

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORSICANA, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE REDISTRICTING PLAN TO CHANGE THE MUNICIPAL PRECINCT BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF CORSICANA, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, 2020 United States Census data has become available and the same reveals the need for this City to be redistricted to remain in compliance with the “one person, one vote” requirements of the Equal Protection Clause of the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Amendments to the U.S. Constitution and the provisions of Section 5 of the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as reenacted in 2006, and the City Council has reexamined and adjusted the municipal precinct boundaries based on that census data in order to maintain continued compliance with those federal requirements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORSICANA, TEXAS, THAT:**

**SECTION ONE.** Pursuant to the powers conferred upon this City Council by the laws of the State of Texas, the City Council does hereby adopt the redistricting plan, as identified and described in the attached exhibits to change the boundaries of the municipal precincts:

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| EXHIBIT A | Map of adopted municipal precinct boundaries   |
| EXHIBIT B | Proposed Election Precincts and Polling Places |
| EXHIBIT C | Corsicana City Plan Model Three Demographics   |

The aforementioned Exhibits A, B, and C are expressly incorporated herein by reference.

**SECTION TWO. Severability.** It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are severable and, if any phrase, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance should be declared invalid by the final judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this Ordinance of any such invalid phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section. If any provisions of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

**SECTION THREE. Cumulative.** To the extent any prior ordinance of the City of Corsicana (or any provision, clause, phrase, sentence or paragraph contained herein) conflicts with this

ordinance, said conflicted ordinance, provision, clause, phrase, sentence or paragraph is hereby repealed.

**SECTION FOUR. Publication.** The caption of this Ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Corsicana.

**SECTION FIVE. Open meetings.** It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance is passed was open to the public as required and that the public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 511, Tex. Gov't Code.

**PASSED and APPROVED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of **November, 2021**, at a regular Council Meeting, after due public notice, with effective date of November 8, 2021, hereof.

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Don Denbow, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Melissa Boyle, City Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Kerri Anderson Donica, City Attorney

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