

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD)

ORDINANCE NO. 430

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR FAIRFIELD COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA UTILIZING THE 2000 U.S. CENSUS RESULTS

SECTION 1. In compliance with the United States Constitution, the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, Section 4-9-90 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, and the United States Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, the Fairfield County Council has determined to realign the electoral districts for the election of members of Council in accordance with the Federal Decennial Census of 2000.

SECTION 2. There presently exist seven single-member districts for the election of Fairfield County Council members.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is for the purpose of defining the boundaries of these seven single-member election districts.

SECTION 4. The re-defining of the district boundaries is based upon the 2000 census for redistricting purposes in order that the population of such districts shall comply with the requirements set forth in the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

SECTION 5. The pertinent demographic data in reference to the proposed districts is attached to this ordinance as Exhibit "A" and is incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth. The seven single-member election districts for the election of Fairfield County Council members are hereby redistricted to be as depicted on the map of Fairfield County attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit "B" and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth. Exhibits "A" and "B" have heretofore been collectively referred to as Fairfield County Redistricting Plan Number 6.

SECTION 6. The County Administrator is authorized and directed to take 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 single-member election districts provided for in this Ordinance, including the elections required thereby and in accordance with any directions, suggestions, or objections of the Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice, after submission to it of this Ordinance and all required materials.

SECTION 7. The County attorney is hereby directed to compile and submit the appropriate documentation to all superior agencies as soon as possible.

SECTION 8. Chapter 2, Section 2-1 of the Fairfield County Code and any provision in any other County Ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby amended to conform to this Ordinance.

SECTION 9. If any provisions of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance are held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.


SECTION 10. This Ordinance shall take effect upon third reading and preclearance by the United States Department of Justice pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL this 29th day of April, 2002.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL


David L. Ferguson, Chairman

ATTEST:


Shryll Brown, Clerk to Council

1st Reading: 02/11/2002

2nd Reading: 02/25/2002

Public Hearing: 03/18/2002
04/29/2002

3rd Reading: 04/29/2002