

AN ORDINANCE amending Section 46-3, Council Zones., of the Joplin Municipal Code, to include certain recently annexed properties; and, containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, the City of Joplin recently voluntarily annexed certain properties at the southeast corner of the City; and,

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Clerk has included the portion of the newly annexed area north of 32nd Street in Precinct 25; and,

WHEREAS, the Newton County Clerk has elected to allow voters south of 32nd Street to remain in their already-existing precincts, namely Thurman Precinct and the Diamond Precinct; and,

WHEREAS, this newly annexed territory requires a change to the City Council Zone Districts due to the requirement in Section 1.05 of the Joplin City Home Rule Charter which states that council zones shall be re-established by ordinance following the annexation of any additional territory to the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. That Section 46-3, Council Zones, of the Municipal Code, as stated by Ordinance No. 99-193 and passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, on December 6, 1999, and as re-adopted by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, on November 19, 2001 by Ordinance No. 2001-177, and further re-adopted January 7, 2002, by Ordinance No. 2002-001, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 46-3. Council zones.

The Council zones shall include the following voting districts or precincts:

- (1) Council Zone No. 1: Voting precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8.
- (2) Council Zone No. 2: Voting precincts 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15.
- (3) Council Zone No. 3: Voting precincts 7, 16, 18, 23, 24, and 25.
- (4) Council Zone No. 4: Voting precincts 21, 22, 26, 27, and that portion
of the Thurman and Diamond Precincts lying
within the corporate boundaries of the City of
Joplin, Newton County.

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Section 2. That this Ordinance, being an Ordinance providing for the re-statement of the boundaries of Council Zones, for the purpose of electing Council members, is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(2) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this 4th day of March, 2002, by a 8-0-1 vote.

Robert W. Landis
Mayor ProTem

ATTEST:

Barbara L. Hogelin
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Brian W. Head
City Attorney