



DeKalb County Government

Manuel J. Maloof Center
1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030

Agenda Item - Substitute

December 21, 2021

File ID: FileID

Walk-On Item

Public Hearing: YES NO

Department: Board of Commissioners

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): All Districts

A Resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia to the DeKalb County Delegation of the General Assembly to Authorize the Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Office to Review Proposed District Maps

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PURPOSE:

To request sponsorship to authorize the Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Office of the General Assembly to review the proposed redistricting plan as required under O.C.G.A. § 28-1-14.1(b)(3)(A), which plan is reflected in the enclosed Exhibit A (for DeKalb County Board of Commissioners Districts 1-5) and Exhibit B (for DeKalb County Board Commissioners Districts 6-7), consistent with the number of districts set out in the DeKalb County Organizational Act. See Ga. L. 1981, p. 4304, § 1; Ga. L. 1982, p. 4235, § 1; Ga. L. 1992, H.B. 1577, § 1; Ga. L. 1992, p. 6566, § 1; Ga. L. 2002, p. 3544, § 1; Ga. L. 2012, p. 4610, §§ 1, 7 (Codified as § 2 of the DeKalb County Organizational Act).

NEED/IMPACT:

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 28-1-14.1, review by the Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Office is required before the redistricting plan can be adopted by the Governing Authority and prior to the introduction of legislation to implement the plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the resolution and request that the DeKalb County Delegation to the Georgia House of Representatives authorize the LCRO to review the proposed redistricting plan as required under O.C.G.A. § 28-1-14.1(b)(3)(A), which plan is reflected in Exhibit A (for DeKalb County Board of Commissioners Districts 1-5) and Exhibit B (for DeKalb County Board Commissioners Districts 6-7), consistent with the number of districts set out in the DeKalb County Organizational Act. See Ga. L. 1981, p. 4304, § 1; Ga. L. 1982, p. 4235, § 1; Ga. L. 1992, H.B. 1577, § 1; Ga. L. 1992, p. 6566, § 1; Ga. L. 2002, p. 3544, § 1; Ga. L. 2012, p. 4610, §§



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RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA TO THE DEKALB COUNTY DELEGATION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REAPPORTIONMENT OFFICE TO REVIEW PROPOSED DISTRICT MAPS

WHEREAS, every ten years based on the federal census data, district boundaries for elected offices are redrawn as necessary to ensure equal representation of a jurisdictional population;

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County GIS Department has analyzed the 2020 census data for Dekalb County and created options for new district maps that provide a more equal distribution of the population than the current maps for the Commission districts;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has evaluated these options and determined that the maps attached hereto satisfy legal requirements and traditional principles for redistricting and would best serve the interests of the people of DeKalb County;

WHEREAS, in 2019 the General Assembly passed O.C.G.A. § 28-1-14.1, which requires the General Assembly’s Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Office (the “LCRO”) to review and approve a proposed redistricting plan for a county board of commissioners prior to the adoption of the plan by the Board of Commissioners and prior to the introduction of the local legislation to implement the new plan;

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 28-1-14.1(b)(3)(A), the LCRO review requires a letter of sponsorship from a member of the General Assembly who represents the area in which the Board of Commissioners is located, either in whole or in part, authorizing the LCRO staff to review the proposed redistricting plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY GOVERNING AUTHORITY IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

The Governing Authority of DeKalb County requests that the DeKalb County Delegation to the General Assembly authorize the LCRO to review the proposed redistricting plan as required under O.C.G.A. § 28-1-14.1(b)(3)(A), which plan is reflected in the attached Exhibit A (for DeKalb County Board of Commissioners Districts 1-5) and Exhibit B (for DeKalb County Board Commissioners Districts 6-7), consistent with the number of districts set out in the DeKalb County Organizational Act. *See* Ga. L. 1981, p. 4304, § 1; Ga. L. 1982, p. 4235, § 1; Ga. L. 1992, H.B. 1577, § 1; Ga. L. 1992, p. 6566, § 1; Ga. L. 2002, p. 3544, § 1; Ga. L. 2012, p. 4610, §§ 1, 7 (Codified as § 2 of the DeKalb County Organizational Act).

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of DeKalb County, this _____ day of _____, 2021.

STEPHEN R. BRADSHAW
Presiding Officer
Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb County, this _____ day of _____, 2021.

MICHAEL L. THURMOND
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BARBARA NORWOOD-SANDERS, CCC
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia





VIVIANE H. ERNSTES
County Attorney

EXHIBIT







A

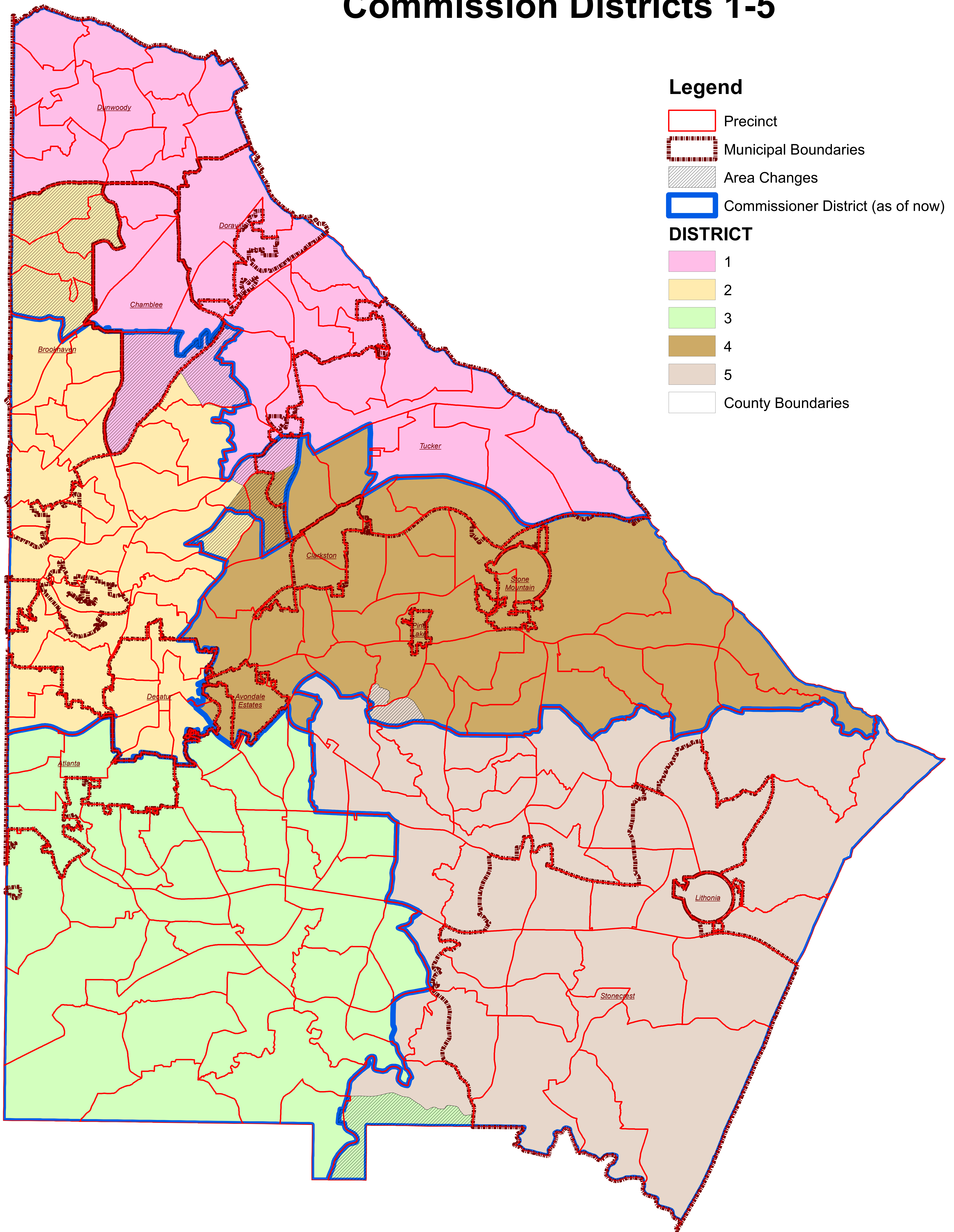
December 16, 2021 Proposed Redistricting Plan Commissioner Districts 1-5

Legend

-  Precinct
-  Municipal Boundaries
-  Area Changes
-  Commissioner District (as of now)

DISTRICT

-  1
-  2
-  3
-  4
-  5
-  County Boundaries



Proposed Redistricting Plan

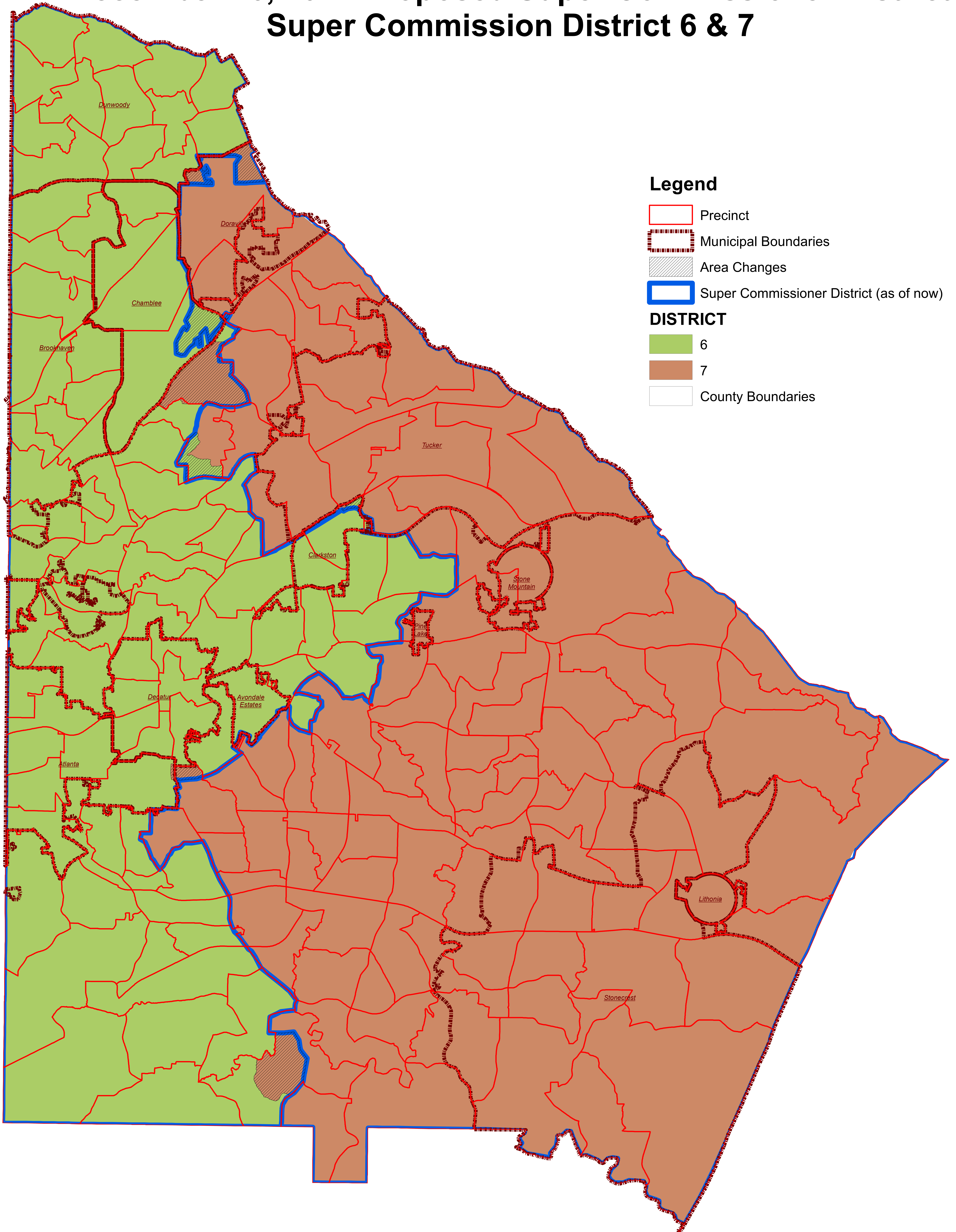
District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Non-Hispanic white (%)	Hispanic (%)	Non-Hispanic black (%)	Non-Hispanic Asian (%)	Non-Hispanic Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (%)	Non-Hispanic some other race (%)
D1	155,823	152,876	2,947	1.93	41.11%	26.31%	17.17%	12.83%	0.06%	1.19%
D2	156,693	152,876	3,817	2.50	61.73%	12.63%	13.35%	9.43%	0.05%	1.42%
D3	148,378	152,876	-4,498	-2.94	16.56%	3.70%	75.90%	1.30%	0.04%	0.76%
D4	154,621	152,876	1,745	1.14	16.39%	5.92%	63.94%	10.79%	0.05%	0.90%
D5	148,867	152,876	-4,009	-2.62	3.50%	4.06%	88.73%	1.14%	0.03%	0.63%

TOTAL Population:	764,382
Mean Target Population:	152,876
Mean Deviation:	3,403
Mean Percent Deviation:	2.23
Largest Positive Deviation:	3,817
Largest Negative Deviation:	-4,498
Overall Range in Deviation:	8,315
Overall Range in Deviation Percentage:	5.44

EXHIBIT

B

December 16, 2021 Proposed Super Commissioner District Super Commission District 6 & 7



Plans For Super Commission District 6 & 7

District No.	TOTAL Population	Target Population	Target Deviation	Target Deviation (%)	Non-Hispanic white (%)	Hispanic (%)	Non-Hispanic black (%)	Non-Hispanic Asian (%)	Non-Hispanic Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (%)	Non-Hispanic some other race (%)
D6	382,318	382,191	127	0.03	43.49%	11.95%	31.10%	10.69%	0.05%	1.20%
D7	382,064	382,191	-127	-0.03	12.98%	9.36%	71.28%	3.72%	0.04%	0.77%

TOTAL Population:	764,382
Mean Target Population:	382,191
Mean Deviation:	127
Mean Percent Deviation:	0.03
Largest Positive Deviation:	127
Largest Negative Deviation:	-127
Overall Range in Deviation:	254
Overall Range in Deviation Percentage:	0.07