



**AGENDA**  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
ELECTION COMMISSION  
April, 2, 2022 – 9:00 am

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1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
  - A. February 23, 2022
5. New Business: Redraw Precinct Boundary Lines to Eliminate Precinct Splits
  - A. Memo: Redrawing Precinct boundary lines to eliminate splits
  
  - B. Resolution of Support
6. Other Business
7. Public Remarks
8. Adjournment

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All comments are limited to 3 minutes, unless prior approval for additional time for good cause is obtained from the Clerk.

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Meeting Location: 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864 Township Hall

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY**

**LEGAL AD NOTICE: ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING**

**Date: April 2, 2022 - 9 am**

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**NOTICE OF MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP  
ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING  
ON SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022 AT 9 AM**

Notice is hereby given that the Meridian Township Election Commission will conduct a meeting in the Meridian Municipal Building, Town Hall Room, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, on Saturday, April 2, 2022 at 9 am to discuss preparations for the upcoming August and November 2022 elections including setting a future meeting calendar and changing precinct boundary lines.

The meeting agenda, packet and/or virtual meeting credentials will be posted on the Township webpage at [www.meridian.mi.us](http://www.meridian.mi.us)

**Publish:**

**Lansing State Journal  
March 29, 2022**

**Deborah Guthrie  
Township Clerk**

1 Affidavit Please

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING **-DRAFT-**  
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198  
517-349-1232, Virtual Meeting via Zoom  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2022 **6:00 pm.**

PRESENT: Clerk Guthrie, Trustees Sundland, Wisinski

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Robin Faust, Deputy Clerk

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Clerk Guthrie called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. August 26, 2021

**Trustee Wisinski moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the August 26, 2021 Virtual Election Commission Meeting, as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Sundland.**

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

3. ELECTION ADMINISTRATION

A. Splitting Precinct 17 and reopening Precinct 16

Clerk Guthrie summarized the memorandum outlining the Michigan Law that requires precincts to have no more than 2,999 active registered voters and the necessity to split Precinct 17 and reopen Precinct 16 because Precinct 17 currently has over 2,999 active registered voters. The resolution in the meeting packet outlines this request.

Trustee Wisinski read the resolution as follows:

WHEREAS, Section 116-1954-XXVIII, Election Precincts, of the Michigan Election Law, Public Act 16 of 1954, MCL 168.654 to 168.661, provides for Charter Township Election Commissions to divide, rearrange, and consolidate election precincts; and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Bureau of Elections (BOE) recommends local clerks review larger precincts to ensure they safely stay under the 2,999-voter limit; and

WHEREAS, The BOE identified 273 precincts across Michigan with more than 2,800 registered voters and Precinct 17 was identified with over 3,000 registered voters; and

WHEREAS, The Meridian Township Clerk's Office has reviewed each Precinct carefully and identified only Precinct 17 above the limit; and

WHEREAS, any precinct with more than 2,999 active registered voters must be divided into multiple precincts; and

WHEREAS, as of February 9, 2022, Precinct 17 has 3,214 registered voters, and 2,887 active voters; and

WHEREAS, an additional 150 housing units and an additional apartment building have been approved for development and permitted for construction in Precinct 17; and

WHEREAS, Precinct 16 was consolidated with Precinct 17 on March 23, 2012 and un-consolidating these two precincts makes the most sense; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Meridian Election Commission is recommending splitting Precinct 17 into two precincts; Precinct 17 and Precinct 16, is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, under the Michigan Election Law, the boundaries of all precincts used to administer the August 2022 and November 2022 elections must be finalized by a resolution by the local Election Commission; and

WHEREAS, precinct boundary alterations made by the April 4, 2022 deadline must go into effect no later than May 4, 2022. (MCL 168.661(2))

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Charter Township of Meridian Election Commission hereby directs the Township Clerk to split Precinct 17 into two precincts; Precinct 16 and Precinct 17, located at one polling location at 2142 Community Church, 2600 Bennett Road, Okemos, moving voters on Hidden Meadows Ct., Graystone Dr., Sower Blvd., Seville Ct., Southport Cir., Highland Terrace, Turning Leaf Lane, Okemos Rd. (Jolly to Railroad), Hulett Rd. (Bennett Rd. to Railroad), Bennett Rd. (~~Okemos Rd.~~ **Smith Drain** to Hulett Rd.), Heritage Ave., Club Meridian Dr., Knob Hill Dr., Fieldstone Dr., Taos Cir., Taos Trl., Sonoma Vista, Coyote Creek Dr., Farrins Parkway, and Jolly Oak Rd to Precinct 16.

**Trustee Wisinski moved to adopt the resolution with the correction of Bennett Road (Smith Drain to Hulett Road). Seconded by Trustee Sundland.**

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 3-0

B. Redrawing Precinct boundary lines for Precincts 6 and 10

Clerk Guthrie summarized the memorandum outlining the Ingham County Apportionment Maps for Meridian Township, the current and proposed boundary maps for Precincts 6 and 10 along with the street names for each precinct. By altering the boundary lines, it will cause less confusion for the voters and election workers within a precinct requiring dual ballots.

Members review the boundary line map illustrating the apportionment changes made by the County.

Trustee Wisinski read the resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 116-1954-XXVIII, Election Precincts, of the Michigan Election Law, Public Act 16 of 1954, MCL 168.654 to 168.661, provides for Charter Township Election Commissions to divide, rearrange, and consolidate election precincts; and

WHEREAS, the reapportionment of County Commission Districts apportioned two (2) additional County Commission Districts in Meridian Township; and

WHEREAS, the apportionment of these new County Commission Districts apportioned by the Ingham County Apportionment Committee created County Commission District 12, 13, 14, and 15.

WHEREAS, ~~two~~ **three** of the four County Commission Districts (**12, 14, 15**) are shared with other municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the apportionment of County Commission District 13 creates a dual ballot in Precinct 6; and

WHEREAS, when a single precinct has two or more commissioners, a separate ballot style is required so that each voter is voting only for the commissioner geographically allocated to them; and

WHEREAS, dual ballots can cause confusion with voters and election workers within a precinct because there are two different types of ballot styles in one precinct, and

WHEREAS, in an effort to maximize election efficiency it is recommended to redraw precinct lines so that no precinct will ever contain more than one County Commission District; and

WHEREAS, redrawing the boundary line for Precinct 10 moving the east boundary line along Okemos Road from Burcham Road to Grand River toward the east along Marsh Road from Tihart Road to Grand River eliminates a dual County Commission District ballot; and

WHEREAS, redrawing Precinct 6's most southern boundary line south of Grand River along the Red Cedar River to redrawing it along Grand River from Van Atta Road to Meridian Road makes more sense and creates less confusion; and

WHEREAS, moving the boundary lines do not create an issue with meeting BOE requirements for precinct size limitation; and

WHEREAS, as of February 18, 2022, Precinct 6 has 1,602 registered voters and Precinct 10 has 1,721 registered voters; and

WHEREAS, the new boundary line going north – south along Marsh Road will largely include Meridian Township municipally owned property; and

WHEREAS, the new boundary line going east – west along Grand River only includes a small number of homes and minimally impacts voters; and

WHEREAS, the new boundary lines for State Representative which includes a new house district; the 75<sup>th</sup> District and 73<sup>rd</sup> District, is along Grand River going eastern most and western most portion of the township; and

WHEREAS, it is not anticipated that future development, if any, in these areas will increase voter registration substantially; and

WHEREAS, Michigan election law stipulates that all precincts “shall be composed as nearly as practicable of compact and contiguous territory and shall have clearly defined and clearly observable boundaries.” and;

WHEREAS, Michigan election law states a “clearly observable boundary” is defined under the law as follows:

- A named road or street.
- A road or highway that is part of the federal, state primary or state secondary road system.
- A river, stream, or drainage feature that is 40 feet or more in width.
- A natural or constructed permanent physical feature that is shown on an official county, city, or township map issued by the Department of Transportation or a United States geological survey topographical map.
- An apartment building, a dormitory or other permanent multiple-unit housing structure.
- A village or school district boundary line.

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Meridian Election Commission is recommending redrawing boundary lines for Precinct 10 and Precinct 6, is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, precinct boundary changes must be approved no later than 210 days prior to the August primary in an even numbered year; however, in the second year following the federal census precinct boundary changes must be approved no longer than 120 days following the August primary. (MCL 168.661(3)); and

WHEREAS, under the Michigan Election Law, the boundaries of all precincts used to administer the August 2022 and November 2022 elections must be finalized by a resolution by the local Election Commission; and

WHEREAS, precinct boundary alterations made by the April 4, 2022 deadline must go into effect no later than May 4, 2022. (MCL 168.661(2))

WHEREAS, Electors assigned to a new precinct will be issued a corrected Voter Identification Card according to Michigan Election Law (MCL 168.499(3), and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Charter Township of Meridian Election Commission hereby directs the Township Clerk to redraw the boundary line for Precinct 10 moving the east boundary line along Okemos Road from Burcham Road to Grand River toward the east along Marsh Road from Tihart Road to Grand River; and move the eastern most southern boundary line in Precinct 6 south of Grand River along the Red Cedar River to redrawing it north along Grand River from Van Atta Road to Meridian Road.

**Trustee Wisinski moved to approve the resolution to redraw Precinct 6 and Precinct 10 boundary lines and amend the paragraph to read “three” from “two” and to include the precinct numbers 12, 14 and 15. Seconded by Trustee Sundland.**

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 3-0

#### 4. SCHEDULE DATE FOR NEXT ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING

After reviewing calendars, a proposed meeting was scheduled for Thursday, May 19, at 5:30 pm at the Meridian Municipal Building.

5. OTHER BUSINESS - NONE

6. PUBLIC REMARKS

HOMTV Intern asked for clarification on the appropriation and boundary lines on the map.

7. ADJOURNMENT

**Commissioner Wisinski moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Sundland.**

VOICE/HAND VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

**Clerk Guthrie adjourned the meeting at 7:00 pm.**



**To: Election Commission**  
**From: Deborah Guthrie, Clerk**  
**Date: March 30, 2022**  
**Re: Redraw Precinct Boundary Lines to Eliminate Precinct Splits**

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Under Michigan Election Law (MCL 168.661), the boundaries of all precincts used to administer the August and November 2022 elections must be finalized by a resolution by the local Election Commission no later than April 4, 2022. Because 2022 is two years after a census year, the date is later than usual under a provision of the law that applies only in post-census even years.

**Precinct Boundary Requirements:**

Michigan election law stipulates that all precincts “shall be composed as nearly as practicable of compact and contiguous territory and shall have clearly defined and clearly observable boundaries.” A “clearly observable boundary” is defined under the law as follows:

- A named road or street.
- A road or highway that is part of the federal, state primary, or state secondary road system.
- A river, stream, or drainage feature that is 40 feet or more in width.
- A natural or constructed permanent physical feature that is shown on an official county, city, or township map issued by the Department of Transportation or a United States geological survey topographical map.
- An apartment building, a dormitory or other permanent multiple-unit housing structure.
- A village or school district boundary line.

The Township Clerk’s Office and Engineering Department has reviewed the maps resulting from Michigan Redistricting and County Reapportionment. Those maps, along with current school boundary line maps identify several “precinct splits” described in this memo.

Michigan Election Law (MCL 168.661) sets guidelines for apportionment specifically addressing precinct splits: **“City and township election commissions shall divide precincts... in order that a precinct, as far as is practical, is not split between districts...”**

Precinct splits should be avoided unless necessary as they cause confusion among voters and place significant burdens on election administrators and poll workers who must prepare for and implement multiple ballot styles in affected precincts. The implementation of multiple ballot styles opens the possibility for errors. Care must be taken to ensure that voters receive the proper ballot style containing the district race they are eligible to cast a vote in.

Precinct Splits identified in the State Redistricting, County Reapportionment and current School Boundary Lines include precincts 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12 and 20. Precinct boundary lines approved by



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resolution of the Local Election Commission to be redrawn on February 23, 2022 include Precincts 6, 10, and 17.

The Clerk of Meridian Township proposes the Election Commission carefully review and consider approving additional boundary line changes to eliminate precinct splits within Meridian Township to the fullest extent possible, as proposed, in these Precincts; including further boundary line changes to Precinct 10 to eliminate a County Commission District split.

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**Precinct 10: Eliminate the County Commission and State Representative Precinct splits as a result of the County reapportionment and State redistricting by redrawing Precinct 10's southern boundary line along the north side of Grand River from Marsh Road to Park Lake Road.**

The new boundary lines for Precinct 10 shall also consist of: the westerly side of Marsh road from Okemos Road to Tihart Road, on the northerly boundary on the south side along the Okemos/Haslett School boundary from Tihart Road to Park Lake Road, on the westerly side from Burcham drive along Park Lake Road to Grand River Ave. on the east side.

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**Eliminate the School District precinct split in Precinct 7 due to Okemos Public Schools and Williamston Public Schools boundary lines within Precinct 7 by splitting Precinct 7 into two precincts along the school boundary lines.**

**Precinct 7** shall consist of only the Okemos Public School District, along the school boundary lines, within Precinct 7's current boundary lines within Meridian Township.

**NEW Precinct 22** shall consist of only the Williamston Public School District along the Williamston Public School District boundary lines within Meridian Township.

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**Eliminate the County Commission precinct split in Precinct 20 due to East Lansing Public Schools and Haslett Public Schools boundary lines within Precinct 20 by Redrawing Precinct 3 and Precinct 4 boundary lines as follows:**

**Precinct 3:** Precinct 3 shall consist of the southerly side of Lake Lansing Rd., from Marsh Rd. to York Way. The **Western boundary line** shall consist of the easterly side of York Way south of Lake Lansing Rd. to the easterly side of Barnsbury Rd., along Act 425 with East Lansing, the Annexation/108 Agreement City of East Lansing to the East Lansing Public Schools District boundary line and Raby Drain, along the north easterly edge of and going north to south along the East Lansing Public School Districts boundary to Burcham Dr. The **Southern boundary line** shall consist of the northerly side of Burcham drive from the East Lansing Public School District border on the west to the Grand Trunk Western R.R. on the east, along the entirety of the Okemos Public

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School District Boundary line. The **Eastern boundary line** shall consist of the westerly side of the Grand Trunk R.R. going northeast to the westerly side of Marsh Rd. from the Grand Trunk Western Railroad on the south to Lake Lansing Rd. on the North.

**Precinct 4:** Precinct 4 shall consist of the northerly most boundary line of Meridian Township from Perry Rd. on the east to the East Lansing Public Schools District border on the west, the **Western boundary line** shall consist of the easterly side of the East Lansing Public Schools District/Haslett Public Schools District boundary line from the northerly most point of the Meridian Township boundary line running south along the school border going across B.R. I-69 Saginaw St. to where the northern boundary of the ACT 425 agreement and East Lansing Public School district border meet, the **Southern boundary line** continues from that point and shall run along the northwest side and north side of the Act 425 agreement with East Lansing, continuing on the northerly side on Lake Lansing Rd. to the western shoreline of Lake Lansing, the **Eastern boundary line** shall follow the western shoreline of Lake Lansing going north to Perry Rd., from Perry Rd. going north to the Meridian Township most northerly border.

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**Precinct 12:** All of Precinct 12 boundary shall remain the same except the southern boundary line which shall consist of the northerly side of Grand River Ave. from the most easterly border with the City of East Lansing to Park Lake Rd.

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**Precinct 20:** NEW Precinct 20 shall consist of the **Northern boundary line** along the south side of Grand River Avenue from the Grand Trunk Western Railroad on the east to the Meridian Township most westerly border on the west, the **Western boundary line** shall consist of the Meridian Township most westerly border from Grand River Ave. going southerly along the City of East Lansing border to the Red Cedar River, the **Southern boundary line** shall consist of the northern side of the Red Cedar River bank, along the riverbank to the Grand Trunk Western R.R., the **Eastern boundary line** shall consist of the Grand Trunk Western R.R. from the Red Cedar River to Grand River Ave.

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**Precinct 21:** NEW Precinct 21 shall consist of the **Northern boundary line** along Grand River Ave. to the south from Okemos Rd. to the Grand Trunk Western R.R. The **Western boundary line** shall consist of the Grand River Trunk R.R. to the East from Grand River Ave. to the North and Red Cedar River boundary to the south, the **Southern boundary line** shall consist of the Red Cedar River from the Grand Trunk Western R.R. to Okemos Rd. The **Eastern boundary line** shall consist of the west side of Okemos Rd. from the Red Cedar River to Grand River Ave.

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Attachments:

1. Precinct Boundary Map and Resolution as approved by the Election Commission on February 23, 2022.
2. 2018 Meridian Township Precinct Map
3. Updated March 15, 2022 Meridian Township Precinct Map
4. Proposed Meridian Township Precinct Map
5. List of Street Names within each newly drawn precinct

**The following motion is offered for consideration:**

**MOVE TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION TO REDRAW PRECINCTS 3, 4, 7, 10, 12 and 20; THEREBY CREATING NEW PRECINCTS 21, AND 22.**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE**

**Redraw Precinct 6 and Precinct 10  
Boundary Lines**

**RESOLUTION**

At a meeting of the Election Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in the Township on the 23rd of February, 2022, at 6:00 pm, local time.

PRESENT: Clerk Guthrie, Trustees Sundland, Wisinski

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Wisinski and supported by Commissioner Sundland.

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- A village or school district boundary line.

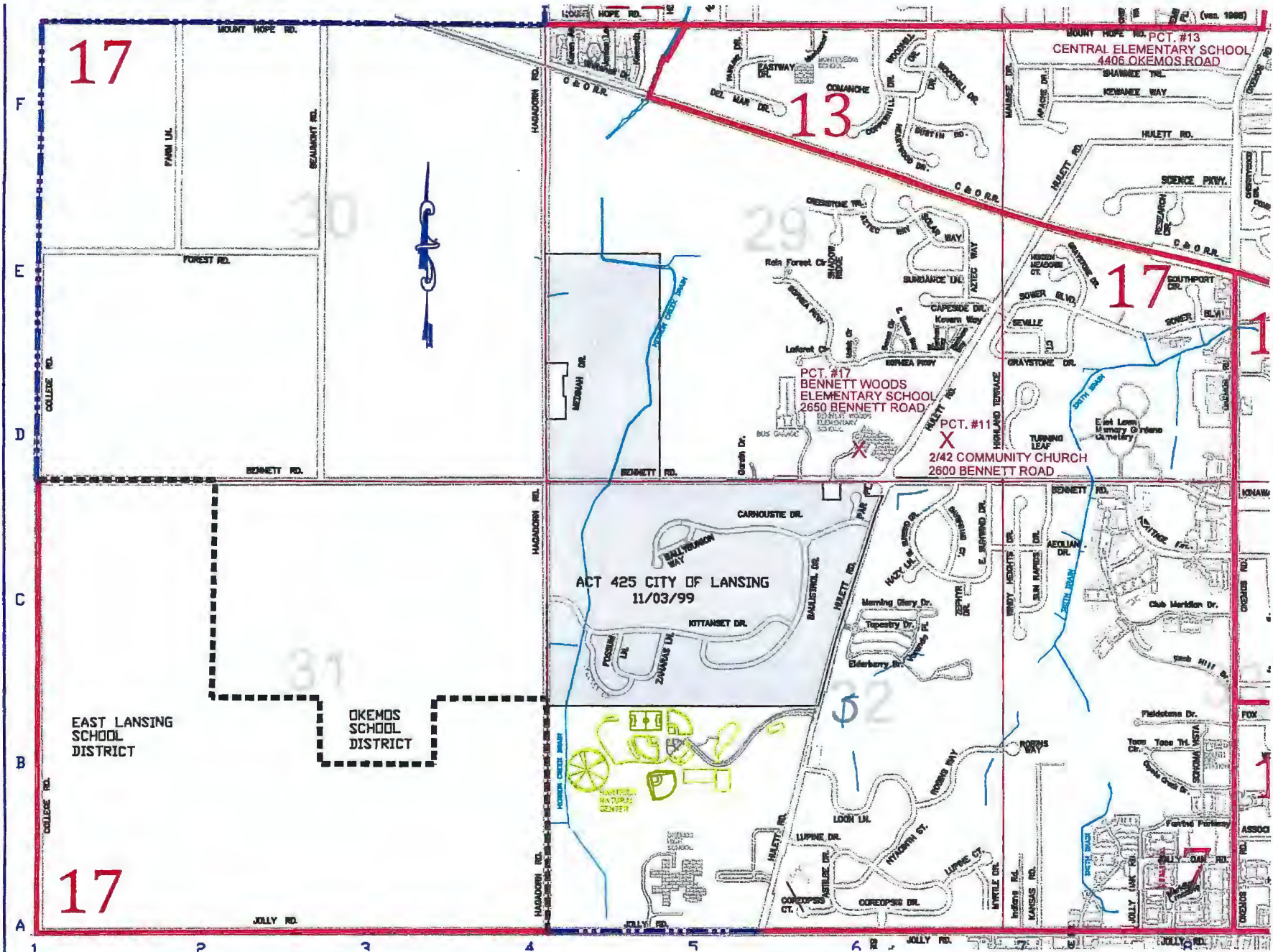
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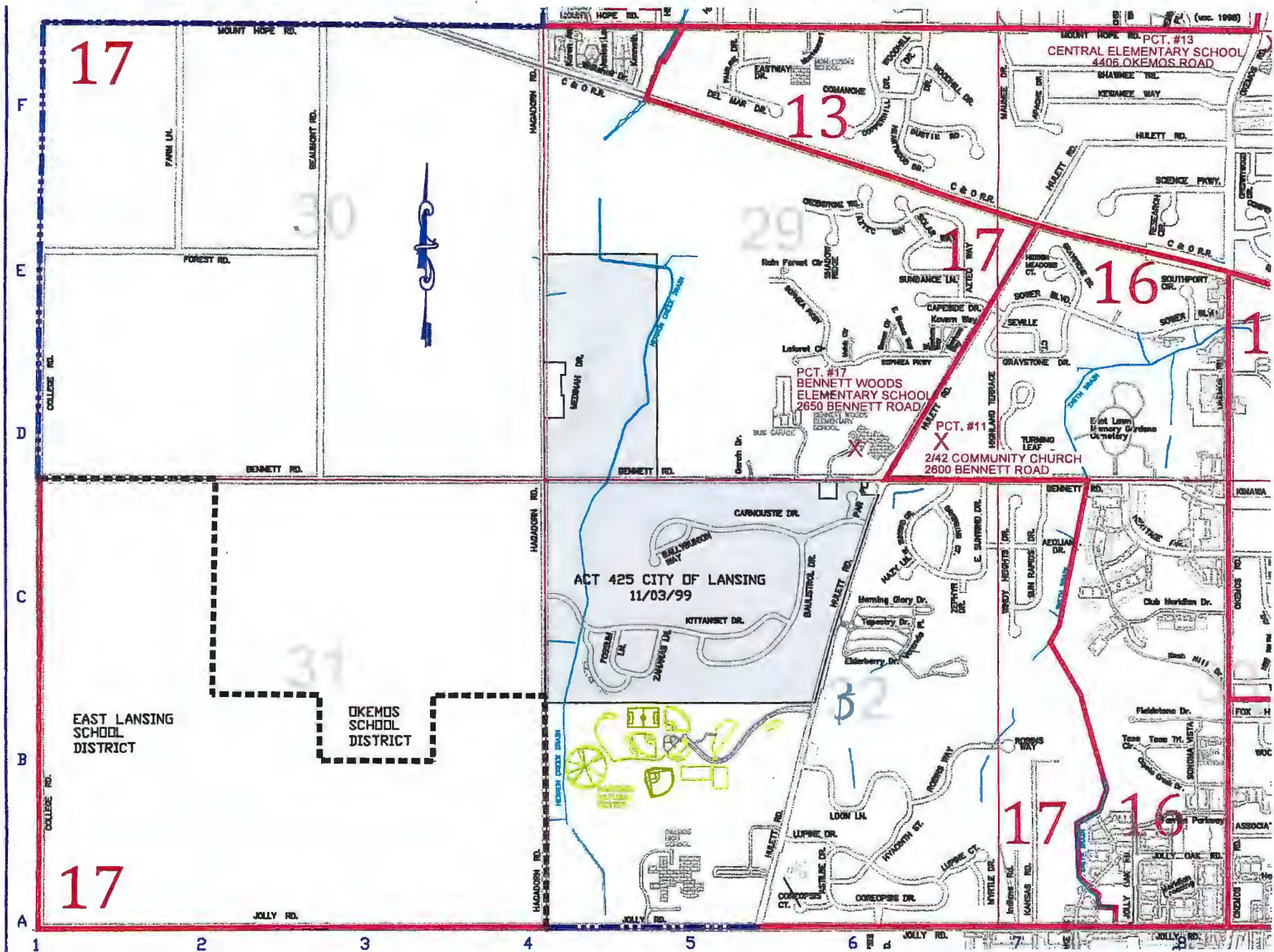
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# 2020 DISTRICT MAP

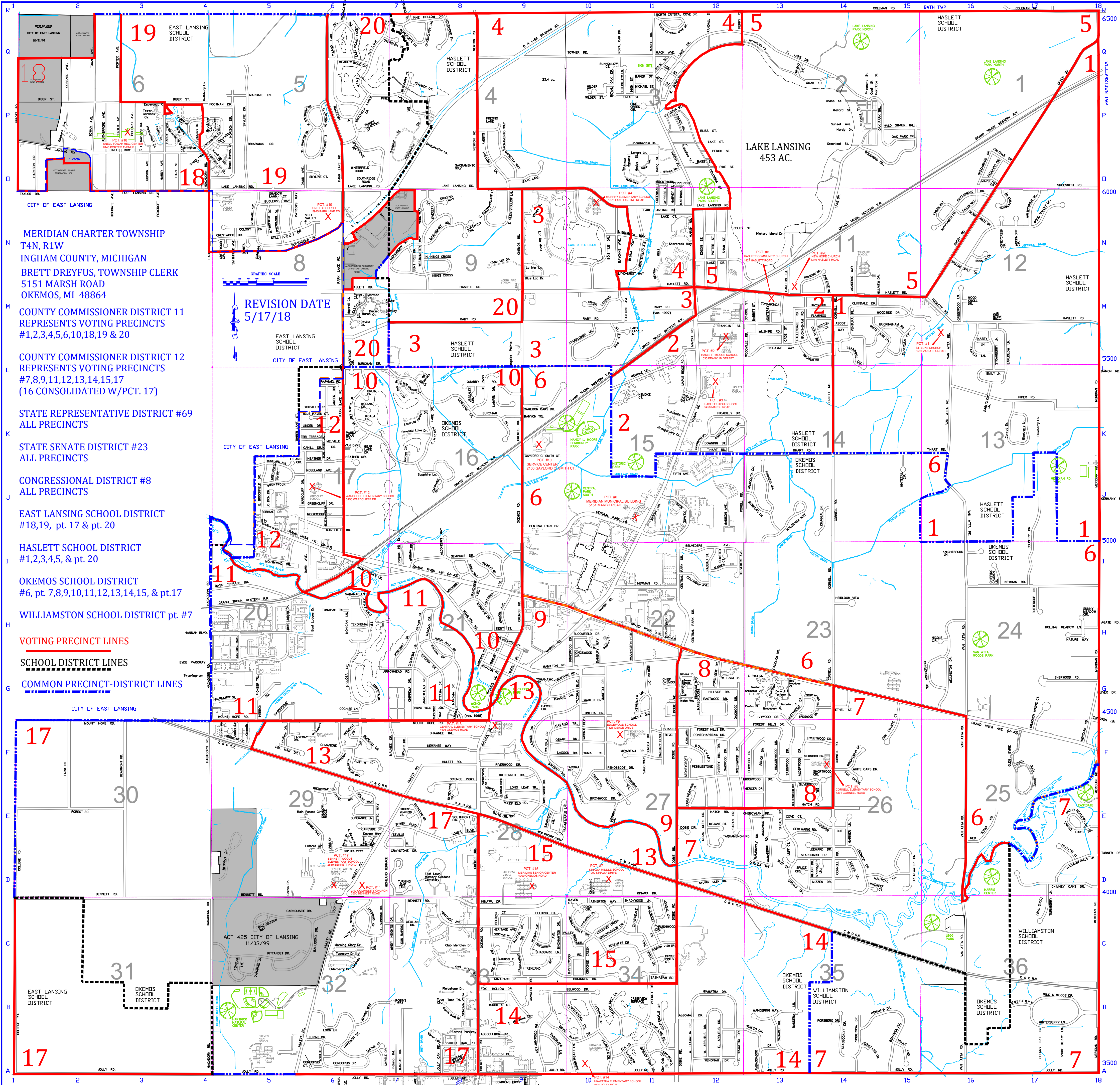


# PROPOSED 2022 DISTRICT MAP





# VOTING PRECINCTS & SCHOOL DISTRICT MAP



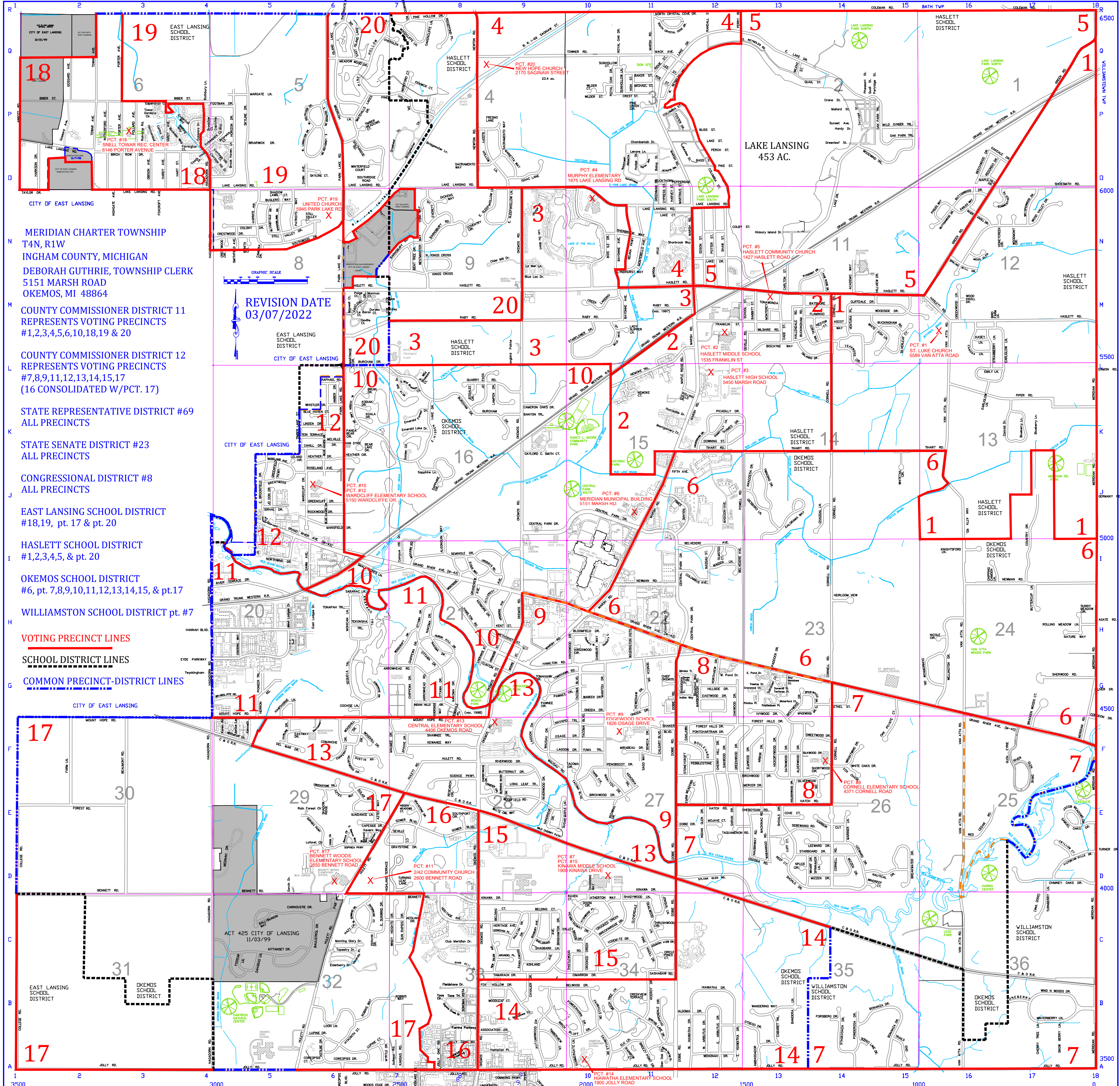
**LEGEND**

- VOTING PRECINCT LINES
- SCHOOL DISTRICT LINES
- COMMON PRECINCT-DISTRICT LINES

ABBOTT RD. G-1	BONAZZA DR. A-15	COLUMBUS AVE. I-12	EAST REYNOLDS DR. O-11	MACK AVE. O-11	SHAGBARK LN. G-8	TAYLOR CT. Q-11	WESTMINSTER WAY. H-8
ADDISON WAY. M-4	BOULEVARD DR. A-4	COMMONS PKWY. ALDN. TWP. G-6	EAST SLEEPY HOLLOW LN. N-9	MADISON AVE. K-12	SHARROCK WAY. N-12	TEAKWOOD CR. I-14	WHISPERWOOD DR. N-13
ALBION PKWY. C-7	BRACKEN WOODS CT. F-13	COMANCHE DR. G-6	EAST SUNNING DR. C-6	MALDEN DR. K-12	SHAWNEE TRAIL. M-12	TECHONSHA TRAIL. H-6	WHITE ASH LN. L-15
ALDERWOOD DR. F-13	BRECKENRIDGE DR. F-13	CONIFER DR. F-10	EASTWOOD DR. G-12	MALLARD ST. P-14	SHAWNEE TRAIL. M-12	TERI TERRACE. K-8	WHITE OAKS DR. F-14
ALDRIDGE DR. E-11	BREZZY POINT DR. E-11	COONRIDGE DR. F-17	EASTWOOD DR. G-12	MANFIELD DR. L-11	SHERBROOK WAY. N-10	THISTLEWOOD PL. C-10	WHITE OWL WAY. E-9
ALLEN ST. N-13	BRIARWOOD AVE. G-4	COPPERHILL DR. E-8	ELDERBERRY DR. B-6	MANFIELD DR. L-11	SHIELDS DR. E-13	THORINGATE DR. Q-6	WHITEHALL DR. F-5
AMBER DR. K-6	BRIARWOOD CT. G-4	COPPERHILL DR. E-8	ELMWOOD DR. F-12	MARGATE LN. L-11	SHOEMITH DR. E-17	THRUSHWOOD CR. C-11	WHITEHALL DR. F-5
AMBRIST DR. A-13	BRIARWOOD DR. G-4	CORNELL DR. M-14	EMERALD FOREST CR. K-7	MARSHALL DR. L-11	SILKWOOD DR. F-13	THURSTON DR. K-12	WILD BLOSSOM LN. L-7
APACHE DR. F-7	BROOKHAVEN DR. G-7	COUNTRY DR. M-17	EMERALD LAKE DR. K-7	MARSHALL DR. L-11	SILVERWOOD DR. E-14	TIMBER LANE ST. K-5	WILD CHERRY PATH. C-9
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NOTE PRIVATE ROADS \* HAVE AN ASTERISK

# VOTING PRECINCTS & SCHOOL DISTRICT MAP



MERIDIAN CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
T4N, R1W  
INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
DEBORAH GUTHRIE, TOWNSHIP CLERK  
5151 MARSH ROAD  
OKEMOS, MI 48864

REVISION DATE  
03/07/2022

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 11  
REPRESENTS VOTING PRECINCTS  
#1,2,3,4,5,6,10,18,19 & 20

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 12  
REPRESENTS VOTING PRECINCTS  
#7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,17  
(16 CONSOLIDATED W/PCT. 17)

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT #69  
ALL PRECINCTS

STATE SENATE DISTRICT #23  
ALL PRECINCTS

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT #8  
ALL PRECINCTS

EAST LANSING SCHOOL DISTRICT  
#18,19, pt. 17 & pt. 20

HASLETT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
#1,2,3,4,5, & pt. 20

OKEMOS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
#6, pt. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, & pt. 17

WILLIAMSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT pt. #7

**VOTING PRECINCT LINES**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT LINES**

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ABBOTT DR. O-1	BONANZA DR. A-15	COLUMBUS AVE. L-12	EAST REYNOLDS RD. O-11	MACK AVE. O-11	SHAGBARK LN. C-9	TAYLOR CT. O-11	WESTMINSTER WAY. H-8
ACADEMIC WAY. M-14	BONITA CR. N-4	COMMONS PKWY. ALDN. TWP. G-16	EAST SLEEPY HOLLOW LN. N-9	MACKWOOD RD. E-13	SHAKER BLVD. F-11	TAYLOR DR. C-14	WHARF DR. D-13
ALDERWOOD DR. F-13	BOULEVARD DR. F-11	COMANCHE CR. G-16	EASTWAY DR. F-5	MALDEN LN. K-12	SHARROCK WAY. F-12	TEKONSHA TRAIL. C-1	WHISTLER DR. K-6
ALGERWOOD DR. F-13	BRECKENRIDGE DR. C-10	CONRAD DR. F-8	EASTWOOD DR. C-6	MANTOU DR. P-14	SHERWOOD AVE. C-9	TERI TERACE. F-8	WHITE OAKS DR. F-14
ALGOUNIA WAY. B-11	BRECKENRIDGE DR. C-10	CONRAD DR. F-8	EDISON ST. M-10	MANTOU DR. P-14	SHERWOOD WAY. N-10	THAMES DR. K-12	WHITE OAK WAY. E-9
ALLEN ST. N-13	BRECKENRIDGE DR. C-10	CONRAD DR. F-8	EDISON ST. M-10	MANTOU DR. P-14	SHERWOOD WAY. N-10	THAMES DR. K-12	WHITE OAK WAY. E-9
AMASSADOR DR. A-13	BRECKENRIDGE DR. C-10	CONRAD DR. F-8	EDISON ST. M-10	MANTOU DR. P-14	SHERWOOD WAY. N-10	THAMES DR. K-12	WHITE OAK WAY. E-9
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NOTE: PRIVATE DRIVES HAVE AN ASTERISK



**PRECINCT 3 ROADS**

CIDER MILL
MARSH ROAD
YORK WAY
EVERETT LANE
DICKENS WAY
BARNSBURY ROAD
COVENTRY CIRCLE
BENT TREE DRIVE
WESTMINSTER WAY
KINGS CROSS
NORTH KINGS CROSS
EAST SLEEPY HOLLOW LANE
WEST SLEEPY HOLLOW LANE
OKEMOS ROAD
VILLAGE DRIVE
LAC DU MONT
LA MER LANE
BLUE LAC DRIVE
BOIS ISLE DRIVE
BAYONNE AVENUE
BUENA PARKWAY
SHERBROOK WAY
MONTICELLO AVENUE
LYNDHURST WAY
BENSON HILLS
SHARBROOK WAY
LAKE COURT
LAKE LANSING ROAD
HASLETT ROAD
RABY ROAD
CREEK LANDING
LADY SLIPPER LANE
WILD IRIS LANE
STARFLOWER DRIVE
SONGBIRD POINTE
LAKE DRIVE

**PRECINCT 4 ROADS**

ISAAC LANE	BALOG STREET
LAKE DRIVE	HILLCURVE AVENUE
LAKEVIEW STREET	GREENMAN STREET
FRESNO LANE	CYPRESS STREET
SACRAMENTO WAY	HARVEY STREET
MARIETTA WAY	MARTINUS STREET
PINE HOLLOW DRIVE	BUCKTHORN DRIVE
KERNWOOD ROAD	PEPPERIDGE DRIVE
OAKENCLIFFE LANE	LAKE LANSING ROAD
WOODCLIFFE LANE	MERFORD CT
RIDGEPOND PLACE	W REYNOLDS
SAGINAW STREET	HOLLOW DR
NEWTON ROAD	FENWICK CT
TOWNER ROAD	
ROYAL OAK DRIVE	
SUNHOLLOW COURT	
SUNHOLLOW LANE	
WILDER STREET	
WILDER COURT	
CREST STREET	
HIGH STREET	
BAKER STREET	
MICHAEL STREET	
ROE STREET	
LEE STREET	
RIDGE STREET	
MACK AVENUE	
RANDALL STREET	
SOUTH CRYSTAL COVE DRIVE	
NORTH CRYSTAL COVE DRIVE	
PERRY ROAD	
COLUMBIA STREET	
FOSTER DRIVE	
BLISS STREET	
LAKE STREET	
PERCH STREET	
PIKE STREET	
BASS STREET	
MARSH ROAD	
CHAMBERLAIN DRIVE	
LENORE LANE	
TAYLOR AVENUE	
HODGE STREET	
JEANETTE	
HUTCHINSON	

**PRECINCT 7 ROADS**

MACKINAC ROAD
NAUBINWAY ROAD
WABININGO ROAD
LUFF COURT
REEF COURT
ETHEL STREET
CORNELL ROAD
WRIGHTWIND DRIVE
WHITE OAKS DRIVE
FOX CHASE
HATCH ROAD
HARBOR CUT
MARINER LANE
SEBEWAING ROAD
COVE COURT
SHOALS DRIVE
CHEBOYGAN ROAD
SARAN DRIVE
TAQUAMENOM ROAD
MOJAVE COURT
INDIAN GLEN DRIVE
DOBIE CIRCLE
SYLVAN GLEN ROAD
LEEWARD DRIVE
STARBOARD DRIVE
SPLICE COURT
WHARF DRIVE
SPINNAKER LANE
MIZZEN DRIVE
NAUTICAL DRIVE
WINDREEF COURT
BREAKWATER DRIVE
VAN ATTA ROAD
GRAND RIVER AVENUE
GLEN EYRIE
RIVER GLEN DRIVE
RED CEDAR ROAD
OAK POINTE COURT

**PRECINCT 10 ROADS**

EAST HIDDEN LAKE DRIVE
BURCHAM DRIVE
OKEMOS ROAD
BURCHAM DRIVE
MARTINIQUE CIRCLE
BRUIN DRIVE
WEST HIDDEN LAKE DRIVE
KODIAK DRIVE
KOALA DRIVE
PANDA BEAR CIRCLE
BEAR LAKE DRIVE
HEATHER CIRCLE
GOLDEN CIRCLE
EMERALD LAKE DRIVE
EMERALD FOREST DRIVE
EAST HIDDEN LAKE DRIVE
WILD OAK DRIVE
SOUTH WILD BLOSSOM COURT
NORTH WILD BLOSSOM COURT
SAPPHIRE LANE
SAPPHIRE CIRCLE
JO PASS
QUARRY ROAD
JESSALEE CIRCLE
LAMPEN ROAD
CAMERON OAKS DRIVE
BANYON TRAIL
GAYLORD C SMITH COURT
CENTRAL PARK DRIVE
HILLCREST AVENUE
IROQUOIS ROAD
SIOUX WAY
SEMINOLE DRIVE
ALGONQUIN WAY
MOHAWK ROAD
CAMPUS HILL DRIVE
GRAND RIVER AVENUE

**PRECINCT 20 ROADS**

NORTHWIND DRIVE
DAWN AVENUE

**PRECINCT 21 ROADS**

KENMORE DRIVE
CLINTON STREET
SMALL ACRES LANE
HAMILTON ROAD
MONTROSE AVENUE
GRANDVIEW AVENUE
HILLCREST AVENUE
ARDMORE AVENUE
OKEMOS ROAD
KENT STREET
METHODIST STREET
LIVERANCE STREET
GRAND RIVER AVENUE

**PRECINCT 22 ROADS**

MERIDIAN ROAD
JACOB MEADOWS DRIVE
SAMUAL OAKS DRIVE
TRILLIUM COURT
VICTORIAN HILLS DRIVE
CHIMNEY OAKS DRIVE
TURNBERRY LANE
WIND N WOODS DRIVE
WINTERBERRY LANE
CHERRY TREE LANE
SNOW BERRY LANE
VAN ATTA ROAD
TRAILS END
BONANZA DRIVE
PONDEROSA DRIVE
STAGECOACH DRIVE
FORSBERG DRIVE
JUNEBERRY LANE
JOLLY ROAD
SCENIC LAKE DRIVE

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**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE**

**Redraw Precinct Boundary Lines  
to Eliminate Precinct Splits**

### **RESOLUTION**

At a meeting of the Election Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in the Township on the 2nd of April, 2022, at 9:00 am, local time.

PRESENT: Clerk Guthrie, Trustee Wisinski

ABSENT: Trustee Sundland

The following resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_ and supported by \_\_\_\_\_.

WHEREAS, Section 116-1954-XXVIII, Election Precincts, of the Michigan Election Law, Public Act 16 of 1954, MCL 168.654 to 168.661, provides for Charter Township Election Commissions to divide, rearrange, and consolidate election precincts; and

WHEREAS, the reapportionment of County Commission Districts apportioned two (2) additional County Commission Districts in Meridian Township; and

WHEREAS, the apportionment of these new County Commission Districts apportioned by the Ingham County Apportionment Committee created County Commission District 12, 13, 14, and 15; and

WHEREAS, the State Redistricting created Precinct splits in Precincts 6, 10, and 12; and

WHEREAS, the reapportionment of County Commission Districts, along with the Redistricting of State Representatives, created a split precinct in Precincts 6, 10, and 12; and

WHEREAS, the School District Boundary Lines within Precincts 3, 4, 7, and 20 have Precinct splits; and

WHEREAS, when a single precinct has two or more County Commissioners, a separate ballot style is required so that each voter is voting only for the commissioner geographically allocated to them; and

WHEREAS, when a single precinct has two or more State Representatives, a separate ballot style is required so that each voter is voting only for the representative geographically allocated to them; and

WHEREAS, when a single precinct has two or more School Districts, a separate ballot style is required so that each voter is voting only for the school district geographically allocated to them; and

WHEREAS, dual ballots can cause confusion with voters and election workers within a precinct because there are two different types of ballot styles in one precinct, and

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WHEREAS, in an effort to maximize election efficiency it is recommended to redraw precinct lines so that no precinct will ever contain more than one ballot style; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Election Law (MCL 168.661) sets guidelines for apportionment specifically addressing precinct splits: "City and township election commissions shall divide precincts... in order that a precinct, as far as is practical, is not split between districts..."; and

WHEREAS, Precinct splits should be avoided unless necessary as they cause confusion among voters and place significant burdens on election administrators and poll workers who must prepare for and implement multiple ballot styles in affected precincts. The implementation of multiple ballot styles opens the possibility for errors. Care must be taken to ensure that voters receive the proper ballot style containing the district race they are eligible to cast a vote in; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Meridian Election Commission is recommending redrawing boundary lines for Precincts 3, 4, 7, 10, and 12, and 20; thereby creating new Precincts 20, 21, and 22 as outlined in this resolution; and

WHEREAS, eliminating the County Commission and State Representative Precinct splits as a result of the County reapportionment and State redistricting by redrawing Precinct 10's southern boundary line along the north side of Grand River from Marsh Road to Park Lake Road; and

WHEREAS, the new boundary lines for Precinct 10 shall also consist of: the westerly side of Marsh road from Okemos Road to Tihart Road, on the northerly boundary on the south side along the Okemos/Haslett School boundary from Tihart Road to Park Lake Road, on the westerly side from Burcham drive along Park Lake Road to Grand River Ave. on the east side; and

WHEREAS, eliminating the School District precinct split in Precinct 7 due to Okemos Public Schools and Williamston Public Schools boundary lines within Precinct 7 by splitting Precinct 7 into two precincts along the school boundary lines; and

WHEREAS, precinct 7 shall consist of only the Okemos Public School District, along the school boundary lines, within Precinct 7's current boundary lines within Meridian Township; and

WHEREAS, NEW Precinct 22 shall consist of only the Williamston Public School District along the Williamston Public School District boundary lines within Meridian Township; and

WHEREAS, Eliminating the County Commission precinct split in Precinct 20 due to East Lansing Public Schools and Haslett Public Schools boundary lines within Precinct 20 by Redrawing Precinct 3 and Precinct 4 boundary lines; and

WHEREAS, precinct 3 shall consist of the southerly side of Lake Lansing Rd., from Marsh Rd. to York Way. The **Western boundary line** shall consist of the easterly side of York Way south of Lake Lansing Rd. to the easterly side of Barnsbury Rd., along Act 425 with East Lansing, the Annexation/108 Agreement City of East Lansing to the East Lansing Public Schools District boundary line and Raby Drain, along the north easterly edge of and going north to south along the



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East Lansing Public School Districts boundary to Burcham Dr. The **Southern boundary line** shall consist of the northerly side of Burcham drive from the East Lansing Public School District border on the west to the Grand Trunk Western R.R. on the east, along the entirety of the Okemos Public School District Boundary line. The **Eastern boundary line** shall consist of the westerly side of the Grand Trunk R.R. going northeast to the westerly side of Marsh Rd. from the Grand Trunk Western Railroad on the south to Lake Lansing Rd. on the North; and

WHEREAS, Precinct 4 shall consist of the northerly most boundary line of Meridian Township from Perry Rd. on the east to the East Lansing Public Schools District border on the west, the **Western boundary line** shall consist of the easterly side of the East Lansing Public Schools District/Haslett Public Schools District boundary line from the northerly most point of the Meridian Township boundary line running south along the school border going across B.R. I-69 Saginaw St. to where the northern boundary of the ACT 425 agreement and East Lansing Public School district border meet, the **Southern boundary line** continues from that point and shall run along the northwest side and north side of the Act 425 agreement with East Lansing, continuing on the northerly side on Lake Lansing Rd. to the western shoreline of Lake Lansing, the **Eastern boundary line** shall follow the western shoreline of Lake Lansing going north to Perry Rd., from Perry Rd. going north to the Meridian Township most northerly border; and

WHEREAS, Eliminating the State Representative precinct 12 due to redistricting by keeping All of Precinct 12 boundary the same except the southern boundary line which shall consist of the northerly side of Grand River Ave. from the most easterly border with the City of East Lansing to Park Lake Rd.; and

WHEREAS, NEW Precinct 20 will eliminate a State Representative precinct split and shall consist of the **Northern boundary line** along the south side of Grand River Avenue from the Grand Trunk Western Railroad on the east to the Meridian Township most westerly border on the west, the **Western boundary line** shall consist of the Meridian Township most westerly border from Grand River Ave. going southerly along the East Lansing School District border to the Red Cedar River, the **Southern boundary line** shall consist of the northern side of the Red Cedar River bank, along the riverbank to the Grand Trunk Western R.R., the **Eastern boundary line** shall consist of the Grand Trunk Western R.R. from the Red Cedar River to Grand River Ave.; and

WHEREAS, NEW Precinct 21 shall eliminate a State Representative precinct split and shall consist of the **Northern boundary line** along Grand River Ave. to the south from Okemos Rd. to the Grand Trunk Western R.R. The **Western boundary line** shall consist of the Grand River Trunk R.R. to the East from Grand River Ave. to the North and Red Cedar River boundary to the south, the **Southern boundary line** shall consist of the Red Cedar River from the Grand Trunk Western R.R. to Okemos Rd. The **Eastern boundary line** shall consist of the west side of Okemos Rd. from the Red Cedar River to Grand River Ave.; and

WHEREAS, precinct boundary changes must be approved no later than 210 days prior to the August primary in an even numbered year; however, in the second year following the federal census precinct boundary changes must be approved no longer than 120 days following the August primary. (MCL 168.661(3)); and

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WHEREAS, under the Michigan Election Law, the boundaries of all precincts used to administer the August 2022 and November 2022 elections must be finalized by a resolution by the local Election Commission; and

WHEREAS, precinct boundary alterations made by the April 4, 2022 deadline must go into effect no later than May 4, 2022 (MCL 168.661(2)); and

WHEREAS, Electors placed in a new Congressional, State Senate, State House or County Commissioner District must be issued a corrected Voter Identification Card. (MCL 168.499(3))

WHEREAS, Electors assigned to a new precinct will be issued a corrected Voter Identification Card according to Michigan Election Law (MCL 168.499(3)), and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Charter Township of Meridian Election Commission hereby directs the Township Clerk to rearrange, divide, consolidate and redraw the boundary lines for current precincts: 3, 4, 7, 10, 12 and 20; resulting in the following newly created precincts: 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12, 20, 21, and 22 as outlined in staff's memorandum dated March 30, 2022, as set forth above, and as shown on the map titled VOTING PRECINCTS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS MAP REVISION DATE: March 29, 2022.

ADOPTED:

The foregoing resolution offered by Election Commission Member \_\_\_\_\_, and second offered by Election Commission Member \_\_\_\_\_.

Upon roll call vote the following voted yes:

Upon roll call vote the following voted no:

STATE OF MICHIGAN )

) ss

COUNTY OF INGHAM )

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Election Commission on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2022.

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Deborah Guthrie  
Meridian Township Clerk