

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )

COUNTY OF LANCASTER )

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ORDINANCE NO. 2021-1784  
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LANCASTER, SC

AN ORDINANCE

**TO APPROVE AND ADOPT A REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE ELECTION DISTRICTS USED TO ELECT MEMBERS OF COUNTY COUNCIL; TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND OTHER COUNTY OFFICIALS TO TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTIONS TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSES OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND TO ADOPT OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

Be it ordained by the Council of Lancaster County, South Carolina:

**Section 1. Findings and Determinations.**

Council finds and determines that:

- a. with the completion and release of the Federal Decennial Census of 2020 ("2020 U.S. Census"), a realignment of the electoral districts used for the election of members of Council is necessary to maintain compliance with the United States Constitution, the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, Section 4-9-90 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended, and the United States Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended (collectively, "Law");
- b. there presently exist seven single member districts ("Election Districts") for the election of Council members;
- c. the purpose of this ordinance is to realign the boundaries of the Election Districts to meet the requirements of, and in accordance with, the Law and the 2020 U.S. Census;
- d. the realignment of the election district boundaries for redistricting purposes is based upon the 2020 U.S. Census in order that the population of the Election Districts comply with the requirements set forth in the United States Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended;
- e. the pertinent population and demographic data for the current Election Districts, from such 2020 U.S. Census, is attached to this ordinance as Exhibit A and is incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth verbatim herein;
- f. the County, acting by and through its Council, has adopted the criteria that it has elected to use, in accordance with the Law, to realign the boundaries of the Election Districts and the following criteria were utilized in developing the Redistricting Plan:
  1. Adhere to the court-ordered Constitutional requirement of one (1) person, one (1) vote and do so by following constitutionally mandated equal protection requirements and accepted population variances;
  2. Adhere to a state law population variance per district under ten percent (10%);
  3. Adhere to the Law and controlling court decisions;
  4. Ensure that parts of each proposed County Council District are contiguous;

5. Respect "Communities of Interest;"
6. Attempt to maintain constituent consistency;
7. Attempt to avoid splitting voting precincts;
8. Solicit and consider public input;

g. a map depicting the redistricting of the Election Districts, as determined by Council, in accordance with the Law, utilizing the criteria set forth herein, is attached to this ordinance as Exhibit B (Draft Plan Proposal 10, dated January 14, 2022), and is incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth verbatim herein; and

h. pertinent population and demographic data for the redistricted Election Districts, from the 2020 U.S. Census, is included in the Population Summary Report section of the proposed map, Exhibit B, and is incorporated herein as if fully set forth verbatim herein; and

i. Council desires to authorize and direct the County Administrator to take such administrative actions and to promulgate and execute such procedures and policies as may be necessary or desirable to carry into effect and implement the redistricted Election Districts provided for and adopted in this ordinance, including any elections required thereby, and in accord with the Law.

**Section 2. Approval of Election Districts.**

The seven single member Election Districts for the election of Council members in Lancaster County are hereby redistricted as depicted on the map of the County attached to this ordinance as Exhibit B (Draft Plan Proposal 10, dated January 14, 2022). By adoption of this ordinance, Council approves the redistricted Election Districts.

**Section 3. County Administrator Authority.**

The County Administrator is authorized and directed to take all such administrative actions to promulgate and execute such procedures and policies as may be necessary or desirable to carry into effect and implement the redistricted Election Districts provided for and adopted in this ordinance, including any elections required thereby, and in accord with the Law.

**Section 4. Authority of Other County Officials.**

The Council Chair, Secretary and Clerk, County Attorney and any other appropriate County official are each authorized to take such actions and to execute such documents as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this ordinance.

**Section 5. Severability.**

If any section, subsection or clause of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections and clauses shall not be affected.

**Section 6. Conflicting Provisions.**

To the extent this ordinance contains provisions that conflict with provisions contained elsewhere in the Lancaster County Code or other County ordinances, the provisions contained in this ordinance supersede all other provisions and this ordinance is controlling.

**Section 7.      Effective Date.**

This ordinance is effective upon Third Reading.

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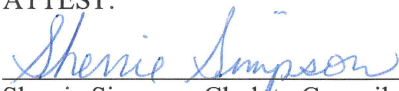
Dated this 31<sup>st</sup> day of JANUARY, 2022.

LANCASTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

  
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Steve Harper, Chair, County Council

  
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Billy Mosteller, Secretary, County Council

ATTEST:

  
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Sherrie Simpson, Clerk to Council

First Reading: November 8, 2021

Second Reading: January 24, 2022

Public Hearing: January 24, 2022

Third Reading: January 31, 2022

Approved as to form:

  
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John DuBose, County Attorney

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**Exhibit A to Ordinance No. 2021-1784**  
**Current District Statistics Report**

See attached.

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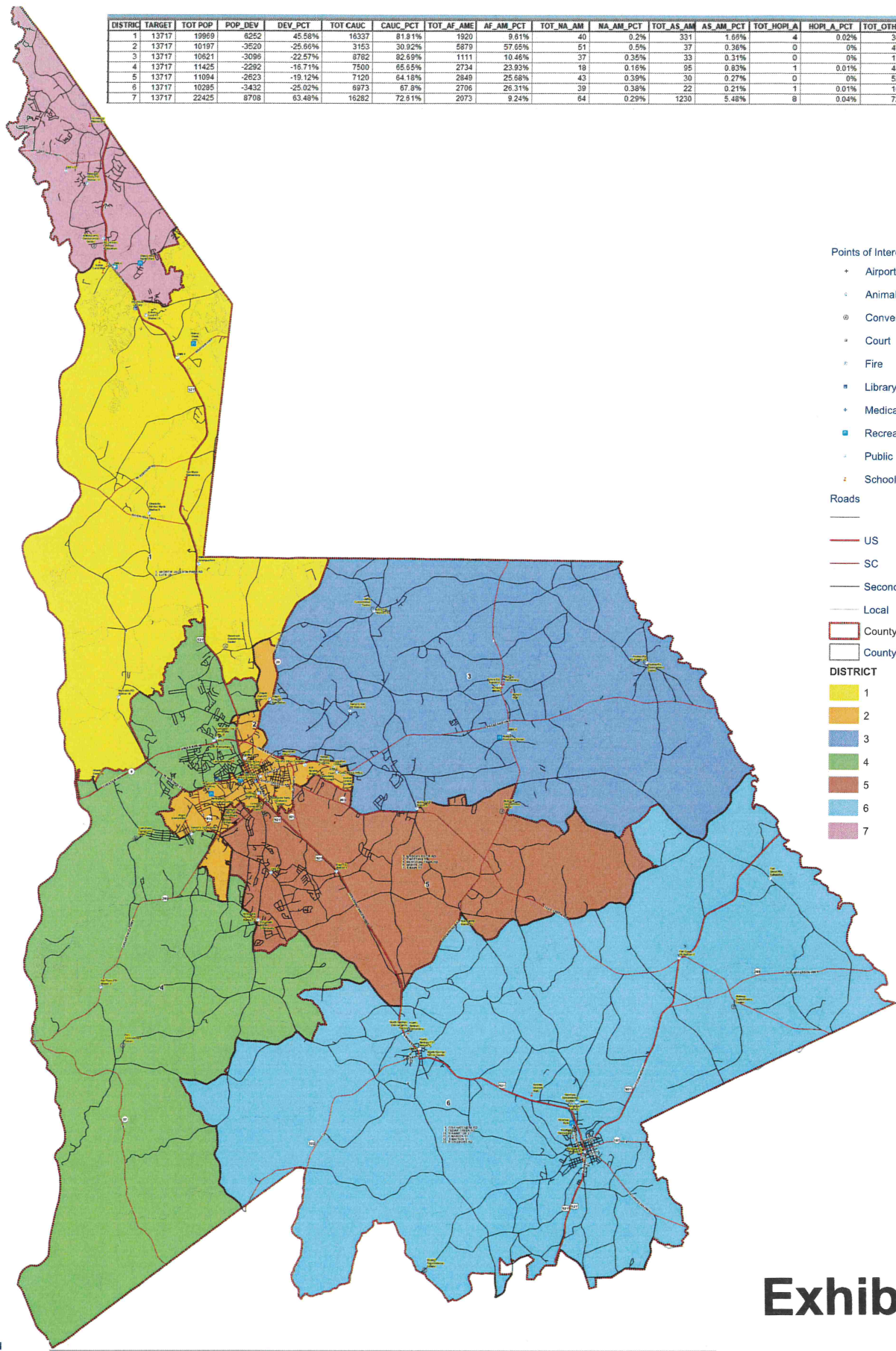
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Draft Plan  
Election District Map**

See attached.

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DISTRICT	TARGET	TOT POP	POP DEV	DEV_PCT	TOT CAUC	CAUC_PCT	TOT AF AME	AF_AM_PCT	TOT NA AM	NA_AM_PCT	TOT AS AM	AS_AM_PCT	TOT HOPI A	HOPI_A_PCT	TOT_OTHER	OTHER_PCT
1	13717	19969	6252	45.58%	16337	81.91%	1920	9.61%	40	0.2%	331	1.66%	4	0.02%	313	1.57%
2	13717	10197	-3520	-25.60%	3153	30.92%	5879	57.65%	51	0.5%	37	0.36%	0	0%	474	4.65%
3	13717	10621	-3096	-22.57%	8782	82.59%	1111	10.46%	37	0.35%	33	0.31%	0	0%	139	1.31%
4	13717	11425	-2292	-16.71%	7500	65.55%	2734	23.93%	19	0.16%	95	0.83%	1	0.01%	445	3.89%
5	13717	11094	-2623	-19.12%	7120	64.18%	2849	25.68%	43	0.39%	30	0.27%	0	0%	526	4.74%
6	13717	10295	-3432	-25.02%	6973	67.8%	2706	26.31%	39	0.38%	22	0.21%	1	0.01%	107	1.04%
7	13717	22425	8708	63.48%	16282	72.61%	2073	9.24%	64	0.29%	1230	5.48%	8	0.04%	729	3.25%



- Points of Interest
- Airport
  - Animal Control
  - Convenience Center
  - Court
  - Fire
  - Library
  - Medical
  - Recreation
  - Public Safety
  - School
- Roads
- US
  - SC
  - Secondary
  - Local
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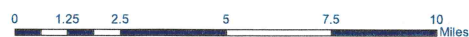
## Exhibit A



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# Lancaster County, South Carolina

Existing Council Districts Using 2020 Population





### Population Summary Report

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Non-Hispanic white (%)	Hispanic (%)	Non-Hispanic black (%)	Non-Hispanic Asian (%)	Non-Hispanic Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (%)	Non-Hispanic some other race (%)	Non-Hispanic American Indian/Alaskan Native (%)
D1	14,541	13,717	824	6.01	80.73%	4.52%	10.40%	2.20%	0.01%	0.85%	0.98%
D2	13,699	13,717	-18	-0.13	33.32%	10.39%	53.95%	0.31%	0.01%	0.49%	1.05%
D3	13,280	13,717	-437	-3.19	79.97%	2.79%	13.67%	0.56%	0.00%	0.53%	2.06%
D4	13,969	13,717	252	1.84	69.23%	9.70%	9.74%	8.04%	0.02%	1.51%	1.22%
D5	13,284	13,717	-433	-3.16	66.31%	6.97%	23.38%	0.80%	0.01%	0.77%	1.42%
D6	13,176	13,717	-541	-3.94	68.56%	2.35%	26.10%	0.27%	0.02%	0.69%	1.61%
D7	14,067	13,717	350	2.55	74.56%	8.90%	10.95%	3.04%	0.13%	0.83%	1.32%

#### Points of Interest

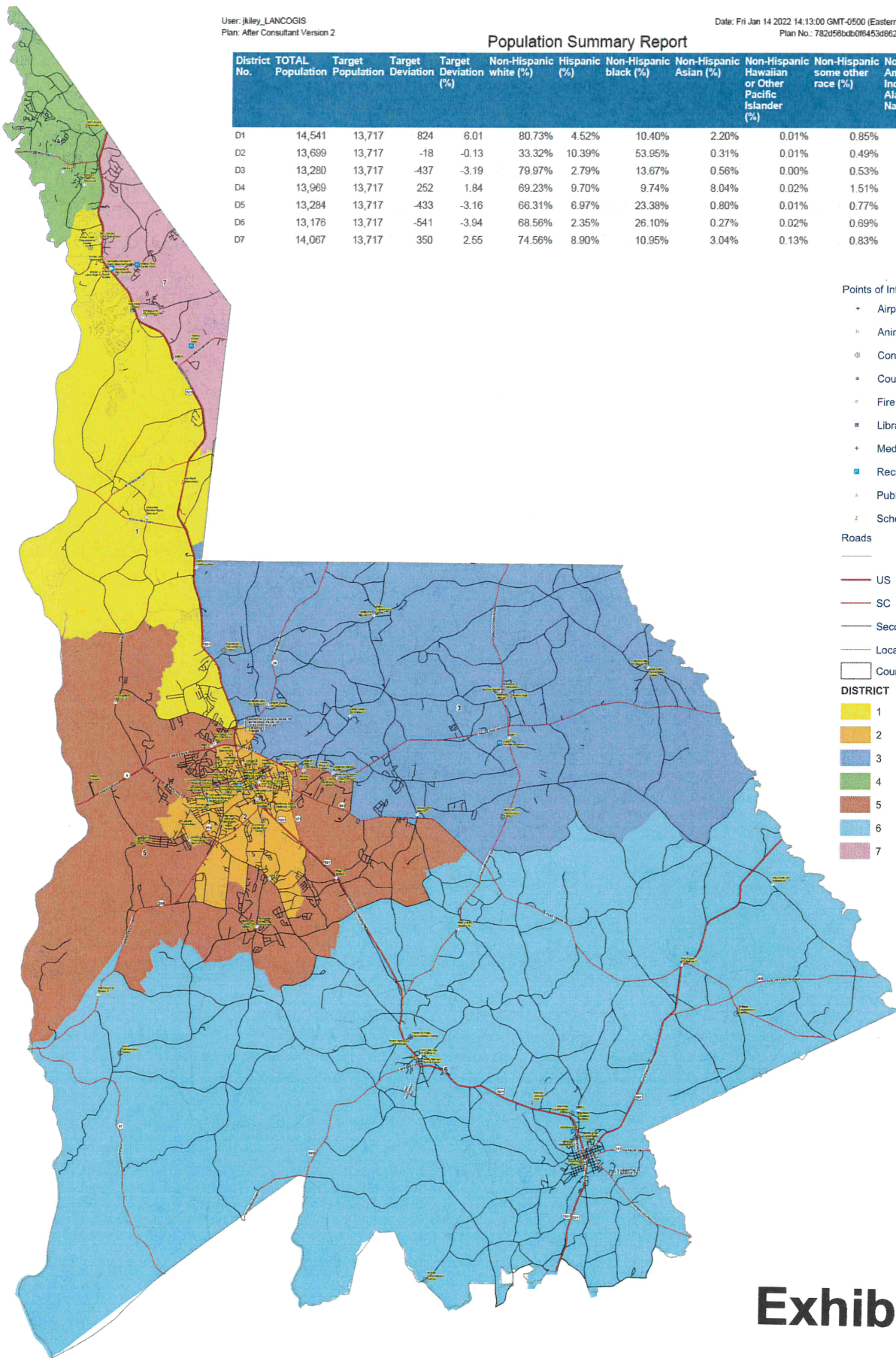
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- ✦ Public Safety
- ✦ School

#### Roads

- US
- SC
- Secondary
- Local
- County Limit

#### DISTRICT

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## Exhibit B

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## Draft of County Council Districts

