

BILL NO. 3-2012
AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF READING CODIFIED ORDINANCES BY CREATING A NEW SECTION 1-125 REGARDING THE COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

Whereas, the City of Reading City Council appointed members to the Redistricting Committee after the receipt of the 2010 Census and provided the Committee with technical support from the Berks County Planning Department and the City of Reading Planning Commission, and

Whereas, after their review of the census data which shows an increase in the Reading population and their review of the census tracts, the Redistricting Committee recommended changes to the Council district boundaries at the December 19th Council Work Session to comply with 53 Pa. C.S.A § 903 Municipal Reapportionment, which requires the governing body to create districts that are compact and contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as practicable.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Amending the City of Reading Codified Ordinances by creating a new Section 1-125 Council Districts and amending the boundaries of the existing Council Districts, created in 1993 by the Charter Commission, as recommended by the Redistricting Committee as follows:

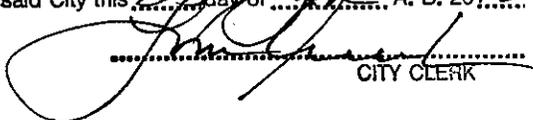
A. District 1.

1st Ward-1st precinct
2nd Ward-1st precinct
~~3rd Ward - 1st precinct~~
4th Ward-1st precinct
~~5th Ward-1st precinct~~
18th Ward - 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th precincts

B. District 2.

~~3rd Ward-1st precinct~~
~~3rd Ward-2nd precinct~~
~~8th Ward-1st precinct~~
10th Ward - 1st precinct
16th Ward - 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th precincts
9th Ward-5th precinct

I, LINDA A. KELLEHER, City Clerk of the City of Reading, Pa., do hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Ordinance passed by the Council of the City of Reading, on the 23 day of Jan, A. D. 20 12. Witness my hand and seal of the said City this 23 day of Jan, A. D. 20 12.


CITY CLERK

C. District 3.

3rd Ward-2nd precinct
8th Ward-1st precinct
9th Ward-2nd *and* 5th precinct
11th Ward - 2nd and 3rd precincts
12th Ward-1st, 3rd and 5th precincts
13th Ward - 1st precinct

D. District 4.

13th Ward-1st precinct
13th Ward-2nd and 5th precincts
17th Ward - 1st, 2nd, 5th, 7th and 8th precincts

E. District 5.

14th Ward-6th precinct
15th Ward - 1st, 2nd, 6th and 7th precincts
19th Ward - 1st and 2nd precincts

F. District 6.

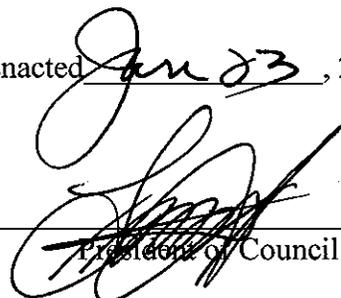
4th Ward - 1st precinct
5th Ward - 1st precinct
6th Ward - 1st and 3rd precinct
7th Ward - 1st precinct
12th Ward-1st precinct
14th Ward-1st, 4th and 5th precincts

SECTION 2. Governing body members in office at the time of the reapportionment shall retain their offices until the end of their respective terms.

SECTION 3. The election of members of the governing body under the reapportionment shall be held in accordance with law relating to the entity and the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L. 1333, No. 320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code.

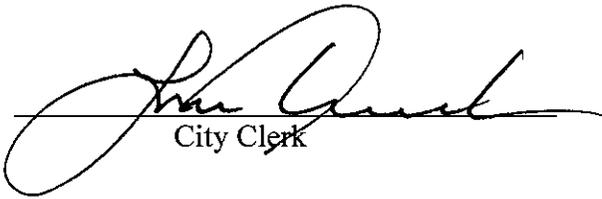
SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall become effective in ten (10) days, in accordance with Charter Section 219.

Enacted Jan 23, 2012



President of Council

Attest:


City Clerk

Submitted to Mayor: 
Date: 1-24-12

Received by the Mayor's Office: 
Date: 1/27/12

Approved by Mayor: 
Date: 1/24/12

Vetoed by Mayor: _____
Date: _____

Redistricting Committee Council District Proposal

EXISTING

District	District	District	District	District	District
1	2	3	4	5	6
Wards	Wards	Wards	Wards	Wards	Wards
1-1	3-1	3-2	13-1	14-6	6-1
2-1	9-5	8-1	13-2	15-1	6-3
4-1	10-1	9-2	13-5	15-2	7-1
5-1	16-1	11-2	17-1	15-6	12-1
18-1	16-2	11-3	17-2	15-7	14-1
18-2	16-4	12-3	17-5	19-1	14-4
18-3	16-5	12-5	17-7	19-2	14-5
18-4			17-8		

PROPOSED

District	District	District	District	District	District
1	2	3	4	5	6
Wards	Wards	Wards	Wards	Wards	Wards
1-1	3-2	9-2	13-2	14-6	4-1
2-1	8-1	9-5	13-5	15-1	5-1
3-1	10-1	11-2	17-1	15-2	6-1
18-1	16-1	11-3	17-2	15-6	6-3
18-2	16-2	12-1	17-5	15-7	7-1
18-3	16-4	12-3	17-7	19-1	14-1
18-4	16-5	12-5	17-8	19-2	14-4
		13-1			14-5