

CHAPTER 2022-25

No. 201 **AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-12, NO. 160, APPROVED APRIL 25, 2022, ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE APPORTIONING THE FIFTEEN WARDS", AS AMENDED**

Approved June 13, 2022

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

SECTION 1. Section 204 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

The City of Providence is hereby apportioned into fifteen wards in accordance with Section 204 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as approved by the Electors of the City of Providence at the General Election held November 4, 1980 and validated by the General Assembly on May 7, 1981.

FIRST WARD

The First Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Henderson Expy and the Providence - East Providence Boundary line; thence West on Henderson Expy; thence North on River Dr; thence West on Angell St; thence South on Brook St; thence West on Waterman St; thence South on Thayer St; thence West on Charlesfield St; thence South on Brown St; thence West on Power St; thence Northwest on S Main St; thence Northwest on N Main St; thence West on Park Row; thence Southeast on the Mosshasuck river; thence Southwest on Steeple St; thence west on Memorial Blvd; thence South on I- 95; thence Northeast on I- 195; thence southeasterly on Providence River; thence northeasterly on the Providence - East Providence boundary line to the point of beginning.

SECOND WARD

The Second Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Power St and S Main St; thence East on Power St; thence North on Brown St; thence East on Charlesfield St; thence North on Thayer St; thence East on Waterman St; thence North on Brook St; thence East on Angell St; thence South on River Dr; thence East on Henderson Expy; thence North on the Providence - East Providence border; thence west on the Providence - Pawtucket border; thence South on Hope St; thence Southeast on Blackstone Blvd; thence Southwest on North Ave; thence South on Hope St; thence East on 8th St; thence Southeast on Winfield Rd; thence Southwest on Lorimer Ave; thence East on Rochambeau Ave; thence South on Elmgrove Ave; thence West on Doyle Ave; thence North on Taber Ave; thence West on Emeline St; thence South on Morris Ave; thence West on Olney St; thence South on N Main St; thence South on Benefit St; thence West on Meeting St; thence South on N Main St; thence Southeast on S Main St to the point of beginning.

THIRD WARD

The Third Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Smith St and the Mosshasuck River; thence South on the Mosshasuck River; thence East on Park Row; thence South on N Main St; thence East on Meeting St; thence North on Benefit St; thence North on N Main St; thence East on Olney St; thence North on Morris Ave; thence East on Emeline St; thence South on Taber Ave; thence East on Doyle Ave; thence North on Elmgrove Ave; thence West on Rochambeau Ave; thence North on Lorimer Ave; thence Northwest on Winfield Rd; thence West on 8th St; thence North on Hope St; thence Northeast on North Ave; thence Northwest on Blackstone Blvd; thence North on Hope St; thence West on the Providence - Pawtucket boundary line; thence Southwest on I- 95; thence Southeast on New York, New Haven and Hartford RR; thence East on Smith St to the point of beginning.

FOURTH WARD

The Fourth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Douglas Ave and I - 95; thence Northeast on I- 95; thence West on the Providence - Pawtucket Boundary line; thence continue on the Providence - North Providence boundary line; thence Southeast on Douglas Ave; thence East on Concannon St; thence North on Moy St; thence East on Branch Ave; thence South on Louisquisset Pike; thence Southwest on the eastern boundary of Corliss Park and Mansion Park; thence South on Corina St, thence Southeast on Appian St; thence Southwest on Corina St; thence Southeast on Douglas Ave; thence Northeast on Berkshire St; thence Southeast on March St; thence Northeast on Chad Brown St; thence Southeast on the southern boundary of census block 440070027003019; thence Southwest on Fillmore St; thence Southeast on Douglas Ave; thence Northeast on Chalkstone Ave; thence South on N Davis St; thence East on Douglas Ave to the point of beginning.

FIFTH WARD

The Fifth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Chalkstone Ave and Leah St; thence East on Chalkstone Ave; thence Northwest on Rosebank Ave; thence Northeast on Pleasant Valley Pkwy; thence Northwest on Convent St; thence Northeast on Maude St; thence Northwest on Smith St; thence North on Tyndall Ave; thence West on Eaton St; thence South on River Ave; thence Northwest on Smith St; thence North on Enfield Ave; thence West on Isabella Ave; thence North on Gentian Ave; thence East on Texas Ave; thence Northwest on Admiral St; thence Southwest on the Providence - North Providence boundary line; thence continue on the Providence - Johnston boundary line; thence Northeast on Manton Ave; thence East on Chalkstone Ave to the point of beginning.

SIXTH WARD

The Sixth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of the Providence - Johnston boundary line and the Woonasquatucket river; thence Northwest on the Providence - Johnston boundary line; thence Northeast on Manton Ave; thence east on Chalkstone Ave; thence South on Bergen St; thence West on Regent Ave; thence South on Huron St; thence West on the Northern boundary of census block 440070022003006; thence South on Academy Ave; thence West on Atwells Ave; thence South on Putnam St; thence West on Amherst St; thence Northwest on Manton Ave; thence Southwest on Salmon St, continuing on the western boundary of census block 440070019003001; thence east on Hwy 6; thence Southerly, Westerly, and Northwesterly on the Woonasquatucket river to the point of beginning.

SEVENTH WARD

The Seventh Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of the Providence - Cranston boundary line and Terrace Ave; thence North on Terrace Ave; thence West on Shafter St; thence North on Laurel Hill Ave; thence East on Plainfield St; thence North on Webster Ave; thence East on Eastwood Ave; thence South on Heath St; thence East on Laban St; thence Northeast on Plainfield St; thence Northwest on US Hwy 6; thence Southerly, Westerly, and Northwesterly on the Woonasquatucket river; thence Westerly, Southerly, and Easterly on the Providence - Johnston boundary line to the point of beginning.

EIGHTH WARD

The Eighth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of the onramp of State Route 10 and Park Ave; thence North on State Rte 10; thence North on Elmwood Ave; thence South on Reservoir Ave; thence Northwest on Amtrak railroad; thence Northeast on the eastern boundary of census block 440070014004026; thence Southeast on Huntington Ave; thence East on Carter St; thence North on Bucklin St; thence North on Dexter St; thence West on Sprague St; thence North on Diamond St; thence West on Hollis St; thence North on Parade St; thence West on Chapin Ave; thence South on Messer St; thence West on Union Ave; thence South on State Rte 10; thence Southerly, Easterly, and Southeasterly on Providence - Cranston boundary line to the point of beginning.

NINTH WARD

The Ninth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of the onramp of State Route 10 and Park Ave; thence Easterly and Northerly on the Providence - Cranston boundary line; thence West on Montgomery Ave; thence northwest on F C Greene Memorial Blvd; thence Northeast on Hawthorne Ave; thence Northwest on Broad St; thence West on Plenty St; thence West on Bellevue Ave; thence South on Bucklin St; thence West on Carter St; thence Northwest on Huntington Ave; thence Southwest on the eastern boundary of census block 440070014004026; thence Southeast on Amtrak railroad; thence North on Reservoir Ave; thence Southeast on Elmwood Ave; thence Southeast on the onramp of State Route 10 to the point of beginning.

TENTH WARD

The Tenth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Montgomery Ave and F C Greene Memorial Blvd; thence Northwest on F C Greene Memorial Blvd; thence Northeast on Hawthorne Ave; thence Northwest on Broad St; thence East on Gladstone St; thence North on Baxter St; thence East on Potters Ave; thence South on Gordon Ave; thence East on Oxford St; thence North on I- 95; thence East on Public St, extending to the Providence - East Providence boundary line; thence South on the Providence - East Providence boundary line; thence west on the Providence - Cranston boundary line; thence West on Montgomery Ave to the point of beginning.

ELEVENTH WARD

The Eleventh Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Gordon Ave and Oxford St; thence East on Oxford St; thence North on I- 95; thence East on Public St; thence North on the Providence river; thence Southwest on I- 195; thence West on I- 95; thence Southwest on Westminster St; thence South on Bridgham St; thence Southwest on Cranston St; thence South on Parade St; thence East on Hollis St; thence South on Diamond St; thence East on Sprague St; thence South on Dexter St; thence South on Bucklin St; thence East on Bellevue Ave; thence East on Plenty St; thence South on Broad St; thence East on Gladstone St; thence North on Baxter St; thence East on Potters Ave; thence South on Gordon Ave to the point of beginning.

TWELFTH WARD

The Twelfth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Atwells Ave and the Woonasquatucket River; thence Northeast on the Woonasquatucket River; thence South on I- 95; thence East on Memorial Blvd; thence Northeast on Steeple St; thence North on the Moshassuck river; thence West on Smith St; thence North on New York New Haven and Hartford RR; thence Southwest on I- 95; thence Northwest on Douglas Ave; thence North on N Davis St; thence West on Chalkstone Ave; thence Northwest on Douglas Ave; thence Northeast on Fillmore St; thence Northwest on the southern boundary of Census Block 440070027003019; thence Southwest on Chad Brown St; thence Northwest on March St; thence Southwest on Berkshire St; thence South on Douglas Ave;

thence West on Eaton St; thence South on Pembroke Ave; thence Northwest on Smith St; thence Southwest on Maude St; thence Southeast on Convent St; thence Southwest on Pleasant Valley Pkwy; thence Southeast on Rosebank Ave; thence West on Chalkstone Ave; thence South on Bergen St; thence West on Regent Ave; thence South on Huron St; thence West on the Northern boundary of census block 440070022003006; thence South on Academy Ave; thence East on Atwells Ave to the point of beginning.

THIRTEENTH WARD

The Thirteenth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Union Ave and Messer St; thence North on Messer St; thence East on Chapin Ave; thence Northeast on Cranston St; thence Northwest on Bridgham St; thence East on Westminster St; thence Northwest on I- 95; thence Southwest on the Woonasquatucket river; thence East on Atwells Ave; thence Southwest on US Hwy 6; thence South on State Rte 10; thence East on Union Ave to the point of beginning.

FOURTEENTH WARD

The Fourteenth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Pembroke Ave and Eaton St; thence East on Eaton St; thence North on Douglas Ave; thence Northeast on Corina St; thence North on Appian St; thence Northeast on Corina St; thence Northeast on the eastern boundary of Corliss / Mansion Park; thence Northeast on Hawkins St; thence Northwest on Louisquisset Pike; thence West on Branch Ave; thence South on Moy St; thence West on Concannon St; thence Northwest on Douglas Ave; thence Southwest on the Providence - North Providence boundary line; thence Southeast on Admiral St; thence West on Texas Ave; thence South on Gentian Ave; thence East on Isabella Ave; thence South on Enfield Ave; thence Southeast on Smith St; thence North on River Ave; thence Southeast on Eaton St; thence South on Tyndall Ave; thence Southeast on Smith St; thence North on Pembroke Ave to the point of beginning.

FIFTEENTH WARD

The Fifteenth Ward of the City of Providence shall consist of all of that part of the City bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of Terrace Ave and the Providence - Cranston boundary line; thence Northwest on Terrace Ave; thence West on Shafter St; thence North on Laurel Hill Ave; thence East on Plainfield St; thence North on Webster Ave; thence East on Eastwood Ave; thence South on Heath St; thence East on Laban St; thence Northeast on Plainfield St; thence Northwest on US Hwy 6; thence Northeast on the western boundary of census block 440070019003001, continuing on Salmon St; thence Southeast on Manton Ave; thence East on Amherst St; thence North on Putnam St; thence East on Atwells Ave; thence Southwest on US Hwy 6; thence South on State Rte 10; thence Northerly and Westerly on the Providence - Cranston boundary line to the point of beginning.

SECTION 2. It shall be understood and intended that in bounding and describing the said Wards, that the said boundary lines of streets, streams, rivers and railroads is meant in all instances the central line of such street, stream, river or railroad, unless the same be otherwise specified.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be liberally construed to effectuate the purposes thereof and to apportion the City into fifteen wards in compliance with the Home Rule Charter of the City of Providence. It is intended that the fifteen wards described herein completely encompass all the area within the City and contain all the citizens resident in the City. It is further intended that the ward boundaries provided for in this Ordinance result in the creation of wards containing substantially equal population, that natural boundaries be used and recognized neighborhoods be included within wards without arbitrary divisions thereof, so far as practicable.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage; provided, however, that the provisions hereof shall first be effective in connection with elections to be held on or subsequent to the first day of September, 2022, and for the purpose of greater clarity, the first election under the provisions of this Ordinance for City Council Wards hereby created, shall be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, 2022, and the first primary election under the provisions of this Ordinance for nomination of candidates for City Council from each of the fifteen wards shall be held on the second Tuesday after the first Monday in September, 2022, provided however, that if any of the provisions of this Ordinance or the application of such provision to any court of competent jurisdiction, or if any action performed under the provision of this Ordinance is restrained or enjoined by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall not be deemed impaired or affected thereby but shall be deemed to remain in full force and effect.

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 19 2022
FIRST READING
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Tina L. Mastoianni CLERK
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FINAL READING
READ AND PASSED

JOHN J. IGLOZZI, PRESIDENT

Tina L. Mastoianni CLERK
ACTING

I HEREBY APPROVE.

[Signature] Mayor
Date: 6/13/22

May 12, 2022

Kimball W. Brace
President

To whom it may concern –

In the past year, Election Data Services has been working with the city on your redistricting process, first with the Commission established and then with the Council itself as you passed the final ordinance on the ward boundaries. During the process and at passage we utilized and unveiled to the public, five different depictions of the final map:

- 1) a city wide map of the boundaries,
- 2) a written report describing the character of the wards and their associated population counts (along with data on racial and ethnic origin (Hispanic) residents,
- 3) a GIS shapefile,
- 4) a metes and bounds description of the boundaries, and
- 5) a generation of street names and address ranges for the city's elections office so that they could assign addresses to State Legislative districts, City Wards, Voting Districts, and polling places

It was during this fifth precinct creation process that we discovered the metes and bounds language had some differences from the other 4 reports that were in sync to what was presented to the City Council and the Public.

Therefore, in consultation with the city solicitor's office, we would like to submit a revision of the metes and bounds language that exactly follows the maps, redistricting report, and GIS shapefile. It is attached.

Sincerely,
Kimball Brace, President
Election Data Services, Inc.
Consultants to the City