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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS  
EASTERN (HELENA) DIVISION

ELIJAH MONDY, JR., INDIVIDUALLY,  
AND ON BEHALF OF ALL SIMILARLY  
SITUATED CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF  
HELENA-WEST HELENA, ARKANSAS,  
Plaintiffs

**FILED**  
U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT ARKANSAS  
JUN 14 2017  
JAMES W. McCORMACK, CLERK  
By: *[Signature]* DEP CLERK

vs.

CASE NO.: 2:2017-CV-104-BRW

ADRIAN MESSINA, INDIVIDUALLY AND  
IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS ALDERMAN  
FOR THE CITY OF HELENA-WEST HELENA, ARKANSAS;  
JESSE VESCON HOLLOWELL, JR.,  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HELENA-  
WEST HELENA, ARKANSAS; CITY OF  
HELENA-WEST HELENA, ARKANSAS;  
WANDA CROCKETT; EVER J. FORD;  
JOE ST. COLUMBIA, SR.;  
CHRISTOPHER FRANKLIN, JOHN HUFF, JR.;  
LARRY J. BROWN; MONICA DAVIS;  
DON ETHERLY; VIVIAN HOLDER IN THEIR OFFICIAL  
CAPACITIES AS ALDERMEN FOR THE CITY OF HELENA  
WEST HELENA, ARKANSAS.

Defendants.

This case assigned to District Judge *Wilson*  
and to Magistrate Judge *Ray*

**PETITION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, DECLARATORY  
JUDGMENT, WRIT OF MANDAMUS, TO DECLARE PROPOSED MAP VALID  
AND OTHER RELIEF**

COME NOW, Elijah Mondy, Plaintiffs, by and through their counsel, James F. Valley and  
for their cause of action states as follows:

The Parties

1. That Elijah Mondy, Jr. and the other members of the purported class are each and all  
residents and citizens of the City of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas.

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2. That Jesse Vescon Hollowell, Jr. is the Mayor of the City of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas and is a citizen and resident of the City.
3. That the City of Helena-West Helena is a city of the first class under Arkansas law.
4. That the City of Helena-West Helena has an approximate population of 11,109 people as of the most recent estimate issued by the Census Bureau of the United States in July 2015.
5. That the City of Helena-West Helena is a mayor-council form of municipal government.
6. That the City of Helena-West Helena has ten aldermen elected in five wards and four citywide elected officials including the mayor, city clerk, city treasurer and city attorney.
7. That the aldermen of the City are as follows:
  - Ward One: Wanda Crockett and Ever Jean Ford
  - Ward Two: Joe St. Columbia and Adrian Messina
  - Ward Three: John H. Huff, Jr. and Christopher Franklin
  - Ward Four: Monica Williams Davis and Larry Jerome Brown
  - Ward Five: Vivian Holder and Don Etherly
8. That the citywide elected officials are as follows:
  - Mayor: J.V. Hollowell, Jr.
  - City Clerk: Sandra P. Ramsey
  - City Treasurer: Derrick Turner

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City Attorney: Andre K. Valley

**1. VENUE**

9. Venue is proper in this court based upon 28 U. S.C. §1391. Venue in this action is also appropriate in Phillips County pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-60-101. This action involves Jesse Vescon Hollowell who is a resident and citizen of the City of Helena-West Helena which is in Phillips County, Arkansas. This also involves the City of Helena-West Helena which is a state authorized political subdivision of the State of Arkansas located in Phillips County.

10. ACA § 16-60-101(a)(2)(A) states a civil action . . . shall be brought in any of the following counties: (a) The County in which an individual defendant resided at the time of the event or omission giving rise to the cause of action.

(a)(2)(B) states that if the defendant is an entity other than an individual, the civil action shall be brought in a county where the entity had its principal office in this state at the time of the event or omission giving rise to the cause of action. Therefore, venue is appropriate in Phillips County, Arkansas.

**2. JURISDICTION**

11. This case is brought pursuant to the First Amendment to the U. S. Constitution as well as the Fourth, Fifth, and Fourteenth Amendments to the U. S. Constitution. Jurisdiction is also invoked pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. The plaintiffs are seeking to have the court to declare that their proposed map complies with the principle “one-person, one-vote” and other redistricting factors and should be immediately used by the City of Helena-West Helena,

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Arkansas. This action is also brought pursuant to 28 U. S.C. § 2201. Jurisdiction is also invoked pursuant to 28 U. S. C. §1331 and 28 U.S.C. § 1343(a)(3).

12. The Plaintiffs concurrently bring this action pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-111-101 which grants to circuit courts in this state the power to declare the rights, status, and legal relations whether further relief is or could be claimed. Under this section the declaration may be either affirmative or negative in form and effect; and such declarations shall have the force and effect of a final judgment or decree.

13. Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-111-111 declares that when declaratory relief is sought, all persons shall be made parties who have or claim any interest which would be affected by the declaration, and no declaration shall prejudice the rights of persons not parties to the proceeding. In any proceeding, which involves the validity of municipal ordinance or franchise, such municipality shall be made a party, and shall be entitled to be heard, and if the statute, ordinance or franchise is alleged to be unconstitutional, the attorney general of the state shall also be served with a copy of the proceeding and entitled to be heard.

14. This action is also brought pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-113-301(a) which states in relevant portion the injunction may be granted at the commencement of an action or at any time before judgment by the circuit court when it appears by the complaint that the plaintiff is entitled thereto. During litigation, it may be granted by the court when it satisfactorily appears by affidavits that sufficient grounds exist therefor.

15. This action is also brought pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-115-101(1), “writ of mandamus” means an order of the circuit court granted upon the petition of an

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aggrieved party or the state when the public interest is affected, commanding an executive, judicial, or ministerial officer to perform an act or omit to do an act, the performance or omission of which is enjoined by law.

16. Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-115-102 states the circuit court shall have the power to hear and determine petitions for writ of mandamus . . . and to issue such writ of mandamus . . . to all inferior courts, tribunals, and officers of its respective jurisdiction.
17. Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-115-103 states that petitions for writ of mandamus . . . shall have precedence over all other actions and proceedings and it shall be heard and determined summarily.
18. Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-115-104(a) states it shall be within the discretion of the judge having jurisdiction, within forty-five (45) days from the date of application, to determine from the petition, and the records and files of the case, whether an evidentiary hearing is warranted. See also Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 65.
19. (b) In the event a hearing is deemed necessary; the judge shall fix and announce a day of court to be held within forty-five (45) days from the date of application.
20. This action is also brought pursuant to the Arkansas Civil Rights Act which is codified at Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-123-105 and states in relevant portion, (a) every person who, under color of any . . . ordinance . . ., of this state or any of its political subdivisions subjects, or causes to be subjected, any person within the jurisdiction thereof to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured by the Arkansas Constitution shall be liable to the party injured in an action in circuit court for legal and equitable relief and for other proper redress.

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21. This suit is also brought pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-55-102 which states in relevant portion, municipal corporations shall have the power to make and publish bylaws and ordinances, not inconsistent with the laws of this state, which, as to them, shall seem necessary to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity, and improve the morals, order, comfort, and convenience of such corporations and the inhabitants thereof.
22. Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-55-201 states that no bylaw or ordinance shall contain more than one subject, which shall be clearly expressed in its title.
23. Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-55-202 requires, “all bylaws and ordinances of a general or permanent nature shall be fully and distinctly read on three (3) different days unless two-thirds (2/3) of the members composing the municipal council shall dispense with the rule.”
24. Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-55-203 requires (a) that the yeas and nays shall be called and recorded on the vote to pass the ordinance.
- (b) The majority of the whole number of members must vote favorably in order for the ordinance to pass.
- (c) The ordinance becomes effective on the 91st day after passage by the governing body.
25. Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-55-205 requires that all ordinances after their passage be recorded in a book kept for that purpose and authenticated by the signature of the presiding officer of the governing body and the clerk of the municipality.

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26. Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-55-206 requires that all ordinances be published in a newspaper published in the municipality.
27. Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-55-302 requires that any ordinance enacted by the governing body of any city or town in the state may be referred to a vote of the electors of the city or town for approval or rejection in the manner and procedure prescribed in Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 7, and laws enacted pursuant thereto for exercising the local initiative and referendum, and the manner and procedure prescribed therein shall be the exclusive method of exercising the initiative and referendum regarding these local measures.
28. Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-55-304 states a sponsor shall be given sixty (60) days to circulate a municipal referendum petition.

### **3. FACTS**

29. On or about September 9, 2016, local citizens through the Plaintiff submitted nearly 900 signatures to the City Clerk on a Petition to Adopt Initiated Ordinance Number 1-2016. The Ordinance which would reduce the number of wards in the City of Helena-West Helena from five down to three and axiomatically reduce the number of council members from ten down to six. See Ark. Code Ann. § 14-43-311 (requiring two aldermen per ward).
30. The committee proposing the ward change had worked diligently throughout the Helena-West Helena community building support for the idea of ward reduction. The committee worked to get media coverage of the issue in the local newspaper and on local radio stations. The committee organized a group of dedicated

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individuals to gather more than 800; nearly 900 signatures on the petition to adopt Initiated Ordinance Number 1-2016.

31. Between September 9, 2016 and election day, November 8, 2016, the committee worked to build support for the change. There were few, if any, visible signs of opposition to the ordinance proposing the change in ward voting in Helena-West Helena. No one was surprised by the outcome at the election.
32. The city clerk did, in a timely manner, verify the signatures on the petitions. The clerk declared that she found enough valid signatures to forward the petition to the Phillips County Election Commission (hereinafter PCEC) for further processing. The PCEC did, after consulting with the city clerk and petition sponsors, approve the ballot title and forward the appropriate information to the ballot printer for inclusion on the November 8, 2016 general election.
33. During the voting period for November 8, 2016 General Election, voters throughout the city voted via absentee ballot, early voting and election day ballot casting by an overwhelmingly favorable margin of nearly sixty-two percent (62%) of the voters. The vote total was 2465 for the passage of Initiated Ordinance Number 1-2016 and 1561 against the passage of the ordinance. *See Election Results Attached as Exhibit 1. See also Exhibit 7.*
34. The city council convened on December 6, 2016 for what may have been an illegal meeting. At that meeting, the city council voted favorably on a “motion to repeal the vote” of the people of Helena-West Helena Arkansas. The city council voted for this motion 10-0. The council, at some point after December 6, 2016, figured out that a new



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ordinance was required in order to repeal an ordinance and their actions on December 6, 2016 were embarrassingly insufficient to strip the people of their voice.

35. The city council convened again for another potentially illegal meeting on December 20, 2016. At that meeting, the city council had an ordinance on the agenda to repeal Initiated Ordinance 1-2016. The mayor and the city council allowed Rev. William Gant to pray at the beginning of the meeting. The council later allowed the same Rev. William Gant to speak in opposition to the Initiated Ordinance 1-2016, which had already been voted into law by the citizens, and in favor of the ordinance (37-2016) to repeal the Initiated Ordinance. The council refused to permit Mr. James F. Valley to speak on the same issue and later said, “we didn't know what he would say” or something to that effect.
36. The city council voted 9-0 to place the “repeal” ordinance on its third and final reading, reading the title only. Then the city council voted 8-1 to pass the ordinance to repeal Initiated Ordinance 1-2016. Then the city council voted 8-1 to pass a bogus emergency clause to purportedly put the repeal ordinance into effect immediately and thereby evade compliance with the ordinance passed by the people of the Helena-West Helena, Arkansas. In ten minutes ten people had trampled upon the rights of more than 10,000 or so residents of the city. *See Minutes of December 6 and 20, 2016 Meetings attached as Exhibits 2 and 3.*
37. Amendment 7 which is found in Article 5, Section 1 of the Arkansas Constitution states in relevant portion:

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1. **“Emergency.** If it shall be necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety that a measure shall become effective without delay, such necessity shall be stated in one section, and if upon a ye and nay vote two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, or two-thirds of all the members elected to city or town councils, shall vote upon separate roll call in favor of the measure going into immediate operation, such emergency measure shall become effective without delay. **It shall be necessary, however, to state the fact which constitutes such emergency.** Provided, however, that an emergency shall not be declared on any franchise or special privilege or act creating any vested right or interest or alienating any property of the State. If a referendum is filed against any emergency measure such measure shall be a law until it is voted upon by the people, and if it is then rejected by a majority of the electors voting thereon, it shall be thereby repealed. The provision of this sub-section shall apply to city or town councils.” *Emphasis Added.*
38. Amendment 7 (which was formerly designated Amendment 10 and Amendment 13) concludes with this limiting statement: “No legislation shall be enacted to restrict, hamper or impair the exercise of the rights herein reserved to the people.” The ordinance to repeal, does in fact impair the rights of reserved to the people. The rights reserved to the people include passing Initiated Ordinance 1-2016 and seeing it implemented as local legislation and the city council cannot simply repeal the vote on this question without running afoul of the plain language of Amendment 7.
39. The petitioners/plaintiffs have a first amendment right to petition government for the redress of their concerns. The people exercised that right and the city council has attempted to take that right away from them. The City Council has acted to violate the rights of the people to equal protection of the law.
40. That Ordinance 37-2016 has not been published in any newspaper with regular circulation in Helena-West Helena, Arkansas.

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41. That it is too late to publish the ordinance now and the ordinance is void and of no consequence.
42. That the court should and must direct compliance with the Initiated Ordinance 1-2016, as the council has shown its hand with regard to banishing the ordinance. The city council acted selfishly to protect their jobs which require about four (4) hours of work per month at a pay rate of nearly \$175.00 per hour. The city council meets twice monthly for about two (2) hours per meeting or four hours per month. The city council is paid \$8,400.00 per year as salary. At that rate, the city council is paid just over \$323.00 per meeting. The city council members may also be receiving other lawful benefits as well.
43. The petitioners worked with Peter Wattson out of Minnesota to draft a new three (3) ward map for the purpose of complying with the citizen initiated ordinance and relevant state and federal law.
46. The ordinance, as passed into law by the citizens on November 8, 2016, required the city council and the mayor to implement the ordinance within 180 days from the November 8, 2016 Election. May 7, 2017, was the 180th day post November 8, 2016.
47. The city has not implemented Initiated Ordinance 1-2016.
48. The deadline expired on a Sunday, therefore the city council and the mayor had through Monday, May 8, 2017, to comply with the ordinance.
49. As of Tuesday, June 12, 2017, the city council had not complied with the Ordinance.
50. Compliance with the Ordinance is a ministerial duty and can be ordered by writ of mandamus.

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51. The proposed map meets all of the specifications required by law to be implemented.

***See Attached map and Details - Exhibit 4.***

52. The map keeps communities of interest connected.

53. The map does not violate any of the traditional redistricting principles.

54. The map protects incumbents as best as can be expected when forty (40) percent of the current body is being eliminated.

55. The map is well within the permissible population deviations permitted by law. The deviations are less than plus or minus five percentage points.

56. The passage of the initiative created a problem for the city council members. The jobs of four council members are effectively eliminated by this initiated ordinance. Worse for the remaining members of the council is the possibility which leans toward a probability that all of the council members would be voted out of office. Therefore, the city council membership and the mayor circled the wagon to protect the status quo. The city council actions were an abusive use of Amendment 7 of the Arkansas Constitution.

57. The city council's actions violated the rights of the citizens to have the form of government selected by them in an open, fair and honest election.

58. The denial of the citizens the opportunity to have an election on the new map is a violation of the voting rights and first amendment rights of the citizens. This city has a history of using voting systems to protect the status quo.

59. The city has attempted without success to repeal the Initiated Ordinance 1-2016.

60. All ordinances must be attested by the Mayor and the City Clerk.

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61. All ordinances must be published in a newspaper. The City of Helena-West Helena almost never publishes ordinances in any newspaper.

62. Ordinances become effective after publication except when an emergency clause is attached to the Ordinance.

63. Ordinances with properly attached and executed emergency clauses become effective immediately upon passage of the clause even without publication. However, publication must be completed within a reasonable amount of time after passage in order to comply with settled Arkansas law.

64. Emergency Clauses must state a “real emergency” in order to pass judicial muster and be actually effective.

65. The emergency clause stated in Ordinance 37-2016 states: “It is hereby found and determined by the city council of the City of Helena-West Helena that an emergency exists due to the need for clarity regarding the redistricting of the city’s wards, maintenance of the size of the City Council and for the better overall operation of the city government of the City of Helena -West Helena Therefore (sic), an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance, being necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, life, health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Helena- West Helena, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.” *See Ordinance 37-2016 Attached as Exhibit 5.*

67. Nothing in the emergency clause exhibits any sudden need to act by the city council or the citizens. Context is important in this matter. The first vote by the city council was on December 6, 2016. The Initiated Ordinance would not have become law until December 8, 2016. The second vote was on December 20, 2016. The Initiated Ordinance provided 180 days during

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which to comply and the election on the Initiated Ordinance is scheduled for November 2018.

There is no possibility of any need for urgent action on the part of the city council.

68. The significance of the emergency clause is its effect upon the citizen's right to referendum. The city council knew that attaching an emergency clause to their repeal ordinance would thwart the purposes of the Initiated Ordinance. Amendment 7 of the Arkansas Constitution controls how and when an emergency clause may be used.

69. The emergency clause used in Ordinance 37-2016 fails grossly in its attempt to display a real emergency when quick and unexpected action is required to prevent bad things from happening to the citizens or to insure that good things continue to happen for the citizens.

70. The city council members of the city of Helena-West Helena has determined by decree that it is an emergency to preserve their own seats. Reasonable people must agree that such is not an emergency and nothing short of perversion of the intended honorable purposes of Amendment 7.

71. Because the ordinance was not published and has an illegal and ineffective emergency clause attached to it, the ordinance is void.

72. A void ordinance has no effect as if it never existed. Arkansas law does not permit a city council to cure the publication error by a later publication of the ordinance.

73. Furthermore, Arkansas law does not permit a private citizen to publish an ordinance in an error to assure that the proper deadlines are met.

74. The Ordinance 37-2016 is void and cannot not be salvaged. *See Exhibit 6*

75. Initiated Ordinance 1- 2016 was voted upon by the citizens. The election results have been declared and are final at this time. A challenge to the Initiated Ordinance 1-2016

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had to be brought before the election or no later than 20 days after the election results were certified by the Phillips County Election Commission. *See Exhibit 6.*

76. The actions by the City of Helena-West Helena acting through its Mayor and City Council have violated the rights of the plaintiffs and other similarly situated citizens in Helena-West Helena, Arkansas by denying them both substantive and procedural due process with the repeal of their votes to reduce the city council size.

77. The actions of the defendants have exhibited an unconstitutional application of Arkansas's Amendment 7 provisions.

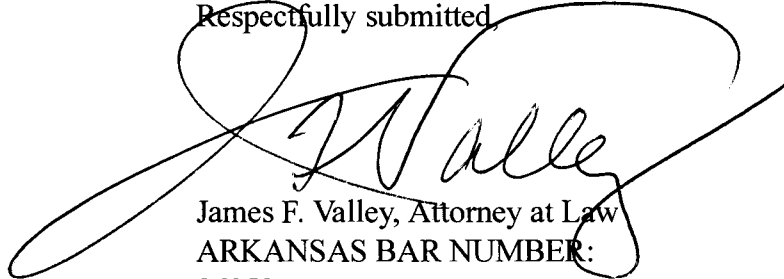
WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, PLAINTIFF PRAYS THAT THIS HONORABLE COURT WILL grant the follow relief:

1. Declare Ordinance 37-2016 invalid as it has a defective and ineffective emergency clause;
2. Declare Ordinance 37-2016 invalid as it has never been published in accord with state law;
3. Declare that the people's ordinance, Initiated Ordinance 1-2016, upon which nearly 62% of the people voted favorably, to be valid and in full force and effect;
4. Conduct an expedited hearing on these matters as the facts are clear and the relief requested is proper;
5. Declare the proposed map, which is the only map ready for use at this time, to be the map upon which future city elections are held;
6. Restrain or enjoin officials of the City of Helena-West Helena from failing to comply with orders of this court;
7. That this matter be set for a hearing on a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction on an expedited schedule;
8. Award reasonable attorney's fees in light of prevailing case law and the facts of this particular case;
9. Award costs, fees and expenses associated with this litigation; and

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10. Award any and all other relief to which the Plaintiffs may be entitled in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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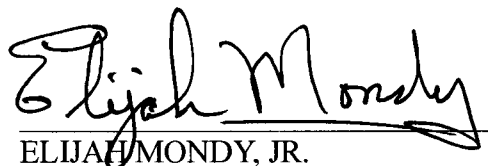
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COUNTY OF PHILLIPS                }

***Verification***

I, Elijah Mondy, Jr., Plaintiff in this cause of action, do hereby declare that I have read this complaint and believe that its contents are true and correct. I am asking the court to rely upon this verified complaint to make appropriate decisions henceforth. I am making this statement under penalty of false swearing.



ELIJAH MONDY, JR.

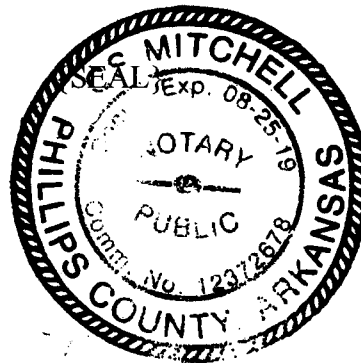


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Subscribed and sworn to before me, Chanta Mitchell, a Notary Public, on this the 14th day of June, 2017.

CS Mitchell  
CHANTA S. MITCHELL

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:  
AUGUST 25, 2019.



## SUMMARY REPT-GROUP DETAIL

PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 8, 2016

OFFICIAL

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	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
PRECINCTS COUNTED (OF 17)	17	100.00					
REGISTERED VOTERS - TOTAL	12,974						
BALLOTS CAST - TOTAL	7,015		3,186	3,454	314	40	21
VOTER TURNOUT - TOTAL		54.07					
<b>U.S. PRESIDENT</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
JOHNSON / WELD (LIB)	62	.89	29	31	2	0	0
KAHN / MONAHAN (IND)	20	.29	10	10	0	0	0
CLINTON / KAINE (DEM)	4,310	61.99	1,624	2,373	270	25	18
HEDGES / BAYES (IND)	31	.45	15	14	2	0	0
TRUMP / PENCE (REP)	2,446	35.18	1,429	962	38	14	3
STEIN / BARAKA (GRN)	20	.29	8	12	0	0	0
MCMULLIN / JOHNSON (BFA)	38	.55	22	15	0	1	0
CASTLE / BRADLEY (CON)	26	.37	12	14	0	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	62		37	23	2	0	0
<b>U.S. SENATE</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
FRANK GILBERT (LIB)	191	3.00	93	92	6	0	0
CONNER ELDRIDGE (DEM)	3,777	59.31	1,427	2,063	246	24	17
JOHN BOOZMAN (REP)	2,400	37.69	1,375	960	48	15	2
Over Votes	2		0	0	2	0	0
Under Votes	644		291	339	12	0	2
<b>U.S. CONGRESS DISTRICT 01</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
MARK WEST (LIB)	2,833	48.32	1,083	1,520	198	19	13
RICK CRAWFORD (REP)	3,030	51.68	1,648	1,298	62	16	6
Over Votes	1		0	0	1	0	0
Under Votes	1,151		455	636	53	5	2
<b>DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT 22</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
JAMAAL "JAY" WALKER	3,245	49.00	1,126	1,843	243	18	15
DURWOOD W. KING	3,378	51.00	1,855	1,443	57	20	3
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	392		205	168	14	2	3
<b>PHILLIPS COUNTY JUDGE</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
JOHN BAILEY, JR. (IND)	1,650	24.56	641	915	85	7	2
CLARK HALL (DEM)	3,926	58.45	1,789	1,895	200	26	16
ALLEN "BUDDY" RAY (REP)	1,141	16.99	631	482	20	7	1
Over Votes	2		0	0	2	0	0
Under Votes	296		125	162	7	0	2

FILED AT 10:05 O'CLOCK A.M.

NOV 28 2016

LINDA WHITE, COUNTY &amp; PROBATE CLERK

*Phyllis McKee*  
*Johnnie Sumpter*  
*Rebecca Sottas*

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PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 8, 2016

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<b>PHILLIPS COUNTY SHERIFF</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
NEAL BYRD (DEM) . . . . .	5,779	84.77	2,610	2,847	266	36	20
ROY COVINGTON (IND) . . . . .	1,038	15.23	485	506	43	3	1
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	198		91	101	5	1	0
<b>PHILLIPS COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
JOANNA LYNN STILLWELL (DEM) . . . . .	6,039	100.00	2,792	2,976	253	3	15
Over Votes . . . . .	1		0	0	0	1	0
Under Votes . . . . .	938		394	478	61	0	5
<b>JP9 DISTRICT 9</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
JEREMY MONEYMAKER (IND) . . . . .	232	29.44	115	114	0	3	0
RICHARD ROBINSON (IND) . . . . .	27	3.43	8	19	0	0	0
LITA MOORE-JOHNSON (DEM) . . . . .	380	48.22	219	152	9	0	0
RICKEY DAVIDSON (IND) . . . . .	149	18.91	84	61	3	0	1
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	26		12	13	1	0	0
<b>HWH ALDERMAN W3</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
CHRISTOPHER FRANKLIN (IND) . . . . .	474	73.60	197	273	4	0	0
LARRY EVANS (IND) . . . . .	170	26.40	64	101	5	0	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	59		25	33	1	0	0
<b>HWH ALDERMAN W1</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
BRUCE HUDSON (IND) . . . . .	185	30.23	34	146	4	1	0
WANDA L CROCKETT (IND) . . . . .	427	69.77	127	287	11	2	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	50		15	35	0	0	0
<b>HWH ALDERMAN W2</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
CHINTAN DESAI (IND) . . . . .	372	39.08	100	244	22	5	1
JOE ST. COLUMBIA (IND) . . . . .	580	60.92	227	316	34	2	1
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	44		12	29	2	1	0
<b>HWH DIRECTOR Z1</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
LEROY LOVE CHARLES (IND) . . . . .	262	31.30	95	152	13	2	0
MARVIN JARRETT (IND) . . . . .	352	42.05	105	224	16	6	1
WILLIAM C. GANT (IND) . . . . .	223	26.64	56	146	17	4	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	53		17	35	1	0	0

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	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
<b>HWH DIRECTOR Z2</b>							
<b>VOTE FOR 1</b>							
TROY BOBO (IND)	410	68.79	145	249	14	2	0
EDDIE LEE, JR. (IND)	186	31.21	74	109	3	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	80		31	43	1	5	0
<b>HWH DIRECTOR Z4</b>							
<b>VOTE FOR 1</b>							
LYNN CHADWICK (IND)	446	49.56	165	267	8	5	1
DANIEL STRICKLAND (IND)	454	50.44	124	314	14	1	1
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	76		17	53	1	5	0
<b>HWH DIRECTOR Z6 AT LARGE</b>							
<b>VOTE FOR 1</b>							
ANDREW BAGLEY (IND)	2,618	62.81	867	1,645	85	18	3
BARBARA DAVIDSON (IND)	1,550	37.19	533	937	71	8	1
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	244		85	147	10	1	1
<b>CONSTABLE SPRING CREEK</b>							
<b>VOTE FOR 1</b>							
LEWIS HALL (IND)	313	53.23	219	88	3	2	1
JIMMY JONES (DEM)	275	46.77	184	85	6	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	28		13	14	1	0	0
<b>ELAINE ALDERMAN W1</b>							
<b>VOTE FOR 1</b>							
EDDIE GREEN (IND)	149	55.81	104	18	22	0	5
THOMAS WAYNE BROWN, SR (IND)	118	44.19	59	20	37	0	2
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	16		6	3	5	0	2
<b>ELAINE ALDERMAN W2</b>							
<b>VOTE FOR 1</b>							
GERY CRAVENS (IND)	123	46.77	46	17	53	0	7
CONNIE DOPSON MILLER (IND)	140	53.23	116	19	5	0	0
Over Votes	1		0	0	1	0	0
Under Votes	18		7	5	5	0	1
<b>LAKEVIEW ALDERMAN W3</b>							
<b>VOTE FOR 1</b>							
KITONIA WADE (IND)	105	60.00	80	25	0	0	0
SHELIA WALKER-GLASS (IND)	70	40.00	44	24	2	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	16		10	6	0	0	0

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UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES							
VOTE FOR 1							
FOR . . . . .	5,126	100.00	2,305	2,574	244	3	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	1,832		881	880	70	1	0
ISSUE NO. 1							
VOTE FOR 1							
FOR . . . . .	4,427	68.50	1,924	2,243	222	23	15
AGAINST . . . . .	2,036	31.50	1,019	929	70	13	5
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	552		243	282	22	4	1
ISSUE NO. 2							
VOTE FOR 1							
FOR . . . . .	4,353	67.30	1,970	2,159	192	23	9
AGAINST . . . . .	2,115	32.70	974	1,014	101	14	12
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	547		242	281	21	3	0
ISSUE NO. 3							
VOTE FOR 1							
FOR . . . . .	4,868	74.41	2,124	2,446	257	24	17
AGAINST . . . . .	1,674	25.59	846	770	42	14	2
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	473		216	238	15	2	2
ISSUE NO. 4							
VOTE FOR 1							
FOR . . . . .	3,835	61.29	1,738	1,919	178	0	0
AGAINST . . . . .	2,422	38.71	1,165	1,176	81	0	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	697		283	359	55	0	0
ISSUE NO. 5							
VOTE FOR 1							
FOR . . . . .	3,220	50.39	1,464	1,607	149	0	0
AGAINST . . . . .	3,170	49.61	1,504	1,560	106	0	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	564		218	287	59	0	0
ISSUE NO. 6							
VOTE FOR 1							
FOR . . . . .	3,750	56.34	1,691	1,845	189	13	12
AGAINST . . . . .	2,906	43.66	1,343	1,425	110	21	7
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	360		152	184	15	7	2

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	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
ISSUE NO. 7							
VOTE FOR 1							
FOR . . . . .	2,608	55.88	1,618	1,824	166	0	0
AGAINST . . . . .	2,849	44.12	1,366	1,376	107	0	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	497		202	254	41	0	0

*by order of the Clerk*

## HWH School District Tax

VOTE FOR 1							
FOR . . . . .	2,029	48.69	625	1,321	74	7	2
AGAINST . . . . .	2,138	51.31	766	1,263	85	21	3
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	247		94	145	7	1	0

## HWH Ward and Alderman Initiative

VOTE FOR 1							
For . . . . .	2,465	61.23	798	1,549	105	11	2
Against . . . . .	1,561	38.77	558	935	51	15	2
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	386		129	245	10	2	0

Minutes – Council Meeting December 6, 2016

Meeting called to order by Mayor Jay Hollowell

Prayer offered followed by the Pledge

Roll Call: Present – Crockett, St. Columbia, Huff, Brown, Holder, Etherly, Davis, Franklin, Messina and Ford Absent: None

Minutes of November 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> presented. Motion St. Columbia/Huff: To approve as presented. All present voted Yes.

Guest: Citizens Interested in the Reactivation of the Crime Stoppers Program – Councilman St. Columbia presented the history of and need for reactivation of the Crime Stoppers Program and how it could help deter crime. The content was well received. Motion Franklin/Holder: A voice vote in support of an endorsement of the Crime Stoppers Program. All present voted Yes.

ITEM: New Copiers for District Court Office and Administration due to the lack of availability of parts for the out dated copiers currently being used. Mayor Hollowell advised of the situation with the OCE' copiers and ask Council to approve two copies for District Court and Administration respectively that would be from Ricoh as those in the Police Department earlier this year. The payment and terms would be the same. Motion Franklin/Davis: To replace the current model copiers with Ricoh copiers utilizing the same plan as currently. All present voted Yes.

ITEM: Federal Mandated Overtime issue: Discussion in that the plan and date to be enacted has been enjoined does the City continue with the adjustments. Motion: St. Columbia/Franklin: To stay city action on the overtime issue until Federal mandate is resolved and if enacted make it retroactive to the date specified. All present voted Yes.

ITEM: Discussion/Action – Ward Reduction Initiated Ordinance

Motion Messina/Huff: To repeal the vote of the people regarding the reduction of the number of Wards from 5 to 3. Voting Yes: Crockett, St. Columbia, Huff, Brown, Holder, Etherly, Davis, Franklin, Messina and Ford. Carried. (A DVD is available)

There being no further business meeting adjourned.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Attest: Amg City Clerk Date: 12/26/16

Note: All Members of Council stayed for entire meeting.

Council Minutes – December 20, 2016

Call to Order – Mayor Jay Hollowell

Prayer offered followed by the Pledge

Roll Call: Present: Crockett, St. Columbia, Huff, Holder, Etherly, Davis, Franklin, Messina and Ford. Absent: Brown

-MINUTES: Motion Huff/St. Columbia: To approve Minutes of December 6, 2016 as presented. All present voted Yes.

-TREASURER: No report/discussion.

BUINESS:

-HELENA HOUSING AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT: Motion Franklin/Huff: To appoint Mrs. Rosetta Crawford to replace the late Mrs. Dorothy Sain on the Commission for a five year term ending January 31, 2021. All present voted Yes.

-PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT: Motion Huff/Franklin: To appoint Mr. Carl Ray Hoskins to the Commission to replace Andre Valley who is now City Attorney. All present voted Yes.

-ORDINANCE 36 – An Ordinance to amend the Base Pay Ordinance #35.

Motion Crockett/Etherly: To suspend the rules and place on third and final reading by title only. All present voted Yes.

Motion Crockett/Franklin: To Adopt. All present voted Yes.

-COMMUNITY CENTER ADDITION – Mayor Hollowell advised the Council that this project had been defunded due to the length of time it has taken to do project and also due to a staff change in Little Rock that did not know the background. However, the City will re-apply immediately and ask that the funding be reinstated.

-REMOTE ACCESS POLICY – City Attorney Valley presented the Policy and advised Council that it is needed in order to allow access to our Police Computer System by the entity that handles the software for the system and by AT&T as they are



ready to install the new 911 Equipment. This is the same Policy that was presented by our IT Specialist Trevor Simes approximately two months ago.

Motion Franklin/Davis: To approve the Remote Access Policy as presented. All present voted Yes.

(It was also noted that a property owner wishes to donate a building across the street from the West Helena Fire Dept. truck bay to the City for possible use by the Police Department.)

-EXTENSION OF 2016 OPERATING BUDGET.....Motion Franklin/Ford: To extend the 2016 Operating Budget through February 1, 2017 to allow time to finalize the 2017 Operating Budget. All present voted Yes.

-AMENDING OF AGENDA: Motion Franklin/Huff: To amend Agenda to allow Reverend Gant of Pettis Memorial Church the opportunity to address the Council. The topic was the recent vote on Initiated Ordinance 1.

-AMENDING OF AGENDA: Motion Crockett/no second. To amend Agenda to allow Attorney James Valley to address the Council regarding same issue. There being no second, the Motion failed.

-ORDINANCE 37 – An Ordinance to repeal the Initiated Ordinance 1 – Decrease in Number of Wards

Motion Etherly/Huff: To suspend rules and place on third and final reading by title only. Voting Yes: Crockett, St. Columbia, Huff, Holder, Etherly, Davis, Franklin, Messina and Ford. Absent: Brown

Motion Huff/Messina: To adopt. Voting Yes: St. Columbia, Huff, Holder, Etherly, Davis, Franklin, Messina and Ford. Voting No: Crockett Absent: Brown

Motion Huff/Holder: To adopt Emergency Clause: Voting Yes: St. Columbia, Huff, Holder, Etherly, Davis, Franklin, Messina and Ford. Voting No: Crockett Absent: Brown

Note: There was a discussion following the vote as to the Council's denial of Mr. Valley's request to address Council in that they had allowed Rev. Gant to speak on the same topic. City Attorney Andre Valley provided Council his legal opinion as to the action they had taken. A DVD is available should anyone wish to view it.

Mr. James Valley will be placed on the January 3<sup>rd</sup> agenda to address the Council.

-MARLON BRAGG, SR. – Mr. Bragg once again addressed the Council because the City has still not returned his items. After discussion, another meeting will be set with the Mayor, Police Chief and possibly City Attorney to discuss the matter.

-COST ANALYSIS FIRE DEPT STAFF – A cost analysis of funding required for promotions in Fire Dept. was presented for Council to review in January.

-BUDGET WORKSHOP – The first budget workshop will be held on January 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

-SWEARING IN CEREMONY will be held at Court House on January 1<sup>st</sup> at Noon. The first Council meeting in January is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and someone will be available to swear in those persons unable to make the January 1<sup>st</sup> ceremony.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

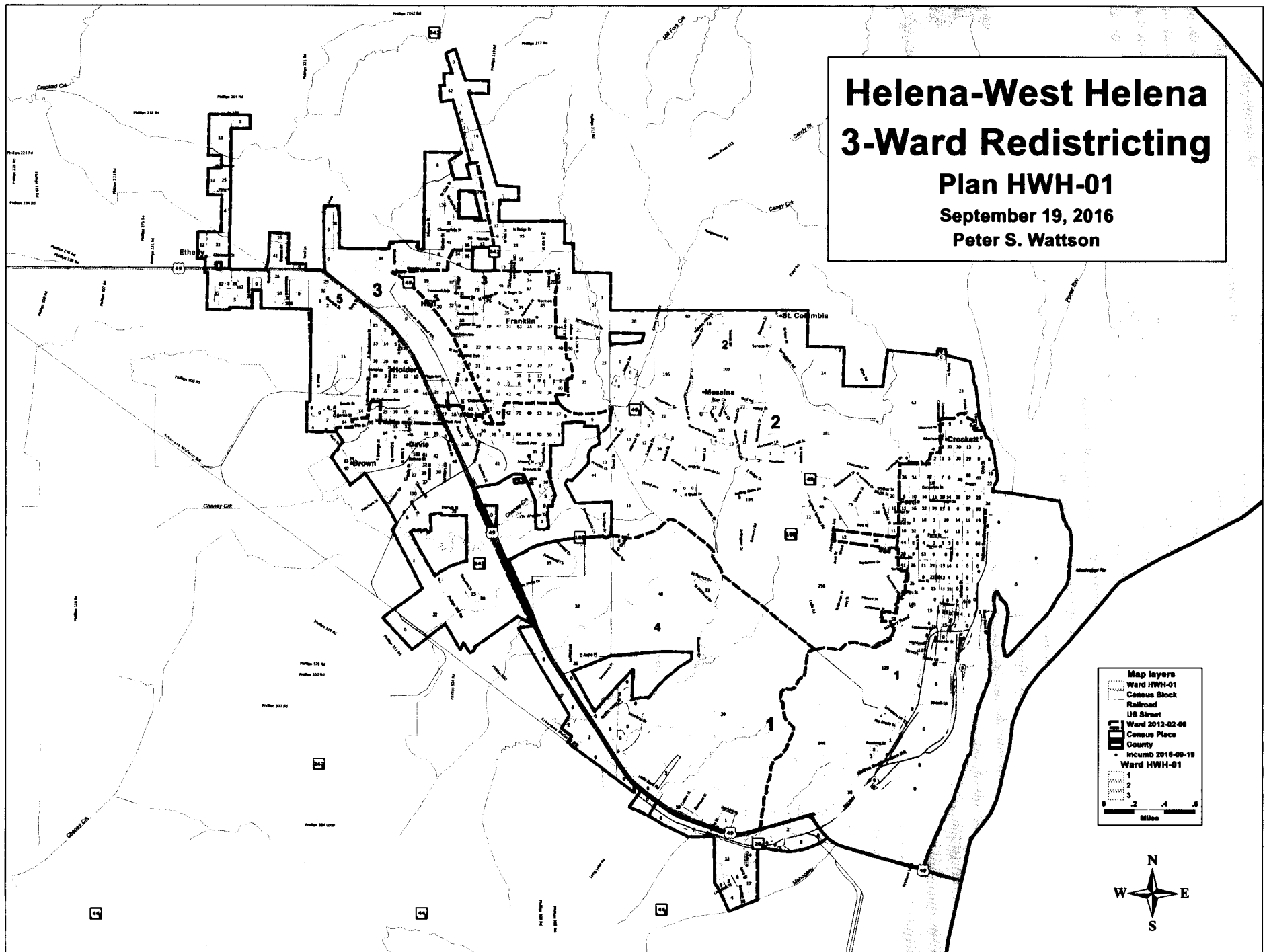
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City Clerk *[Signature]* \_\_\_\_\_

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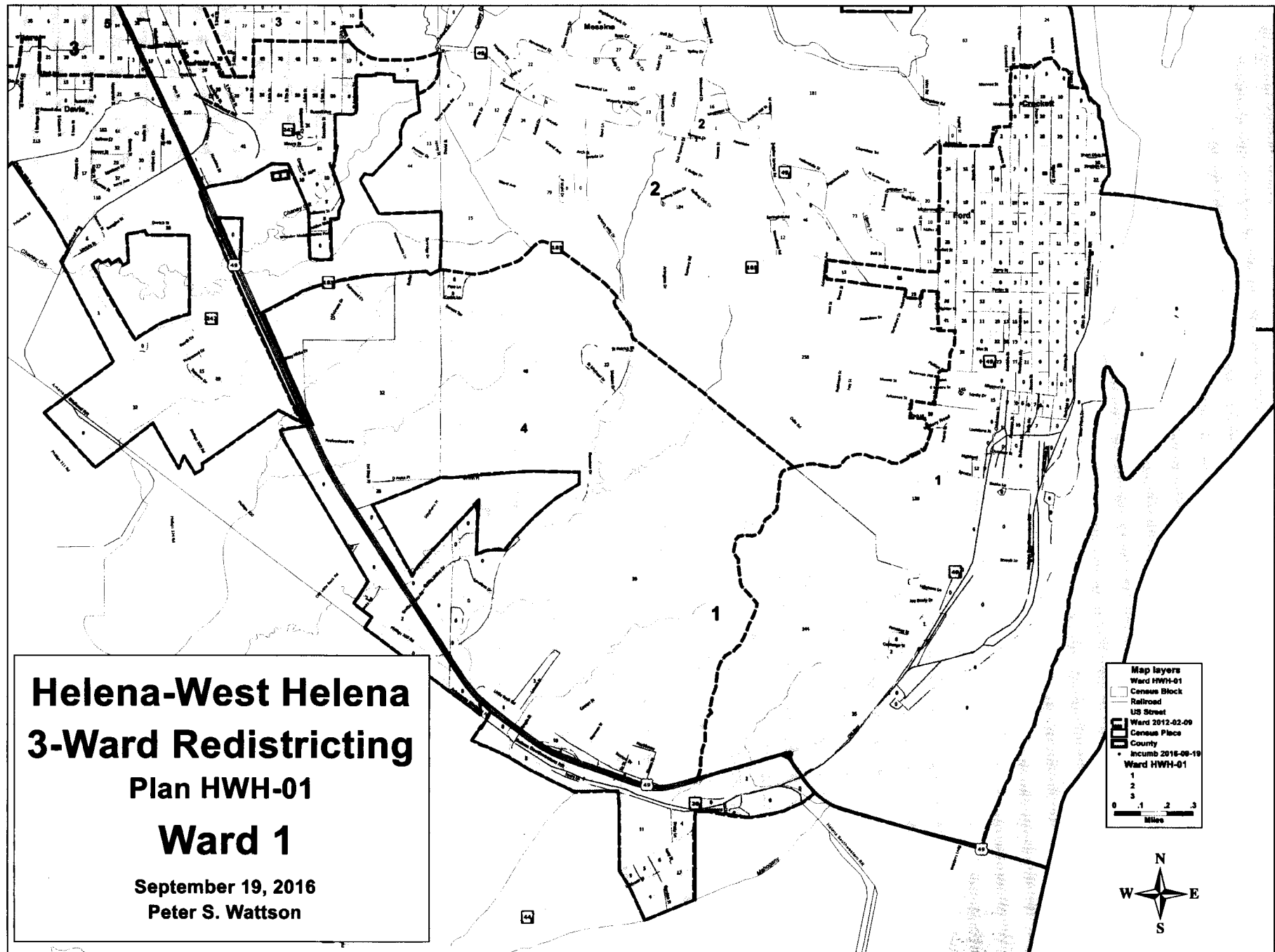
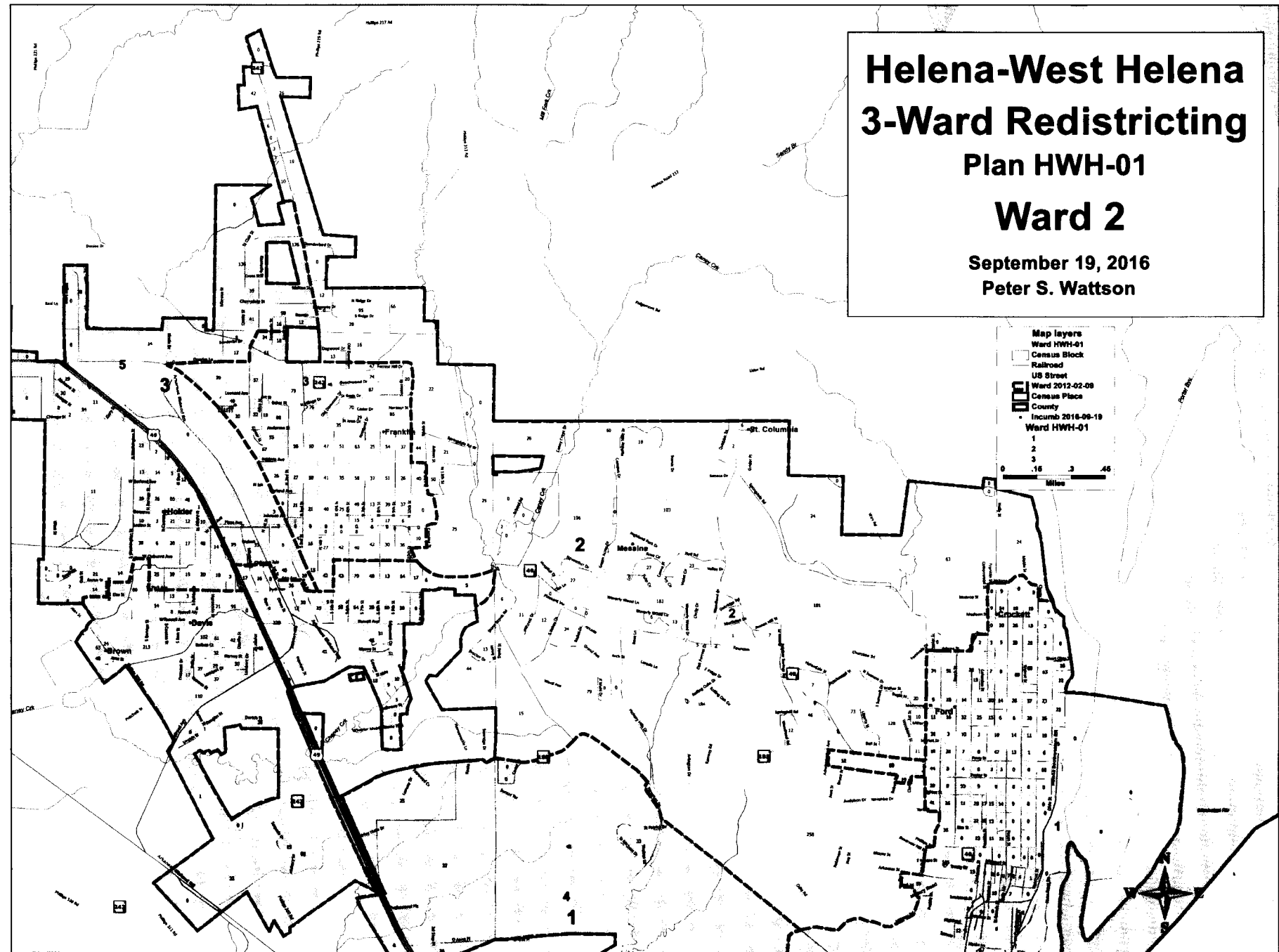


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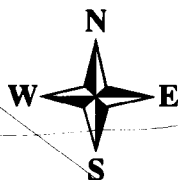
# Helena-West Helena 3-Ward Redistricting Plan HWH-01

## Ward 3

September 19, 2016

Peter S. Wattson

Map layers  
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City Plan: HWH-01  
 Administrator: Peter S. Wattson

9/19/2016  
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## Districts & Their Incumbents

Number of Incumbents Paired: 10  
 Number of Open Seats: 0  
 Democrat v. Democrat: 0  
 Republican v. Republican: 0  
 Democrat v. Republican: 0

District	Name	Party	Previous District
1	Wanda Crockett		1
1	Ever Jean Ford		2
2	Adrian Messina		1
2	Joe St. Columbia		2
2	Christopher Franklin		3
3	John Huff		3
3	Larry Brown		4
3	Monica Davis		4
3	Don Etherly		5
3	Vivian Holder		5



City Plan: HWH-01  
 Administrator: Peter S. Wattson

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### Measures of Compactness

	Reock	Schwartzberg	Perimeter	Polsby-Popper	Length-Width	Population Polygon	Population Circle	Ehrenburg	Convex Hull
Mean	0.33	2.10		0.15	0.77	0.76	0.53	0.30	0.62
Min	0.25	1.91		0.11	0.37	0.66	0.37	0.20	0.60
Max	0.40	2.27		0.19	1.20	0.94	0.73	0.35	0.64
Std. Dev.	0.08	0.18		0.04	0.42	0.16	0.18	0.09	0.02
Sum			59						
District	Reock	Schwartzberg	Perimeter	Polsby-Popper	Length-Width	Population Polygon	Population Circle	Ehrenburg	Convex Hull
1	0.40	2.27	28	0.11	1.20	0.68	0.49	0.20	0.64
2	0.25	1.91	17	0.19	0.37	0.66	0.37	0.35	0.61
3	0.33	2.12	14	0.14	0.74	0.94	0.73	0.35	0.60



City Plan: HWH-01  
 Administrator: Peter S. Wattson

9/19/2016  
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## Population Summary Report

Overall Range:			1.69 Percent	69 Persons
Largest District:	4,139	Deviation:	1.10 Percent	45 Persons
Smallest District:	4,070	Deviation:	-0.59 Percent	-24 Persons
		Mean Deviation:	0.73 Percent	30.00 Persons
		Standard Deviation:	32	31.84 Persons
Ideal District:	4,094			

District	Population	Deviation	% Devn.	[% 18+_Wht]	[% 18+_Blk]
1	4,073	-21	-0.51	22.81%	75.80%
2	4,070	-24	-0.59	48.12%	50.25%
3	4,139	45	1.10	14.40%	84.14%

State Total: 12,282

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ID	Longitude	Latitude	District	Party Name	First	Middle	Last	Address	City	State	ZIP
1	-90589268	34538438	1	Wanda Crockett	Wanda		Crockett	1408 Holly St	Helena-West Helen	AR	72342
2	-90617233	34542888	1	Adrian Messina	Adrian		Messina	101 Highland Park Dr	Helena-West Helen	AR	72342
3	-90592499	34532547	2	Ever Jean Ford	Ever	Jean	Ford	804 McDonough St	Helena-West Helen	AR	72342
4	-90608337	34550180	2	Joe St. Columbia	Joe		St. Columbia	112 Bernice St	Helena-West Helen	AR	72342
5	-90647798	34551713	3	John Huff	John		Huff	111 Tennessee St	Helena-West Helen	AR	72390
6	-90636380	34550009	3	Christopher Frankli	Christopher		Franklin	811 Anderson St	Helena-West Helen	AR	72390
7	-90657748	34536087	4	Larry Brown	Larry		Brown	224 Jane St	Helena-West Helen	AR	72390
8	-90651251	34537877	4	Monica Davis	Monica		Davis	331 W Russell St	Helena-West Helen	AR	72390
9	-90674440	34555759	5	Don Etherly	Don		Etherly	201 Leifer St	Helena-West Helen	AR	72390
10	-90653113	34544938	5	Vivian Holder	Vivian		Holder	206 N Coanza St	Helena-West Helen	AR	72390

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**ORDINANCE NO: 37-2016****AN ORDINANCE REPEALING INITIATED ORDINANCE NO 1-2016 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, initiated Ordinance NO. 1-2016 was placed on the ballot and was adopted by a majority vote of the electors who cast their ballot on November 8, 2016;

**WHEREAS**, Article 5, section 1 of the Arkansas Constitution provides that the City Council may repeal an initiative measure approved by a vote of the people by a two-third vote of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Helena-West Helena City Council deems it necessary to repeal initiated Ordinance No. 1-2016

**THEREFORE**, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HELENA-WEST HELENA ARKANSAS AS FOLLOWS:

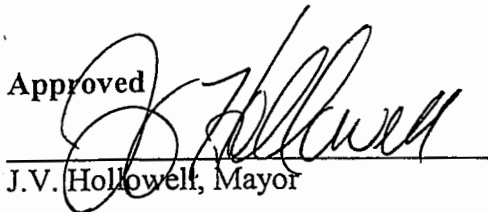
**Section 1:** The City Council of the City of Helena-West Helena has reviewed Initiated Ordinance No. 1-2016 and, pursuant to its authority granted by the Arkansas Constitution, hereby repeals initiated ordinance No. 1-2016, which was passed by the citizens at the general election on November 8, 2016.

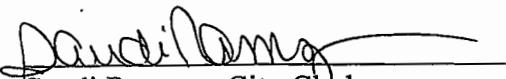
**Section 2:** If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

**Section 3:** It is hereby found and determined by the City Council of the City of Helena-West Helena that an emergency exists due to the need for clarity regarding the districting of the city's wards, maintenance of the size of the City Council and for the better overall operation of the city government of the city of Helena-West Helena. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance, being necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, life, health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Helena-West Helena, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

**Passed:**

Approved

  
J.V. Hollowell, Mayor

  
Sandi Ramsey, City Clerk

12-20-16



EXHIBIT "6" FOIA RESPONSE

## CITY OF HELENA-WEST HELENA

State of Arkansas

County of Phillips

### Affidavit Regarding Freedom of Information Request

I, Sandra P. Ramsey, City Clerk for the City of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas do hereby state and affirm the following: I am the record keeper for the City of Helena West Helena and the following items are not among the records kept by me, to wit:

5. Copy of the cancelled check(s) for payment for publication of Ordinance 37-2016 in the Helena World newspaper.
6. Copy of the cancelled check(s) for payment of publication of Ordinance 37-2016 in The Arkansas Democrat Gazette newspaper.
9. Copy of the contract entered into between the city and a demographer or other person or company to draw the three ward map.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

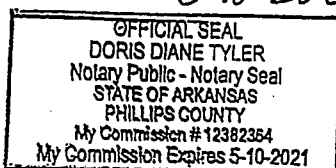
  
Sandra P. Ramsey

Subscribed and sworn to before me a Notary Public on this the 31 day of May, 2017.

Notary Public



My Commission Expires: 5-10-2021



Jay Hollowell, Mayor      Sandi Ramsey, City Clerk      Andre Valley, City Attorney      Derrick Turner, Treasurer

6/14/2017

J F VALLEY ESQ PA Mail - FOI



*EXHIBIT "6" FOIA RESPONSE*

James Valley <james@jamesfvalley.com>

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**FOI**

1 message

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Sandi Ramsey <cityclerk@helena-westhelena.us>  
To: james@jamesfvalley.com

Wed, May 31, 2017 at 9:01 AM

The City Attorney reviews all FOI items  
and approved their release. They are ready to be  
picked up.

Sandi



EXHIBIT "6" FOIA RESPONSE  
James Valley <james@jamesvalley.com>

## Request for Documents in Connection with Initiated Ordinance 1-2016 and Ordinance 37-2016

1 message

James Valley <james@jamesvalley.com>

Thu, May 11, 2017 at 7:19 PM

To: City Clerk-Sandi Ramsey <sandi\_101@email.com>, Sandi Ramsey <cityclerk@helena-westhelena.us>

Cc: mayor@helena-westhelena.us, Helen Halbert <chiefstaff@helena-westhelena.us>, "Andre K. Valley" <cityattorneyandrevalley@gmail.com>, Andre Valley <andrekvalley@gmail.com>

Dear Sandi:

I would like a copy of the following:

1. Meeting minutes for December 6, 2016;
2. Meeting minutes for December 20, 2016;
3. Copy of Petitions submitted on September 9, 2016 for Initiated Ordinance 1-2016;
4. Copy of any correspondence you created in connection with the Petitions or Initiated Ordinance 1-2016 (e.g. letters to election commission or members thereof or letters to county clerk, secretary of state or anyone else);
5. Copy of the cancelled check(s) for payment for publication of Ordinance 37-2016 in *The Helena World* newspaper;
6. Copy of the cancelled check(s) for payment for publication of Ordinance 37-2016 in *The Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* newspaper;
7. Copy of each ordinance passed in 2016 with an emergency clause;
8. Copy of the three ward map adopted by the city council;
9. Copy of the contract entered into between the city and a demographer or other person or company to draw the three ward map;
10. Copy of the statistical data associated with the map created; and
11. Copy of any document reflecting the salary of each and all of the city council members.

If the document or documents do not exist, I would like a short sworn/notarized statement from you stating that document does not exist. I have included a sample statement below for you to copy and paste if needed.

When can I come by and retrieve these items? Alternatively, please fax them to me at (870)619-1760. Thanks.

Sincerely;

/s/ James F. Valley  
James F. Valley

State of Arkansas  
County of Phillips

Affidavit Regarding Freedom of Information Request

I, Sandra P. Ramsey, City Clerk for the City of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas do hereby state and affirm the following:

I am the record keeper for the City of Helena-West Helena and the following items are not among the records kept by me, to-wit:

1. Meeting minutes for December 6, 2016;
2. Meeting minutes for December 20, 2016;
3. Copy of Petitions submitted on September 9, 2016 for Initiated Ordinance 1-2016;

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4. Copy of any correspondence you created in connection with the Petitions *EXHIBIT "6" FOIA RESPONSE* letters to election commission or members thereof or letters to county clerk, Secretary of State or any one group;
5. Copy of the cancelled check(s) for payment for publication of Ordinance 37-2016 in *The Helena World* newspaper;
6. Copy of the cancelled check(s) for payment for publication of Ordinance 37-2016 in *The Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* newspaper;
7. Copy of each ordinance passed in 2016 with an emergency clause;
8. Copy of the three ward map adopted by the city council;
9. Copy of the contract entered into between the city and a demographer or other person or company to draw the three ward map;
10. Copy of the statistical data associated with the map created; and
11. Copy of any document reflecting the salary of each and all of the city council members.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sandra P. Ramsey

Subscribed and sworn to before me a Notary Public on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2017.

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NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commssion Expires:

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EXHIBIT "6" FOIA RESPONSE

ORDINANCE NO. 37-2016.

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING INITIATED ORDINANCE NO. 1-2016 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, initiated Ordinance NO. 1-2016 was placed on the ballot and was adopted by a majority vote of the electors who cast their ballot on November 8, 2016;

WHEREAS, Article 5, section 1 of the Arkansas Constitution provides that the City Council may repeal an initiative measure approved by a vote of the people by a two-third vote of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Helena-West Helena City Council deems it necessary to repeal initiated Ordinance No. 1-2016

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HELENA-WEST HELENA ARKANSAS AS FOLLOWS:


Section 1: The City Council of the City of Helena-West Helena has reviewed Initiated Ordinance No. 1-2016 and, pursuant to its authority granted by the Arkansas Constitution, hereby repeals initiated ordinance No. 1-2016, which was passed by the citizens at the general election on November 8, 2016.

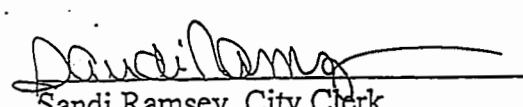
Section 2: If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 3: It is hereby found and determined by the City Council of the City of Helena-West Helena that an emergency exists due to the need for clarity regarding the districting of the city's wards, maintenance of the size of the City Council and for the better overall operation of the city government of the city of Helena-West Helena. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance, being necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, life, health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Helena-West Helena, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Passed:

Approved

  
J.V. Hollowell, Mayor

  
Sandi Ramsey, City Clerk

12-20-16



EXHIBIT "6" FOIA RESPONSE

Minutes – Council Meeting December 6, 2016

Meeting called to order by Mayor Jay Hollowell

Prayer offered followed by the Pledge

Roll Call: Present – Crockett, St. Columbia, Huff, Brown, Holder, Etherly, Davis, Franklin, Messina and Ford Absent: None

Minutes of November 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> presented. Motion St. Columbia/Huff: To approve as presented. All present voted Yes.

Guest: Citizens Interested in the Reactivation of the Crime Stoppers Program – Councilman St. Columbia presented the history of and need for reactivation of the Crime Stoppers Program and how it could help deter crime. The content was well received. Motion Franklin/Holder: A voice vote in support of an endorsement of the Crime Stoppers Program. All present voted Yes.

ITEM: New Copiers for District Court Office and Administration due to the lack of availability of parts for the out dated copiers currently being used. Mayor Hollowell advised of the situation with the OCE' copiers and ask Council to approve two copies for District Court and Administration respectively that would be from Ricoh as those in the Police Department earlier this year. The payment and terms would be the same. Motion Franklin/Davis: To replace the current model copiers with Ricoh copiers utilizing the same plan as currently. All present voted Yes.

ITEM: Federal Mandated Overtime issue: Discussion in that the plan and date to be enacted has been enjoined does the City continue with the adjustments. Motion: St. Columbia/Franklin: To stay city action on the overtime issue until Federal mandate is resolved and if enacted make it retroactive to the date specified. All present voted Yes.

ITEM: Discussion/Action – Ward Reduction Initiated Ordinance

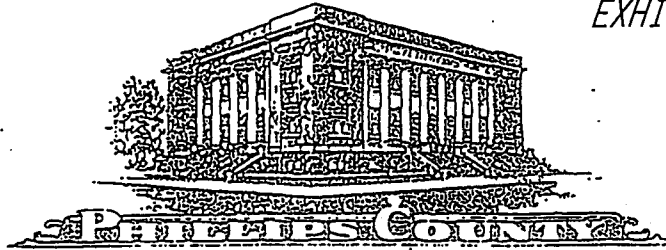
Motion Messina/Huff: To repeal the vote of the people regarding the reduction of the number of Wards from 5 to 3. Voting Yes: Crockett, St. Columbia, Huff, Brown, Holder, Etherly, Davis, Franklin, Messina and Ford. Carried. (A DVD is available)

There being no further business meeting adjourned.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk Date: 12/06/16

Note: All Members of Council stayed for entire meeting.



LINDA WHITE  
COUNTY CLERK  
620 CHERRY ST. STE.202  
HELENA, ARKANSAS 72342-3399  
PHONE: (870) 338-5505  
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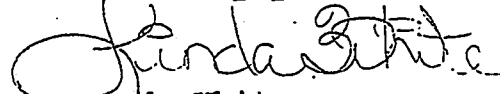
December 15, 2016

Dear Ms. Ramsey:

As you requested, herewith is a copy of the vote certification by the Phillips County Election Commission for the November 8, 2016, general election. As you can see, the commissioners certified these final results on November 23, 2016, and filed the same with this office on November 28, 2016.

The final certified results for the proposed initiated ordinance concerning wards and aldermen in the City of Helena-West Helena appear as the last item on the last page.

Sincerely yours,

  
Linda White

(EXHIBIT "6" FOIA RESPONSE)

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PRECINCTS COUNTED (OF 17) . . . . . 17 100.00  
REGISTERED VOTERS - TOTAL . . . . . 12,974  
BALLOTS CAST - TOTAL . . . . . 7,015  
VOTER TURNOUT - TOTAL . . . . . 54.07 3,186 3,454 314 40 21

## U.S. PRESIDENT

## VOTE FOR 1

Candidate	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
JOHNSON / WELD (LIB)	62	.89	29	31	2	0	0
KAHN / MONAHAN (IND)	20	.29	10	10	0	0	0
CLINTON / Kaine (DEM)	4,310	61.99	1,624	2,373	270	25	18
HEDGES / BAYES (IND)	31	.45	15	14	2	0	0
TRUMP / PENCE (REP)	2,446	35.18	1,429	962	38	14	3
STEIN / BARAKA (GRN)	20	.29	8	12	0	0	0
MCMULLIN / JOHNSON (BFA)	38	.55	22	15	0	1	0
CASTLE / BRADLEY (CON)	26	.37	12	14	0	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	62		37	23	2	0	0

## J.S. SENATE

## VOTE FOR 1

Candidate	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
FRANK GILBERT (LIB)	191	3.00	93	92	6	0	0
CONNER ELDRIDGE (DEM)	3,777	59.31	1,427	2,063	246	24	17
JOHN BOOZMAN (REP)	2,400	37.69	1,375	960	48	15	2
Over Votes	2		0	0	2	0	0
Under Votes	644		291	339	12	0	2

## J.S. CONGRESS DISTRICT 01

## VOTE FOR 1

Candidate	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
MARK WEST (LIB)	2,833	48.32	1,083	1,520	198	19	13
RICK CRAWFORD (REP)	3,030	51.68	1,648	1,298	62	16	6
Over Votes	1		0	0	1	0	0
Under Votes	1,151		455	636	53	5	2

## DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT 22

## VOTE FOR 1

Candidate	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
JAMAAL "JAY" WALKER	3,245	49.00	1,126	1,843	243	18	15
DURWOOD W. KING	3,378	51.00	1,855	1,443	57	20	3
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	392		205	168	14	2	3

## PHILLIPS COUNTY JUDGE

## VOTE FOR 1

Candidate	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
JOHN BAILEY, JR. (IND)	1,650	24.56	641	915	85	7	2
CLARK HALL (DEM)	3,926	58.45	1,789	1,895	200	26	16
ALLEN "BUDDY" RAY (REP)	1,141	16.99	631	482	20	7	1
Over Votes	2		0	0	2	0	0
Under Votes	296		125	162	7	0	2

23 Nov 2016

*[Signature]*  
Johnnie Sumpter  
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	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
<b>PHILLIPS COUNTY SHERIFF</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
NEAL BYRD (DEM)	5,779	84.77	2,610	2,847	266	36	20
ROY COVINGTON (IND)	1,038	15.23	485	506	43	3	1
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	198		91	101	5	1	0
<b>PHILLIPS COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
JOANNA LYNN STILLWELL (DEM)	6,039	100.00	2,792	2,976	253	3	15
Over Votes	1		0	0	0	1	0
Under Votes	938		394	478	61	0	5
<b>JP9 DISTRICT 9</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
JEREMY MONEYSMAKER (IND)	232	29.44	115	114	0	3	0
RICHARD ROBINSON (IND)	27	3.43	8	19	0	0	0
LITA MOORE-JOHNSON (DEM)	380	48.22	219	152	9	0	0
RICKEY DAVIDSON (IND)	149	18.91	84	61	3	0	1
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	26		12	13	1	0	0
<b>WH ALDERMAN W3</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
CHRISTOPHER FRANKLIN (IND)	474	73.60	197	273	4	0	0
LARRY EVANS (IND)	170	26.40	64	101	5	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	59		25	33	1	0	0
<b>WH ALDERMAN W1</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
BRUCE HUDSON (IND)	185	30.23	34	146	4	1	0
WANDA L CROCKETT (IND)	427	69.77	127	287	11	2	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	50		15	35	0	0	0
<b>WH ALDERMAN W2</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
HINTAN DESAI (IND)	372	39.08	100	244	22	5	1
DE ST. COLUMBIA (IND)	580	60.92	227	316	34	2	1
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	44		12	29	2	1	0
<b>DI DIRECTOR Z1</b>							
VOTE FOR 1							
ROY LOVE CHARLES (IND)	262	31.30	95	152	13	2	0
RVIN JARRETT (IND)	352	42.05	105	224	16	6	1
ELLIAN C. GANT (IND)	223	26.64	56	146	17	4	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	53		17	35	1	0	0

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## HWH DIRECTOR Z2

## VOTE FOR 1

TROY BOBO (IND)	410	68.79	145	249	14	2	0
EDDIE LEE, JR. (IND)	186	31.21	74	109	3	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	80		31	43	1	5	0

## HWH DIRECTOR Z4

## VOTE FOR 1

LYNN CHADWICK (IND)	446	49.56	165	267	8	5	1
DANIEL STRICKLAND (IND)	454	50.44	124	314	14	1	1
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	76		17	53	1	5	0

## HWH DIRECTOR Z6 AT LARGE

## VOTE FOR 1

ANDREW BAGLEY (IND)	2,618	62.81	867	1,645	85	18	3
BARBARA DAVIDSON (IND)	1,550	37.19	533	937	71	8	1
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	244		85	147	10	1	1

## CONSTABLE SPRING CREEK

## VOTE FOR 1

LEWIS HALL (IND)	313	53.23	219	88	3	2	1
JIMMY JONES (DEN)	275	46.77	184	85	6	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	28		13	14	1	0	0

## LAINE ALDERMAN W1

## VOTE FOR 1

EDDIE GREEN (IND)	149	55.81	104	18	22	0	5
THOMAS WAYNE BROWN, SR (IND)	118	44.19	59	20	37	0	2
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	16		6	3	5	0	2

## LAINE ALDERMAN W2

## VOTE FOR 1

BERRY CRAVENS (IND)	123	46.77	46	17	53	0	7
CONNIE DOPSON MILLER (IND)	140	53.23	116	19	5	0	0
Over Votes	1		0	0	1	0	0
Under Votes	18		7	5	5	0	1

## KEVIEW ALDERMAN W3

## VOTE FOR 1

ITONIA WADE (IND)	105	60.00	80	25	0	0	0
HELIA WALKER-GLASS (IND)	70	40.00	44	24	2	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	16		10	6	0	0	0

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## UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES

## VOTE FOR 1

	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
FOR . . . . .	5,126	100.00	2,305	2,574	244	3	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	1,832		881	880	70	1	0

## ISSUE NO. 1

## VOTE FOR 1

	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
FOR . . . . .	4,427	68.50	1,924	2,243	222	23	15
AGAINST . . . . .	2,036	31.50	1,019	929	70	13	5
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	552		243	282	22	4	1

## ISSUE NO. 2

## VOTE FOR 1

	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
FOR . . . . .	4,353	67.30	1,970	2,159	192	23	9
AGAINST . . . . .	2,115	32.70	974	1,014	101	14	12
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	547		242	281	21	3	0

## ISSUE NO. 3

## VOTE FOR 1

	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
FOR . . . . .	4,868	74.41	2,124	2,446	257	24	17
AGAINST . . . . .	1,674	25.59	846	770	42	14	2
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	473		216	238	15	2	2

## ISSUE NO. 4

## VOTE FOR 1

	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
FOR . . . . .	3,835	61.29	1,738	1,919	178	0	0
AGAINST . . . . .	2,422	38.71	1,165	1,176	81	0	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	597		283	359	55	0	0

## ISSUE NO. 5

## VOTE FOR 1

	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
FOR . . . . .	3,220	50.39	1,464	1,607	149	0	0
AGAINST . . . . .	3,170	49.61	1,504	1,560	106	0	0
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	564		218	287	59	0	0

## ISSUE NO. 6

## VOTE FOR 1

	TOTAL VOTES	%	ELECTION DAY	EARLY VOTE	ABSENTEE	HAND COUNT	PROVISIONAL
FOR . . . . .	3,750	56.34	1,691	1,845	189	13	12
AGAINST . . . . .	2,906	43.66	1,343	1,425	110	21	7
Over Votes . . . . .	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes . . . . .	360		152	184	15	7	2

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## ISSUE NO. 7

## VOTE FOR 1

FOR	3,608	55.88	1,618	1,824	166	0	0
AGAINST	2,849	44.12	1,366	1,376	107	0	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	497		202	254	41	0	0

*by order of the State*

## HWH School District Tax

## VOTE FOR 1

FOR	2,029	48.69	625	1,321	74	7	2
AGAINST	2,138	51.31	766	1,263	85	21	3
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	247		94	145	7	1	0

## HWH Ward and Alderman Initiative

## VOTE FOR 1

For	2,465	61.23	798	1,549	105	11	2
Against	1,561	38.77	558	935	51	15	2
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	386		129	245	10	2	0

Submitted

September 9, 2016

10 submitted after  
deadline not counted

Honorable Sandra Ramsey, City Clerk  
CITY OF HELENA-WEST HELENA, AR  
P O Box 248  
226 Perry Street  
Helena-West Helena, AR 72342-0248

582 verified

Re: Initiated Ordinance 1-2016  
Petitions/Signatures

Dear Madam Clerk:

On the pages that follow, please find attached the signature of more than 519 registered voters/citizens of the City of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas. We are submitting 820 signatures. This petition to adopt initiated ordinance 1-2016 is made pursuant to the Amendment 7 of the Arkansas Constitution (Amendment 7).

Amendment 7 permits citizens to initiate an ordinance when registered voters numbering at least 15 percent of the total number of votes cast in the most recent mayoral election sign the petition. We are required to submit the signed petitions to you, the city clerk.

You are to review the signatures and affirm that the signers/voters are electors of the City of Helena-West Helena by checking their names, dates of birth and registered voting addresses against the records housed with the Arkansas Secretary of State or his local designee, the county clerk.

The code states: "(b) The information provided by the person on the petition may be used as evidence of the validity or invalidity of the signature. However, if a signature of a registered voter on the petition is sufficient to verify the voter's name, then it shall not be adjudged invalid for failure to sign the name or write the residence and city or town of residence exactly as it appears on voter registration records, for failure to print the name in the space provided, for failure to provide the correct date of birth, nor for failure to provide the correct date of signing the petition, all the information being an aid to verification rather than a mandatory requirement to perfect the validity of the signature." A.C.A. § 7-9-104



10 day rule Amendment 7 Ark. Constitution:

Amendment of Petition. (a)(1) If the Secretary of State, county clerk or city clerk, as the case may be, shall decide any petition to be insufficient, he or she shall without delay notify the sponsors of such petition, and permit at least thirty (30) days from the date of such notification, in the instance of a state-wide petition, or ten (10) days in the instance of a municipal or county petition, for correction or amendment.

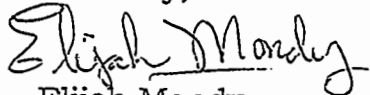
Once you have completed that process, you are to certify this ordinance to the Phillips County Election Commission for inclusion on the November 8, 2016 General Election Ballot along with all other city election matters.

You are, as we understand the process, given ten (10) days to process these petitions. However, Tim Humphries with the Arkansas State Board of Elections informed us that the ballots have to be available 47 days before the general election for overseas distribution. That means the election commission needs the certification post-haste.

Time is of the essence. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. We would also like to know, as soon as you make your final determination, what your decision is. We want to know whether you decide to forward to the election commission or for some reason or another you decide that the petition signatures are not sufficient. We want to hear from you no matter what you decide.

Also, please contact Mr. Johnny McKenzie of the Phillips County Election Board Commission to insure that we all have the same understanding and let us know. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,



Elijah Mondy  
870 338-3241  
870 817-3999 Cell  
emondy@sbcglobal.net

Contact: Attorney James F. Valley  
870 816-5500  
james@jamesfvalley.com

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## CITY OF HELENA-WEST HELENA

September 14, 2016

Ms. Linda White  
Phillips County Clerk  
620 Cherry Street  
Helena, AR 72342

RE: Initiated Ordinance 1-2016

Ms. White:

Please be advised that I, Sandi Ramsey, City Clerk for the City of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas, have certified that sufficient signatures of qualified electors have been properly verified in order that the aforementioned Initiated Ordinance 1-2016 may be placed on the ballot.

Very truly yours,

  
Sandi Ramsey

City Clerk

City of Helena-West Helena, AR

Cc: Phillips County Election Commission

Jay Hollowell, Mayor

Sandi Ramsey, City Clerk

Chalk Mitchell, City Attorney

Derrick Turner, Treasurer

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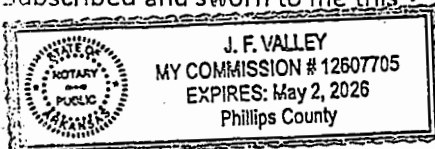
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<i>Anthony Namorij</i>	Anthony Namorij	09-5-16	432 S. Baringo	1-29-62
<i>Effie Randle</i>	Effie Randle	09-5-16	405 South Baringo West Helena	8-22-70
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<i>Samie Lee</i>	Samie Lee	9-5-16	28. Baringo St	6-13-83
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<i>Joe D. Banks</i>	Joe D. Banks	9-5-16	843 E/M	✓
<i>LaCamra Sheard</i>	LaCamra Sheard	9-5-16	830 Elm Street	11-29-95
<i>Everette Duncan</i>	Everette Duncan	9-5-16	403 Deastu Street	11-18-88
<i>James Thompson</i>	JAMES Thompson	9-5-16	600 Ladino Street	7-15-36
<i>Pearlie Shields</i>	Pearlie Shields	9-5-16	613 Ladino	11-08-56
<i>Jason Johnson</i>	Jason Johnson	9-5-16	613 Ladino	2-15-86
<i>Gwen Mabon</i>	Gwen Mabon	9-5-16	731 South	9-15-59
<i>Jesse Mabon</i>	Jesse Mabon	9-5-16	731 South	6-11-65
<i>Steven Brown</i>	Steven Brown	9-5-16	458 West	2-4-67
<i>William G. Crest</i>	William G. Crest	9-5-16	458 West St	10-28-40

Elijah Moody, being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

Signature:

*Elijah Moody, Jr.*

Subscribed and sworn to me this 5th day of Sept 2016.



My Commission Expires:

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Signature:

*J. F. Valley*

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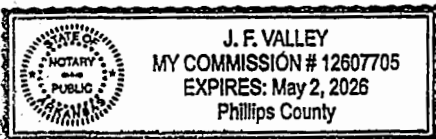
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<i>Rosie Burton</i>	Rosie Burton	8/28/16	1001 N. Ridge Dr.	9/29/56
<i>Willie Mae Kelly</i>	Willie Mae Kelly	8/29/16	130 Main St.	1/9/67
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<i>Vivian Hoskins</i>	Vivian Hoskins	8/29/16	123 Spruce St Hel	2/18/58
<i>Oscar L Hoskins</i>	Oscar L Hoskins	8/29/16	123 Spruce St Helena	7-15-57
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<i>Vecna Bz Dr</i>	Vecna Bz Dr	8-30-16	810 Columbia	8-21-56
<i>Shirley Baker</i>	Shirley Baker	8-31-16	417 N Pezoo Rd	09/30/57
<i>Cornell Clark</i>	Cornell Clark	9-1-16	445 N North	6-15-57
<i>Alex J Smith</i>	Alex J Smith	9-2-16	1069 Hill St	2-7-79
<i>Constance Barrett</i>	Constance Barrett	9-2-16	245 North Beringo Way	5/29/63
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<i>Anita Insko</i>	Anita Insko	9-2-16	408 Waverlywood	9-7-59
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<i>Latacha Thrift</i>	LATACHA Thrift	9-2-16	214 N 8	12-2-84

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Signature:

*Belinda Moniz*

Subscribed and sworn to me this 4th day of Sept 2016.



Signature:

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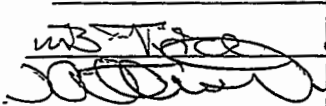
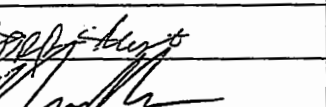
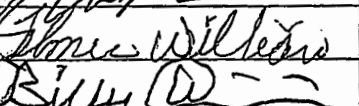
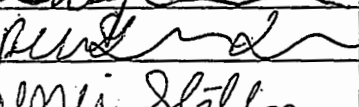
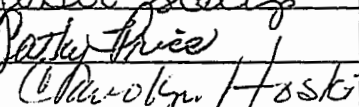
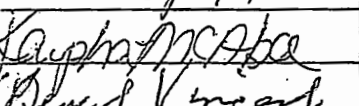
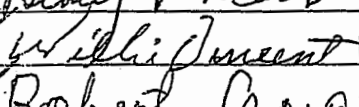
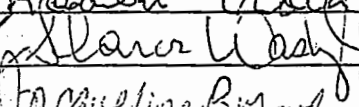
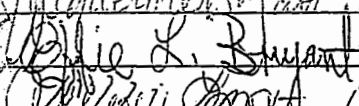
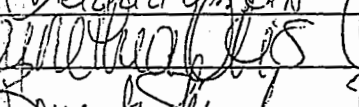
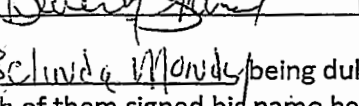
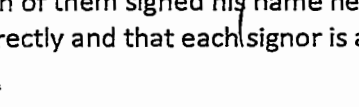
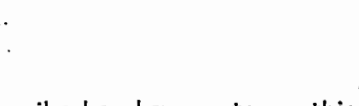
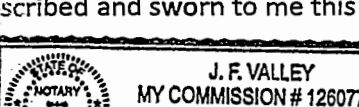
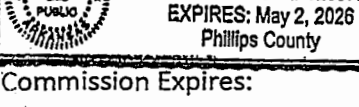
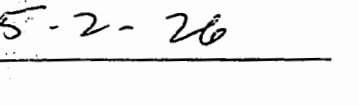



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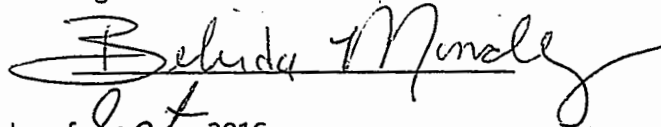
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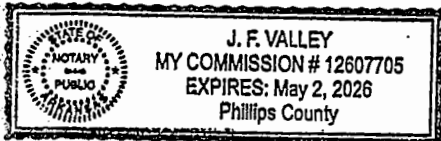
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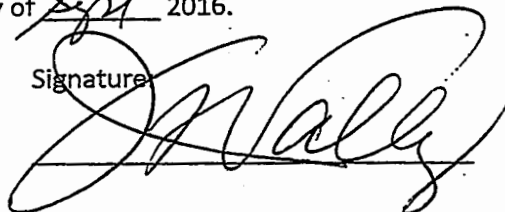
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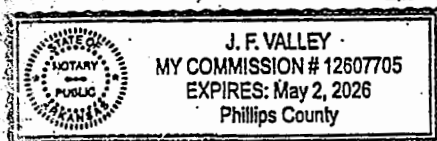
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Signature:

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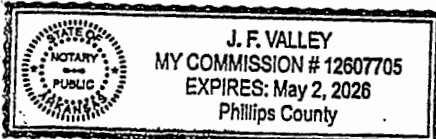
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<i>April E. Mandy</i>	April E. Mandy	8/27/16	200 Moore St.	12/23/84
<i>Zipporah Mandy</i>	Zipporah Mandy	8/27/16	200 Moore St.	8/13/86
<i>Joshua Mandy</i>	Joshua Mandy	8/27/16	200 Moore St.	3/21/93
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<i>Cheryl Mandy</i>	Cheryl Mandy	8/30/16	153 Oakland Ave Helena	2/28/74
<i>Terence Brown</i>	Terence Brown	8/30/16	399 N Village Dr	2-25-79
<i>Alexis A. Comer</i>	ALEXIS A. Comer	8/30/16	85532 Cleaver	8-11-1999
<i>Felicia Howell</i>	Felicia Howell	8/30/2016	325 Proffitt	8-15-1991
<i>Eunice Winston</i>	Eunice Winston	8/31/16	1211 W. Springfield St Helena	8/28/61
<i>Brenda Steele</i>	BRENDA STEELE	8/31/16	10101 3253 W. Helena	7/30/66
<i>Lee Keller</i>	Lee Keller	8/31/16	214 Clark St	5/2/61
<i>Cheryl Lee</i>	Cheryl Lee	8/31/16	233 S' Tenth W. Helena	7/7/73
<i>Wanda Smith</i>	Wanda Smith	8/31/16	313 Cherokee St. Helena	6/10/55
<i>Wynona Donaby</i>	Wynona Donaby	8/31/16	38 Nth 8th Street West Helena, AR	7/14/65
<i>Leonard Fitzgerald</i>	Leonard Fitzgerald	8/31/16	222 N. 8th St West Helena, AR	10/11/52
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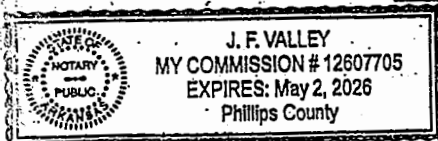
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	Patrick McBridge	3 SEPT 16	1122 PORTER	01/29/65
	Christina Mucilage	3 SEPT 16	1122 Porter	11/07/61
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	Samuel Scilla	9/3/16	1103 College	8/27/81
	Casey Grant	9/3/16	927 Perry St.	1/27/91
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	Bruce Hudson	9/3/16	1015 PERRY ST	6/22/53
	LaSonya McClurg	9/3/16	1101 Perry St	8/18/88
	Amanda Cardilavia	9/3/16	1013 Perry St	8/9/87
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	Orville Jiles	9/3/16	722 Liberty	12/14/56
	P.D. Tins	9/3/16	722 Liberty St	12/18/55
	Alvin Chandler	9/3/16	734 Liberty St	3/22/63
	Willie Mae Versey	9/3/16	106 N. Summit	4/16/56
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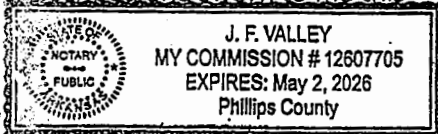
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Elizah Johnson	ELIZAH JOHNSON	9-4-16	527 Grand Ave	2-21-48
Sam Sanders	Sam Sanders	9-4-16	595 Grand Ave	8-16-57
Sammy Hmett	Sammy Hmett	9-4-16	426 Valley St.	4-21-74
Jennifer Sidner	Jennifer Sidner	9-4-16	228 S. Tenth St	5-2-60
Tommy Hawken	Tommy Hawken	9-4-16	923 Poplar	6-2-79
Ricky Tolhurst	Ricky Tolhurst	9-4-16	209 S 10TH ST	5-26-52
Connie Johnston	Connie Johnston	9-4-16	209 S 10TH ST	4-19-56
Teresa Wilson	TERESA WILSON	9-4-16	741 Airport Rd	11/3/62
Patricia Prutz	Patricia Prutz	9-4-16	201 S. 10th St.	3-6-74
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Kathryn Caldwell	Kathryn Caldwell	9-4-16	126 S. 9TH ST	12-13-63
Yvonne Holms	Yvonne Holms	9-4-16	802 Plaza	5-17-71
<del>William Wilson</del>	<del>William Wilson</del>	<del>9-4-16</del>	<del>720 Garland</del>	<del>7-25-64</del>
Andre Morris	Andre Morris	9-4-16	137 S 5th	10-8-62
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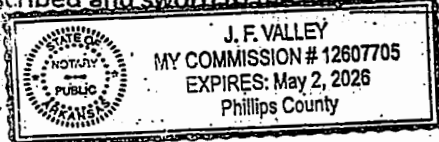
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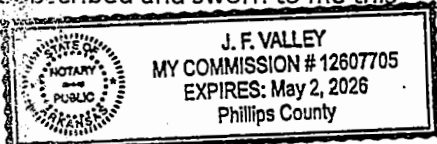
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Marie Key	MAXIE V. KEY	09-05-16	304 5th LOANITA	
Anthony Karam	Anthony KARAM	09-5-16	432 S. Baringo	1-29-62
Effie Randle	Effie Randle	09-5-16	405 South Baringo West Helena	8-29-70
Charmaine Wallace	Charmaine Wallace	09-5-16	405 S. Baringo West Helena	8-26-94
Monica Turner	Monica Turner	09-5-16	1 South Baringo	3-4-76
Jastran Ezau	Jastran Ezau	09-5-16	#5 South Baringo Ct.	10-26-1958
Jamie Lee	Jamie Lee	9-5-16	2 S. Baringo Ct	6-13-83
Irene Jackson	Irene Jackson	9-5-16	818 East	7-12-48
Bobir Bank	Bobir Bank	9-5-16	843 ELM ST	✓
Joe D. Bank	Joe D. Bank	9-5-16	843 ELM	✓
LaCamra Sheard	LaCamra Sheard	9-5-16	830 Elm Street	11-29-95
Everette Duncan	Everette Duncan	9-5-16	403 Deastu Street	11-18-88
JAMES Thompson	JAMES Thompson	9-5-16	600 Ladino Street	7-15-36
Heather Shields	Heather Shields	9-5-16	1613 Ladino	11-08-56
Jason Johnson	Jason Johnson	9-5-16	1613 Ladino	2-15-86
Gwen Mabon	Gwen Mabon	9-5-16	731 South	9-15-59
Jesse Mabon	Jesse Mabon	9-5-16	731 South	6-11-65
Steven Brown	Steven Brown	9-5-16	258 West	2-4-67
Villiam Chest	Villiam Chest	9-5-16	458 West St	10-28-40

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Signature:

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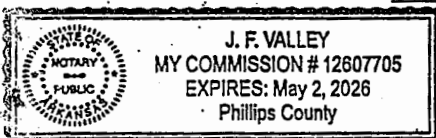
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<i>Marguerite Hawkins</i>	MARGUERITE HAWKINS	9-4-16	293 MLK Dr. Apt 101	8-14-75
<i>Marcus H. H. H.</i>	Marcus H. H. H.	9-5-16	186	5-23-63
<i>Trina Hicks</i>	Trina Hicks	9-5-16	793 MLK Dr. Apt 103	8-26-83
<i>Trina Hicks</i>	Trina Hicks	9-5-16	793 MLK Dr. Apt 103	3-18-78
<i>Donnetria Tucker</i>	Donnetria Tucker	9-5-16	793 MLK Dr. Apt 103	1-14-83
<i>Veronica Oks</i>	Veronica Oks	9-5-16	3165 PCI 13 Rd	12-3-87
<i>Terrence Mitchell</i>	Terrence Mitchell	9-5-16	797 MLK Dr.	4-11-91
<i>Malinda Tye</i>	Malinda Tye	9-5-16	797 Martin Luther King	4/20/81
<i>Dennis D. D.</i>	Dennis D. D.	9-5-16	120 Dennis Dr.	2/27/21
<i>Dennis D. D.</i>	Dennis D. D.	9-5-16	180 Dennis	3/8/65
<i>Jamela Kirkwood</i>	Jamela Kirkwood	9-5-16	175 Dennis Phillips	8-28-83
<i>Rosemary Carter</i>	Rosemary Carter	9-5-16	114 Dennis W. A.	10-2-80
<i>Willie Robinson</i>	Willie Robinson	9-5-16	409 Little Rock Rd	8-21-62
<i>Javaris Austin</i>	Javaris Austin	9-5-16	1313 Clarianna St.	04-20-87
<i>Rose Austin</i>	Rose Austin	9-5-16	1313 Clarianna	1/4/68
<i>Aaron Williams</i>	Aaron Williams	9-5-16	125 Dennis St	6-17-74
<i>Beverly Austin</i>	Beverly Austin	9-5-16	1313 Clarianna	3-5-68
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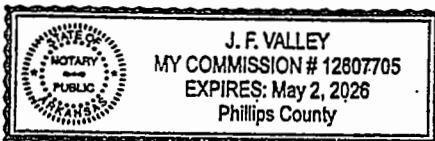
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2. Earnestine Russell	Earnestine Russell	9-2-16	1325 E/rianna	4-16-32
3. B. B. Smith	B. B. Smith	9-2-16	138 Banner West Helena	7-21-37
4. Barbara Williams	Barbara Williams	9-27-16	816 Cooke St. West Helena	1-17-50
5. Ona Lee Burns	Ona Lee Burns	9-2-16	3411 Caesar Ave.	7-20-39
6. Beatrice Johnson	Beatrice Johnson	9-2-16	646 Cooke St. West Helena	8-5-32
7. Mary Freeman	Mary Freeman	9-22-16	646 Cooke St. West Helena	7-22-27
8. Sarah Smith	Sarah Smith	9-2-16	125 N. Main	7-10-42
9. Mary Mitchell	Mary Mitchell	9-2-16	523 Grand Ave. Helena	3-23-51
10. Hazel McCook	Hazel McCook	9-12-16	517 Oak St. Helena	4-11-16
11. L. A. Mae Nunn	L. A. Mae Nunn	9-2-16	108 Hanover St. WH	1-5-44
12. Don Wallace	Don Wallace	9-2-16	757 S. Main	3-11-52
13. Wallace Stanton	Wallace Stanton	9-2-16	834 Alabama WH	7-22-83
14. Marie W. Smith	Marie W. Smith	9-2-16	221 South St.	11-18-34
15. Marie W. Smith	Marie W. Smith	9-2-16	701 Stratton Drive	12-13-16
16. Angenette Smith	Angenette Smith	9-2-16	305 N. Main WH	6-12-16
17. Artis Williams	Artis Williams	9-2-16	214 Coanza	1-20-92
18. Alberta Jones	Alberta Jones	9-3-16	340 Denise Drive	12-22-69
19. Lizzie Tillman	Lizzie Tillman	9-3-16	334 S. Coanza	1-3-35
20. Moses Tillman	Moses Tillman	9-3-16	334 S. Coanza	11-3-31

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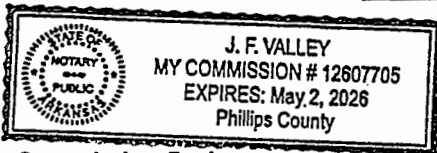
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<i>[Signature]</i>	Alice W. Valley	9-5-16	211 S. Cornelia	3-30-38
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<i>Walter L. Smith</i>	WALTER L. SMITH	9-05-16	106 HILLSBORO	08-18-52
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I, Patsy Plumley being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

Signature:

*Patsy Jo Plumley*

Subscribed and sworn to me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 2016.

Signature:

*Patsy Jo Plumley*

My Commission Expires:

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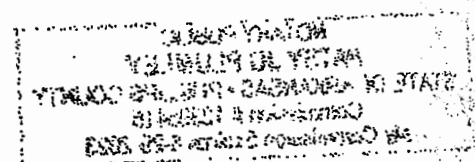
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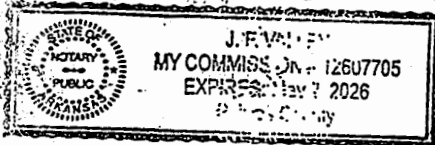
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<i>Dana Jackson</i>	Dana Jackson	9-3-16	603 Wallace	85-6-1
<i>Malik Washington</i>	MALIK Washington	9-3-16	318 South 6th	12-24-97
<i>Monica Franklin</i>	Monica Franklin	9-3-16	203 Franklin St	01-28-89
<i>Jimmy Davis</i>	Jimmy Davis	9-3-16	2113 Franklin St	04-05-85
<i>Devin Crumpton</i>	Devin Crumpton	9/3/16	310 Crescent Dr	03/30/94
<i>Charles Crumpton</i>	Charles Crumpton	9/3/16	1201 Hill St	1/6/80
<i>Charlene Washington</i>	CHARLENE	9/3/16	400 Sam West Dr	5-4-39
<i>Tiffany Brankley</i>	Tiffany Brankley	9/3/16	2105 Meadowbrook	8-28-89
<i>Christopher Moore</i>	Christopher Moore	9/3/16	316 Seminole	02/01/91
<i>Michael Walsh</i>	MICHAEL WALSH	9-3-16	203 N. Davis	old
<i>Elisha Mondy</i>	Elisha Mondy	9-3-16	200 Moore Street	12/17/90
<i>Michael</i>	1025 D. St	09-3-16	1025 D. St	7-27-60
<i>Verna Hickey</i>	Verna Hickey	9/3/2016	217 B. 900 St	
<i>Shaneka Washington</i>	Shaneka Washington	9/4/16	1412 Springdale Rd	01/10/91
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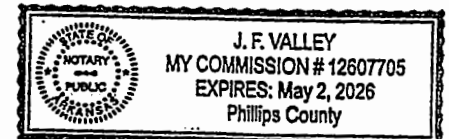
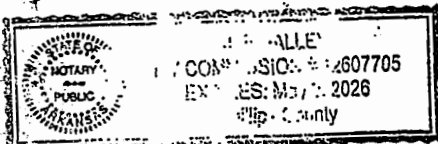
Signature:

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Signature:

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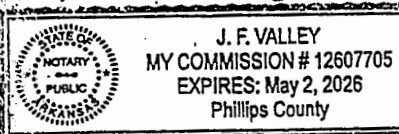
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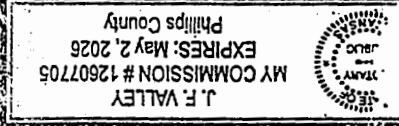
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<i>Rondalyn Grant</i>	Rondalyn Grant	9/13/16	120 Oakland Ave	11/22/81
<i>Cambria White</i>	Cambria White	9/13/16	120 Oakland Ave	09/07/97
<i>Debra Swope</i>	Debra Swope	9/13/16	289 Jefferson	10-24-296
<i>Roxie Eason III</i>	Roxie Eason III	9/3/16	122 IV	12/23/77
<i>Jonathan Martin</i>	JONATHAN MARTIN	9-3-16	103 Rose Circle	8-5-76
<i>Henry Buden</i>	Henry Buden	9/3/16	5 Edgewood Dr	7/12/16
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<i>Derek Jackson</i>	Derek Jackson	9-3-16	779 Liberty St	7-20-1978
<i>Loretta Washington</i>	Loretta Washington	9-3-16	52 Lambert Dr.	10/18/62
<i>Jessica Clemons</i>	Jessica Clemons	9-3-16	55 Lambert Dr	10-14-85
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<i>Emolra Clemons</i>	Emolra Clemons	9-3-16	55 Lambert Dr.	1-30-48
<i>Willie Johnson</i>	Willie Johnson	9-3-16	202 Lambert Dr.	6-1-75
<i>Ulysses Williams</i>	Ulysses Williams	9-3-16	239 Resota St	9-15-47
<i>Annette Wrice</i>	Annette Wrice	9-3-16	553 Old Dominion	7-26-66
<i>Darlene David</i>	Darlene David	9-3-16	870-753-2533	02-06-88
<i>Bryan Campbell</i>	Bryan Campbell	9-3-16	244 N. Logan St	01-25-81
<i>Linda Thurston</i>	Linda Thurston	9-3-16	637 Birchwood Dr	03-01-57
<i>Travis Davis</i>	TRAVIS DAVIS	9-3-16	McDonagh St	04-09-96

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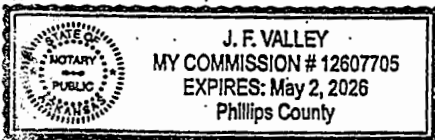
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2.	Robert Travis	ROBERT TRAVIS	8/29/16	565 N. SEBASTIAN	6/19/44
3.	Suzanne Travis	SUZANNE TRAVIS	8/29/16	565 N. SEBASTIAN W. HELENA AR	5/13/53
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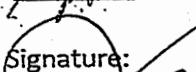
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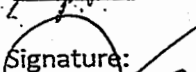
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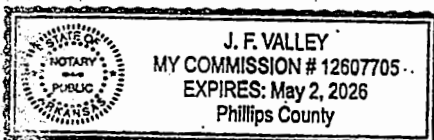
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<i>David Cornelious</i>	David Cornelious	8/29/16	115 Alvar St	6-16-43
<i>Cherie Moore</i>	Cherie Moore	8/29/16	1305 Cherry St	8-4-65
<i>Betty Faye Brimley</i>	Betty Faye Brimley	8/29/16	831 Elm St, NW, AR	1/18/1947
<i>Robert E. Kinchen</i>	Robert E. Kinchen	8/29/16	117 Paradise Cove Way	10/31/1958
<i>Linda Shannon</i>	Linda Shannon	8-29-16	1241 W. Cleburne Willeka	03/13/63
<i>Vickie Washington</i>	Vickie Washington	8-29-16	104 Perkins St	10/17/68
<i>Sandra Lee</i>	Sandra Lee	8-29-16	1009 Walker St	11/14/52
<i>Thelma Reed</i>	Thelma Reed	8-29-16	1308 Pecan Street	12/6/59
<i>William Cant</i>	William Cant	8-29-16	115 S. Comique	4/28/41
<i>Cordelia Foster</i>	Cordelia Foster	8-29-16	401 Monroe St Helena, AR 72342	6/2/65
<i>James M. Pierce</i>	James M. Pierce	8-29-16	2111 300 Rd.	6-27-74
<i>Flora Gant Jr.</i>	Flora Gant Jr.	8-29-16	223 Cherry St Helena	6-9-61
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Signature:

Subscribed and sworn to me this 17th day of Sept 2016.



Signature:

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2. <i>Edony McMickle</i>	Edony McMickle	9/2/16	329 Denise Dr	8/31/92
3. <i>Connell Rogers</i>	Connell Rogers	9/2/16	1018 Biltmore Dr	8/13/71
4. <i>Thomas Webster</i>	Thomas Webster	9/2/16	618 E. Main	6/1/59
5. <i>Larry Edwards</i>	Larry Edwards	9/2/16	1275 Sacred Heart	12/20/53
6. <i>Theresa Sims</i>	Theresa Sims	9/2/16	111 Lambert Dr. HW	5/24/49
7. <i>Elizabeth R. Valley</i>	Elizabeth R. Valley	9/7/16	112 Gladwin	1/1/71
8. <i>Abby Sam A. Valley</i>	Abby Sam A. Valley	9/7/16	"	5/23/94
9. <i>Jonathan V. Valley</i>	Jonathan V. Valley	9/7/16	"	10/10/92
10. <i>Rachel D. Valley</i>	Rachel D. Valley	9/7/16	"	12/15/92
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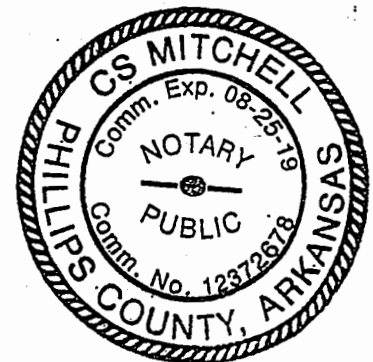
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2. <u>Louis Hardman</u>	LOUIS HARDMAN	Aug 21, 2016	131 Valley Dr Helena, MT 59602	NOV 3, 1942
3. <u>Don Gentry</u>	Don Gentry	AUG. 21, 2016	503 ROLLING CREEK DA. HELENA, MT 59602	AUG 5, 1941
4. <u>Billie J. Moore</u>	Billie J. Moore	8/21/16	185 Rosebud Helena	7-29-38
5. <u>John O. Moore</u>	John O. Moore	✓	✓	5-22-27
6. <u>Betty W. Hendrix</u>	Betty W. Hendrix	8/21/16	123 Stonebrook Rd Helena, AR	9-26-35
7. <u>Gwen G. Newkirk</u>	Gwen G. Newkirk	8/21/16	121 S Summit Dr	7-24-32
8. <u>Mary H. Ligon</u>	MARY H. Ligon	8/21/16	205 Ridgmont Rd Helena, MT	9-24-35
9. <u>Pat Williams</u>	PAT WILLIAMS	8-21-16	116 Franklin St. Helena, MT	6-8-32
10. <u>PAT OWENS</u>	PAT OWENS	8-21-16	P.O. Box 316 - Helena	8-19-32
11. <u>Doris A. Holmes</u>	Doris A. Holmes	8-21-16	104 Emma Pl.	2-23-33
12. <u>Melinda Allen</u>	MELINDA ALLEN	8-21-16	102 North	5-16-48
13. <u>Madelyn Gordon</u>	Madelyn Gordon	8-21-16	132 Neil Rd	7-22-51
14. <u>Nancy Wilkie</u>	Nancy Wilkie	8-21-16	201 Ridgmont Rd	11-21-40
15. <u>Phillip Allen</u>	Phillip Allen	8-21-16	100 Green Acre	7-1-73
16. <u>Geraldine Pitts</u>	GERALDINE PITTS	8-24-16	West Helena	7-22-34
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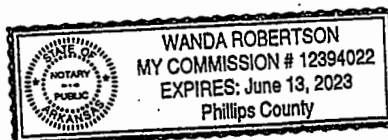
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<i>Holt Pittman</i>	Holt Pittman	8-21-16	822 Fairwood W	12-7-74
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<i>Gere Carnathan</i>	Gere Carnathan	8-21-16	" " "	1-1-42
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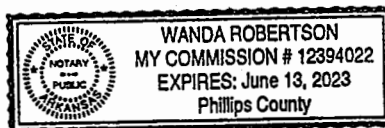
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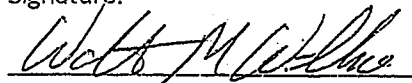
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1. Deborah Self	Deborah Self	8/23/16	323 St. Clair W.H.	11/29/64
2. Nora Waters	Nora Waters	8/30/16	656 Mimosa St.	3/04/37
3. Belinda Patton	Belinda Patton	8/30/16	160 PC 371 Rd. W.H.	5/23/64
4. Winford Henson	Winford Henson	9/14/16	323 St. Clair W.H.	9/14/41
5. Dennis Johnston	Dennis Johnston	9/7/16	726 Mimosa W.H.	9/5/53
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I, Walter Muller, being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

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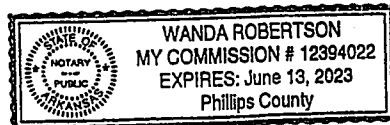
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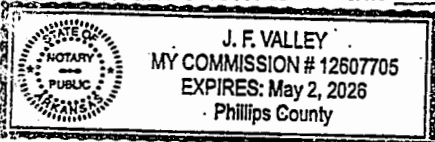
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<i>Jimmy Webster</i>	Jimmy Webster	9/6/16	301 Woodland	12-22-33
<i>Henry Jordan</i>	Henry Jordan	9/7/16	118 Waverly	11/9/40
<i>Warren R. Jordan</i>	Warren R. Jordan	9/7/16	"WOOD"	11/28/42
<i>AL HARBURY Jr</i>	AL HARBURY Jr	9/7/16	219 Waverly Wood Circle	6/24/28
<i>Charles Sibley</i>	CHARLES SIBLEY	9/7/16	100 Rose Circle Helena	1-11-54
<i>Cathy Campbell</i>	CATHY CAMPBELL	9/7/16	229 A Cherry St. Helena	1-8-79
<i>Kathleen Quillen</i>	Kathleen Quillen	9/7/16	707 Beech St. Helena	3/2/84
<i>Robert T. Cheek Jr</i>	Robert T. Cheek Jr	9/7/16	526 Perry St.	10/04/65
<i>Chris Maloney</i>	Chris Maloney	9-7-16	1181 Springdale	9-2-73
<i>Janice Williams</i>	Janice Williams	9-7-16	100 November	6-29-82
<i>Heather E. Ferabee</i>	Heather E. Ferabee	9-7-16	131 Waverly Wood Dr	11/10/46
<i>Dana Chadwick</i>	DANA Chadwick	9-7-16	107 Valley Dr.	8-23-45
<i>Jane Russell</i>	JANE RUSSELL	9-7-16	1702 STRINGTOWN RD	

*Douglas Friedlander*, being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

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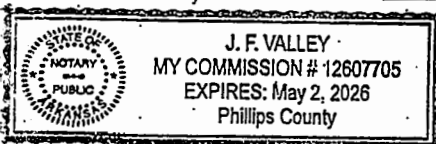
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<i>Marie Corbin</i>	Marie Corbin	9-4-16	316 Cinescent Dr West Helena, Ark	2-9-39
<i>Rhonda Fitzhugh</i>	Rhonda Fitzhugh	9-7-16	424 N 11th St W. Helena	10-27-59
<i>MEANNA SCOTT</i>	MEANNA SCOTT	9-7-16	500 RICE SE W. HELENA	7-27-89
<i>Sherron Bailey</i>	Sherron Bailey	9-7-16	102 Richmond Hill West Helena, AR	4-27-80
<i>Betty Branch</i>	Betty Branch	9-7-16	415 S. S. P. Conard Street, Helena	3-3-38
<i>Lola Brider</i>	Lola Brider	9-7-16	321 S 87th	10-22-26
<i>Darshia Britton</i>	Darshia Britton	9-7-16	615 Garland	11-22-71
<i>Ollie Charles</i>	Ollie Charles	9-7-16	615 Garland	9-8-75
<i>Demarcus Burton</i>	Demarcus Burton	9-7-16	125 Sunset Dr Helena	8-8-85
<i>Regina Johnson</i>	Regina Johnson	9-7-16	430 Valley Dr Helena, AR	10/23/82
<i>Adrienne Corbin</i>	<del>Adrienne Corbin</del>	<del>9-7-16</del>	<del>53 Harvey St, W. Helena, AR 72440</del>	<del>8-4-54</del>
<i>Adrienne Diane Corbin</i>	Adrienne Diane Corbin	9-7-16	53 Harvey St W. Helena, AR 72440	8-4-54

I, MARIE CORBIN, being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

Signature:

*Marie Corbin*

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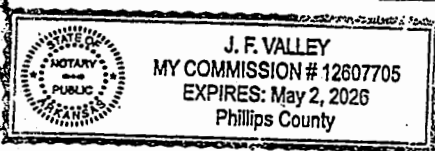
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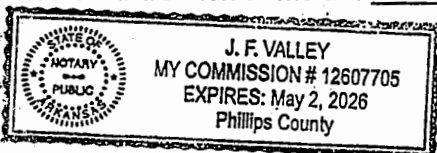
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<i>Flora Hayes</i>	Flora Hayes	9-4-16	238 S. 8th Street	6-11-58
<i>Kaeisha Fitzhugh</i>	Kaeisha Fitzhugh	9-4-16	427 N. 1st St.	11-15-83
<i>Joe T. Dixon</i>	Joe T. Dixon	9-4-16	304 N Meadbrook	12-24-86
<i>Lucille K Slaughter</i>	Lucille K Slaughter	9-8-16	232 S. 8th St	4-1-43
<i>W.H. Slaughter</i>	W.H. Slaughter	9/8/16	232 S. 8th St	5-19-37
<i>Luther Hayes</i>	Luther Hayes	9/8/16	238 South 8th St	06-30-91
<i>Elizabeth Whitfield</i>	Elizabeth Whitfield	9/8/2016	501 College Street	04-17-91

Luther Hayes, being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

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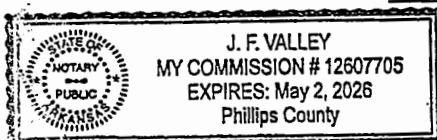


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3. Ollie E. White	Ollie E. White	8-30-2016	1720 Holly St.	03/14/1957
4. Joshua Boyd	Joshua Boyd	8-31-16	810 Columbia	08/15/85
5. Nathan Whitfield	Nathan Whitfield	9-4-16	719 Perry St.	8/14/87
6. Tomisha Gant	Tomisha Gant	9-4-16	303 Righter Apt. C Helena, MT	9/8/85
7. Michelyn Gant	Michelyn Gant	9-4-16	501 Monroe St. Helena, MT	4-5-90
8. Dorothy Handie	Dorothy Handie	9-7-16	467 Davis, IA	5-20
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Signature:

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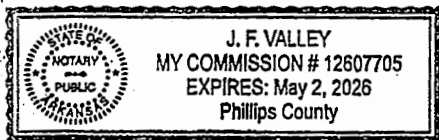


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③ Terion D. Walker	Terion D. Walker	9/5/16	717 Forest Hill	8-14-75
④ Courtney Barkley	Courtney Barkley	9-5-16	717 Forrest Hill	7-13-80
⑤ Belinda Gentry	Belinda Gentry	9-8-16	641 Forrest Hill	12-12-67
⑥ Crystal Gentry	Crystal Gentry	9-2-16	641 Forrest Hill	3-2-58
⑦ Carolyn Parks	CAROLYN PARKS	9/5/16	724 Forrest Hill	12/14/60
⑧ James Parks	JAMES PARKS	9/5/16	724 Forrest Hill	3/30/53
⑨ Reethie L. Pride	Reethie, L. Pride	9/8/16	721 Forrest Hill Dr	3/25/65
⑩ Linda Washington	Linda Washington	9/8/16	473 Devilla	9/15/66
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Signature:

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Signature:

**My Commission Expires:**

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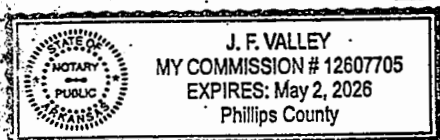
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<i>IRMA Knowlton</i>	IRMA Knowlton	9-6-16	430 West St	7-3-42
<i>Billy McMillan</i>	Billy McMillan	9/8/16	1711 Strington Rd	5/15/41

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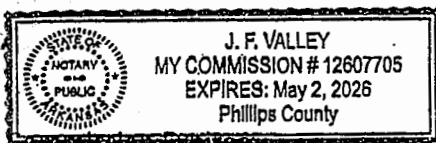
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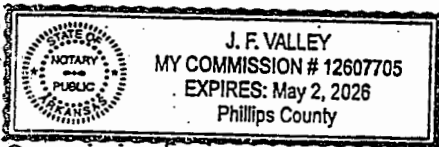
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3.	Frank Clancy	FRANK CLANCY	9/7/16	2000 HOLLY	6-16-54
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5.	Kevin A. Smith	KEVIN A. SMITH	9/7/16	135 Waverly Wood Dr	3/12/62
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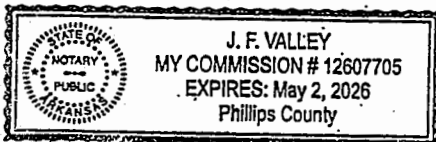
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<i>Ollie Wardlaw</i>	Ollie Wardlaw	9-8-16	235 N. Ashland St	3-2-52
<i>Lillian F. Leach</i>	Lillian F. Leach	9/8/16	324 Parkdale	12/1/51
<i>Charity Perry</i>	Charity Perry	9/8/16	514 Grand Ave.	1-26-92
<i>Joanne Pearce</i>	Joanne Pearce	9-8-16	454 West St	9-8-63
<i>Darrell W. W. W.</i>	Darrell W. W. W.	9-8-16	83 Cross St	5-23-53
<i>Arigel Buxton</i>	Arigel Buxton	9-8-16	330 Denise Dr.	10/7/90
<i>Theresa Thelma</i>	Theresa Thelma	9/8/16	520 - Russell	11/10/1977
<i>David Clark</i>	David Clark	9/8/16	214 North 11th	9/23/61
<i>Darshun Tyler</i>	Darshun Tyler	9/8/16	210 N. 10th Street	03/10/1997
<i>Nathan Hughes</i>	Nathan Hughes	9-8-16	725 Kentucky	12/9/90
<i>Willie Hedder</i>	Willie Hedder	9-8-16	CARLIND 126	2564

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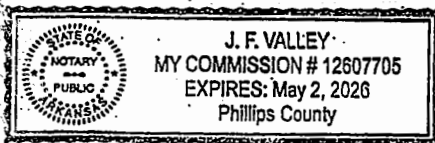
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<i>Teresa Bailey-Jones</i>	Teresa Bailey-Jones	9-2-16	102 Carolina	6/14/75
<i>Mary Tye</i>	Mary Tye	9-2-16	1066 Arkansas	12/27/56
<i>Evelyn Combs</i>	Evelyn Combs	9-2-2016	114 Navajo	8/12/63
<i>Courtney Combs</i>	Courtney Combs	9-2-2016	120 Danna Apt 116	11-25-1986
<i>Jesse Milton</i>	Jesse Milton	9-2-16	701 Mimosa	3-23-71
<i>Lisa Lee</i>	LISA LEE	9-2-16	203 N. Ashlar	10-6-66
<i>Sandra Berkman</i>	Sandra Berkman	9-16-16	326 N Washington	10-25-68
<i>Harry Lindsey</i>	HARRY Lindsey	9/07/16	207 Larryst Wt	12/04/1942
<i>Donnell Key</i>	Donnell Key	9-07-16	209 South 7	6-26-71
<i>Dennis Thompson</i>	Dennis Thompson	9-07-16	239 South Bridge	02-15-92
<i>Seanette Gale</i>	Seanette Gale	9-7-16	1795 P.C. 300 Rd	3-25-57
<i>Joyce Lewis</i>	Joyce Lewis	9-7-16	458 N. Washington	9-8-1
<i>Harold Stewart</i>	Harold Stewart	9-7-16	1432 3rd St	-
<i>DANN ROZIER</i>	DANN ROZIER	9-8-16	155 N. S. L	4-5-64
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<i>Carlinda Gra</i>	Carlinda Gra	9-8-16	438 Devota	8-16-65
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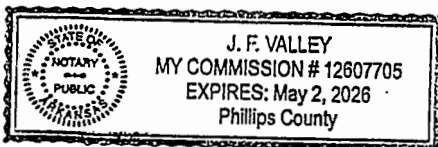
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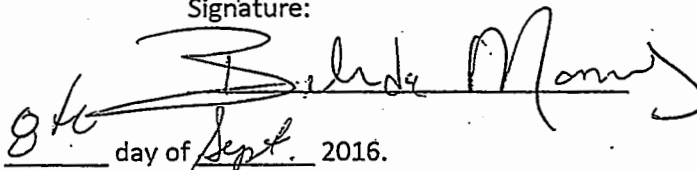


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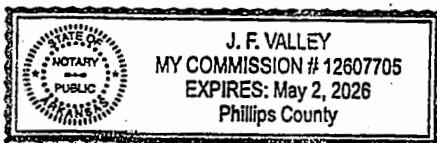
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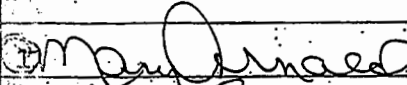
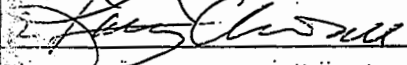
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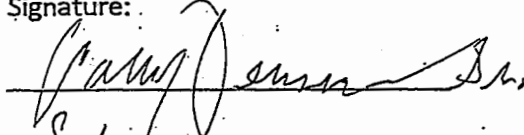
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	KATHY CHISNALL	9-8-16	728 Beechwood Dr	10-18-51
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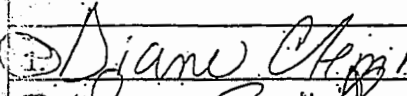
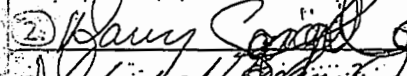
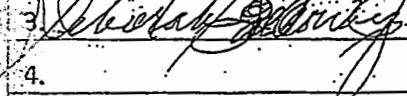
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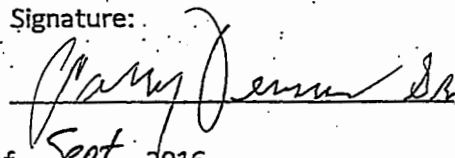
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	DANNY CARCILLO	9-6-2016	106 Oak Forest	10-8-48
	Deborah Galloway	9-6-16	121 N. 10th St	8-29-56
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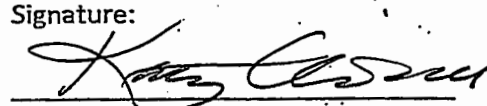
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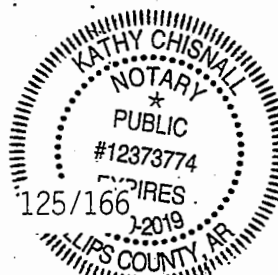
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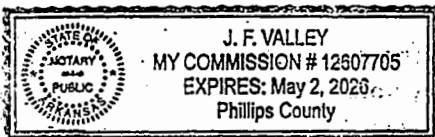
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2. Cindy Randall	Cindy Randall	9-8-16	112 Tennessee	9-14-18
3. Morrell Jones	Morrell Jones	9-8-16	444 Kentucky	5-24-54
4. Sandra Nealy	Sandra Nealy	9-8-16	118 Tennessee	11-6-73
5. Ira Nealy	Ira Nealy	9-8-16	118 Tennessee	8-1-94
6. Demarius Bibbs	Demarius Bibbs	9-8-16	444 Kentucky	6-6-94
7. Robert Henry	Robert Henry	9-8-16	118 Tennessee	8-26-77
8. Mary Mitchell	Mary Mitchell	9-8-16	107 Pershing St	4-14-46
9. Sheila Mitchell	Sheila Mitchell	9-8-16	541 Quindis Lane	1-2-83
10. Mary Mitchell	Mary Mitchell	9-8-16	107 Pershing St	8-20-84
11. Tanya Harrison	Tanya Harrison	9-8-16	1131 College	10-11-76
12. Ebony Giles	Ebony Giles	9-8-16	108 Trinity	12-13-96
13. Freddie Haynes	Freddie Haynes	9-8-16	125 Dennis Dr	9-18-78
14. Tabitha Murray	Tabitha Murray	9-8-16	125 Dennis Dr.	10-30-76
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Signature:

Sharon Washburn

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My Commission Expires:

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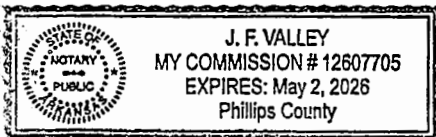


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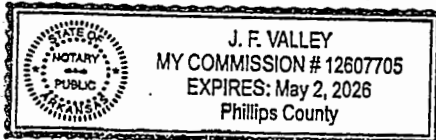
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<i>Anna Skrupa</i>	ANNA SKRUPA	9/5/2016	816 College St. Helena	02/10/1981
<i>Douglas Friedlander</i>	Douglas Friedlander	9/5/16	816 College St. Helena	06/25/1976
<i>Monique Miller</i>	Monique Miller	9/5/2016	720 Beech St.	2/8/1982
<i>Carolyn Hicks</i>	Carolyn Hicks	9/5/16	302 East Ridge Helena	4/30/57
<i>Mark Price</i>	Mark N. Price	9/6/16	221 W. Russell	11-04-62
<i>Yakisha Stearns</i>	Yakisha Stearns	9-7-16	34 parkdale	11-04-84
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<i>Kasperis Lofton</i>	KASPERIS LOFTON	9-7-16	932 Arkansas	07-25-95
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<i>Amos Newell</i>	Amos Newell	9-8-16	123 Phillips 234 Rd	11-13-57
<i>Carrie Newell</i>	Carrie Newell	9-8-16	"	4-29-53
<i>Carolyn Shears</i>	CAROLYN SHEARS	9-9-16	15 Edgewood Cir.	2-4-55
<i>Jackie Scott</i>	Jackie Scott	9-9-16	203 Fairview	11-1-64
<i>Maxine Germany</i>	Maxine Germany (Miller)	9-9-16	1005 Arkansas St	12-31-63

I, Belinda Mondy, being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

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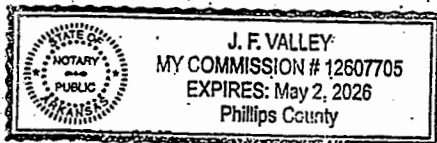
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2. <i>Christopher Smith</i>	Christopher Smith	9-6-16	227 S. Barings	9/26/78
3. <i>Christina Smith</i>	Christina Smith	9/1/16	227 S. Barings	<del>6-3-47</del> 3-6-47
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Signature:

*[Signature: Dorena Smith]*

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Signature:

*[Signature: J. F. Valley]*

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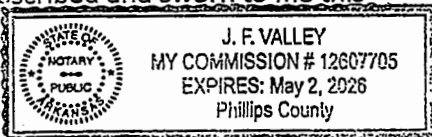
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<i>Michael Hudson</i>	MICHAEL HUDSON	9/5/16	433 WEST	3/9/61
<i>J.F. Valley</i>	J.F. Valley	9/7/16	112 Gladon St	12/7/68
<i>C.S. Mitchell</i>	C.S. Mitchell	9/7/16	737 Liberty St	12/01/84
<i>A.L. Pat Robertson</i>	A.L. PAT ROBERTSON	9/7/16	113 Quapaw Trail	Jul 12-41
<i>A.L. Patrick Robertson</i>	A.L. PATRICK ROBERTSON	9/7/16	725 SAINT REGIS	12/21/74

*Elijah Mouby*, being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

Signature:

*Elijah Mouby*

Subscribed and sworn to me this *8th* day of *Sept* 2016.



Signature:

*J.F. Valley*

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<i>Teresa more</i>	Teresa more	9-8-16	245 S Coanza	8-27-72
<i>Lashontie Dismue</i>	Lashontie Dismue	9/8/16	645 Seminole st	10-8-82
<i>Arlishe Brewer</i>	Arlishe Brewer	9-8/16	217 Jane St.	9-5-67

*Linda Harris* being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal voter of the City of Helena-West Helena.

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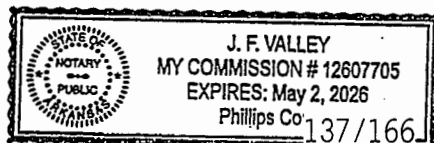
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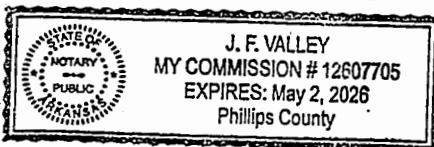


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2. Vernon R Williams	Vernon R Williams	9/7/16	1126 Columbia St Helena	10/30/90
3. Bianca Rose	Bianca Rose	9/7/16	51 Phillips Rd 339 Helena, MT 59601	3/23/92
4. Denise Otey	Denise Otey	9/7/16	333 Lussan West Helena	02/08/92
5. [Signature]	Chotto Green	9/7/16	504 PC 241 Helena	10/24/85
6. [Signature]	Jennifer Rusan	9/7/16	220 S. 9th Street Helena	12/02/82
7. Phillip Gregory	Phillip Gregory	9/7/16	106 Ivy Circle Helena	6/11/62
8. Vickie Gregory	Vickie Gregory	9/8/16	104 Ivy Circle Helena	4/5/67
9. Aaron Gregory	Aaron Gregory	9-8-16	127 S. 2nd Ave Helena	5-11-71
10. Florida Burnside	Florida Burnside	9-8-16	542 Roseland w. Helena	4-24-66
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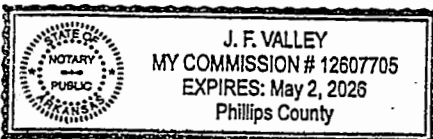


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<i>Marvin Jarrett</i>	Marvin Jarrett	9/8/16	245 N. Baring St	4/9/58
<i>Isaac Tribune</i>	Isaac Tribune	9-8-16	828 Cook Street	07-10-51
<i>Xayana Henry</i>	Xayana Henry	9/8/16	245 N. Baring St	6/14/98
<i>Jonathan Jarrett</i>	Jonathan Jarrett	9/8/16	245 N. Baring St	7/25/90
<i>Matthew Jarrett</i>	Matthew Jarrett	9/8/16	245 N. Baring St	2/12/1980

*Marvin Jarrett* being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

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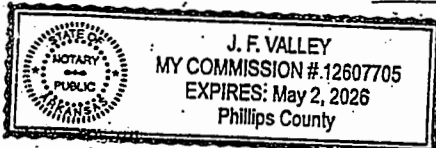
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<i>Annie Redmon</i>	Annie Redmon	8-30-16	125 Westwood	11-03-51
<i>Mattie Clemens</i>	Mattie Clemens	8-30-16	508 Hawkins	08-08-63
<i>Arleta Higgins</i>	Arleta Higgins	9/5/16	641 Beechwood	2/12/63
<i>Jeraneck Barnes</i>	Jeraneck Barnes	9/5/16	115 Sacred Heart	11-13-79
<i>Lawrence Hope</i>	Lawrence Hope	9/6-1/16	562 Grave GA	8-22-67
<i>Lorene Dixon</i>	Lorene Dixon	9-6-16	558 Old Dominion	5-24-56
<i>Tameko Miller</i>	Tameko Miller	9-6-16	180 Oakland Ave	4-10-68
<i>Sylvester Lavelley</i>	Sylvester Lavelley	7-6-16	870 philly RD 241 2nd, AR	11-28-49
<i>Patsy Billingsley</i>	Patsy Billingsley	09/06/16	201 Crisp, West Helena, AR	11-01-53
<i>David Billingsley</i>	DAVID Billingsley	09/06/16	201 Crisp, West Helena, AR	08/06/47
<i>Angela Billingsley</i>	Angela Billingsley	9/6/16	1319 Clarionne St	3-18-73
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*Annie Redmon* being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

Signature:

*Annie Redmon*

Subscribed and sworn to me this *9th* day of *Sept* 2016.



Signature:

*J. F. Valley*

My Commission Expires:

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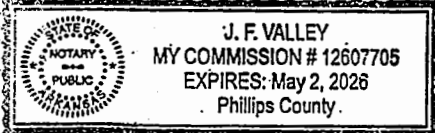
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<i>Jordan Redd Jr.</i>	Jordan Redd Jr.	9-3-16	644 Mimosa	9-10-84
<i>Catherine Gibson</i>	Catherine Gibson	9-8-16	644 Mimosa	3-11-55
<i>George A. Gibson</i>	George A. Gibson	9-8-16	644 Mimosa	1-31-55
<i>Van Taylor</i>	Van Taylor	9-8-16	1122 Cherry	3-10-58
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*George Gibson* being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal vote of the City of Helena-West Helena.

Signature:

Subscribed and sworn to me this

8th day of Sept 2016.



Signature:

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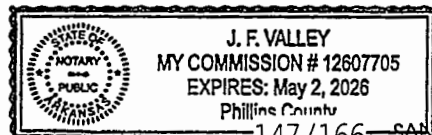
I, ELIJAH MANDY, being duly sworn, state that the foregoing persons signed this sheet of the foregoing petition and each of them signed his name hereunto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his name, date of birth, and residence correctly and that each signor is a legal voter of the City of Helena-West Helena.

Subscribed and sworn to me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 2016 certified 9-13-16

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Signature:

My Commission Expires:

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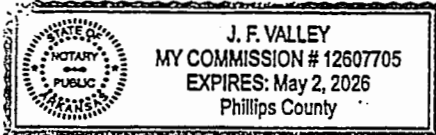
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4. <i>Darlene Mayweather</i>	DARLENE MAYWEATHER	9-3-16	58 Ramsey Dr., W.H.	10-22-31
5. <i>Robert Martin</i>	ROBERT MARTIN	7-4-16	107 Lobell Dr., W.H.	7-14-38
6. <i>Edna Mae Martin</i>	Edna Mae Martin	9-5-16	501 Kelly St. W.H.	4/07/46
7. <i>Jimmie L. Martin</i>	JIMMIE L. MARTIN	9-5-16	501 Kelly W.H.	11-25-45
8. <i>Veola Ayers</i>	Veola AYERS	9-8-16	108 W. Park, W.H.	10/30/61
9. <i>Maggie Ayers</i>	Maggie AYERS	9-8-16	108 W. Park, W.H.	6/6/39
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Signature:

*Alice W. Valley*Subscribed and sworn to me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of Sept., 2016.

Signature:

*J. F. Valley*

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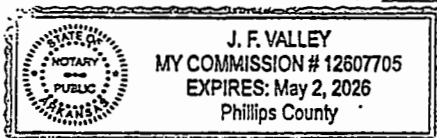
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## INITIATED ORDINANCE 1-2016

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ORDINANCE 02 -2012

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH THE WARD BOUNDARIES  
AS BASED ON THE CENSUS OF 2010.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HELENA  
WEST HELENA, ARKANSAS;

Whereas, it is the duty of the Helena West Helena City Council to see that each Ward has as nearly as equal population as would best serve the interest of the people of the City of Helena West Helena to proceed with the City Council being elected by Wards and in order to cause the least amount of confusion and other matters, the boundaries of Wards One, Two, Three, Four and Five are hereby established according to the attached maps.

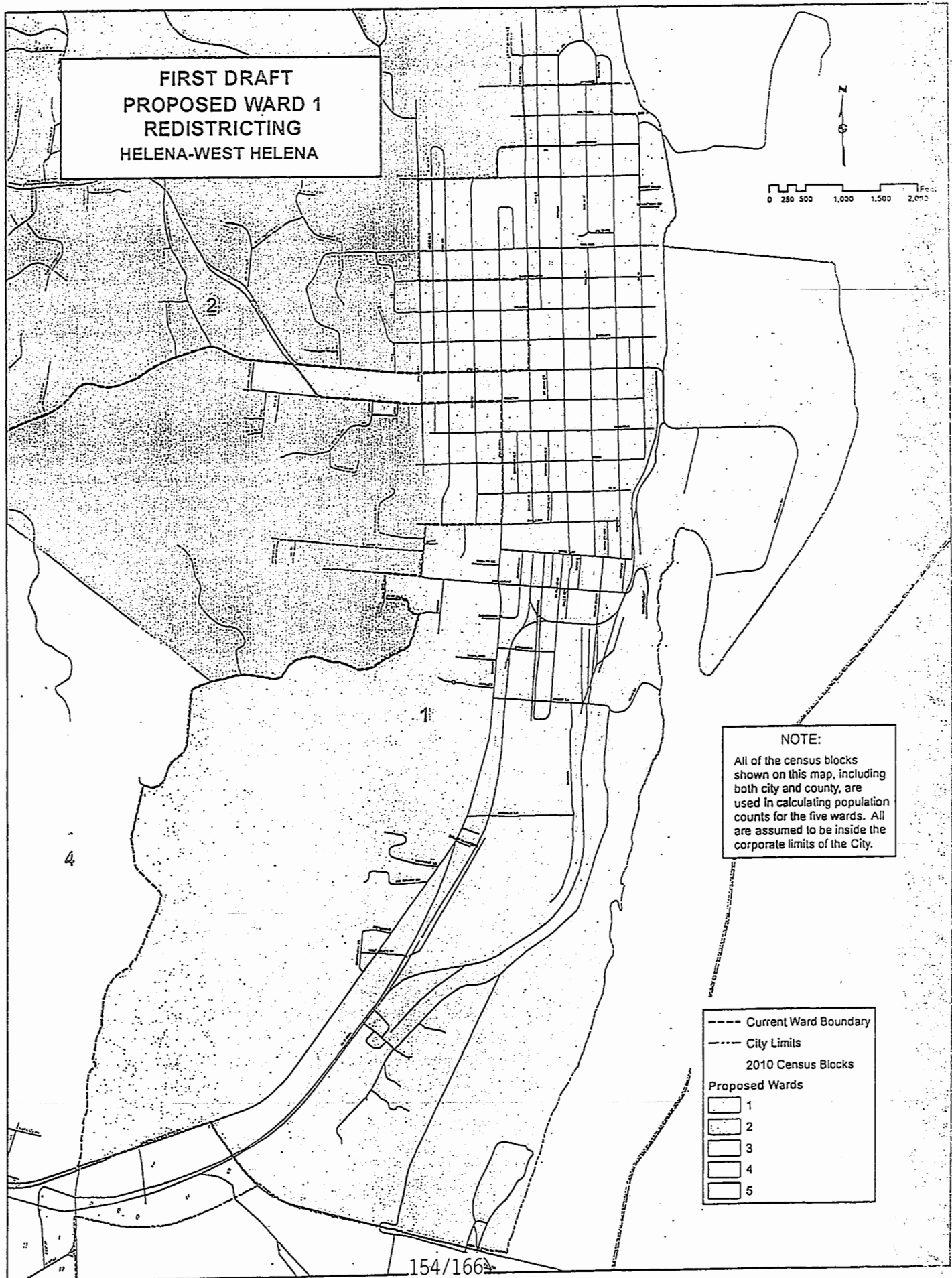
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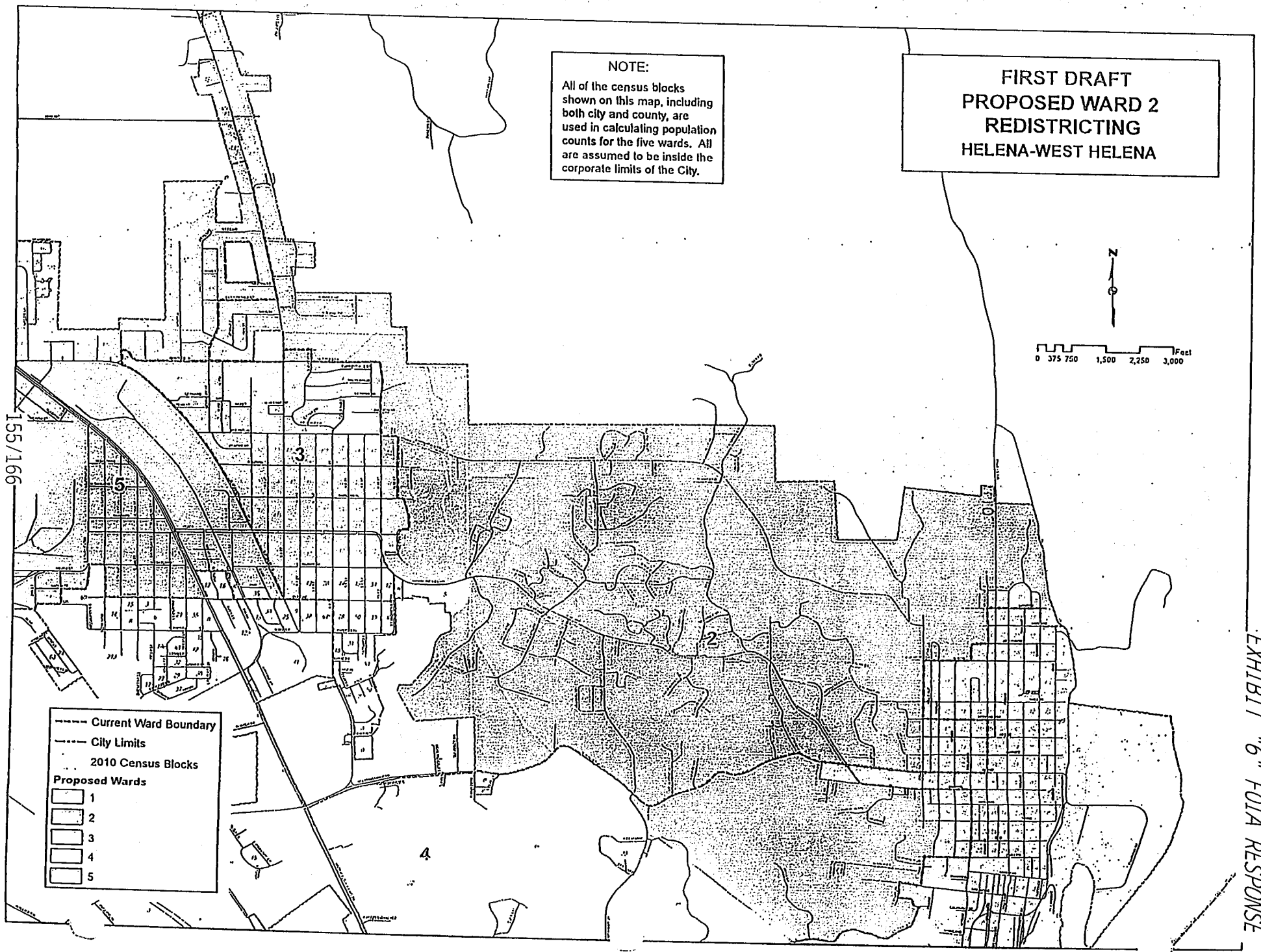
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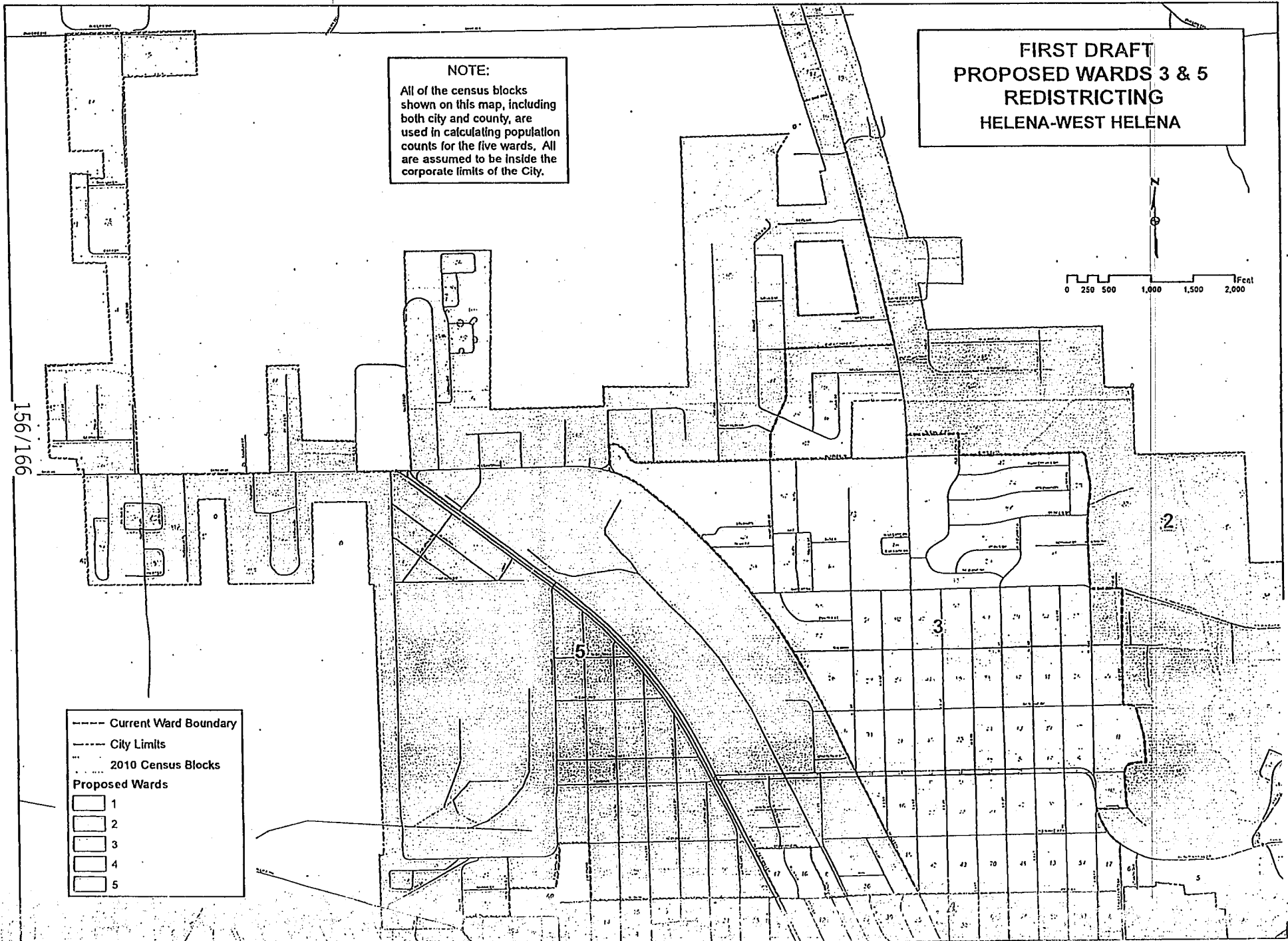
Approved: [Signature] Mayor

Attest: [Signature] City Clerk

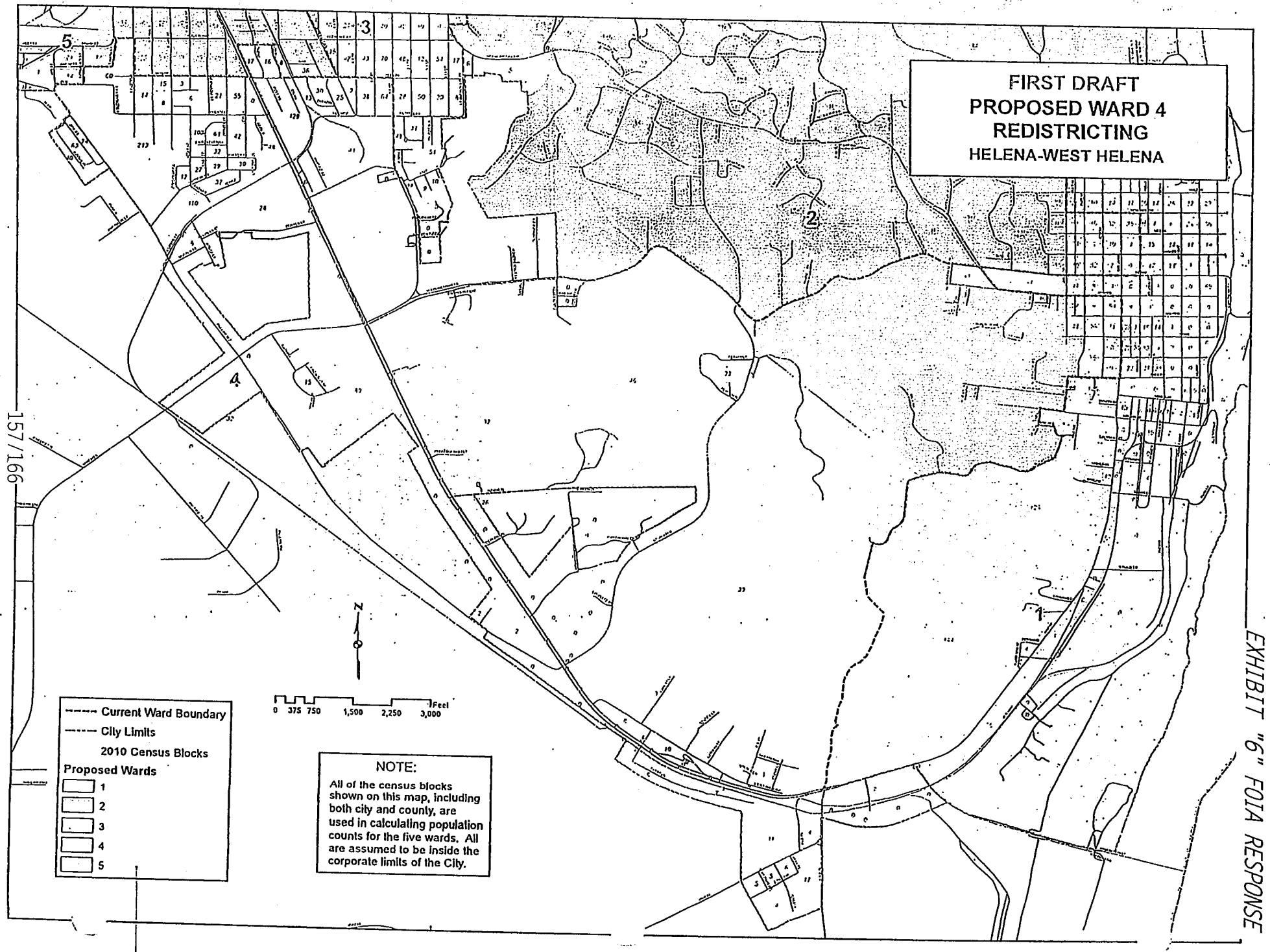


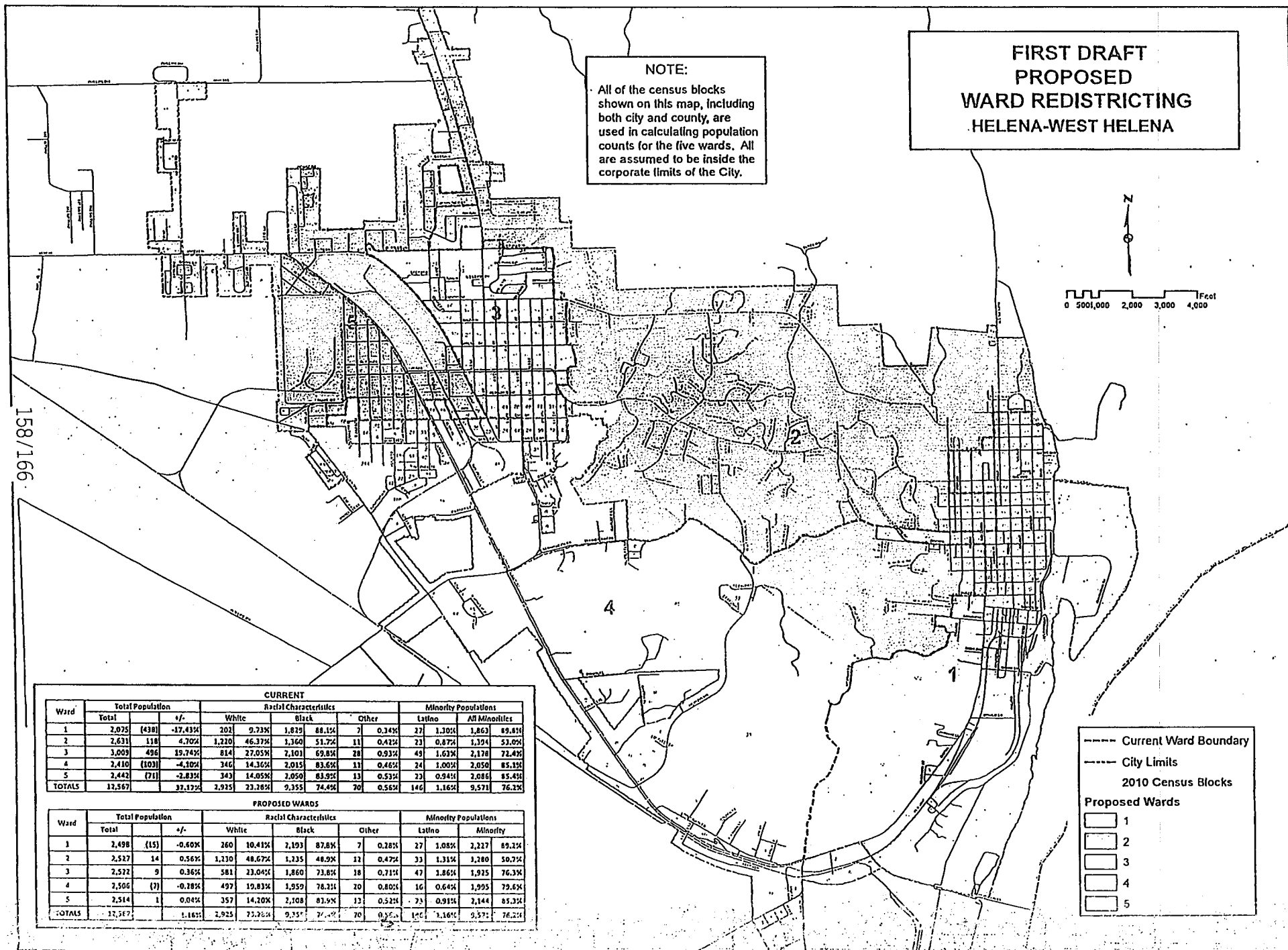












## CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2009 A.D., by and between the City of Helena-West Helena and Southern Bancorp Capital Partners, parties of the First Part, hereinafter termed "CLIENTS" and Urban Planning Associates, Inc., of the City of Little Rock, County of Pulaski, State of Arkansas, hereinafter termed "CONTRACTOR,"

*WITNESSETH:*

### SECTION 1. PRODUCT(S)/SERVICE(S)

That for and in consideration of the payments and agreements hereinafter mentioned, to be performed by the CLIENT, the CONTRACTOR hereby agrees with said CLIENT to provide the product(s) and or service(s) described hereinafter:

1. Meet with the city staff, planning commission and elected officials to identify major land use issues facing the community of Helena-West Helena.
2. Conduct public hearings as necessary to obtain citizen views and recommendations concerning land use issues.
3. Prepare or update a Future Land Use Plan for the city. The plan will be of sufficient detail to meet the requirements of A.C.A. 14-56-416 (a) (1) to wit: "Following adoption and filing of the land use plan, the commission may prepare for submission to the legislative body a recommended zoning ordinance for the entire area of the municipality." When the planning commission has approved the plan, the consultant will submit the final draft to the City council for adoption. Following this adoption, the consultant will provide copies of the plan in both paper and digital formats in a form suitable to the CLIENT.
4. After adoption of a future land use plan, prepare a new zoning code that will carry out or protect the provisions of the land use plan.
5. Refine the zoning code and submit for adoption:

### SECTION 2. CONTRACT PERIOD AND AMOUNT

The term of this shall be fulfilled when the CONTRACTOR presents all deliverable products as approved by the CLIENT. Assuming a start date of July 15, 2009, the intended completion date of the contract is January 31, 2009 but this may be extended by mutual agreement between the two parties. The total fee for all services shall not exceed \$16,000.00.



### SECTION 3. PAYMENTS

Payments will be made on a monthly basis following submission and acceptance by the CLIENT of a progress report outlining the activities undertaken during the previous month. The monthly payment amount shall be \$3,000.00 for four months whereupon no further payment shall be made until acceptance of the final documents and other material outlined herein. Invoices shall be submitted to The City of Helena-West Helena P.O. Box 248, Helena-West Helena, AR 72342.

### SECTION 4. QUALITY OF WORK

All material, workmanship and equipment shall be subject to the inspection and approval of the CLIENT. All work or service unsatisfactorily performed shall be promptly corrected and made acceptable to the CLIENT.

### SECTION 5. CONTRACT CHANGES

There shall be no changes to this agreement unless a revised contract is negotiated and executed by both parties.

### SECTION 6. THIRD-PARTY CONTRACTS

Unless otherwise authorized in writing by the CLIENT, the CONTRACTOR shall not assign this contract, or execute any contract, amendment or change order thereto, or obligate itself in any manner with any third party with respect to its rights and responsibilities under this contract without the prior written concurrence of the CLIENT. In addition, the CONTRACTOR hereby insures that all subcontractors shall comply with the applicable provisions of this contract.

### SECTION 7. TERMINATION

- a. Termination for Convenience. The CLIENT may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, at any time by thirty (30) days' written notice to the CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR shall be paid for work performed up to the time of termination. The CONTRACTOR shall promptly submit an invoice for the work performed up through time of termination. If the CONTRACTOR had any property, reports or materials in its possession belonging to or due the CLIENT, the CONTRACTOR will account for the same and surrender to the CLIENT or dispose of it in such a manner as the CLIENT directs.
- b. Termination for Default. If the CONTRACTOR fails to comply with any provisions of the contract including, but not limited to, the timely performance, the CLIENT may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be effected by serving a notice of termination on the

CONTRACTOR setting forth the manner in which the CONTRACTOR is in default. The CONTRACTOR will only be paid for services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in this contract.

If it is later determined by the CLIENT that the CONTRACTOR had an excusable reason for not performing, such as a strike, fire, or flood, events which are not the fault of, or are beyond the control of, the CONTRACTOR, the CLIENT, after setting up a new delivery or performance schedule, may allow the CONTRACTOR to continue work, or treat the termination as a termination for convenience.

- c. Mutual Agreement. By mutual agreement and consent of the parties thereto, this contract may be terminated.

#### **SECTION 8. CONTRACTOR INDEBTEDNESS**

The CONTRACTOR hereby warrants that he is in no way currently indebted to the CLIENT, Phillips County or State of Arkansas and is in compliance with any and all applicable laws and ordinances thereof. Indebtedness to any of the above may be basis for cancellation of this contract.

#### **SECTION 9. GOVERNING RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors will comply with all federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any court or administrative bodies or tribunals in any nature affecting the performance of this contract including without limitation, worker's compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes. When required, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish the CLIENT with satisfactory proof of its compliance therewith.

#### **SECTION 10. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES**

The CONTRACTOR warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or persons, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONTRACTOR to solicit or secure this contract, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any company or persons, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONTRACTOR, any fee commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gifts, or any other consideration, contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this contract. For breach or violation of this warranty, the CLIENT shall have the right to annul this contract without liability, or at its discretion, to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift, or contingent fee.

#### SECTION 11. PROHIBITED INTEREST

No employee, officer, or agent of the CLIENT, or other local public body shall participate in selection, or in the award or administration, of a contract if a conflict of interest, real or apparent, would be involved. Such conflict would arise when:

- a. the employee, officer or agent;
- b. any member of his immediate family;
- c. his or her partner; or
- d. an organization which employs, or is about to employ, has a financial or other interest in the firm selected for the award.

Such officers, employees or agent shall neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors, potential contractors, or parties of subagreements.

#### SECTION 12. COVENANT AGAINST GRATUITIES

The CONTRACTOR warrants that no person or selling agency has offered or given gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts or otherwise) to any official or employee of the CLIENT with a view toward securing favorable treatment in the awarding, amending, or evaluating performance of the contract.

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In connection with the execution of this contract, the CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The CONTRACTOR shall take affirmative action to insure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

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The CONTRACTOR shall save harmless the CLIENT from all claims and liability due to its negligent acts or omissions or the negligent acts or omissions of its subcontractors, agents or employees.

#### SECTION 15. OWNERSHIP

All data, maps, materials, and digital files created as a result of this agreement immediately become the property of the CLIENT. The CONTRACTOR shall not retain



any copyright or other prohibitions against the use of intellectual property associated with this project by the CLIENT. The CONTRACTOR shall be free to use copies of the Comprehensive Plan document as examples in educational and marketing activities carried out by the firm.

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The CONTRACTOR will perform the duties of an independent corporation and not as an agent or employee of the CLIENT.

#### SECTION 17. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CLIENT

The responsibilities of the CLIENT shall include the following.

1. The CLIENT shall furnish the CONTRACTOR with any available digitized versions of the streets and roads within the planning area along with any digitized versions of lots, blocks and subdivisions.
2. The CLIENT shall pay for all newspaper ads associated with citizen participation activities associated with the planning process provided that no costs for advertising shall be incurred by the CONTRACTOR without the express consent of the CLIENT.
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The CONTRACTOR shall provide or deliver the following products to the CLIENT.

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3. Upon approval by the City Council, 50 copies of all final products plus digital pdf copies to the CLIENT for use on web sites and for additional distribution.

SECTION 19. AGENT FOR SERVICE

The agent for service relative to all matters pertaining to this contract and delivery of project products shall be as follows:

a. For the CLIENT:

James Valley, Mayor  
City of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas  
P.O. Box 248  
Helena-West Helena, AR 72342

and

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Southern Bancorp Capital Partners  
502 Cherry Street  
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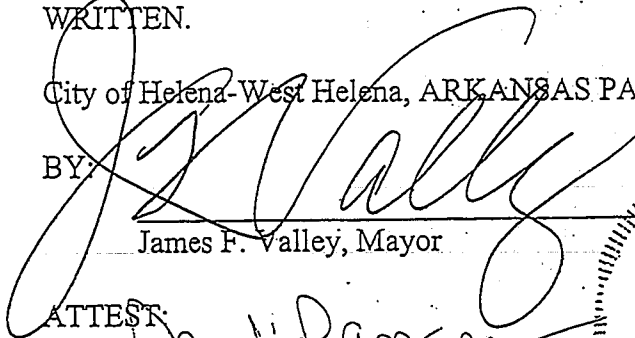
b. For the CONTRACTOR:

James G. von Tungeln, AICP, President  
Urban Planning Associates, Inc.  
300 Spring Street Suite 703  
P.O. Box 3482  
Little Rock, AR 72203

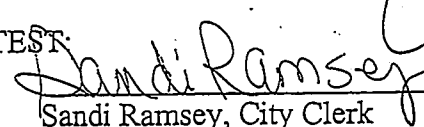
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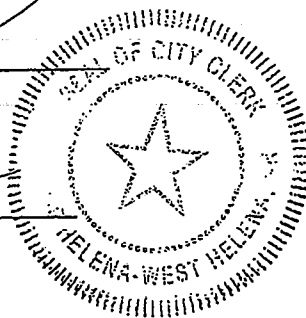
City of Helena-West Helena, ARKANSAS PARTY OF THE FIRST PART

BY:

  
James F. Valley, Mayor


ATTEST:

  
Sandi Ramsey, City Clerk



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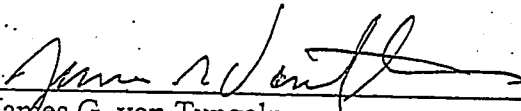
  
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