

Precinct Borders Revised

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Persons who are registered voters in Travis County should sign and correct information on applications for 1970 voter's registration certificates sent to them recently by the county tax assessor-collector's office.

One of the corrections many persons will be making this year concerns the voting precinct in which they live. (See map).

County commissioners, with aid from the Democratic and Republican Parties, this year redistricted the voting precincts.

Fritz Robinson, tax assessor-collector, said most voting precincts were changed to some degree, with Precincts 422, 323, 324, 237, 238, 241, 139 and 138 most radically changed (Shaded and checked areas on map).

Shortly after the commissioners made the changes a suit was filed by Gayle Essary, a Democratic precinct chairman, asking a district court to force the commissioners to redistrict voting precincts further.

Essary claims that some precincts contain more than 2,000 registered voters, the maximum under state statutes.

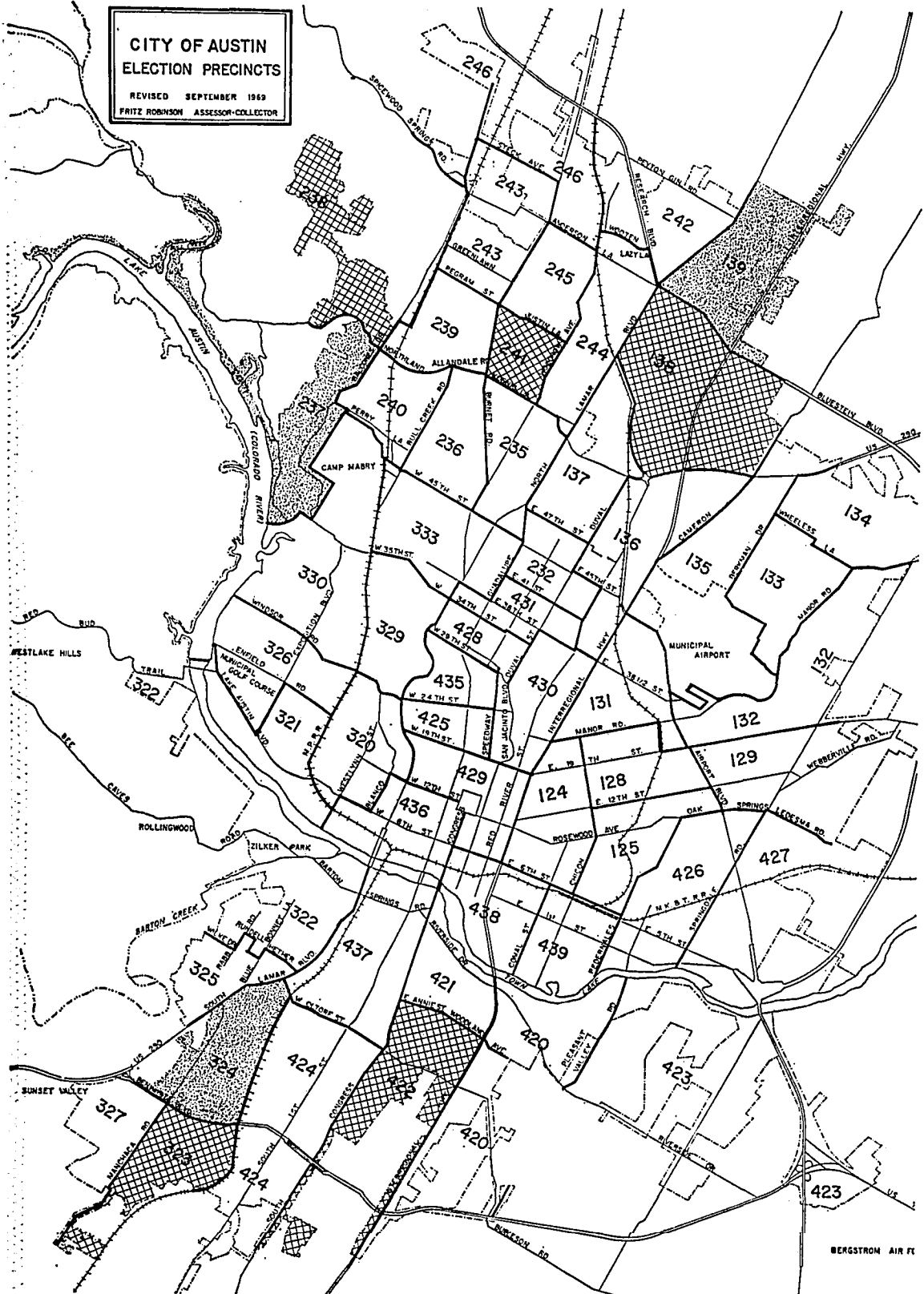
That suit is pending in 53rd District Court and it is not known if the outcome of that suit will require further changes in voting precincts in 1970.

Robinson emphasized that the applications mailed from his office are just that — applications — and not voter registrations. The applications must be signed, corrections made, if any, and returned to his office before registration certificates can be issued to voters.

Persons not registered to vote in Travis County last year may get voter registration applications at Robinson's office on the third floor of the County Courthouse.

Registration, of course, is free.

Robinson also requested persons who mail their applications to his office to remember to place a postage stamp on the application card.



MAP SHOWS TRAVIS COUNTY VOTING PRECINCTS WHICH WERE RECENTLY CHANGED BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Shaded and checked areas show most radically changed precincts from last year; boundaries are black lines.