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## Council Action

**Resolution: 25-0704**

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### Resolution to Consolidate Precincts Effective for the 2025 Election Cycle

Whereas, Election Day turnout has declined since the approval of Proposition 2018-3 and 2022-2 with the implementation of No-Reason Absentee Voting, Permanent Ballot List, and in-person Early Voting opportunities;

Whereas, The Michigan Legislature approved SB 572 and 573, increasing the maximum precinct size to 4,999 active registered electors due to anticipated increased early voting and no-reason absentee voting;

Whereas, Voting behavior on the University of Michigan campus has changed since the implementation of same-day voter registration, resulting in less polling place turnout and more Election Day voting at satellite City Clerk office locations;

Whereas, The City's "Permanent Absentee Ballot" list has grown to more than 20,000 registered voters since Proposition 22-2 passed;

Whereas, Six precincts were successfully consolidated ahead of the November 2024 Presidential Election;

Whereas, Over 20,000 voters chose to vote early at an Early Voting site in November 2024;

Whereas, Less than 16,000 voters chose to vote at their Election Day polling location in 2024;

Whereas, Consolidation of precincts could be accomplished with minimal disruption to voters, in some cases consolidating existing precincts within a single polling location;

Whereas, Consolidation of precincts will not result in any "split-district" precincts;

Whereas, Consolidation of precincts would allow for efficiencies in equipment and personnel allocation for early voting; and

Whereas, Consolidation of precincts under MCL 168.658 would result in the elimination of six precincts - Two in Ward 2, One in Ward 3, Two in Ward 4, and One in Ward 5;

RESOLVED, That the following precinct consolidations be approved:

- Precincts 13 and 20
- Precincts 16 and 17

- Precincts 24 and 25
- Precincts 31 and 41
- Precincts 33 and 35
- Precincts 45 and 46;

RESOLVED, That the new precinct voting boundaries indicated on the attached Precinct Maps and Precinct Descriptions be approved;

RESOLVED, That the new precinct boundaries as indicated on the attached Precinct Map and Precinct Descriptions be effective immediately;

RESOLVED, That the attached polling place assignments and numeric naming of precincts be approved;

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be authorized to take any administrative action necessary to implement this resolution; and

RESOLVED, That a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Washtenaw County Clerk and the Michigan Secretary of State, Bureau of Elections.

At a meeting of the Election Commission on 3/28/2025, a motion was made by Atleen Kaur, seconded by Jacqueline Beaudry, that this Resolution be Approved by the Commission. The motion passed.