

ORDINANCE NO. O-164-98

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY-PARISH COUNCIL
MAKING A PRECINCT CHANGE PURSUANT TO THE LOUISIANA ELECTION
CODE, LA. R.S. 18:1, ET SEQ., TO COMPLY WITH LA. R.S. 18:532-535.1
BY CONSOLIDATING PRECINCTS 91 AND 92 TO BECOME NEW PRECINCT 92**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Lafayette City-Parish Council that:

SECTION 1: LEGISLATIVE INTENT The Louisiana Election Code, La. R.S. 18:1, et seq., including but not limited to, La. R.S. 18:532, et seq. provides for the establishment of precincts, changing precinct boundaries, the establishment and location of polling places, the change of polling places and the notice of the location of precincts and polling places. There presently exist, in the same election districts and at the same location at Kaliste Saloom Fire Station, Precinct 91 and Precinct 92. Precinct 91 has only 375 voters and it should be combined with Precinct 92 to eliminate the cost of one set of commissioners.

In order to comply with these provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, La. R.S. 18:1, et seq., it is necessary to combine Precinct 91 and Precinct 92 to become the new Precinct 92 by a visible feature. The proposal to make this consolidation has been submitted for the required review and approval which has been received from the Louisiana Clerk of the House, the Louisiana Secretary of the Senate, and the Louisiana Commissioner of Elections. See Exhibits 1B and 2D which are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2: PRECINCT CHANGES The Lafayette City-Parish Council does hereby adopt and designate the following precinct changes for precincts within the Parish of Lafayette, State of Louisiana:

Precinct 91 is consolidated with and combined with Precinct 92 to become new Precinct 92.

Both precincts have the same election districts and vote at the same location at Kaliste Saloom Fire Station. Precinct 91 has only 375 voters which should be combined with Precinct 92 to eliminate the cost of one set of commissioners.

SECTION 3: OTHER ACTION Once this Ordinance has been adopted, the City-Parish Legal Department will submit the Ordinance to the United States Department of Justice seeking Section 5 Preclearance under the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended. Furthermore, the City-Parish Legal Department will send a copy of the submission to the United States Department of Justice to the Louisiana Secretary of State as required by the provisions of LA-R.S. 18:1941 et seq. Upon receipt of the Letter of Preclearance from the United States Department of Justice, the City-Parish Legal Department will also send a copy of the Preclearance to the Louisiana Secretary of State.

Once the Ordinance has been finally approved, the City-Parish Legal Department will submit a copy of the Ordinance to the Department of Planning, Zoning and Permits with a request to have the Department adjust all voting precinct maps to reflect the changes made by this Ordinance.

SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE This Ordinance shall become effective after the 1998 Congressional Elections and, in no event, not later than December 31, 1998, and only after Section 5 Preclearance has been received from the United States Department of Justice under the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

SECTION 5: REPEAL All Ordinances or Resolutions, or parts thereof, including but not limited to all Ordinances or Resolutions, or parts thereof, of the City of Lafayette and/or of the Parish of Lafayette, if any, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

EXHIBIT
1-B



State of Louisiana
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION
February 6, 1998

JERRY M. FOWLER
Commissioner of Elections

Mr. Steve Bernard
Registrar of Voters
1010 Lafayette St., Suite 313
Lafayette, LA 70501

Re: Submission of Precinct Boundaries for Review under R.S.
18:532.1 C (3) on behalf of the Lafayette City-Parish Council

Dear Mr. Bernard:

We are in receipt of your proposed change in polling place location for precincts 73 and 90 and proposed changes in several precinct boundaries in Lafayette Parish. This information was received on January 13, 1998.

Under the provisions of the above stated statute, this office is required to review and approve precinct boundary changes prior to implementation. The review for "same voting district" is approved as follows:

- Pcts. 91 and 92 into 92
- Line changes between pcts. 93 and 96
- Pct. 94 into 94A and 94B

It should be noted that the legislature also is required to review and approve such changes prior to implementation so please provide necessary documentation to that office.

Please provide a copy of the letter of preclearance from the Department of Justice.

If we can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to call or write.

Sincerely

JERRY M. FOWLER

Marie Brewer
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Assistant Director of
Registration

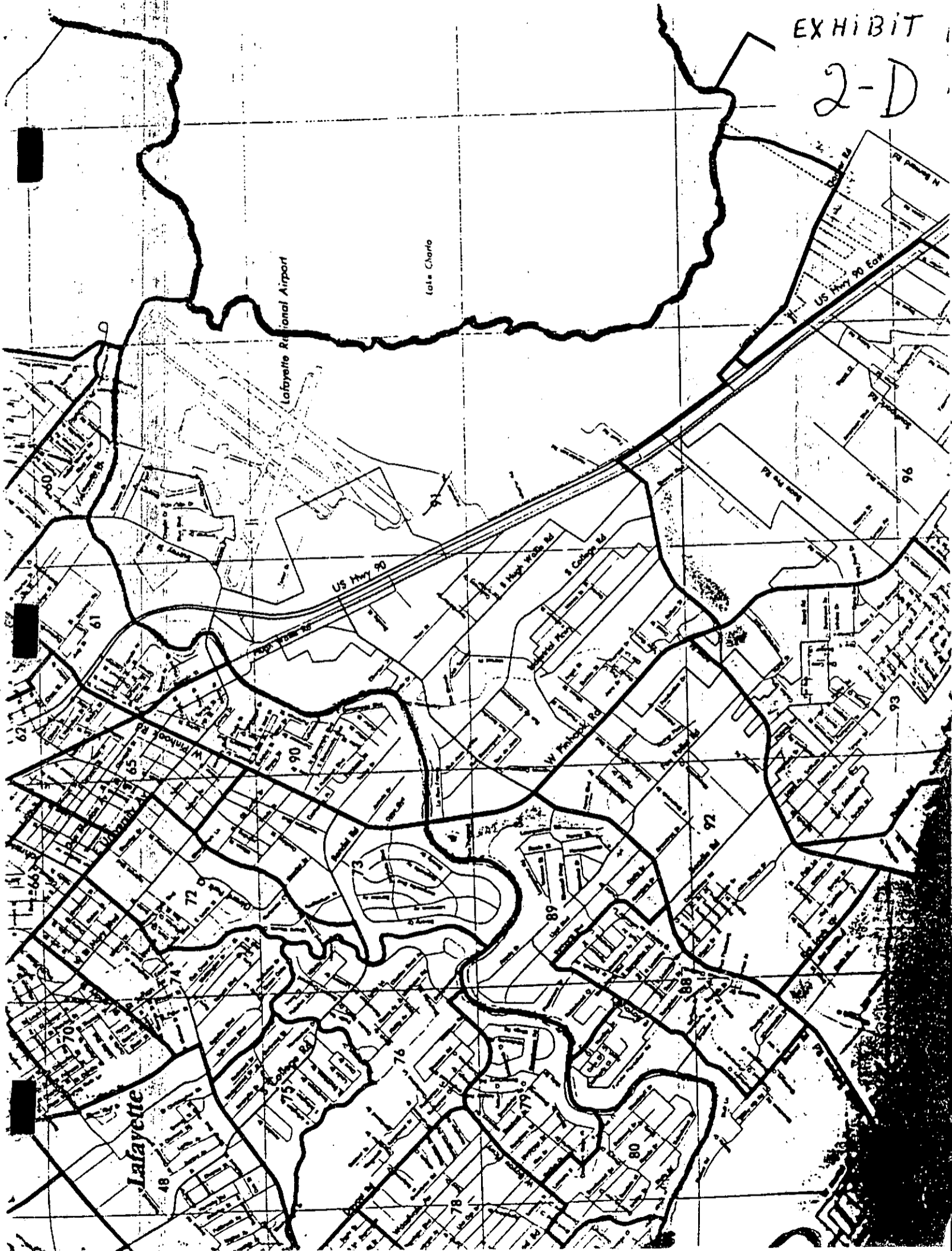
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cc: Kathleen Randall
Donna Durand

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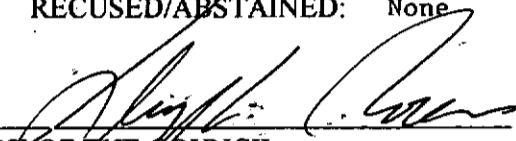
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DISPOSITION OF ORDINANCE NO. 164-98

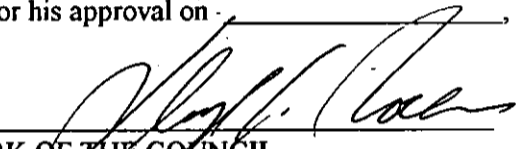
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| 1. This ordinance was introduced: | Final disposition by Council: |
| <u>June 2</u> , 1998 | <u>June 16</u> , 1998 |
| YEAS: Ardoin, Castille, Williams,
Broussard, Trumps,
Schouest, Menard | YEAS: Ardoin, Castille,
Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps,
Alexander, Schouest, Menard |
| NAYS: None | NAYS: None |
| ABSENT: Benjamin, Alexander | ABSENT: Williams |
| RECUSED/ABSTAINED: None | RECUSED/ABSTAINED: None |



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2. Notice of Public Hearing: This ordinance was published by Title and Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Advertiser on June 5, 1998

3. This ordinance was presented to the President for his approval on _____, 1998 at _____ o'clock _____ m.

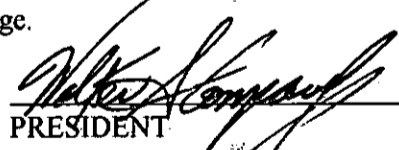


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4. Disposition by President:

I hereby:

- A. Approve this ordinance, the 22 day of June, 1998, at 9:30 o'clock A .m.
- B. Veto this ordinance, the _____ day of _____, 1998, at _____ o'clock _____ m., veto message is attached.
- C. Line item veto certain items this _____ day of _____, 1998, as noted in the attached veto message.

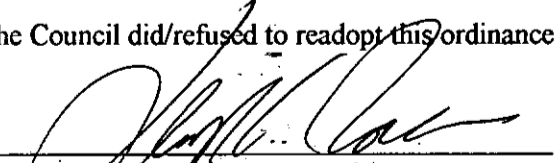


 PRESIDENT

5. Returned to Council office with/without veto message on 6/22, 1998, at 12:25 o'clock A .m.

6. Reconsideration by Council (if vetoed):

On _____, 1998, the Council did/refused to readopt this ordinance after the President's veto.



 CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

7. Full Publication:

Full publication of this ordinance was made in the Advertiser on Thurs, June 25, 1998.

NOTE: If no approval nor veto of President appears, and ten days have elapsed since this ordinance was presented to him for action, the same has been automatically approved.