



TO: President Gardiner and Members of the Town Council

FROM: Jill E. DiTommaso, PE
Deputy Town Manager

DATE: December 5, 2022

RE: Ordinance 1886
Minor changes to ward boundaries

Background

Since the first reading of Ordinance 1886 on November 21, 2022, staff has been preparing descriptions of the proposed ward boundaries to include as an attachment to the ordinance. In order to make the descriptions of the new ward boundaries simpler and easier to understand, minor adjustments to the district map are proposed as illustrated in the attached boundary map and as described below:

Methodology

Census Tract 404.02 Block 2006 and Block 2010 were moved from Ward 5 to Ward 2. The picture below shows the location of these blocks. In the original version of the map, the boundary between Wards 2 and 5 follows the imaginary line that is the northeast extension of Columbia Avenue. By moving the two census blocks to Ward 2, the boundary line becomes the centerline of Calumet Avenue. This line is easier to describe and easier to understand.

The blocks consist of Community Veterans Memorial Park and a portion of the Franciscan Hospital parking lot. This change does not affect the population distribution of the wards.

Original – 11/21/22



Revised – 12/5/22



Census Tract 404.03 Block 1029 was moved from Ward 4 to Ward 3. This Census Block is the triangle of land created by the intersection of Washington Circle, Independence Drive, and West Delaware Parkway. This change is recommended as makes the ward boundaries easier to describe. This census block contains

one parcel that is owned by the Town and is not a buildable lot. This change does not affect the population distribution of the wards.

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Recommendation

By motion and roll-call vote to adopt Ordinance # 1886 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN ORDINANCE NO. 1578, BEING “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF MUNSTER TO ADOPT DISTRICTS FOR THE AT LARGE ELECTION OF EACH RESPECTIVE MEMBER OF THE TOWN COUNCIL” on second reading.