

Issue Analysis Form



Date: March 8, 2022
Ordinance Amending
Sections 30-61(2) and 30-62
to Adjust Precinct Boundaries
and add a New Polling
Location for Courts Precinct

Item:

Lead Department(s): County Attorney

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Description and Current Status

On December 28, 2021, the Supreme Court of Virginia approved and adopted final redistricting maps for the State's congressional districts, House of Delegates districts, and State Senate districts. The State's final redistricting maps split the Courts (204) precinct.

Section 24.2-307 of the Code of Virginia requires that each voting precinct be wholly contained within a single congressional district, Senate district, House of Delegates district, and election district used for the election of one or more members of the governing body or school board. In order to cure the voting precinct split resulting from redistricting, the Board needs to adjust precinct boundaries as proposed on the attached map.

Approximately 300 registered voters will move from the Courts precinct to the Bland precinct.

To make this change, the Board will need to amend County Code §§ 30-61(2) and 30-62 to adjust boundaries and designate Abundant Life Church as the new polling location for the Courts precinct.

After the Ordinance is approved, it will be sent to the Office of the Attorney General for certification.

A draft ordinance is attached for consideration; a motion approving the ordinance is requested.

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.

Sample Motion: I move that the Board approve an Ordinance amending Sections 30-61(2) and 30-62 adjusting precinct boundaries and approving Abundant Life Church as the new polling location for the Courts precinct.

Government Path

Does this require IDA action?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Does this require BZA action?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Does This require Planning Commission Action?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Does this require Board of Supervisors action?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Does this require a public hearing?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If so, before what date?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Fiscal Impact Statement

County Impact

Notes

ORDINANCE TO AMEND "THE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF
PRINCE GEORGE, VIRGINIA", 2005, AS AMENDED, BY
AMENDING § 30-61 AND § 30-62 TO AMEND THE BOUNDARIES OF THE BLAND
PRECINCT AND COURTS BUILDING PRECINCT AND TO CHANGE THE POLLING
LOCATION FOR THE COURT BUILDING PRECINCT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Prince George County:

(1) That The Code of the County of Prince George, Virginia, 2005, as amended, is amended by amending § 30-61 and § 30-62, as follows:

CHAPTER 30 – ELECTIONS

ARTICLE II. – ELECTIONS DISTRICTS

DIVISION 2. – PRECINCTS AND POLLING PLACES

Sec. 30-61. - Voting precincts established and boundaries described.

Pursuant to authority contained in Code of Virginia, §§ 24.2-305—24.2-310.1, the precincts for the county are hereby created with the following precinct boundaries.

The boundaries of the respective precincts are as set forth below:

(2) Election district no. 2:

- a. Precinct no. 201, Bland. Beginning at the point of intersection of State Highway Route No. 156 (Jordan Point Road) and the south bank of the James River, and thence south on State Highway Route No. 156 (Jordan Point Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 10 (James River Drive); thence west on State Highway Route No. 10 (James River Drive) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 156 By-pass (Ruffin Road); thence south on State Highway Route No. 156 By-pass (Ruffin Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 646 (Sandy Ridge Road); thence west on State Highway Route No. 646 (Sandy Ridge Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive); thence southeast on State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive) **2.06 miles; thence southwest .6 miles to the southern boundary of Branchester Lakes subdivision; thence southwest along the Branchester Lakes subdivision boundary to the intersection of Interstate 295; then southeast on Interstate 295 to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 106 (Courthouse Road);** thence southwest along State Highway Route No. 106 (Courthouse Road) to its intersection with the center line of the main channel of Blackwater Creek in the Blackwater Swamp; thence in a southeasterly direction along the center line of the main channel of Blackwater Creek in the Blackwater Swamp to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive); thence in a northerly direction along State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 106 (Courthouse Road); thence in a northeast direction along State

Highway Route No. 156 By-pass (Ruffin Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 609 (Old Stage Road); thence in a southeasterly direction along State Highway Route No. 609 (Old Stage Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 646 (Hall Farm Road); thence in a northerly direction along State Highway Route No. 646 (Hall Farm Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 641 (Merchants Hope Church Road); thence in a northeasterly direction along an unnamed creek to its intersection with Chappell Creek; thence along Chappell Creek in a northeasterly direction to a point where such Chappell Creek intersects with the James River; thence along the James River in a northwesterly direction back to the point of beginning.

- b. Precinct no. 202, Blackwater. Beginning at a point on State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive) where State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive) and State Highway Route No. 616 (Pole Run Road) intersect and thence in a northerly direction along State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 156 By-Pass (Ruffin Road); thence in an easterly direction along State Highway Route No. 156 By-Pass (Ruffin Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 609 (Old Stage Road); thence in an easterly direction along State Highway Route No. 609 (Old Stage Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 646 (Hall Farm Road); thence in a northerly direction along State Highway Route No. 646 (Hall Farm Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 641 (Merchant's Hope Church Road); thence in a northerly direction along an unnamed creek to its intersection with Chappell Creek; thence along Chappell Creek in a northeasterly direction to a point where such Chappell Creek intersects with the James River where such Chappell Creek intersects the boundary line between Prince George County and Charles City County; thence in an easterly direction along the boundary line between Prince George County and Charles City County to a point on the James River where the boundary line between Blackwater District and Brandon District intersects at the confluence of the James River and Powell's Creek; thence in a southerly direction along Powell's Creek and the boundary line between Blackwater District and Brandon District to a point where such Powell's Creek intersects State Highway Route No. 10 (James River Drive); thence in a southeasterly direction along State Highway Route No. 10 (James River Drive) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 625 (Hines Road); thence in a southwesterly direction along State Highway Route No. 625 (Hines Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 616 (Pole Run Road) on the boundary line between Blackwater District, Brandon District and Harrison District; thence in a westerly direction along State Highway Route No. 616 (Pole Run Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 666 (Old Town Road); thence in a northerly direction along State Highway Route No. 666 (Old Town Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 635 (Centennial Road); thence in a southwesterly direction along State Highway Route No. 635 (Centennial Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 616 (Pole Run Road); thence in a westerly direction along State Highway Route No. 616 (Pole Run Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive), the point of beginning.
- c. Precinct no. 203, Brandon. Beginning at a point at the confluence of Powell's Creek and the James River on the boundary line between Prince George County and Charles City

County, where the boundary line between Blackwater District and Brandon District intersects such county line; thence in an easterly direction along the boundary line between Prince George County and Charles City County to a point on the James River where the boundary line between Prince George County and Surry County intersects the said county line; thence in a southwesterly direction along the boundary line between Prince George County and Surry County to a point where State Highway Route No. 600 (Ellis Road) intersects Prince George County and Surry County; thence in a northerly direction along State Highway Route No. 600 (Ellis Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 611 (Lebanon Road); thence in a southwesterly direction along State Highway Route No. 611 (Lebanon Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 612 (Cedar Lane); thence in a northwesterly direction along State Highway Route No. 612 (Cedar Lane) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 616 (Pole Run Road); thence in a westerly direction along State Highway Route No. 616 (Pole Run Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 625 (Hines Road) on the boundary line between Blackwater District, Brandon District and Harrison District; thence in a northerly direction along State Highway Route No. 625 (Hines Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 10 (James River Drive); thence in a northwesterly direction along State Highway Route No. 10 (James River Drive) to a point where the boundary line between Brandon District and Blackwater District intersects such highway; thence in a northeasterly direction along the boundary line between Brandon District and Blackwater District and in a northerly direction along Powell's Creek to the point of beginning at the confluence of Powell's Creek and the James River on the boundary line between Prince George County and Charles City County.

- d. Precinct no. 204, Courts. Beginning at the point of intersection of State Highway No. 156 (Jordan Point Road) and the south bank of the James River and thence south on State Highway No. 156 (Jordan Point Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 10 (James River Drive); thence west on State Highway Route No. 10 (James River Drive) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 156 By-pass (Ruffin Road); thence south on State Highway Route No. 156 By-pass (Ruffin Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 646 (Sandy Ridge Road); thence west on State Highway Route No. 646 (Sandy Ridge Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive); thence southeast on State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive) **2.06 miles; thence southwest .6 miles to the southern boundary of Branchester Lakes subdivision; thence southwest along the Branchester Lakes subdivision boundary to the intersection of Interstate 295; then southeast on Interstate 295 to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 106 (Courthouse Road);** thence southwest along State Highway Route No. 106 (Courthouse Road) to its intersection with the center line of the main channel of Blackwater Creek in the Blackwater Swamp; thence along the center line of the main channel of Blackwater Creek in Blackwater Swamp in a northwesterly direction to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 630 (Bull Hill Road); thence north and northeast along State Highway Route No. 630 (Bull Hill Road) to the point of intersection of State Highway Route No. 630 (Bull Hill Road), State Highway Route No. 634 (Allin Road) and State Highway Route No. 630 (Jefferson Park Road); thence west and north on State Highway Route No. 630 (Jefferson Park Road) to its intersection with State Highway Route No.

721 (Mica Drive); thence northeast on State Highway Route No. 721 (Mica Drive) to Mill Creek; thence north along Mill Creek to the boundary between the City of Hopewell and Prince George County ; thence northeast along the boundary between the City of Hopewell and Prince George County to its intersection with the James River; thence northeast along the south bank of the James River, the point of beginning.

- e. Precinct no. 205, Jefferson Park. Beginning at the intersection of the Prince George County boundary and the northwestern boundary of the City of Hopewell at the low water mark of the eastern shore of the Appomattox River; thence south and east on the western and southern boundary of the City of Hopewell to its intersection with Mill Creek; thence south and west on Mill Creek to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 721 (Mica Drive); thence along State Highway Route No. 721 (Mica Drive) in a westerly direction to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 630 (Jefferson Park Road); thence in a southerly direction along State Route No. 630 (Jefferson Park Road) to the intersection of State Highway Route No. 630 (Bull Hill Road), State Highway Route No. 634 (Allin Road) and State Highway Route No. 630 (Jefferson Park Road); thence in a southwesterly direction along State Highway Route No. 630 (Jefferson Park Road) to its intersection with the power line easement of Virginia Dominion Power; thence in a southwesterly direction along the center line of the power line easement of Virginia Dominion Power to its intersection with the center line of the main channel of Blackwater Creek in Blackwater Swamp; thence along the center line of the main channel of Blackwater Creek in Blackwater Swamp in a westerly direction to its intersection with the fence perimeter boundary surrounding the military installation known as Fort Lee; thence in a westerly direction along the perimeter boundary fence surrounding the military base to its intersection with 40 th Street; thence in a northerly direction along the center line of 40 th Street to its intersection with Adams Avenue; thence in an easterly along Adams Avenue to its intersection with Yorktown Drive; thence in a northerly direction along the center line of Yorktown Drive to its intersection with Bataan Road; thence in an easterly direction along the center line of Bataan Road to its intersection with Buna Road; thence in a south easterly direction along the center line of Buna Road to its intersection with Battle Drive; thence in a westerly direction along the center line of Battle Road to its intersection with Sisisky Boulevard; thence in an northerly direction along the center line of Sisisky Boulevard to its intersection with State Highway Route No. 36 (Oaklawn Boulevard); thence in a westerly direction along the center line of State Highway Route No: 36 (Oaklawn Boulevard) to its intersection with the City of Petersburg; such point being the established boundary line between the City of Petersburg and Prince George County; thence in a northerly direction along the boundary line between the City of Petersburg and Prince George County to a point at the intersection with the boundary of the County of Chesterfield; such point being the established boundary line between the County of Chesterfield and Prince George County; thence in a northerly direction along the boundary line between Prince George County and the County of Chesterfield to its intersection with the Appomattox River; thence in a northerly direction along the low water mark of the eastern shore of the Appomattox River to its intersection with the boundary of the city limits of the City of Hopewell, Virginia back to the point of the beginning.

Sec. 30-62. - Polling places designated.

Pursuant to authority contained in Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 24.2-305—24.2-310.1, the polling places for each precinct are established as follows:

Precinct No.	Polling Place
201	Bland, N. B. Clements Jr. High School, 7800 Laurel Spring Road, Prince George, Virginia 23875, located at 7800 Laurel Spring Road, the intersection of State Highway Route No. 616 (Laurel Spring Road) and State Highway Route No. 156 (Prince George Drive).
202	Blackwater, Prince George Parks and Recreation Community Center, 11100 Old Stage Road, Prince George, Virginia, located on State Highway Route No. 609.
203	Brandon, Friends of Burrowsville Community Center, located at 18701 James River Drive, Disputanta, Virginia 23842.
204	Courts Building, Main Floor of Courts Building, 6601 Courts Drive, Prince George, Virginia 23875, located at 6601 Courts Drive, within County Government Complex. <u>Abundant Life Church, 6500 Middle Road, Prince George, Virginia 23875.</u>
205	Jefferson Park, Faith Baptist Church, 5501 Middle Road, Prince George, Virginia 23875.

(2) *That the Ordinance shall be effective immediately.*