

## January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

TO: Shari Moore, Saint Paul City Clerk

FROM: David Triplett, Ramsey County Election Manager

SUBJECT: Proposed Precinct Boundary Changes

In preparation for the city elections in 2023, and based on feedback we received from voters and election judges, I am requesting the city consider two precinct boundary changes:

1. Transfer territory from Ward-1 Precinct-2 to Ward-1 Precinct-7.

We recommend transferring the southwestern part of Ward-1 Precinct-2 bounded by Portland Ave., Grotto St. N., and Summit Ave., to Ward-1 Precinct-7. This change will allow voters who live in this territory to vote at the more conveniently located polling place at Unity Unitarian Church.

2. Transfer territory from Ward-2 Precinct-3 to Ward-2 Precinct-7

We recommend transferring the northern part of Ward-2 Precinct-3 bounded by Kellogg Blvd. West, John Ireland Blvd., Interstate Hwy 94, Wabasha St. North, and 7<sup>th</sup> St. East, to Ward-2 Precinct-7. This would establish Kellogg Blvd. as the northern boundary of Precinct-2 Ward-3. Voters who live in this territory would now vote in downtown Saint Paul at the Landmark Center as they did previous to redistricting in 2022.

Minnesota State Law, 204b.14 allows cities to change their precinct boundaries by resolution no later than 10 weeks before a municipal election (August 29, 2023). If approved by the City Council our office will send a mailed notice 25 days prior to the city elections to all voters affected by these precinct boundary changes. Information regarding these changes will also be available on the County's website and social media channels. The precinct boundary changes will take effect once the notice of the change has been posted in the office of the municipal clerk or county auditor for at least 56 days. Under our mutual contract for election services, the County will be responsible for posting the 56 day notice.

Please let me know if you have questions about these recommended changes.

David Triplett Ramsey County Elections Manager