

MEMORANDUM



TO: MAYOR GATT AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: CORTNEY HANSON, CITY CLERK
SUBJECT: NEW BALLOT DROP BOXES
DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2023

Mayor and Council –

Please see an update on the locations of the four (4) required ballot boxes per new state law.

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Proposal 2022-2 provides each voter the right to at least one state-funded absent voter ballot application and ballot drop box for every 15,000 registered voters in their jurisdiction. The proposal specified that the secure drop boxes shall be distributed equitably throughout the municipality and shall be accessible 24 hours per day during the 40 days prior to any election.

We are approaching 47,000 registered voters, which requires us to have at least four (4) drop boxes. We currently have four (4) drop boxes; however, they are all located on the Civic Center campus. Since we must have them throughout the community, we must install three (3) additional drop boxes. In determining new locations for the additional drop boxes, we focused on city-owned facilities that would be easily accessible to voters, have appropriate lighting, and had the ability to install a camera to monitor the drop box. We have determined the following locations will best serve our voters:

1. Civic Center Campus – maintain existing 2 outdoor and 2 indoor drop boxes
2. Lakeshore Park – 601 S Lake Dr.
3. Fire Station #3 – 42785 9 Mile Rd.
4. Fire Station #4 – 49375 W. 10 Mile Rd.

We are working with Integrated Solutions to install the necessary wiring for security cameras and proper lighting. They will also handle the installation of concrete pads and drop boxes. We expect to have all drop boxes installed within the next two weeks, and they will be available to voters for the upcoming May 2 special election.