

The annexation of South Cordova and Southwind/Wyndyke resulted in **portions** of precincts in Shelby County being included in the City. These Precincts are 94-1, COR03, FOR01 and GER06. Based on our analysis of the census block data for these Precincts we estimate that the total 2010 census population of the annexed areas is as follows:

COR 3	1972
FOR 1	2283
GER 6	3539
91-04	6655
TOTALS	14449

By annexation ordinance all of these areas were assigned to District 2. As a result of the annexations that became effective after the 2011 Redistricting, the total 2010 Census Population of the entire city that is used for redistricting purposes increased by 14,449 from 647,102 to 661,551. If the City's total 2010 Census Population is divided evenly between each of the seven (7) single member districts, the total 2010 Census Population per district post annexation would be 94,507 and the total 2010 Census Population per Super District post annexation would be 330,775. Such population distribution among all districts would represent complete parity among districts. However,

federal case law permits deviations of no more than 10% between the highest and lowest districts. Stated differently, no district can be more than 5% above this average and no district can be more than 5% below this average. After annexation, the assigned population in District 2 is greater than 5% of the average total 2010 Census Population and the assigned population in District 3 is less than 95% of the average total 2010 Census Population. Consequently, the current configuration of Council Districts must be changed for the 2015 Council elections.

In redistricting the following priorities must be observed:

- Satisfy Constitutional Requirement of One-Man One Vote
- Satisfy Federal Court Order Establishing Present System 7 Single Member Districts and Two Super Districts
  - i. Super Majority [77% or greater] of African American Voters in 7 of the 13 Council Districts
  - ii. Maintain Compactness and Contiguosness of all precincts in Districts
- Make as few moves as possible to avoid changing historical Council Single District Representatives of Voters—this consideration must however yield to the first two. The most important objective is to have a legal election.

The Charts below reflect the total 2010 Census Population assigned to each district in 2011 before annexation and the total 2010 Census Population of each district after annexation, to-wit:

<b>Memphis Council Districts</b>	<b>TOTALPOP</b>	<b>% to Median</b>
<b>Current 2011</b>		
District 1	91,029	98.47%
District 2	93,696	101.36%
District 3	89,387	96.69%
District 4	91,728	99.23%
District 5	95,273	103.06%
District 6	93,611	101.26%
District 7	92,378	99.93%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>647,102</b>	

<b>Super District 8</b>	323,527	100.06%
<b>Super District 9</b>	323,125	99.94%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>646,652</b>	

<b>Memphis Council Districts</b>	<b>TOTALPOP</b>	
<b>Current 2015</b>		
District 1	91,029	96.32%
District 2	108,145	114.43%
District 3	89,387	94.58%
District 4	91,728	97.06%
District 5	95,273	100.81%
District 6	93,611	99.05%
District 7	92,378	97.75%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>661,551</b>	
<b>Super District 8</b>	323,527	97.88%
<b>Super District 9</b>	337,574	102.12%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>661,101</b>	

We recommend that the following changes be made to the existing District configuration:

**Move from Dist 2**

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Super District</u>
93-1	4755	District 3	Change to 8
Ross 13-I	545	District 3	No Change [9]
94-07	2316	District 3	No Change [9]
Total	7616		

**Move from Dist 2**

66-00-I	1906	District 5	No Change [9]
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After these changes the population distribution will be as follows:

<b>Memphis Council Districts</b>	<b>TOTALPOP</b>	
<b>2015 Redistricting</b>		
District 1	91,029	96.32%
District 2	98,623	104.35%
District 3	97,003	102.64%
District 4	91,728	97.06%
District 5	97,179	102.83%
District 6	93,611	99.05%
District 7	92,378	97.75%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>661,551</b>	
<b>Super District 8</b>	<b>328,282</b>	<b>99.31%</b>
<b>Super District 9</b>	<b>332,819</b>	<b>100.69%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>661,101</b>	

Under this Plan the total moves will be limited to four (4) precincts. 93-1 is the only complete precinct that will be moved. 93-1 is comprised of 3,910 Black residents as compared to 362 White residents and therefore will not

reduce the Black majority in Districts 3 and 8. Conversely, this move will increase the percentage of White residents assigned to Districts 2 and 9. Moreover, this move will make Districts 8 and 9 virtually equal.

Ross 13-I and 94-07 are predominately Black precincts already split with District 3. These Precincts are already assigned to District 8. This move will consolidate split precincts between Districts 2 and 3. 66-00 is a precinct split between Districts 2, 4 and 5; it is already assigned to District 9. The portion assigned to District 2 is predominately White. In order to reduce District 2's population and eliminate this triple split precinct, 66-00-I, the portion assigned to District 2, will be combined with District 5.

The only complaints we received about the announcement of preliminary options for moves involved Precinct 81-07 in District 2. It will not be necessary to move this precinct, if the proposed plan is adopted.

I will prepare the Ordinance for final adoption. This will need to be approved on August 4, 2015 with same night minutes so that we can deliver a copy of the signed

ordinance to the Election Commission. The City's mapping department is preparing the Official map.

As indicated in the last committee meeting the difficult task will be to describe each ward and precinct assigned to each district. The Ordinance provides that the District boundaries shown on the Official Map controls, since the process by which the Election Commission consolidates and splits existing precincts is not coordinated with the City. For example, under the 2011 Ordinance Precincts 53-3, 72-5, 87-1, 88-5, 90-1 and 95-2 were assigned to District 1. These precincts no longer exists under the numerous splits and consolidations made by the Election Commission since 2011. In addition, the Election Commission has now assigned Precincts 54-00, 72-03, 87-02, 87-04, and 96-02 to District 1; these were not assigned to District 1 under the 2011 Ordinance. In fact, 87-02, 87-04, and 96-02 were not even Precincts at all in 2011. Parts of these newly assigned Precincts contain Precincts previously only assigned to Districts 5 and 7. Thus, there is a disconnect between our last ordinance and the present Ward and Precinct configuration of the Election Commission. The task of preparing a complete and accurate

Ordinance has been made more difficult and time-consuming even to accomplish the move of only four (4) precincts. Furthermore, we have received complaints that the Election Commission in splitting and consolidating precincts may have erroneously moved voters from the Council Districts to which they have always been assigned.

We are confident that our Official Map contains the correct District Boundaries, but we are not so confident that the Election Commission's description and precinct assignments match our map. We, therefore, have been in the process of auditing the Election Commission's splits and consolidations to make sure that all of the wards and precincts described in our 2011 Ordinance have been captured in the Election Commission's new configuration. Not surprisingly, this has taken a lot of time. In any event, we will make sure that at a minimum we approve the precinct moves and the resulting new Official Map, as amended, on Tuesday. A more detailed description of each specific ward and precinct using the Election Commission's new terminology may require a technical amendment to the Ordinance at a later time.