

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL AMENDING TITLE I GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 105 ELECTIONS, ARTICLE 105-II WARDS, SECTION 105.070 WARD BOUNDARIES, ESTABLISHING NEW BOUNDARIES FOR CITY COUNCIL WARDS BASED ON THE 2020 UNITED STATES DECENNIAL CENSUS

WHEREAS, the City of Republic, Missouri ("City" or "Republic") is a municipal corporation and Charter City located in Greene County, Missouri, being duly created, organized, and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the United States Census Bureau conducted a 2020 Decennial Population Census for the United States ("2020 Census") that includes population data for the City ("2020 Census Data"); and

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 8.4 of the City Charter, requires the establishment of four (4) City Council Ward boundaries following each decennial census; and

WHEREAS, administrative, planning, and legal staff of the City reviewed the 2020 Census data and established new City Council Ward Boundaries comprised of compact and contiguous territory with nearly equal numbers of inhabitants, as required by Article VIII-Nomination and Elections, Section 8.4-City Council Wards, of the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, upon City Council approval of the new City Council Ward boundaries, to be established by City Ordinance, the new City Council Ward Boundaries must be filed and recorded at the Greene County Clerk's office by November 1, 2022 in order to be in effect for the next municipal election in April 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REPUBLIC, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

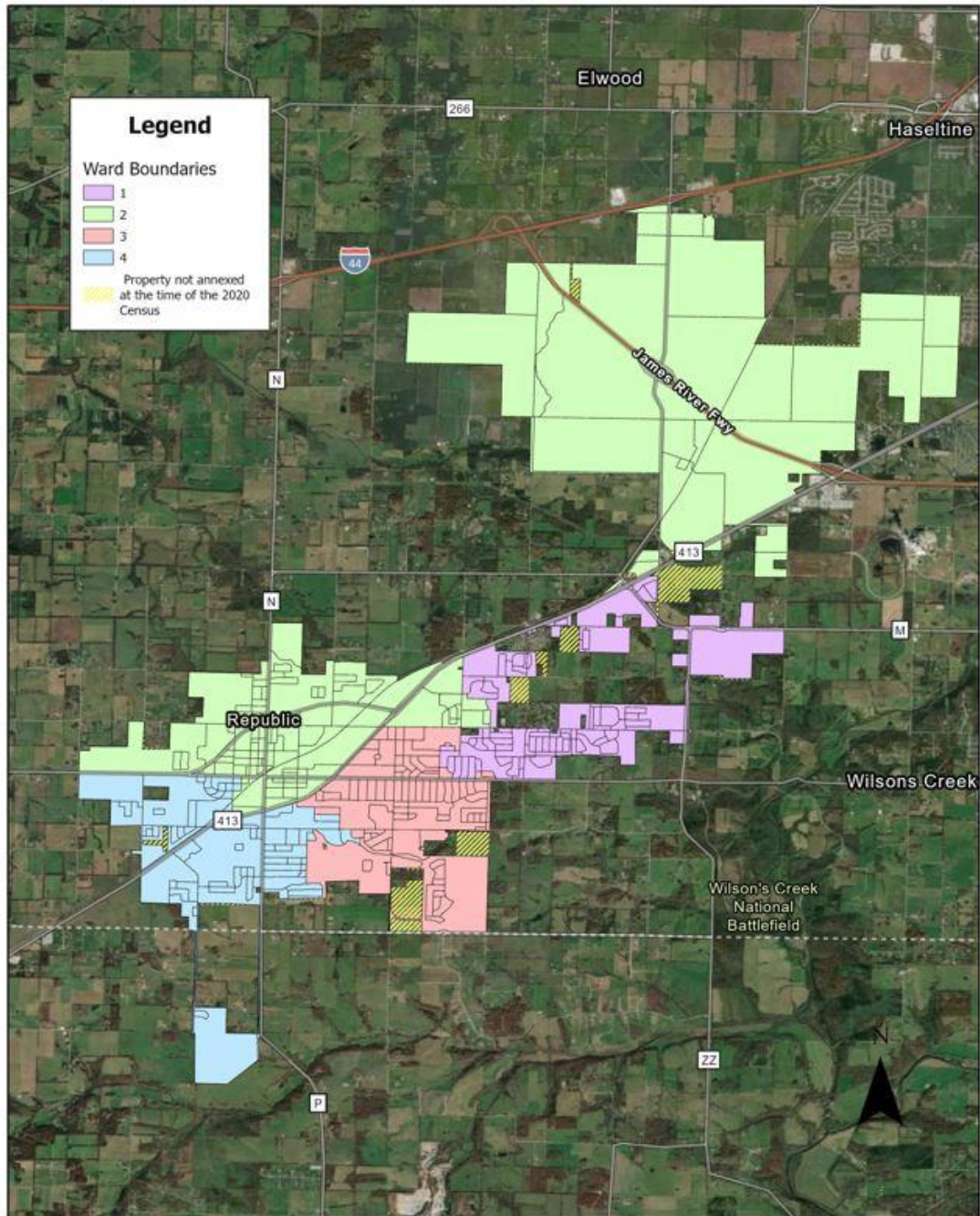
Section 1: Title I Government Code, Chapter 105 Elections, Article 105-II Wards, Section 105.070 Ward Boundaries, of the City of Republic Municipal Code, is hereby amended as follows:

105.070 Ward Boundaries

- A. The City of Republic is currently divided into four (4) separate wards as required by Article VIII, Section 8.4 of the Charter adopted by the voters of the City of Republic. The four (4) separate wards are designated as Ward I, Ward II, Ward III, and Ward IV.
- B. The Boundaries for Ward I, Ward II, Ward III, and Ward IV are depicted **below under the title "105a – Ward Map", on "Exhibit A", and are shown on the document entitled "Certified Copy of Official City of Republic Ward Map, Dated ~~October 24, 2011~~ June 28, 2022", kept on file at the office of the City Clerk.** ~~The approved map will be on file in the City offices and incorporated herein by reference.~~ The City of Republic Ward Boundary Map will remain in effect until changed by ordinance, by City Council, following the release of data of the next United States decennial census.
- C. The inhabitants of each ward shall include those residents residing within the enclosed geographical boundaries as depicted on the "Certified Copy of Official City of Republic Ward Map, Dated ~~October~~ **June 28, 2011** **2022**". ~~For boundary lines determined by City streets, the centerline of the street will be the boundary line. Residents living on a City street used as a boundary line between wards will be placed in their corresponding ward as~~

determined by even and odd addresses. Residents whose property abut or are divided by a section line or property line used as a boundary between wards will be placed in the corresponding ward as determined by the official street address of the main residence of the property.

105a - Ward Map



EXPLANATION(S) - Matter in underlined, bold type in the above is added language. Matter in ~~strikethrough type~~ in the above is deleted.

Section 2: The City Council establishes Ward Boundaries as set forth in the attached “Certified Copy of Official City of Republic Ward Map, Dated June 28, 2022”, which targets a population distribution per the 2020 Census Data in the following approximate amounts:

- A. Ward I – 4,687
- B. Ward II – 4,687
- C. Ward III – 4,687
- D. Ward IV – 4,687

Section 3: The City Council authorizes the City Administrator or his/her designee, on behalf of the City, take the necessary steps to execute this Ordinance, and further authorizes the City Clerk to file and record the new City Council Ward Boundaries with the Greene County Clerk’s Office for certification and use for the April 2023 municipal election and for all municipal elections until the release of the population data from the next decennial census.

Section 4: The WHEREAS clauses above are specifically incorporated herein by reference.

Section 5: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its date of passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Attest:

Matt Russell, Mayor

Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Megan McCullough, City Attorney

Final Passage and Vote: