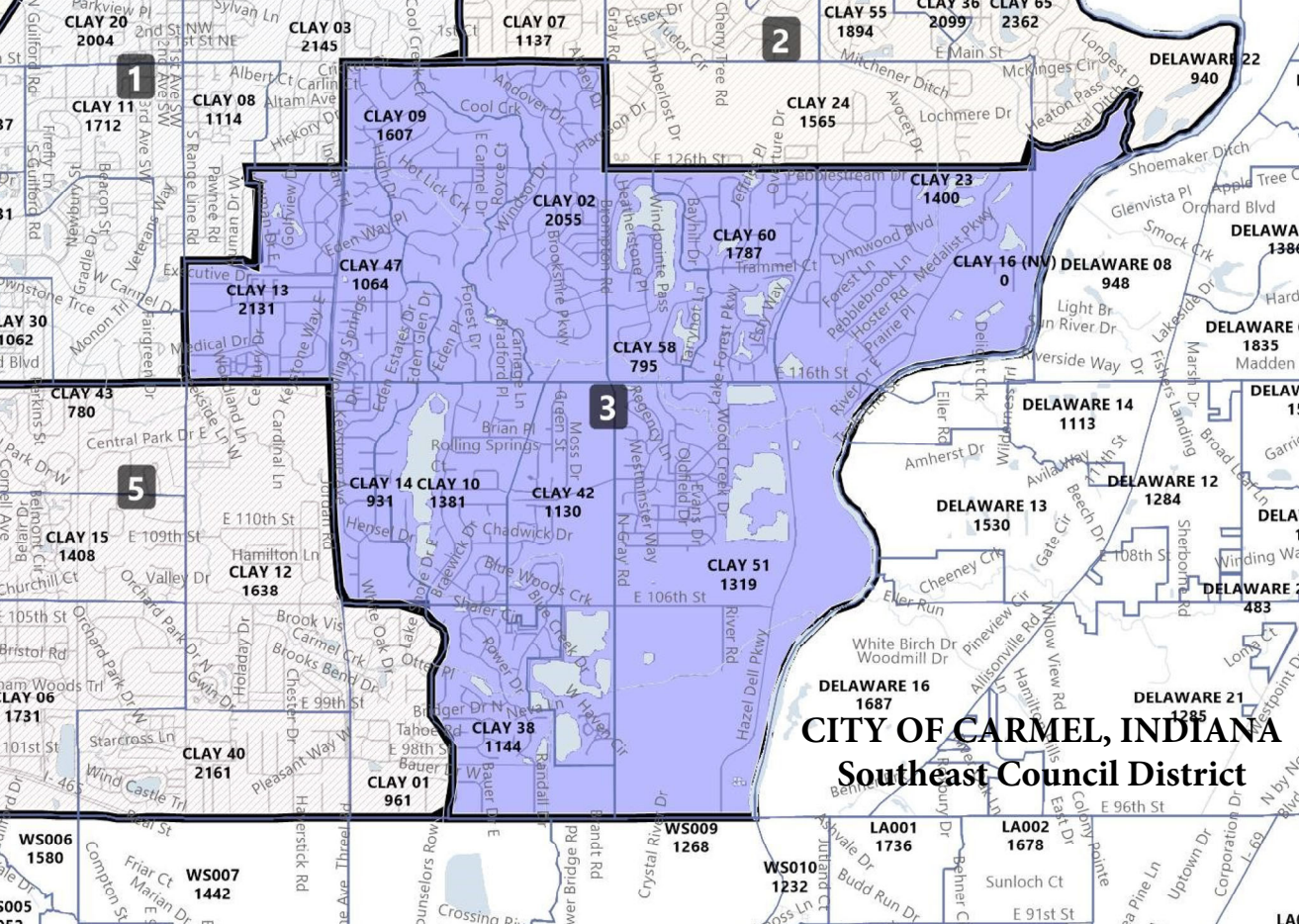


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North Central Council District



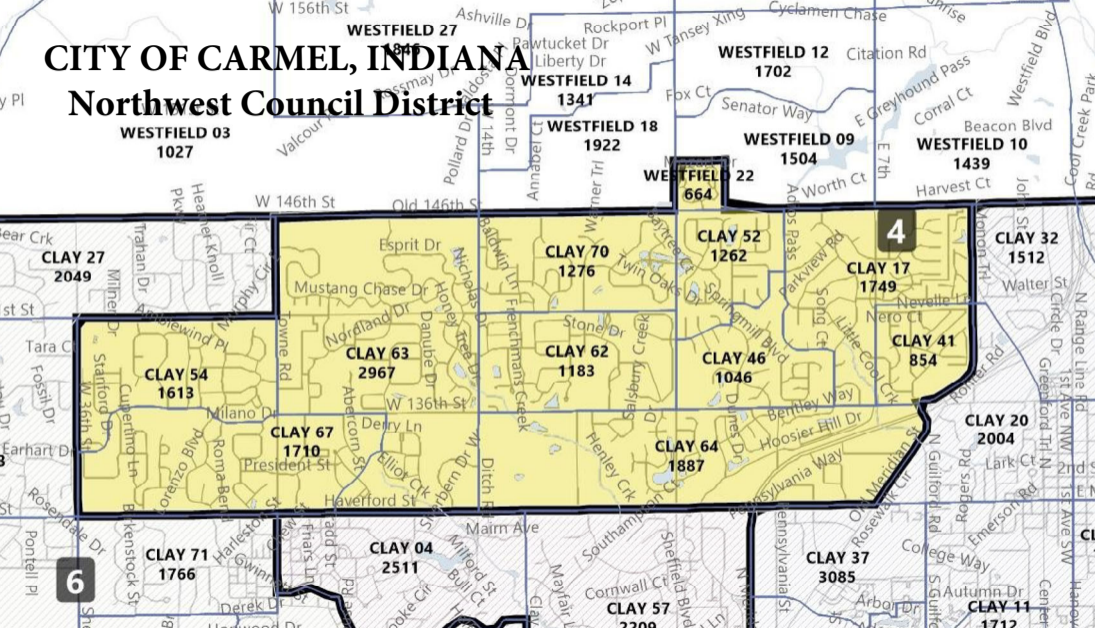


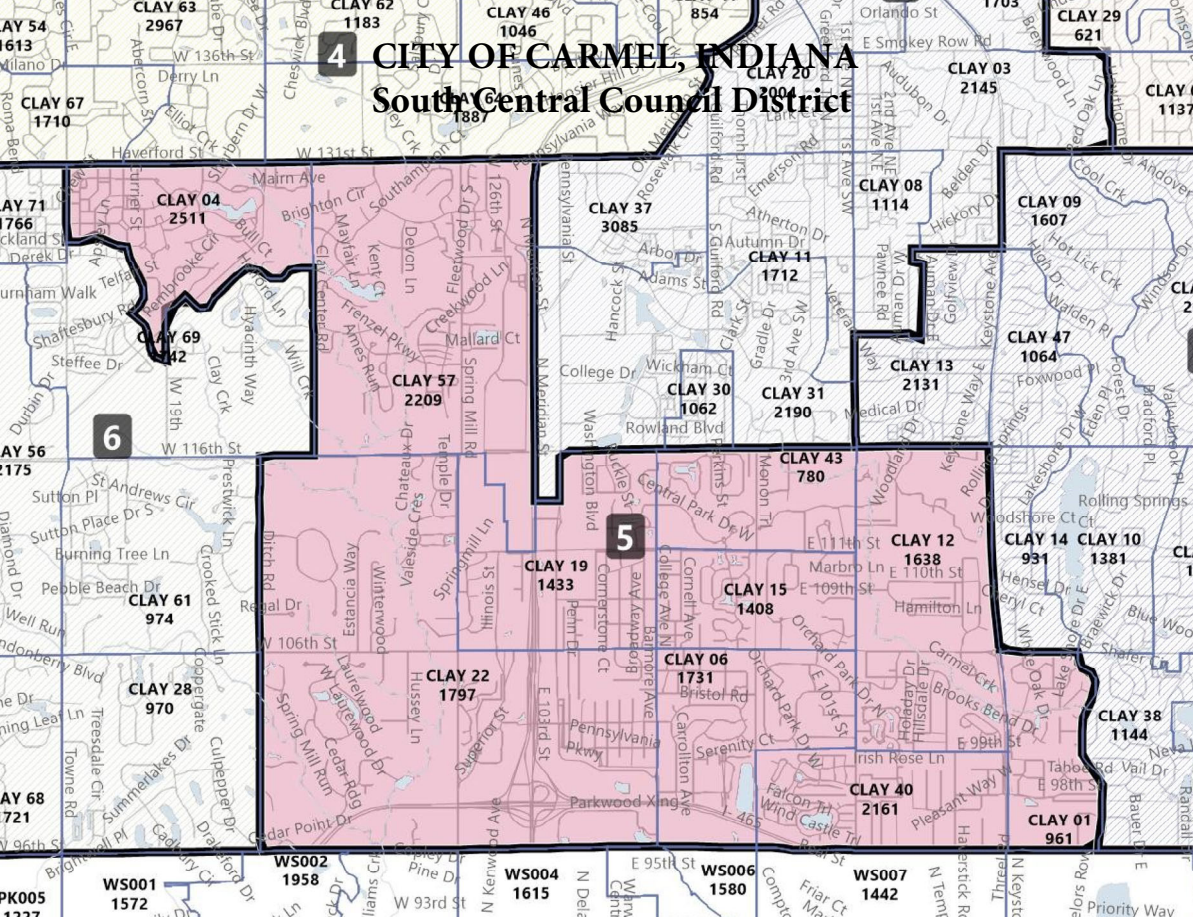


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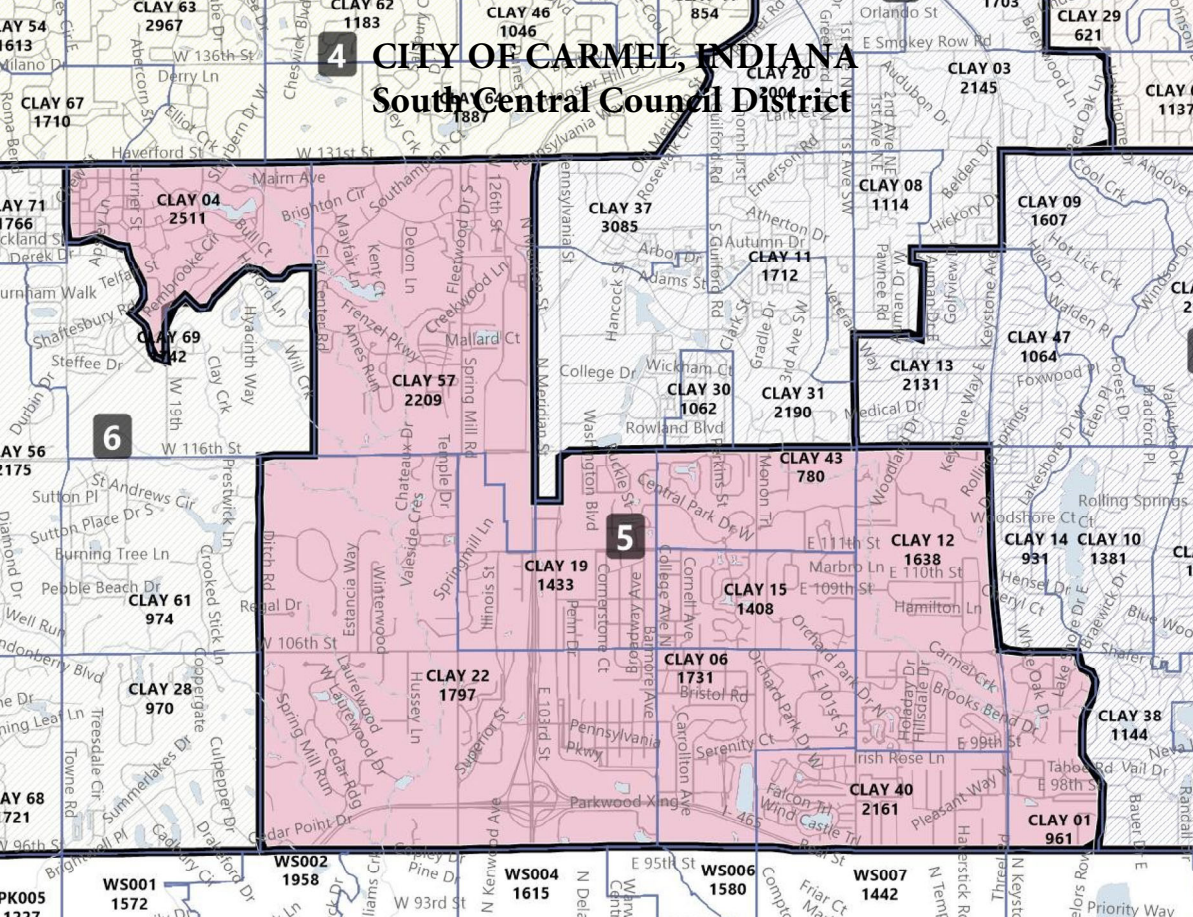
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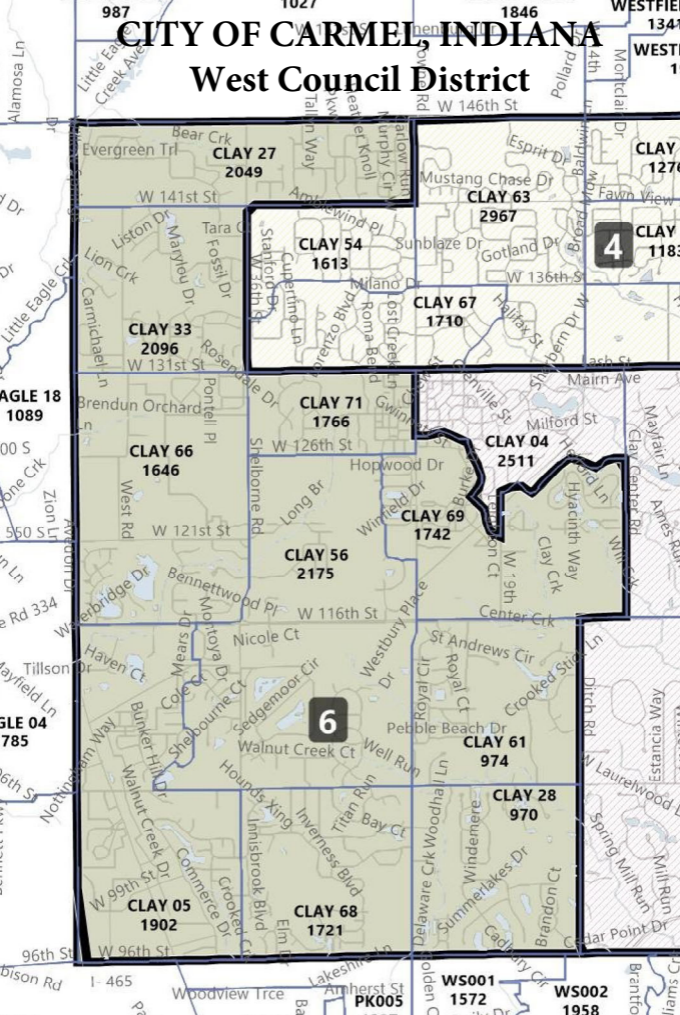
CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA

South Central Council District



CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA

West Council District



SPONSOR: Councilor Worrell

ORDINANCE NO. D-2651-22
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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. **Recitals Incorporated.** The foregoing Recitals are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. **Districts Established.** Carmel City Code Chapter 3, Article 1, Division 1, Section 3-3 is hereby replaced and amended and shall hereafter read as follows:

§3-3 Six Councilmanic District Boundaries.

(a) Pursuant to *I.C.*, 36-4-6-3, the Council consists of nine members, three of which are elected at large and six of which are elected from single-member districts.

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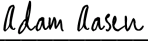
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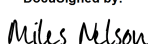
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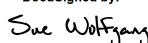
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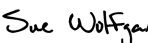
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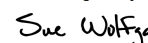
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Summary of City of Carmel Council Redistricting Plan

The attached plan is submitted for review and consideration by the Carmel Common Council.

Submitter Information

Name: Jeff Worrell

Address: Carmel City Hall, One Civic Square

City: Carmel State: Indiana Zip: 46032

Daytime Phone: 317-471-9836 Evening Phone: _____

Electronic Mail Address: jworrell@carmel.in.gov

Do you wish to present testimony to the Council regarding this plan? Testimony will be time limited.

X YES _____ NO

Note: Submitted Plans are the property of the City of Carmel and are part of the public record. They are not returnable.

Plan Summary

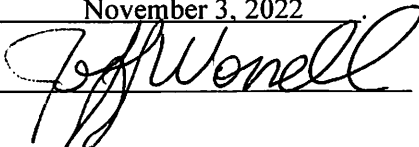
District	Ideal Population	Plan Population	Deviation
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2	16,626	16,605	-0.13%
3	16,626	16,744	0.71%
4	16,626	16,211	-2.50%
5	16,626	16,629	0.02%
6	16,626	17,041	2.50%

Note: Ideal Population for Districts is based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing Bureau of Census, U.S. Department of Commerce. The population counts are contained in the table included in the Public Plan Submission Kit.

“Plan Population” is the total number of persons in each of the districts as proposed in the submitted plan. “Deviation” is the positive or negative number obtained by subtracting the Plan Population value from the Ideal Population Value.

Date Plan Submitted: November 3, 2022

Signature of Submitter: _____



If plan is being submitted on behalf of an organization or entity other than the above Submitter, please identity the organization or entity below:

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Address of Organization: Carmel City Hall, One Civic Square

City/State/Zip: Carmel, Indiana 46032

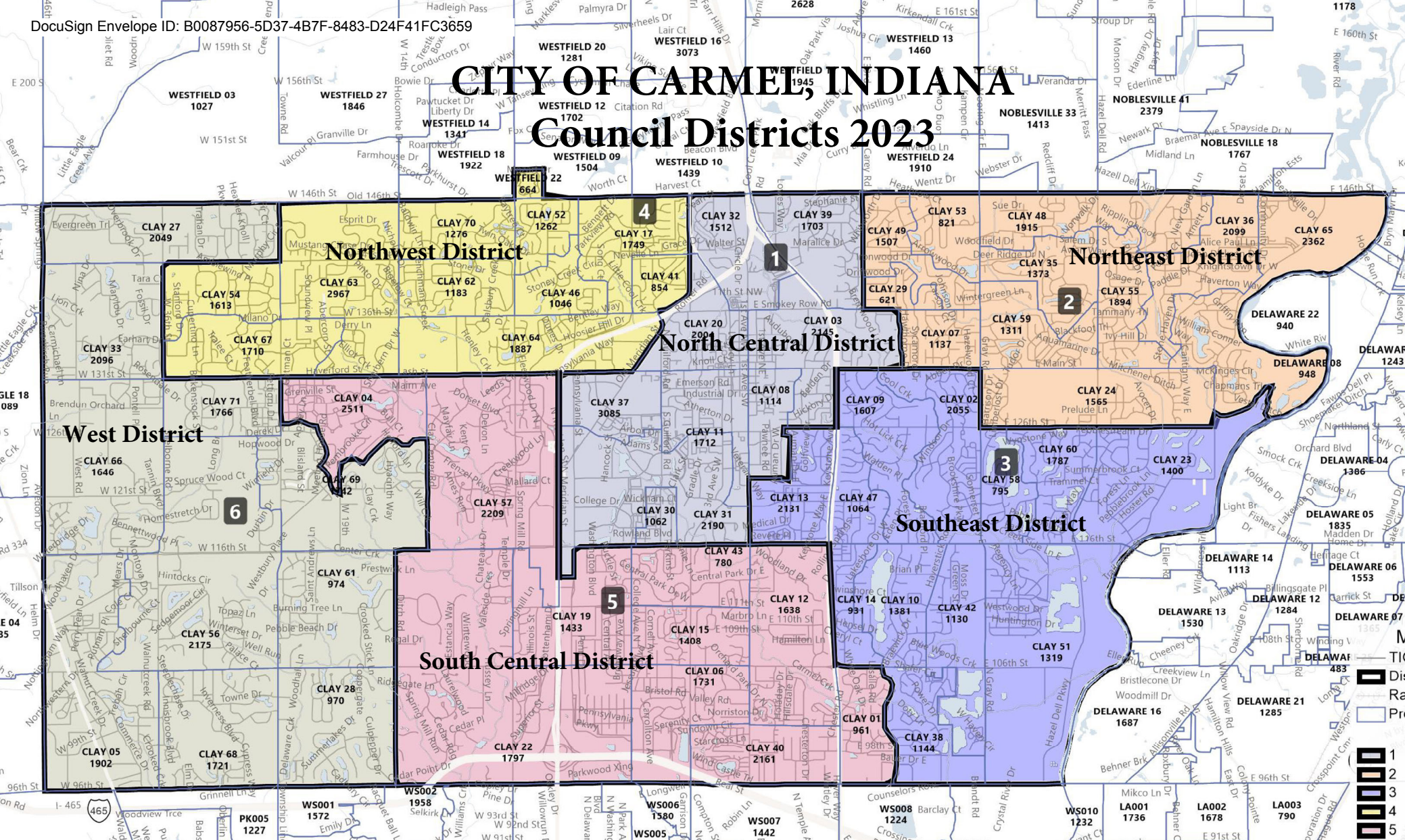
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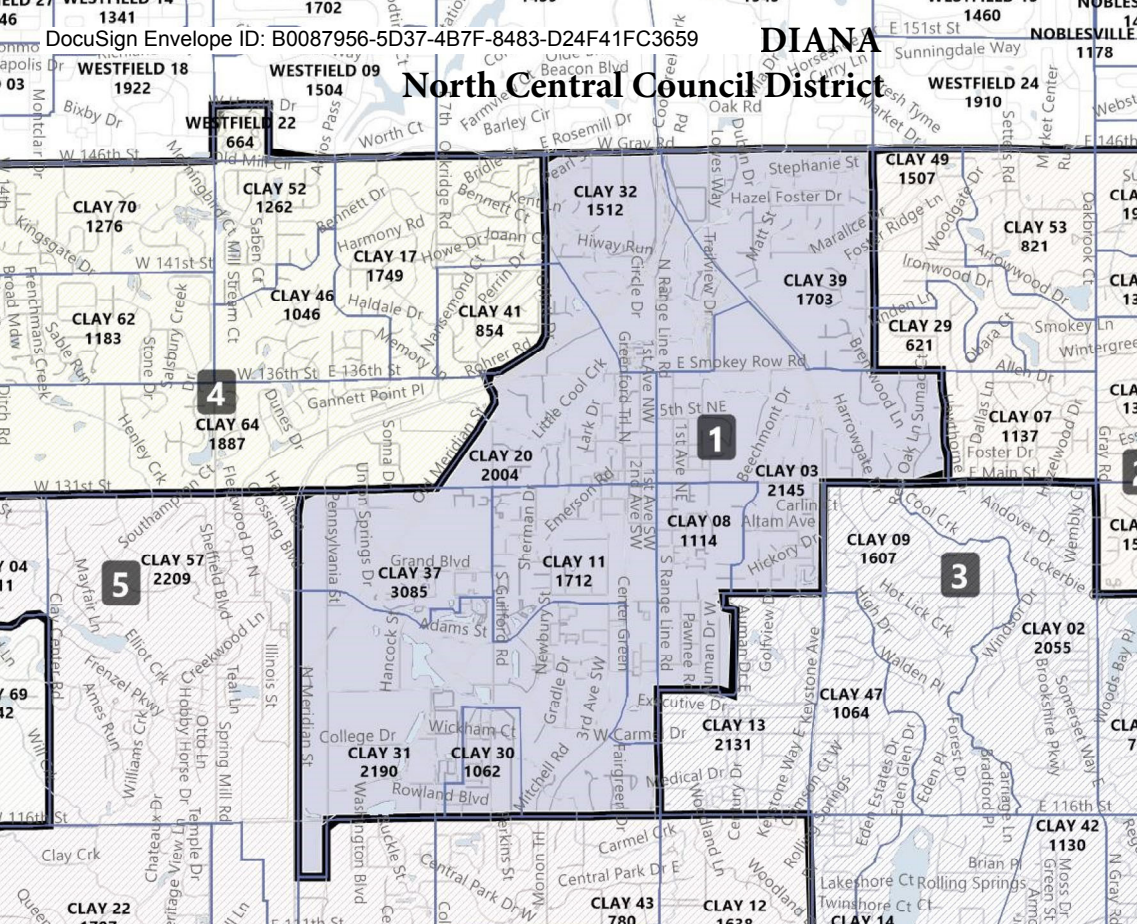
Note: Plans must be submitted no later than Noon on November 3, 2022, and meet the requirements contained in the Redistricting Guidelines, adopted by the Council, to be considered by the Council.

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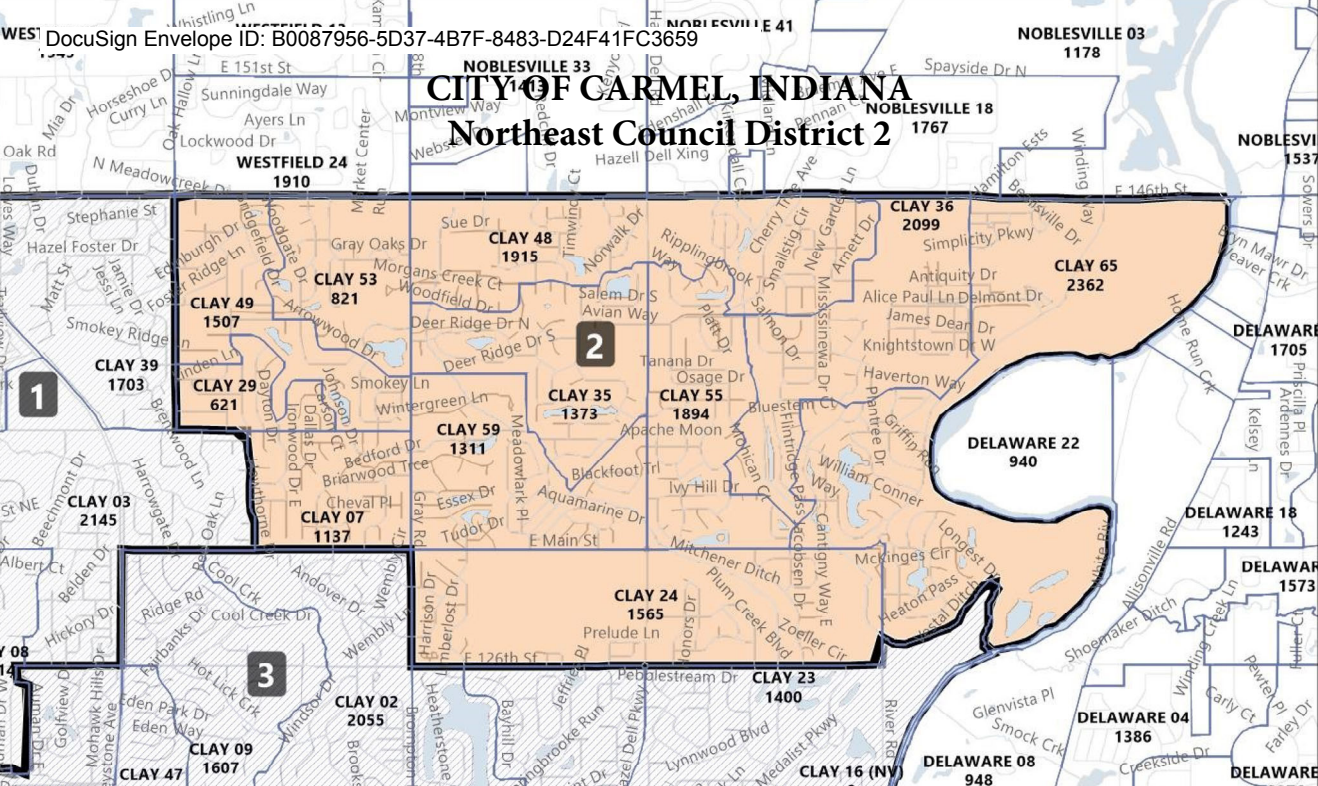


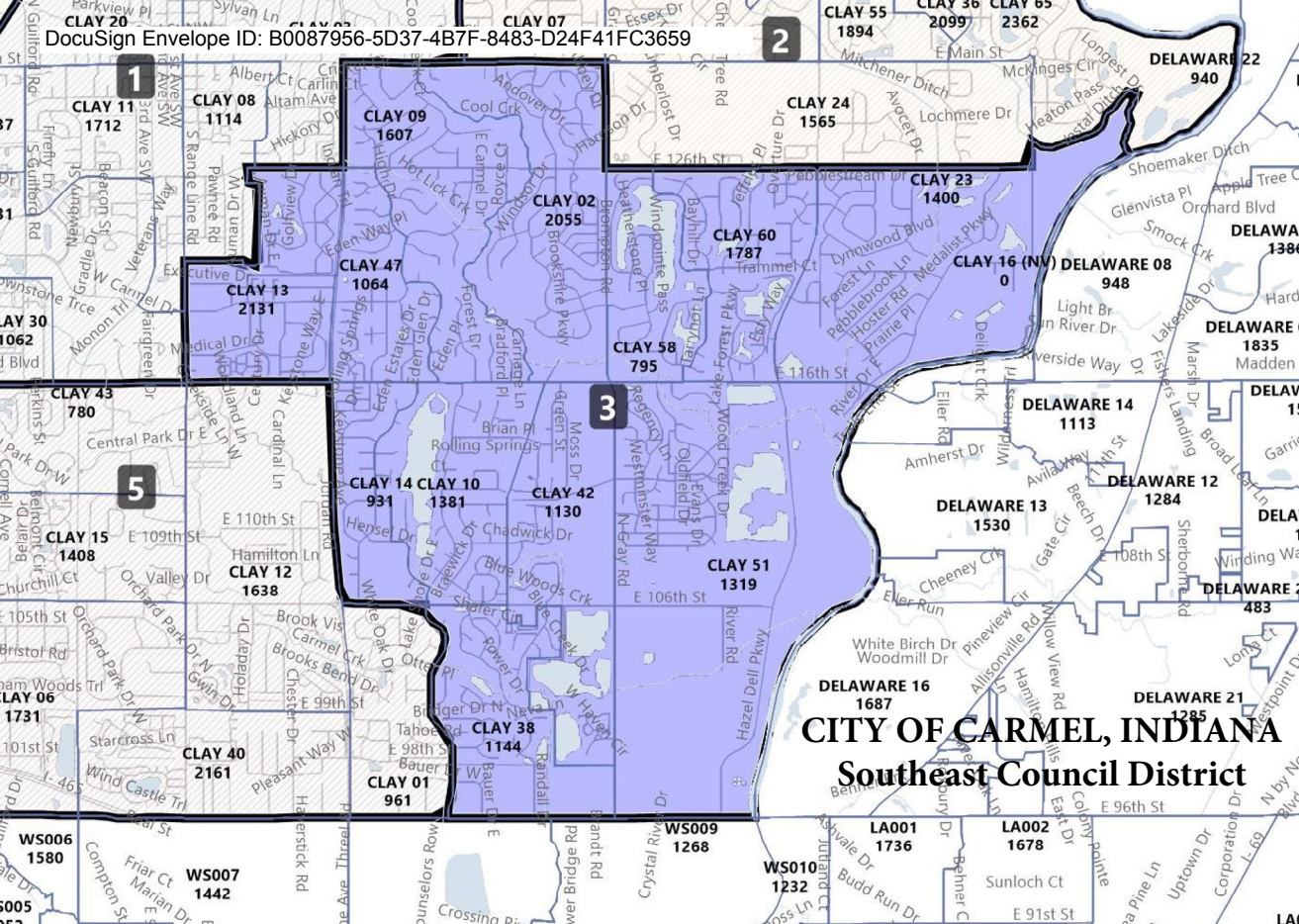
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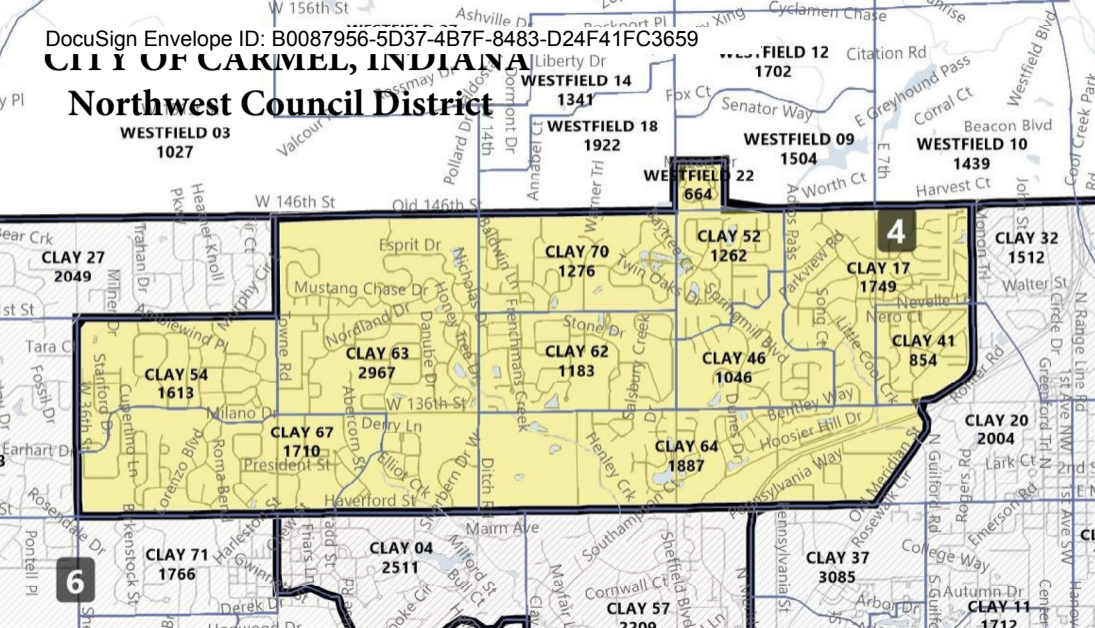


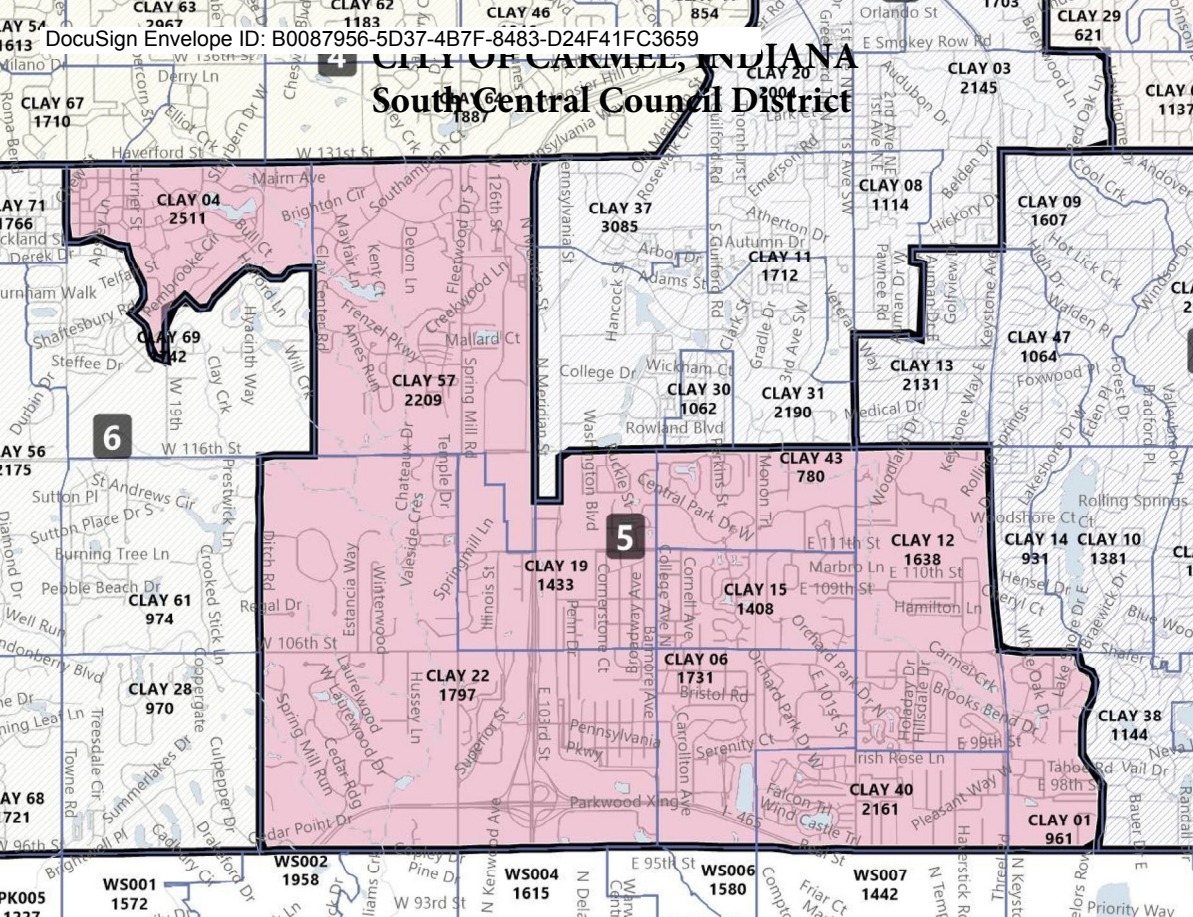
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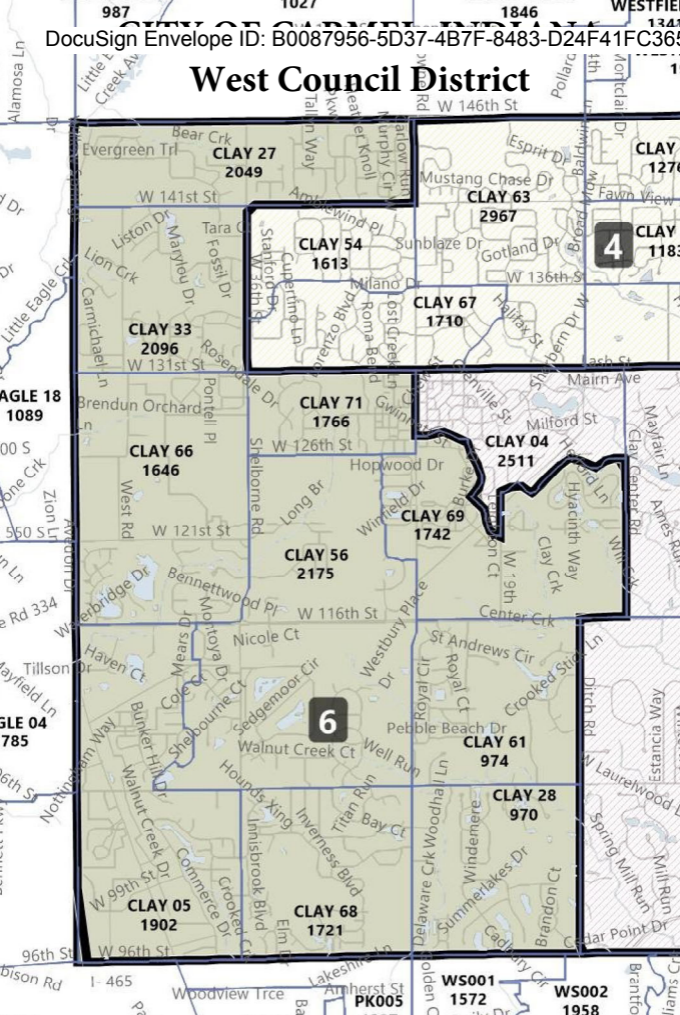


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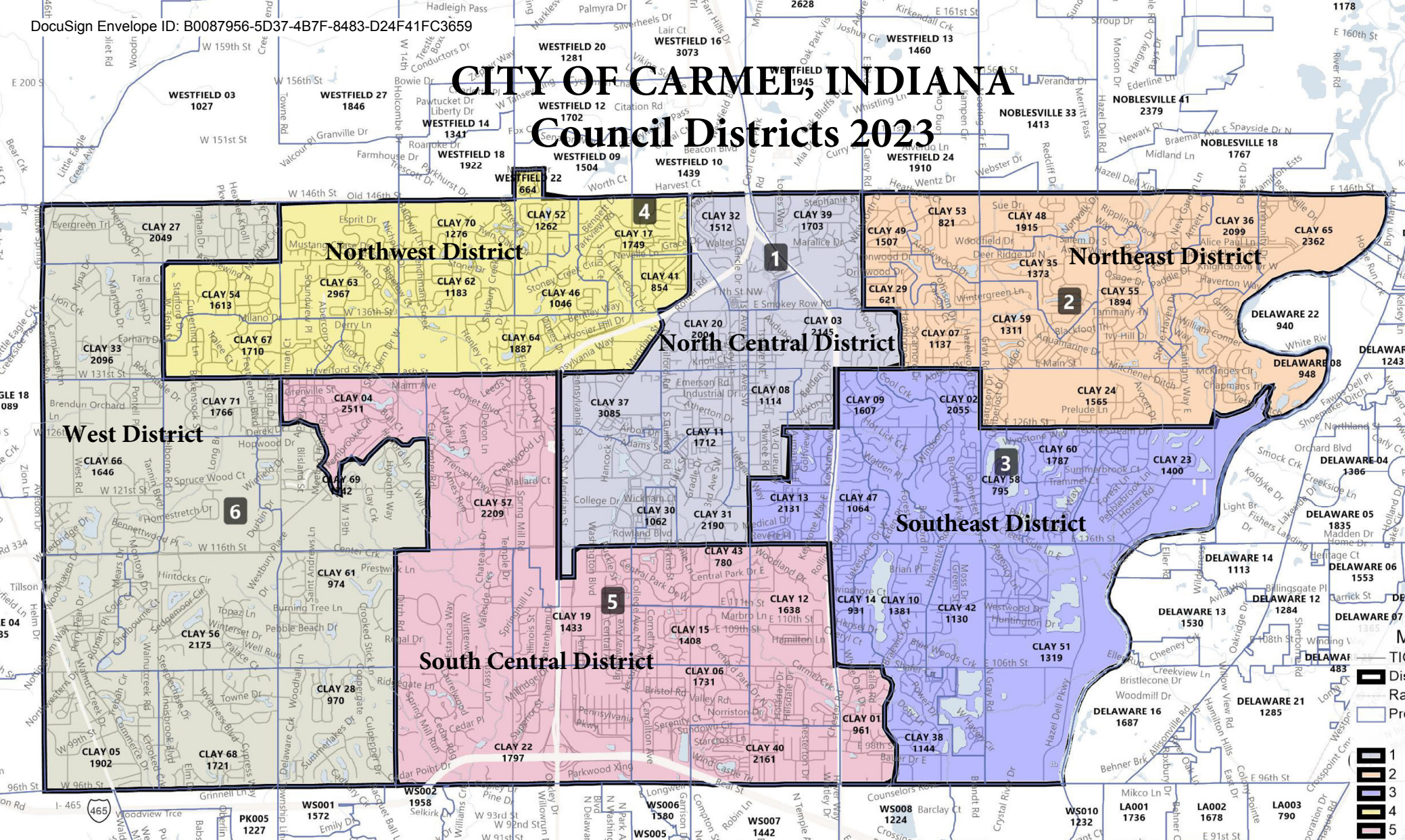
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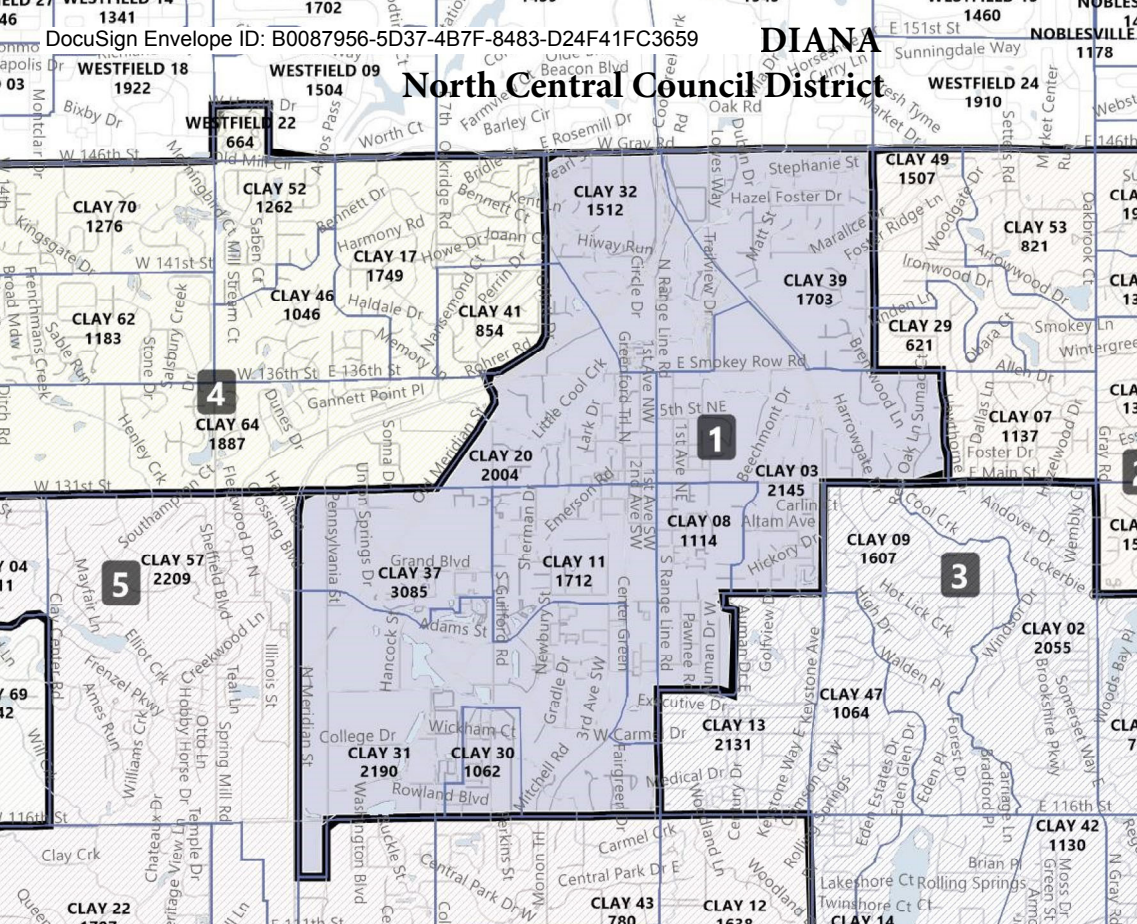


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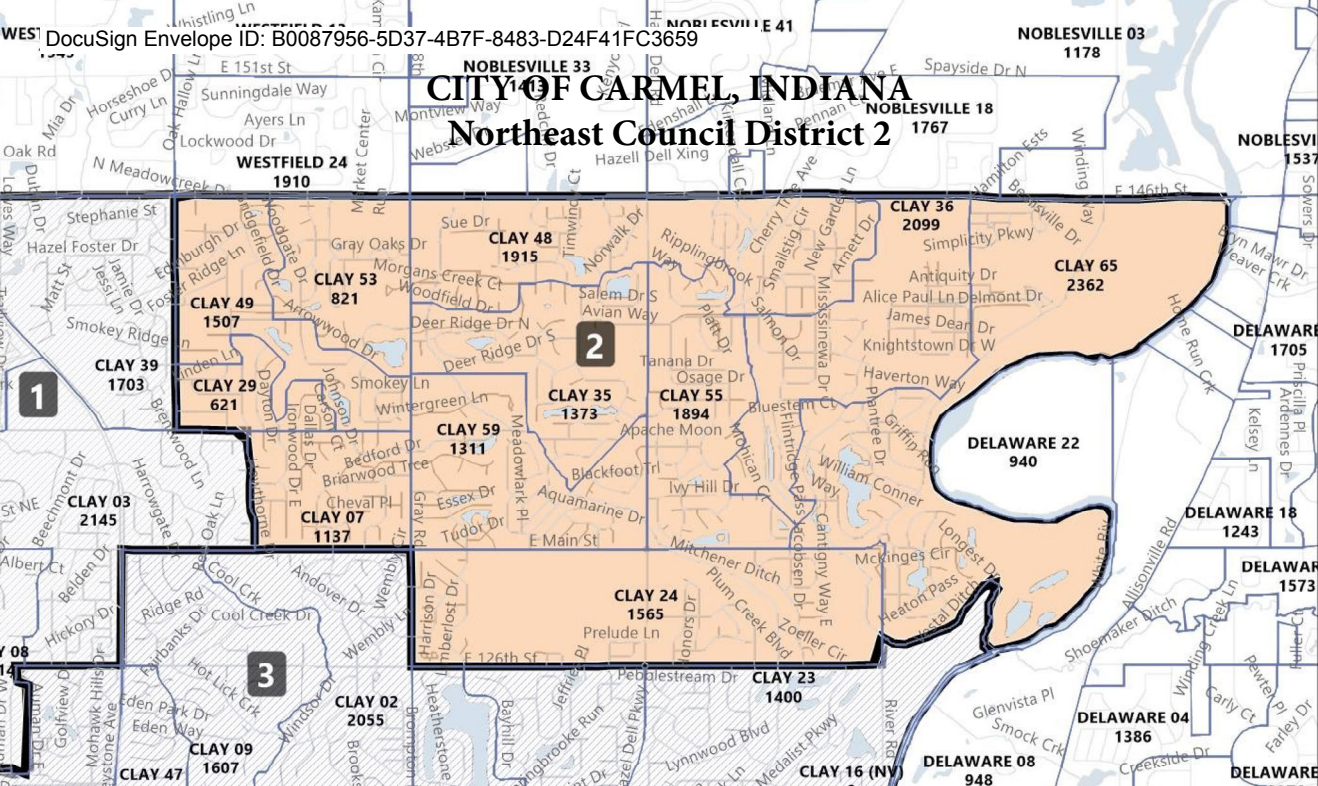


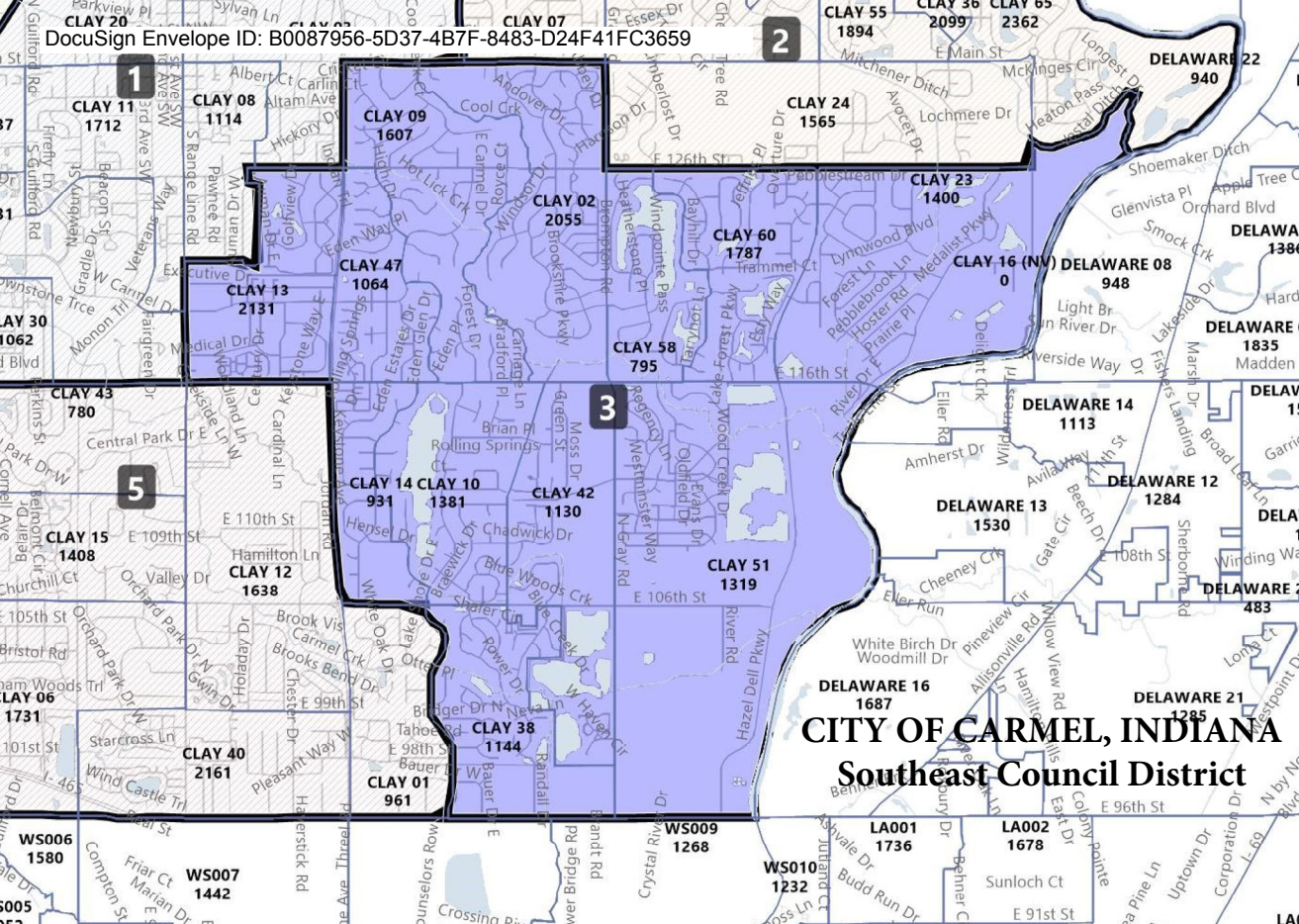
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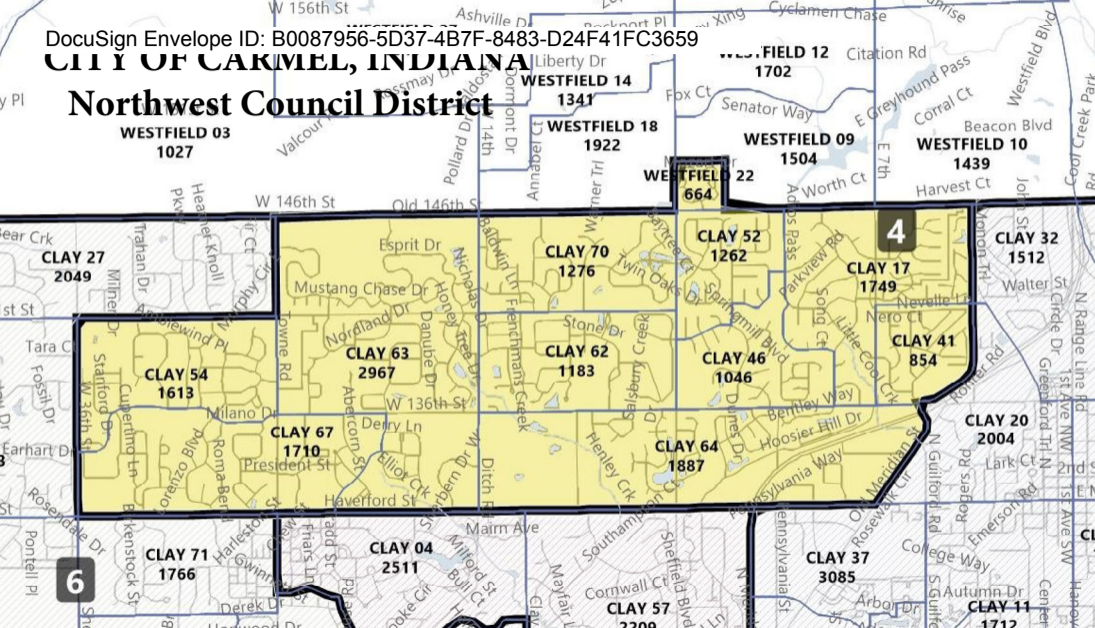
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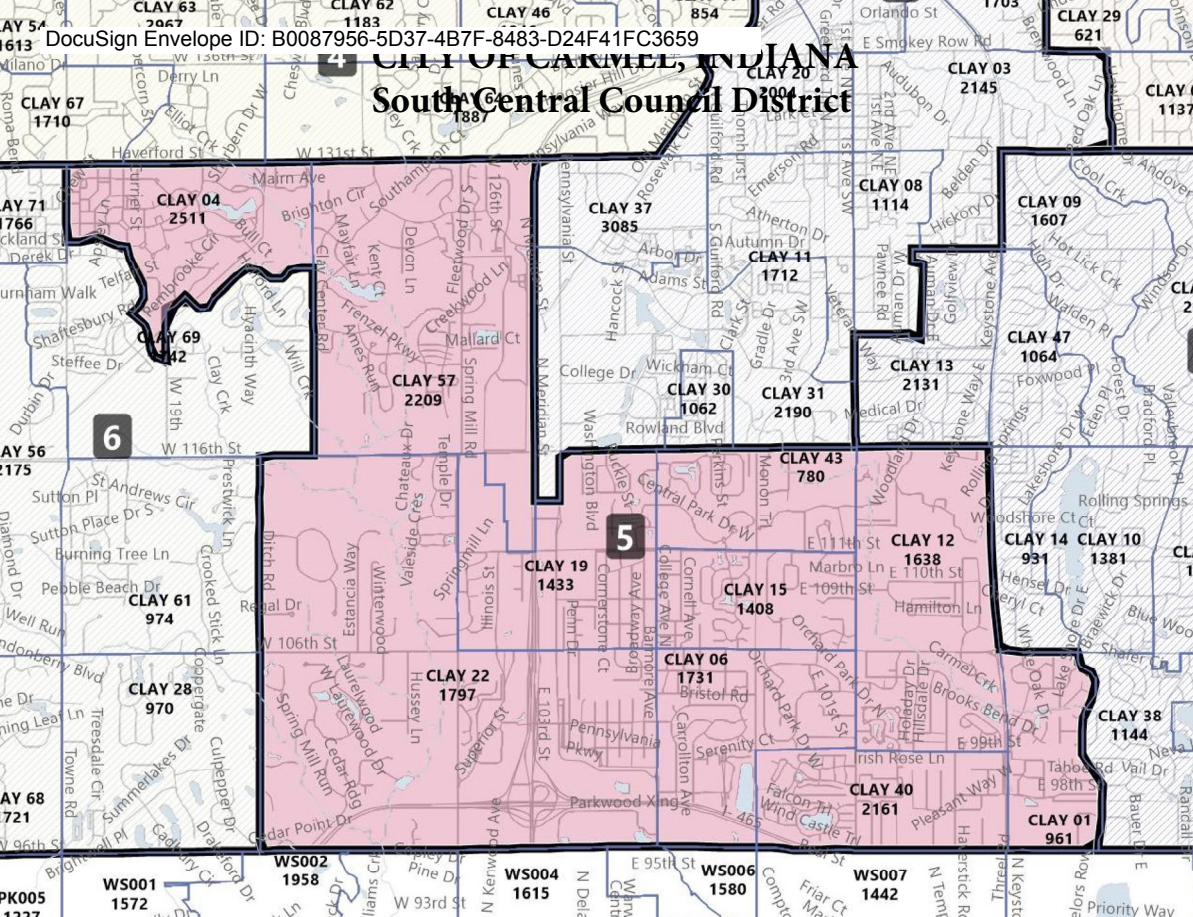




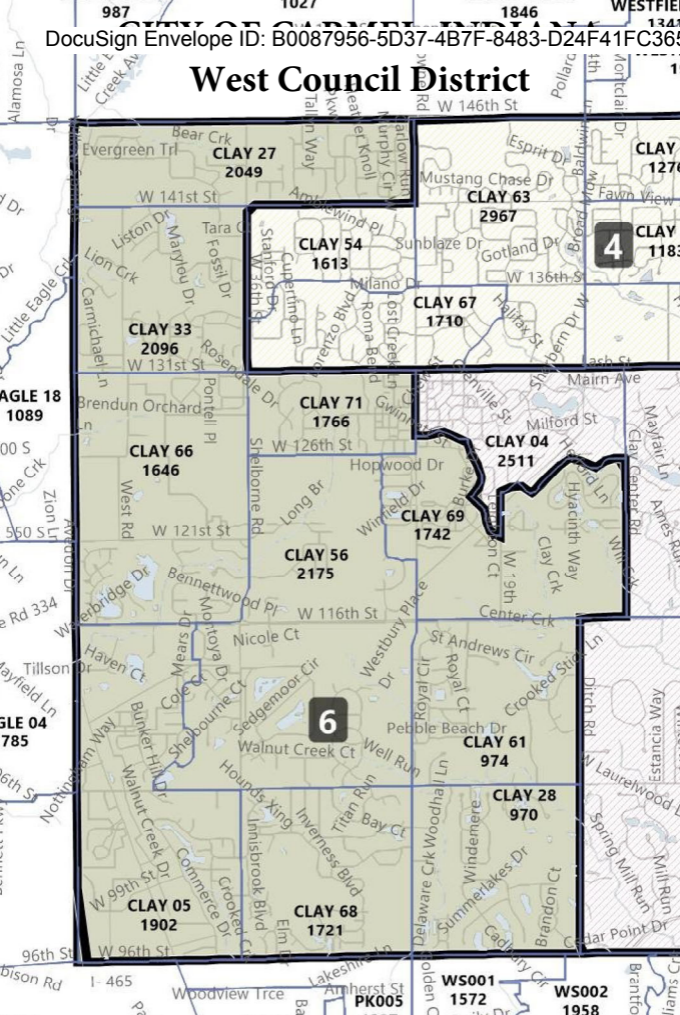
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Northwest Council District





West Council District



CERTIFICATE OF CITY CLERK

City of Carmel, Indiana

STATE OF INDIANA)
) **SS:**
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

I, Sue Wolfgang, am the duly elected and serving City Clerk of the City of Carmel, Indiana, and hereby certify as follows:

1. Attached hereto as Attachment "A" is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. D-2651-22 entitled "An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana for the Purpose of Establishing Councilmanic Districts" along with maps approved by the Council, which Ordinance was introduced at a public meeting of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana (the "Common Council") held on November 9, 2022 and finally adopted by the Common Council at an open meeting held on November 21, 2022 and signed by the Mayor on November 22, 2022.
2. The foregoing meetings of the Common Council complied in all material respects with the laws of the State of Indiana governing public body meetings including particularly Ind. Code 5-14-1.5 (the Indiana Open Door Law).
3. As required by Ind. Code §36-4-6-3(m), two (2) copies of the foregoing maps are now on file in the office of the City Clerk for public inspection.

Dated this 29th day of November, 2022.


Sue Wolfgang, City Clerk

ATTACHMENT “A”

Ordinance No. D-2651-22

See Attached

SPONSOR: Councilor Worrell

ORDINANCE NO. D-2651-22
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL,
INDIANA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING
COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS

Synopsis: Amends and replaces Article 1, Section 3 regarding the establishment of Councilmanic districts.

WHEREAS, Ind. Code § 36-4-6-3 (the “Act”) requires the Common Council (the “Council”) of the City of Carmel, Indiana (the “City”) to redistrict the City’s legislative body districts in the second year after a year in which the federal decennial census is conducted; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to the Guidelines, the City has caused to be published a “Notice Regarding Division of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana into Legislative Body Districts” (the “Notice”) in the Indianapolis Star and the Court & Commercial Record on October 19, 2022 and in the Carmel Current on October 18, 2022, and made the Notice available in the office of the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Council has made provision for members of the public to object to the provisions of the Redistricting Guidelines and to submit proposed maps in compliance with the Guidelines and gave public notice of the same in the Notice and no such maps or objections have been filed; and

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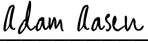
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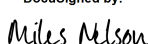
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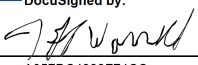
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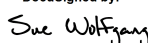
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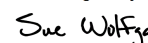
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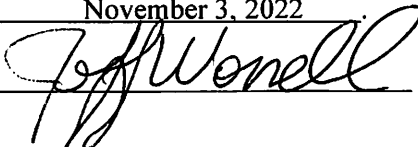
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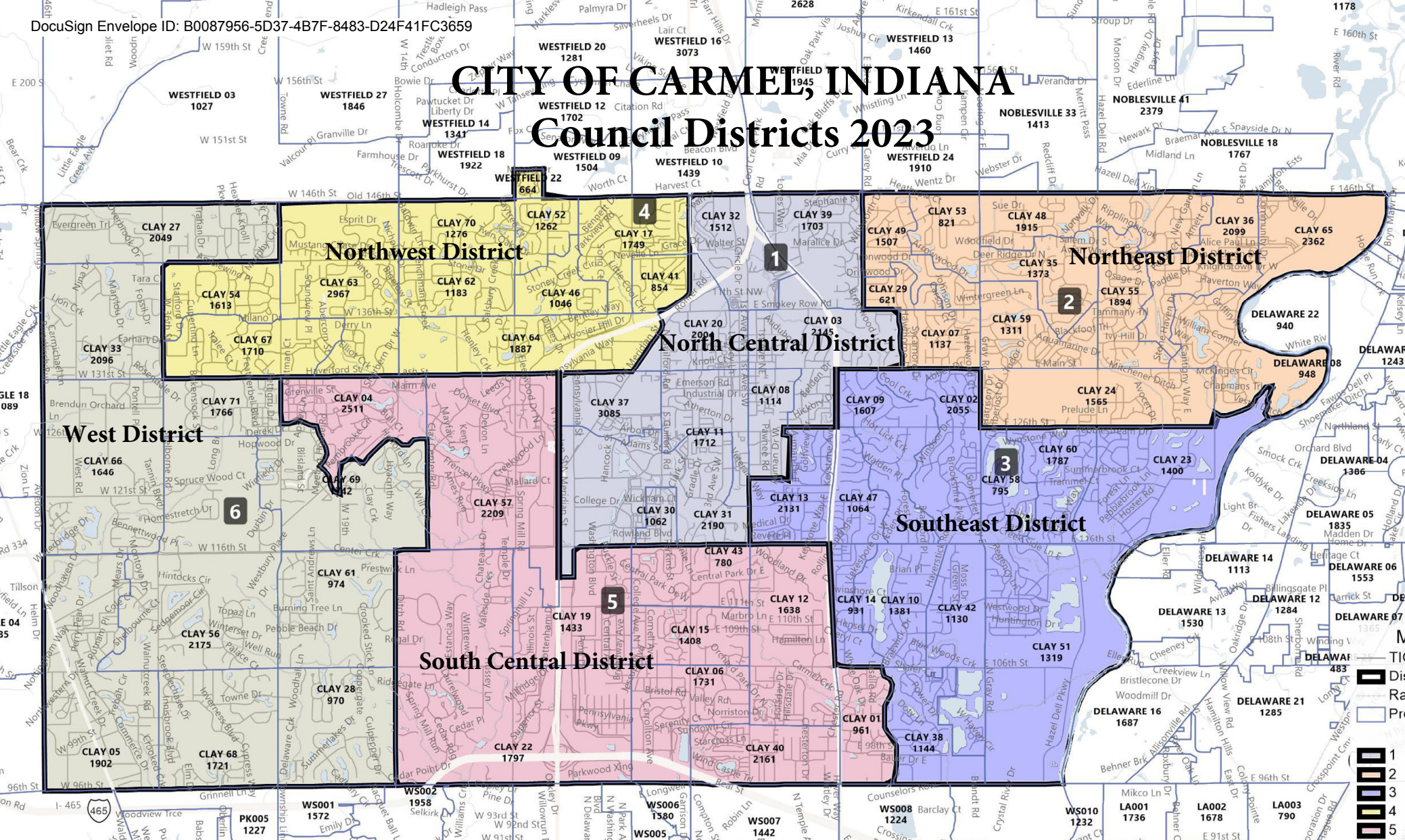
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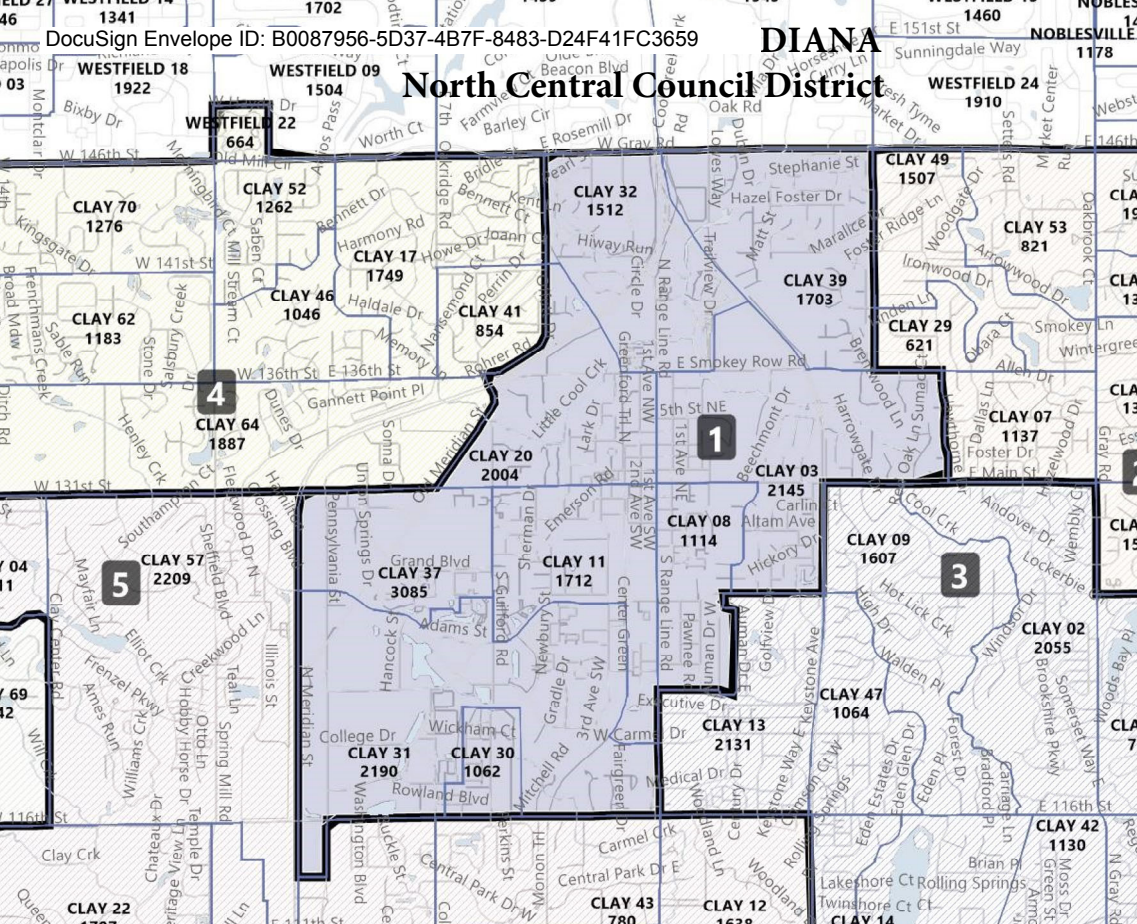
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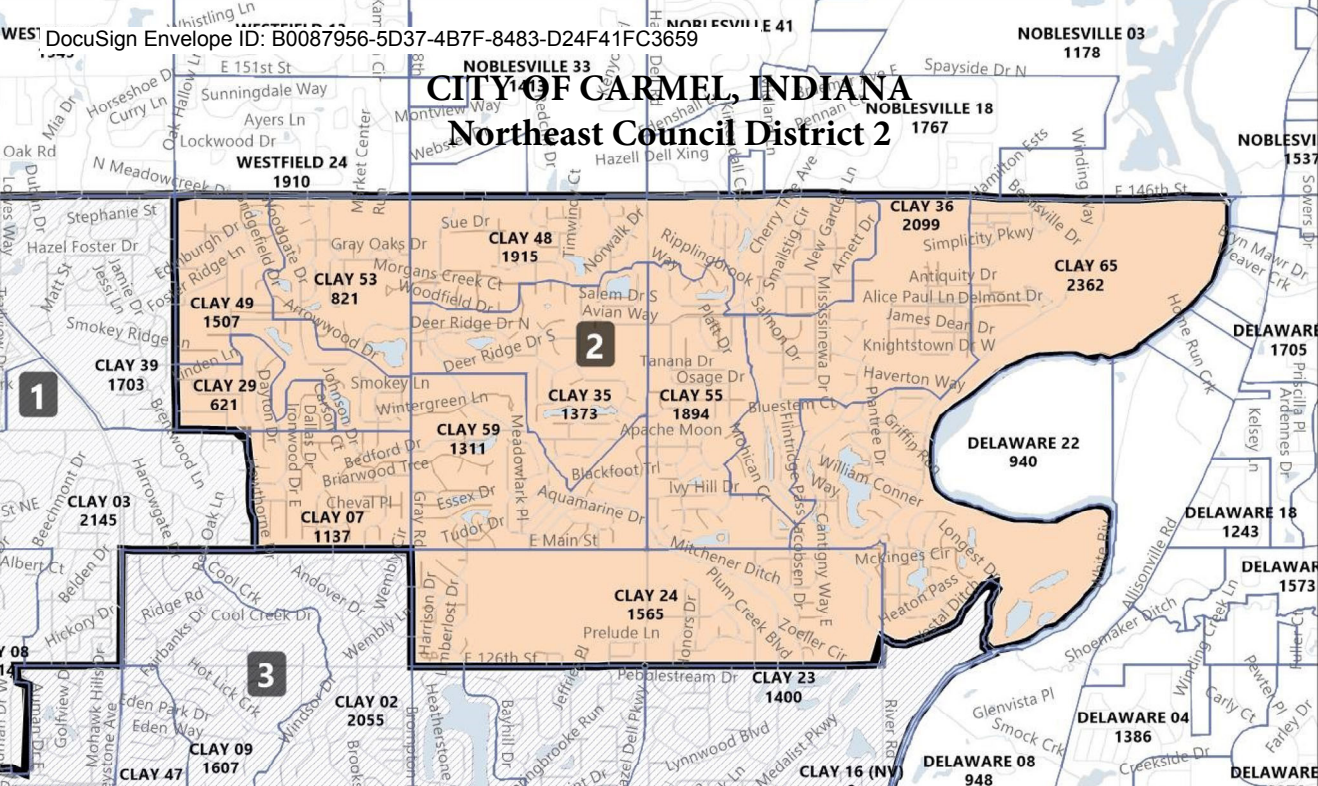
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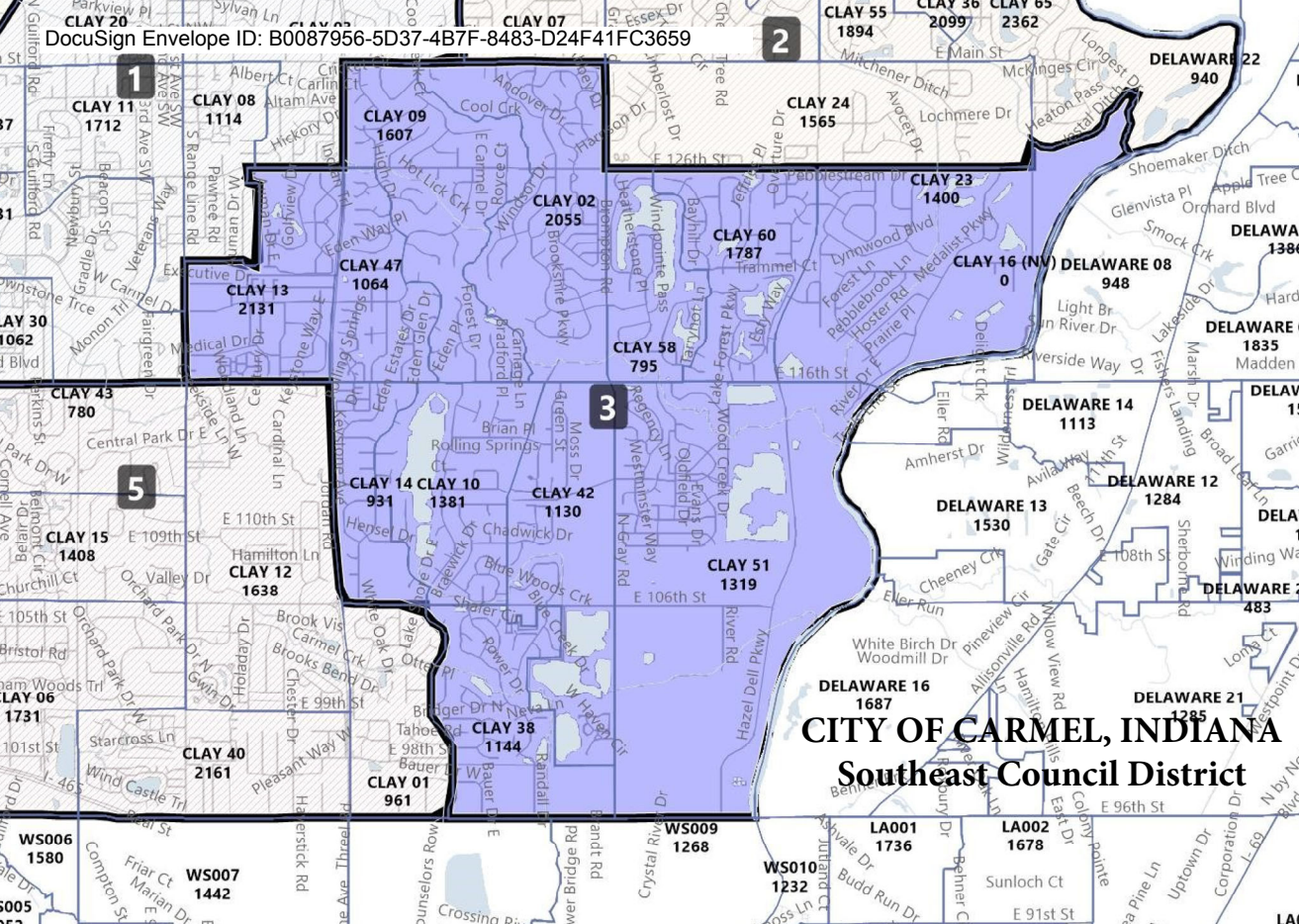




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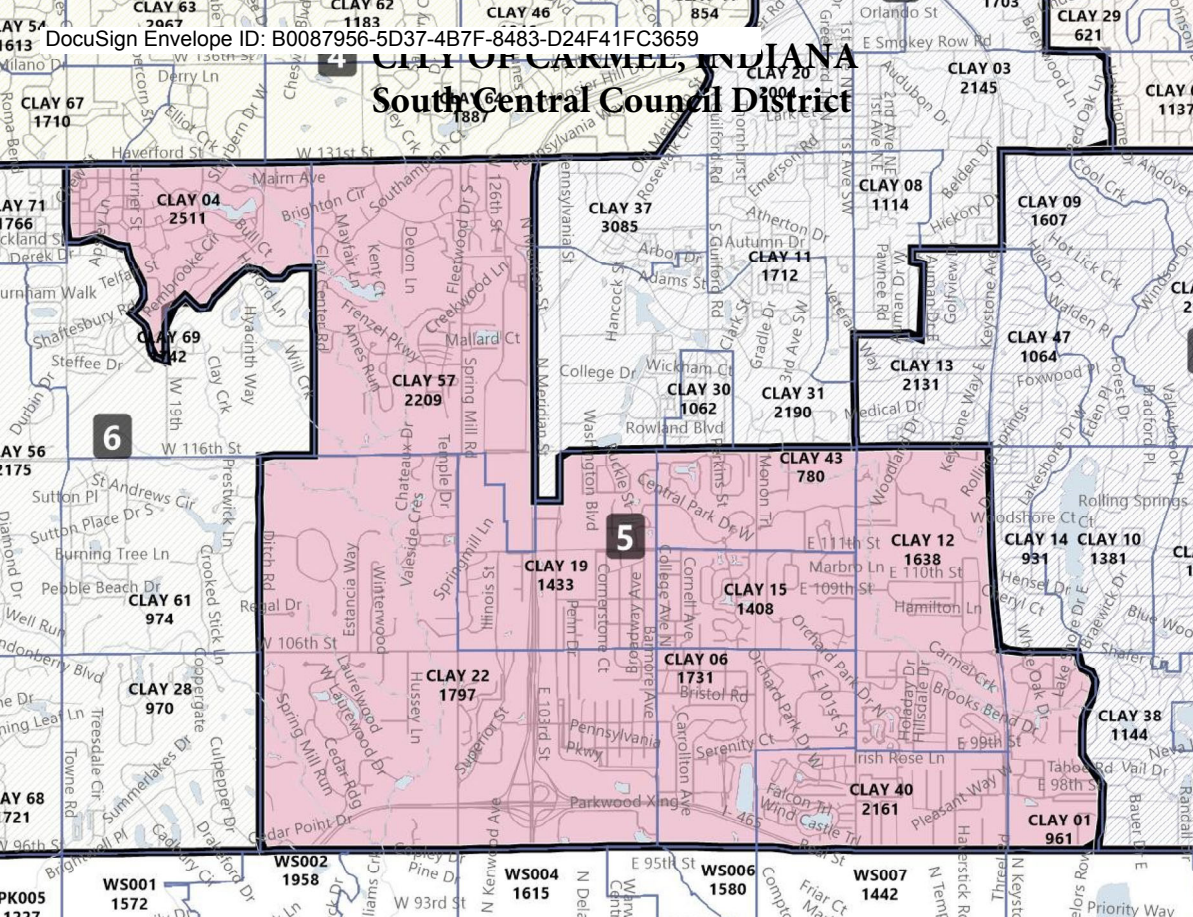
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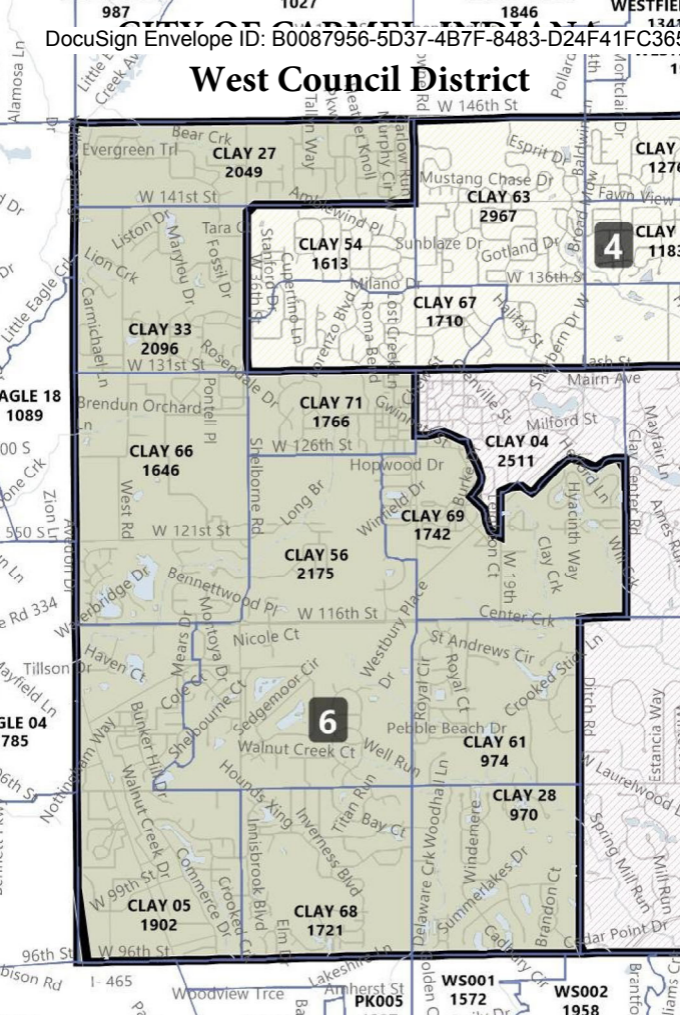
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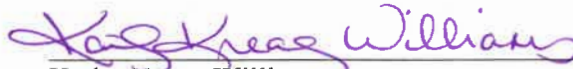
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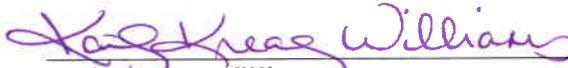
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WHEREAS, the Council now desires to adopt the Coordinator's Plan and establish new City legislative body districts for the elections occurring in 2023 utilizing the 2020 decennial census data as required by Ind. Code §1-1-3.5-3.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. **Recitals Incorporated.** The foregoing Recitals are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. **Districts Established.** Carmel City Code Chapter 3, Article 1, Division 1, Section 3-3 is hereby replaced and amended and shall hereafter read as follows:

§3-3 Six Councilmanic District Boundaries.

(a) Pursuant to *I.C.*, 36-4-6-3, the Council consists of nine members, three of which are elected at large and six of which are elected from single-member districts.

(b) Three members of the Council shall be elected from an electoral district that consists of all of the City and each voter of the City may vote for three at-large candidates.

(c) The City is divided into six single member districts, from each of which one member shall be elected by the voters in that district. The six Councilmanic districts shall be named and numbered as set forth in this Ordinance and shall be composed of the precincts described below. The boundaries of each district are set forth below in the following named districts: North Central (District No. 1), Northeast (District No. 2), Southeast (District No. 3), Northwest (District No. 4), South Central (District No. 5), and West (District No. 6).

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The North Central Councilmanic District has a total population of 16,527 persons based on the 2020 US Census.

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Section 4. District Ordinance Construction and Amendment. Carmel City Code Chapter 3, Article 1, Division 1, Section 3-5 is hereby established and shall read as follows:

§3-5 - Conflicts, Omissions, Duplications, Construction and Amendment

- (a) Attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit A are maps showing the boundaries of each council district collectively and separately (the “Maps”) which maps are incorporated herein by reference. Two copies of the foregoing Maps are on file in the office of the city clerk for public inspection as required by *I.C.*, §36-1-5-4.
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[Signature Page Follows]

PASSED by the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, this 21st day of November, 2022, by a vote of 7 ayes and 1 nays.

COMMON COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA


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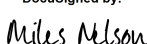
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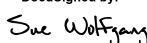
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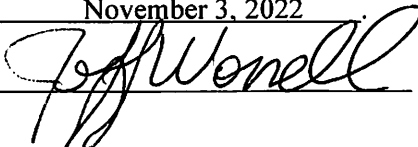
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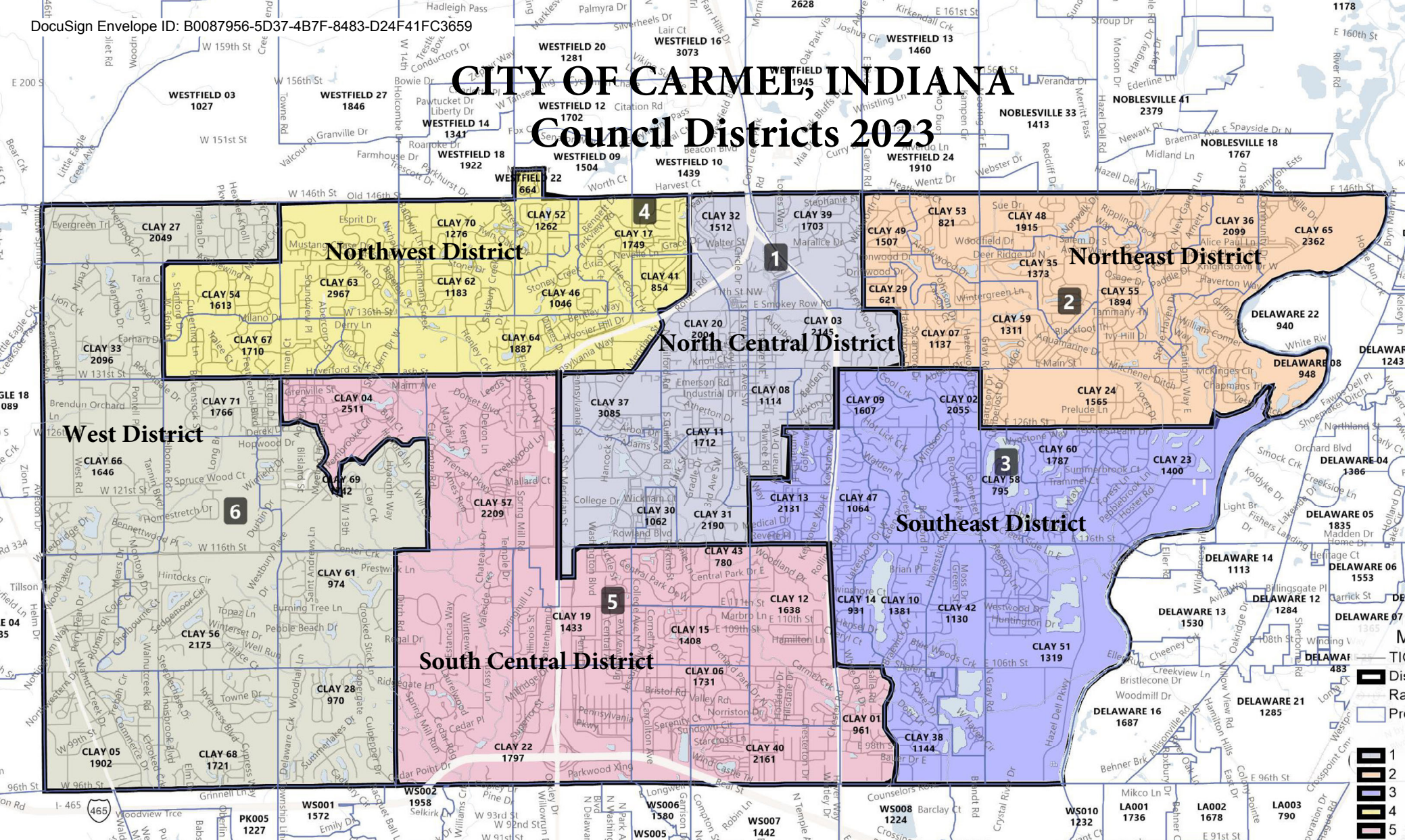
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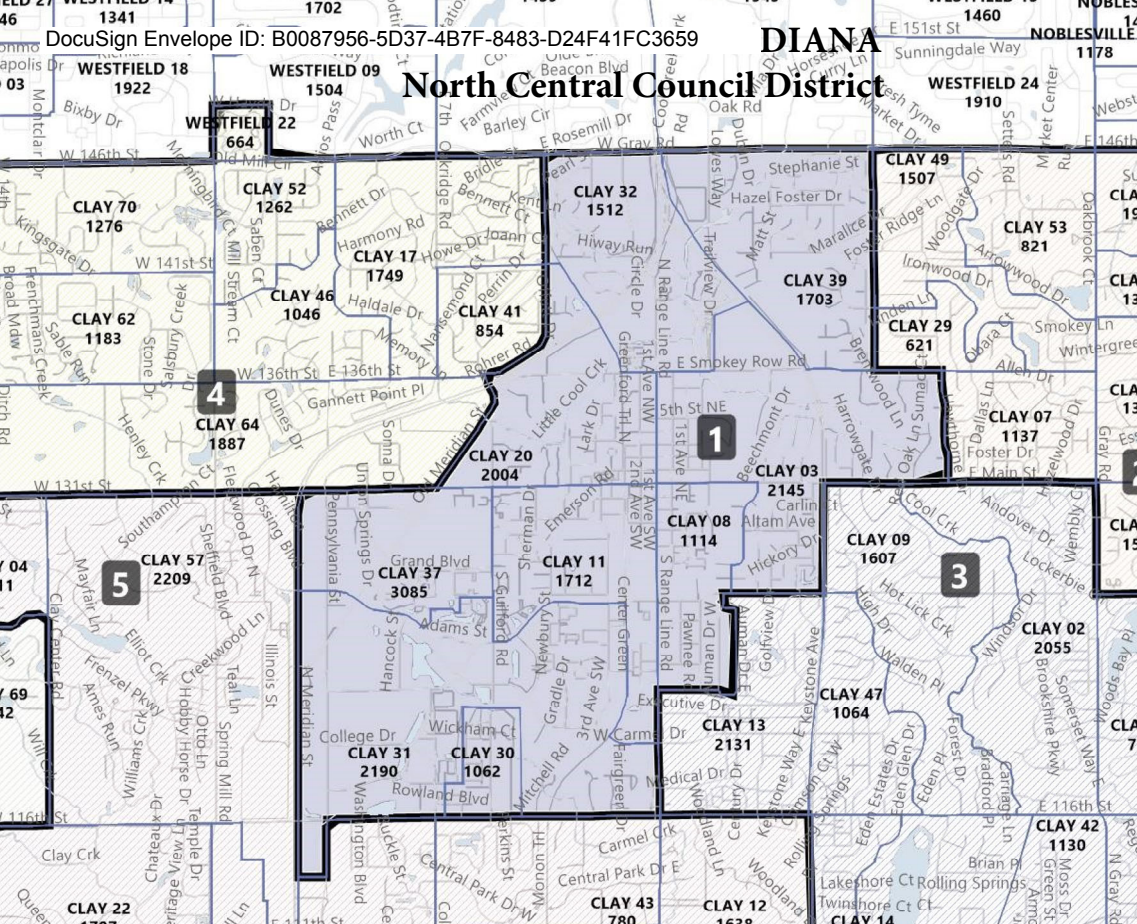
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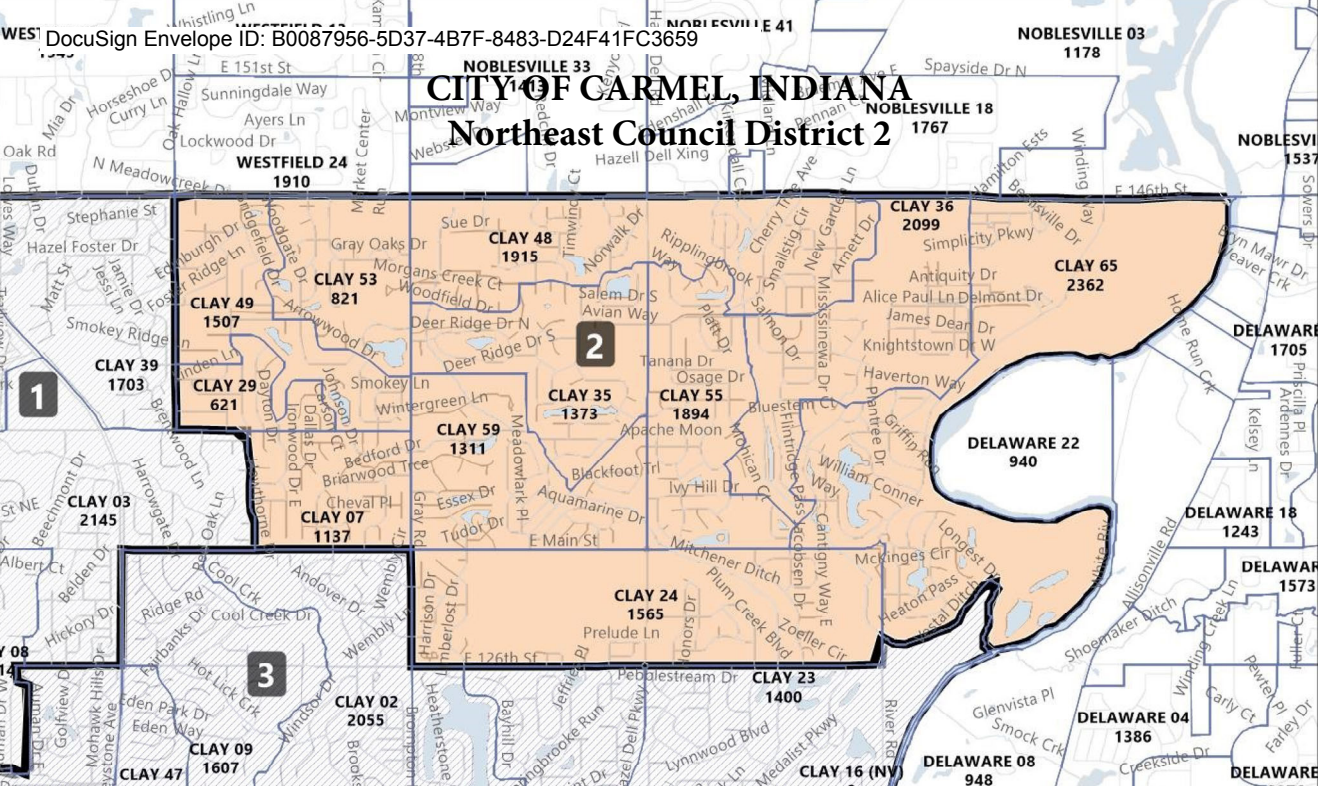


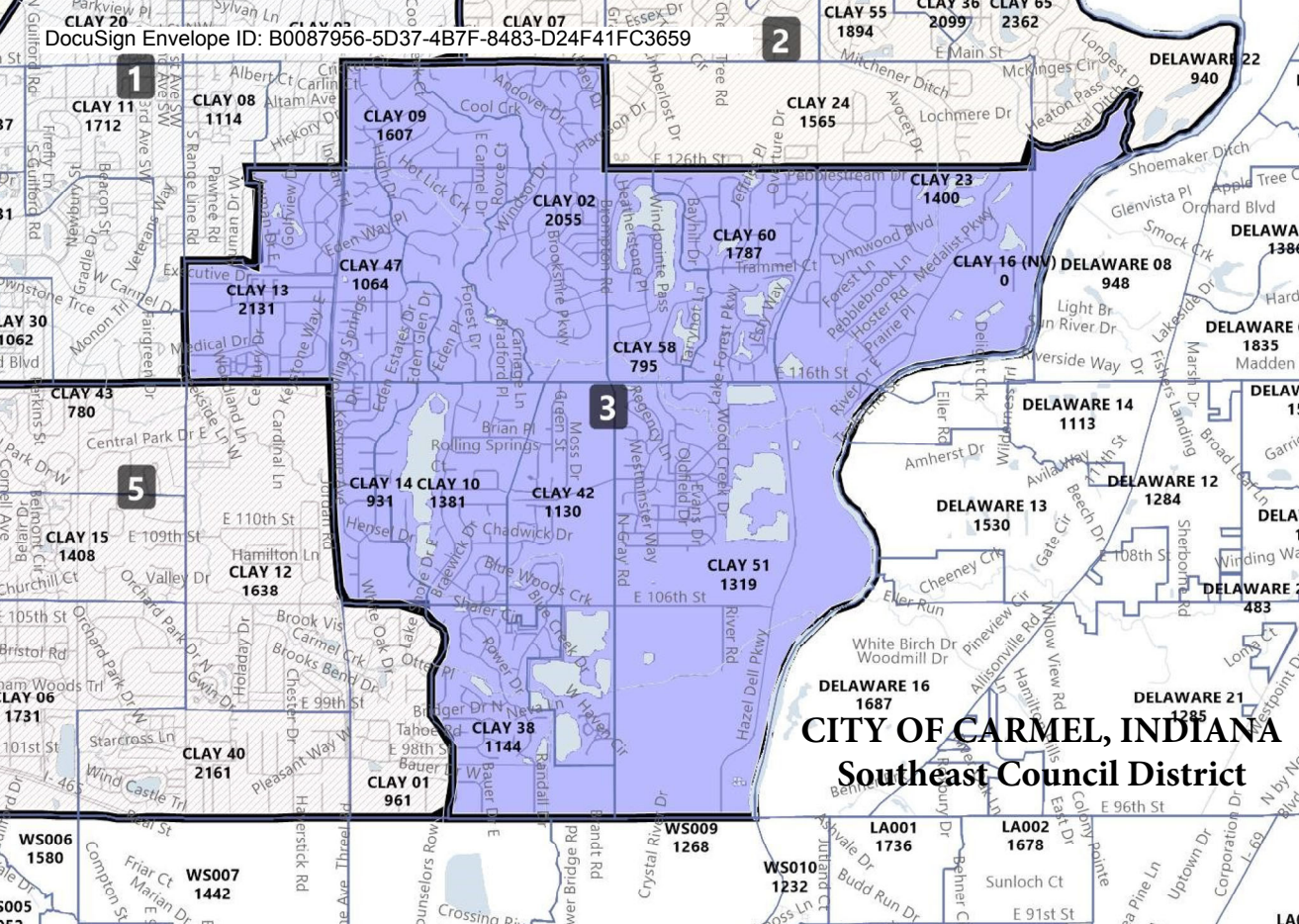
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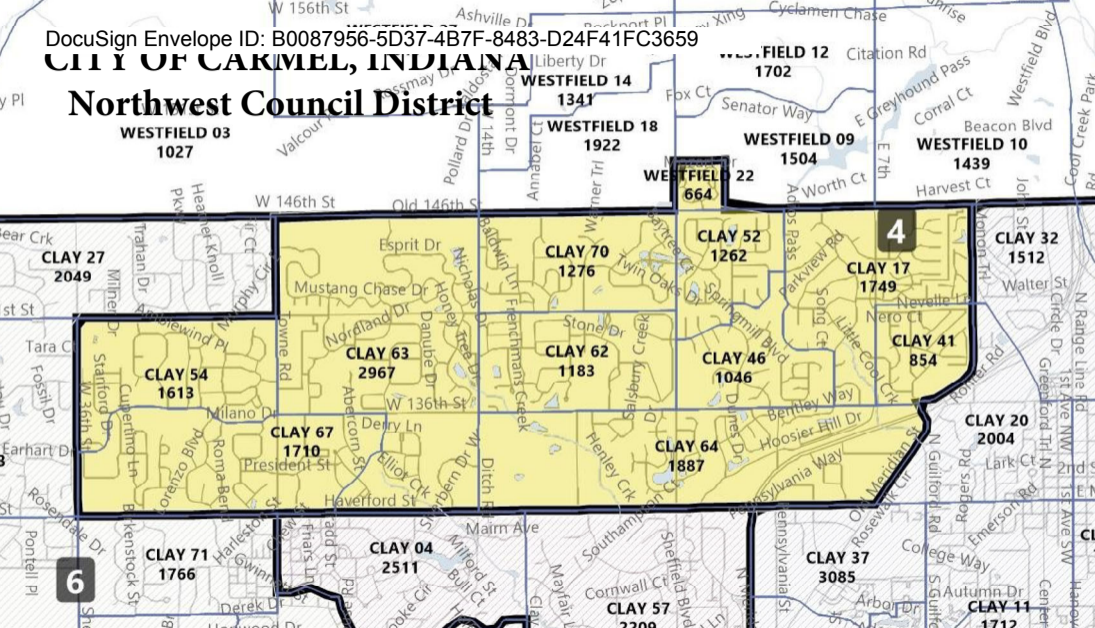


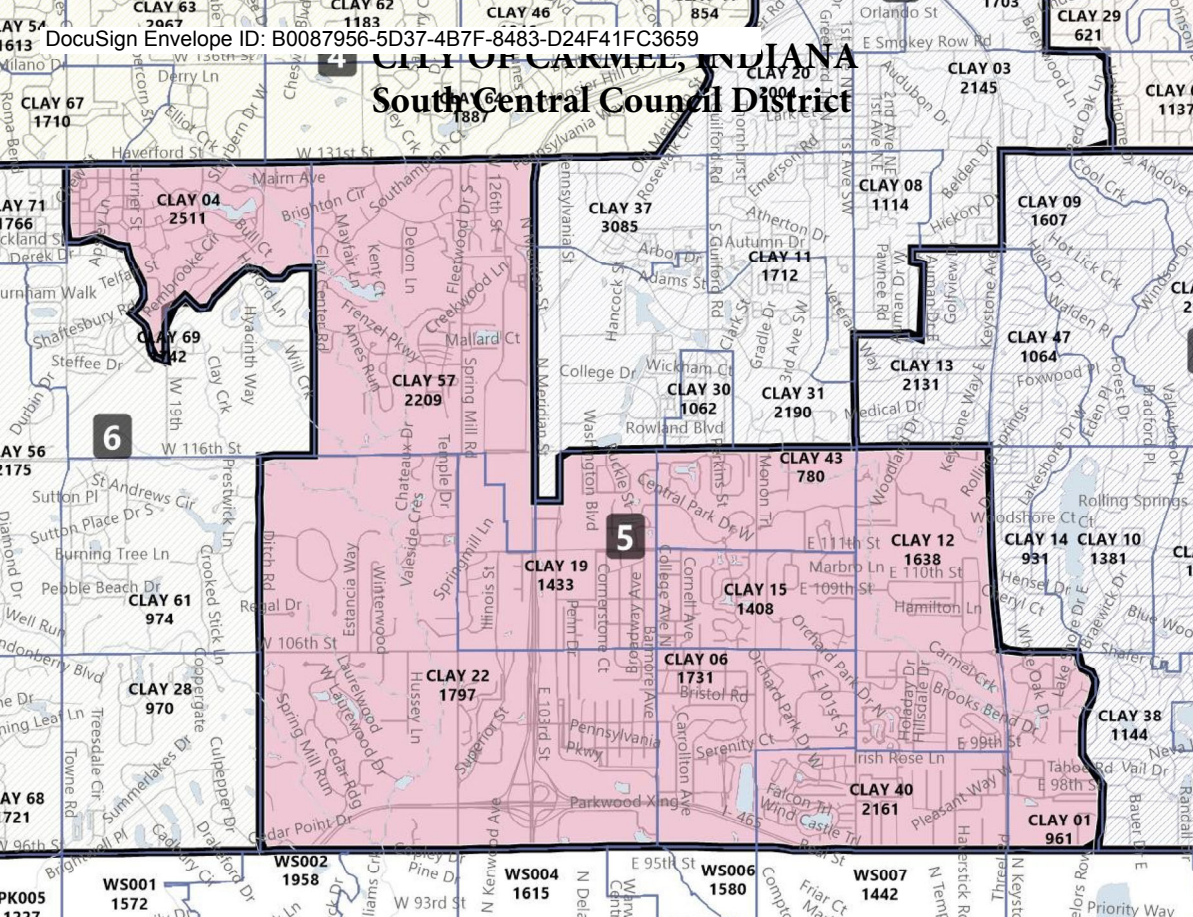
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