

**Watertown City Council**

February 22, 2022

**Agenda Item:** Reestablishing Precinct and Polling Place**Request for Action:** Adopt Resolution# 2022-13, Reestablishing Precincts and Polling Places**Employee/Dept.:** Lynn Tschudi, Administrative Services Director**Background:**

Redistricting is the process of redrawing the boundaries of election districts to ensure that the people of each district are equally represented. It is typically done in the United States every ten years, after the completion of the decennial Census.

At the federal level, the apportionment process in the U.S. Constitution outlined a process to make sure each state has Representatives in the House of Representatives roughly proportional to its population. Laws passed since have modified the apportionment process as the number of states and number of representatives changed. Within Minnesota, the state constitution and statutes identify what districts need to be redistricted and processes for redistricting that happens. Within each state, district boundaries are drawn so that approximately the same number of persons are contained within each congressional district in the state in order to give all persons within the state equal representation. These offices include both chambers of the state legislature, county commissioner districts, and city wards, among others.

City governments must reestablish all precincts after state redistricting within sixty days of redistrict notice.

**Budget Impact:**

none

**Funding Source:**

none

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution# 2022-13, a resolution reestablishing precincts and polling places.

**Motion Type:**

Simple majority vote of members present.

**Requested Action/Motion:**

*"I move to adopt Resolution# 2022-13, a resolution reestablishing precincts and polling places."*

**Attachments:**

Resolution# 2022-13

**CITY OF WATERTOWN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2022-13**

**RESOLUTION REESTABLISHING PRECINCTS  
AND POLLING PLACES**

**WHEREAS**, the legislature of the State of Minnesota has been redistricted; and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statute section 204B.14, subd. 3 (d) requires that precinct boundaries must be reestablished within 60 days of when the legislature has been redistricted or at least 19 weeks before the state primary election, whichever comes first;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Watertown, County of Carver, State of Minnesota hereby reestablishes the boundaries of the voting precincts and polling places as follows:

**309 Lewis Avenue South, Watertown, MN 55388**

That part of the city within city limits located at Watertown City Hall

Attached to this resolution, for illustrative purposes, is a map showing said precinct and the location of the polling place.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Watertown this 22 day of February, 2022.

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Steve Washburn, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lynn Tschudi, Admin. Services Director