Ordinance 2012-7

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA REAPPORTIONING THE FOUR (4) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA

WHEREAS, Indiana Code Section 36-4-6-5 requires that third class cities having the population of less than ten thousand (10,000) shall reapportion its legislative districts (hereinafter referred to as "Wards") in such a manner that the Wards have substantially equal population; and

WHEREAS, based upon the 2010 United States Census, the present four Wards of the City do not have substantially equal population in that the population of Ward 1 is 599, the population of Ward 2 is 329, the population of Ward 3 is 355, and the population of Ward 4 is 703; and

WHEREAS, the four Wards should be modified so that each Ward contains, as nearly as is possible, equal population; and

WHEREAS, areas of the City north and west of its corporate boundaries have not been incorporated into a Ward and should be so incorporated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Common Council of the City of Rockport does hereby adopt the redistricting plan as hereinafter described in this ordinance and as set out in the map depicting the Wards, which is on file in the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer and incorporated herein.

2. The Wards adopted by this ordinance are composed of contiguous territory, are reasonably compact, do not cross precinct boundary lines, do not affect the incumbency of any acting member of the Common Council, and contain, as nearly as possible, equal population as follows:

Ward 1:	588
Ward 2:	566
Ward 3:	566 -
Ward 4:	550

a. WARD 1. Ward 1 shall consist of all that portion of the City contained within the following described areas:

i. The entire area of The Bowers Estate Tracts (Tracts 1, 2 and 3) annexed into the City of Rockport, Indiana pursuant to Ordinance

No. 1997-9, Ordinance of the City of Rockport, Annexing Contiguous Territory, with the descriptions thereof attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and by this reference made a part hereof; and

- ii. Extending east from the southeast corner of the Bowers Estate Tract 1 as setout in Exhibit "A" and proceeding along Washington Street to a point on Washington Street due south of an extension of Tenth Street, thence north to the south terminal of Tenth Street and to where Tenth Street intersects with the west terminal of Vine Street, thence east on Vine Street and extending to the east boundary of the City and then proceeding north to the point where the City's east boundary connects to the point on the area annexed pursuant to Rockport Ordinance No. 2008-9, an Ordinance Voluntarily Annexing Certain Lands Into the City of Rockport, Indiana, said annexed area being more fully described in Exhibit "B", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof; and
- iii. All of the area annexed pursuant to Rockport Ordinance No. 2008-9, an Ordinance Voluntarily Annexing Certain Lands Into the City of Rockport, Indiana, as more fully described in Exhibit "B".
- b. WARD 2. Ward 2 shall consist of all of that area north of Elm Street as it extends from the City's west boundary to its east boundary and north to the points where it is contiguous with Ward 1, set out just above.
- c. WARD 3. Ward 3 shall consist of all of that area of the City that lies between Elm Street and Seminary Street, except the area that is bordered on the west by Second Street from its intersections with Walnut Street and Seminary Street, extending east from the intersection of Second Street and Walnut Street along Walnut Street and its extension east to the east boundary of the City, extending south along the east boundary of the City to the point where Seminary Street, if extended, would intersect with the east boundary of the City, and proceeding west from the east boundary of the City along the extension of Seminary Street and along Seminary Street to its intersection with Second Street.
- d. WARD 4. Ward 4 shall consist of all of the remaining area of the City which is an area that lies south of Seminary Street, extending from the east boundary to the west boundary of the City, and including that area bordered by Second Street, Walnut Street, the east boundary of the City, and Seminary Street, set out just above as an exception to Ward 3.

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Rockport, Indiana on this 4th day of December, 2012 by unanimous vote of all counsel persons present.

COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA

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